

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

www.stathanasius-evanston.org

Eucharistic Worship

Monday - Friday 6:30 and 8:15 am
Saturday 8:15 am, 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am
LifeTeen 5:00 pm

Our Mission

*"Do this in memory of Me."
We, the members of the
Catholic Community of
St. Athanasius Parish,
are each called by baptism
to continue the work of
Jesus Christ embracing all.
We aspire to worship, love,
thank and serve God.
We are open to what
God calls us to become.*

Come see all that our school has to offer!



St. A's

**Kindergarten
to 8th Grade**

(847) 864-2650

2510 Ashland Ave.
Evanston, IL 60201

www.saintas.net



Open House & Presentation

10:30 a.m. to noon

9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 27

Wednesday, January 30

- Meet parents, students, teachers and our principal.
- View our outstanding facilities.
- Learn about St. A's unique curriculum and programs.
- Financial aid available.
- Full-day and half-day kindergarten options!

Eucharistic Liturgies

January 20 - 27, 2008

Sunday

5:00 pm (Saturday) † Dorothy Maloney
8:00 am † Mr. & Mrs. Martin Kostrzab
9:30 am † Rose Schuba
11:30 am † Maria Eipl
5:00 pm † Eleanor Farrell

Monday

6:30 am † Ken Dupre
8:15 am † Barry McRaith

Tuesday

6:30 am † Julia Heard
8:15 am Sebastian Dailey - 1st Birthday

Wednesday

6:30 am † Bernard Gotta
8:15 am † Oliva Navarrete

Thursday

6:30 am † Gladys McIlrath
8:15 am † Ed Rooney

Friday

6:30 am † Ruth Bonier
8:15 am † Ray Zarski

Saturday

8:15 am † Abby & Richard Halpin
5:00 pm † Barry McRaith

Sunday

8:00 am † Josephine Rogan
9:30 am † John Walsh
11:30 am † Rose Schuba
5:00 pm † Sally Welko

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

St. Athanasius has begun the process of personal interviews and focus group discussions to gather input regarding a proposed capital campaign and the various funding priorities under consideration. While letters of invitation have been mailed to a number of individuals, everyone within our faith community is welcome (and encouraged) to participate in this important process.



Foley Consulting, Inc. has been engaged to facilitate the interviews and compile all feedback to insure complete confidentiality. Response to the Planning Study will provide the information needed so that

the campaign committee will clearly know whether this is, indeed, ***A Time to Grow*** for our family of faith.

No one will be asked to make a financial commitment during the Study, but will be offered the opportunity to share opinions on a number of different topics relating to the proposed campaign. If you are interested in contributing your thoughts, **please contact Janice in the Parish Office at (847)328-1430, Ext. 100.** A wide variety of time slots is available and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis with a goal of interviewing 75 individuals. Don't delay! Call now to schedule an appointment and "let your voice be heard" for the sake of the Parish you love.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

"Pray without ceasing" (1 Thes. 5-17)

In 1908 at Graymoor in Garrison, New York, the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement held the first Church Unity Octave and have prayed for Christian unity, "without ceasing," ever since. Today, Christians around the world celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity together, with the encouragement of the World Council of Churches' Faith and Order Commission and the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity. A daily prayer guide for Christian Unity is inserted in this week's *Chimes*.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



This Week: None
Please consider putting a
donation into the poor box for
St. Vincent dePaul

Next Week:
Annual Catholic Appeal

Annual Catholic Appeal 2008

This week, you are asked to review the *Annual Catholic Appeal* brochure that is included in today's bulletin. The theme of the campaign is: "The Lord is my light..." Psalm 27:1.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the *Annual Catholic Appeal*, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Archdiocese and the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

A significant gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Catholic Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Archdiocese of Chicago is no exception.

The *Annual Catholic Appeal* campaign is much different than a one time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over five months.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministry and services.

If you receive your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend and the following weekend.

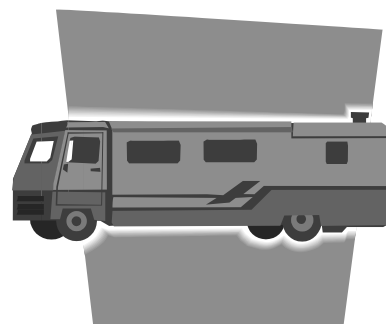
Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

When our parish reaches its goal of \$45,905, 100% of the additional funds received are returned to us for use in our parish.

Please answer the Cardinal's request and make a generous pledge.

Mike Leonard - *The Ride of Our Lives*

The St. A's Women's Club invites you to an entertaining evening with Mike Leonard, a correspondent for the Today Show, as he recounts his whimsical and touching road trip. Leonard took a month off to trek across the country in an RV with his parents. The resulting video, which was featured on NBC's Today Show and the accompanying book, "The Ride of Our Lives: Roadside Lessons of an American Family", have been described as heart warming, uplifting, hilarious and unique. Tom Brokaw, author of *The Greatest Generation*, said "Mike Leonard is a national treasure" and referred to his book as "touching and instructive."



Please join us with Mike Leonard on Wednesday evening, January 23, to share in his memorable, humorous and often poignant cross-country tour. Come to the Hartke Room for refreshments at 7:00 pm and the review at 7:30 pm.

Parishioner Needs Assistance

Tom Bobowski has a van with a lift to assist him in getting around in his wheel chair. But, he is unable to drive. He is looking for someone to drive him to work in the van on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 10:00 am and pick him up again at 3:00 pm. He is willing to create a schedule for multiple drivers. If you are able to help, please call Tom at 847-733-1498.

Fourth Wednesdays for Spiritual Growth

The current “buzz” word in religion these days, *spirituality* is not new to Catholics. We have always been encouraged to grow personally in our relationship to God and have been provided with many ways to nurture that relationship from the rosary to the daily missal, novenas, and Adoration. Many no longer find these traditional practices helpful and yet are still looking for a deeper connection with God and with themselves. Busyness and activities take over our lives and we begin to yearn for time, for space to just be. TAKE THE TIME AND COME. We will meet this month on fourth Wednesday, January 23, both at 9 am and at 7:30 pm, in the Fitzgerald Chapel. Pick the session which is most convenient for you. Each session will last for an hour and a half at most. Our January session will focus on **“Praying with the Winter Season in our Hearts.”** Winter is more than a season of the year; it can also be a season in our spiritual lives and one that can bear much fruit if we are attuned to its rhythm. For more information, contact Carolyn Groves at carolyn.groves@gmail.com or 847-328-1430, extension 130.

Save the Date

Morning of Reflection Saturday, February 9
Guest Speaker: Ron Miller.

Cardinal George Here February 10

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., the Archbishop of Chicago, will be celebrating Mass at St. Athanasius on Sunday, February 10 at 9:30 am.

Planned Offertory Program

Thank you to the families that have already turned in a planned offering pledge card. If you have not, please consider doing so this week. You will find the cards in the pews and at the church exists. By letting us know your stewardship goal for the year, you will be assisting us in projecting a realistic parish budget.

A Return to Democracy in the Church?

On Friday, **February 1**, at 7:30 pm, noted journalist Robert McClory will speak on the subject of his new book, *As It Was in the Beginning*, “the coming democratization of the Catholic Church.” He will also focus on the results of his November interview of clergy and laity of the Church in Holland, which heralds a new age for laity. The session in the Hartke Room is part of the Theology on Draft Series. McClory also authored *The Turning Point* and *Dissent in the Church*.

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly baptized, especially **Casey Anne Bertocchi**, daughter of Joel and Julie Bertocchi.

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Eleanor McCarthy**, mother of Ruth McMahon, John McCarthy and Peggy McCarthy, **Isabelle Black**, mother of Mary Rooney, **William Bartolph**, **Bill O’Connor**, father of Nadine DiVito, **James Wilson**, father of Tim Wilson, **Pat Taylor**, brother of Rita Bambrick, **Colin Barth**, **Lisa Croke**, sister-in-law of Colleen Tosti, **Philip Driscoll, Sr.**, father of Phil Driscoll, Jr., **Angela Fernando**, former parishioner **Diane Bergquist**, **J. Robert Krebs**, father of Marsha Byrne, **Phillip Neff**, **Maritza Acevedo**, **Olga Cheppel**, **Paul Mooney**, **Patrick Nicholson**, and **Charmayne Swanson**;

Those in the military, especially **Lt. Chip Bridgman**, nephew of Barbara O’Connor, and **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of Eric Harkna and Tonise Paul;

Those who have died, especially **Dave Kaiser** and **Oliva Navarrete**, sister of Maria Higuera, **Lee Ann Chisholm**, wife of John Chisholm, **Georgeanne Wojtalewic**, daughter of Lottie, Wojtalewic, **Peter Snieg, Sr.**, father of Reverend Peter Snieg, Jr.

PLEASE NOTE: Names of the Sick recommended to our prayers will remain in the bulletin for **one month**. If you wish their names to remain beyond that time, please call the parish office.



St. Athanasius

Poker Night 2008

January 26 at 7:00 pm
In the school Gym

Seating is limited to the first 120 players. The entry fee is \$100 per seat. There will be awards, cash prizes, and a trophy, along with food and drinks.
Make checks payable to Saint Athanasius School.

To reserve a seat or table call
Mike Callans at (847) 251-4598 or Chris Betz at (773) 386-0626.

Community News

Martin Luther King Day Prayer Vigil

Interfaith Action, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and the Northwester M.L. King Committee will co-sponsor a prayer vigil on Monday, January 21 at 7:00 pm, at Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road. After a welcome by NU President Henry Bienen, the keynote address will be given by Eva Jefferson Paterson. Music will be provided by *Purple Haze*, *Think*, *Harmony in Spirit*, and the *Northwestern Community Ensemble*.



Soup Kitchen

Our next monthly soup kitchen outreach opportunity will be **Thursday, January 31**, at First United Methodist Church, 1630 Hinman Avenue, 4:30-7:30 pm (meal served at 6:00). Contact Karen Ryan (332-1850), Kris Koenig-Morel (475-2104) or Christine Carlson (869-4160).

Youth Instructional Basketball

The i9 Sports youth instructional basketball program for kids ages 6-14, is being offered this winter at both Park Ridge and Niles locations on Sunday afternoons beginning early February.

This is an “instructional” program to TEACH your child basketball skills. “i9 Skills” is for kids ages 6-7. “i9 Hoops” is for ages 8-14. Registration deadline is Monday, January 21. You can register at www.i9sports.com or by calling (847) 480-7767.

Loss Specific Groups at ENH

Consider joining one of these professionally facilitated groups which offer a safe, supportive environment for expressing feelings of loss and provide the opportunity to learn additional coping strategies. Each session will include a brief informational component and time for personal sharing.

Soul Mates - is a support group for those who have experienced the death of a spouse or life partner. It will meet on eight consecutive Tuesday evenings, February 7 through March 25 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

Legacy - is a support group for adults who have experienced the death of a parent. It will meet on eight consecutive Tuesday evenings, February 7 through March 25, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

Other Groups Offered

Knitted Together - this knitting circle will offer both a creative outlet and a place to share our stories of illness and grief. The group will be facilitated by long-time knitter and ENH Hospice Chaplin, Maureen Martin. Some beginning knitting experience is necessary to participate. Beginning January 29, the group will meet every other Tuesday from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Writing Through Grief - in this support group, they will utilize various writing techniques to work through grief, learn how to express your self creatively and find ways to leave your own legacy. Bring a pen, paper, and a willingness to share your story. Topics covered include: journaling, poetry and prayers, letter writing and living wills. Beginning January 16 through February 20, the group will meet on six consecutive Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

All groups meet at ENH Hospice office, 4901 Searle Parkway in Skokie. Call Thom Dennis at (847) 982-4367 for more information.

Who are the Capuchins?



The Capuchin Franciscan friars will be holding a weekend in the Milwaukee area for men [ages 17-49] who are interested in learning about religious life and seeing how Capuchins live as Franciscans in our world and in the Church today.

The weekend is **February 15-17, 2008**. If you would like to attend, have questions, or want to recommend someone for the weekend, call 920-915-4400 or email the Vocation Office at:

vocation@capuchinfranciscans.org

Check out the Capuchin website at:

www.capuchinfranciscans.org

Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 20

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School
Athletics, 1-5 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Monday, January 21

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym
St. Vincent DePaul, 7:30 pm, Rosemeyer

Tuesday, January 22

Mom & Tots, 10 am, Rosemeyer
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym
Making Peace, 7 pm, Church

Wednesday, January 23

Athletics, 3:30-6 pm, Gym
Chess, 6-8 pm, Lunchroom
RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel
Women's Club Book Review, 7:30 pm, Hartke
Gym, 7:30 pm, State of the School
Choir, 7:30 pm, Church

Thursday, January 24

Scripture Class, 9-11 am, Fitzgerald Chapel
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym

Friday, January 25

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym

Saturday, January 26

Athletics, 8 am-3 pm, Gym
Poker Night, 7 pm, Gym

Sunday, January 27

Open House, 10:30 am-Noon, School
Pinewood Derby, 3 pm, Gym
Athletics, 1-5 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

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100 Parish Office	120 Jim Potthast
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101 School Office	124 Lori Goszczynski
103 Fr. Sztorc	125 Steve Carson
105 Marion Amling	129 Bridget Hotchkiss
111 Fr. Libera	130 Carolyn Groves
114 José Moreno	142 Barbara Bonier
115 Susan Castagna	143 Karen Sellers

Weekday Servers January 21 - 26

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Quinn Ryan, Liza Prah
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Mia & Christopher Polinski

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend January 26/27

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector Jean Peters

Servers Carlin O'Brien, Dominique Ford,
Wendy Kuanyin

Eucharistic Ministers

Richard Byrne, Jan Zeller,
Bill Quinlan, Stan & Lori Goszczynski

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Eileen Parkinson

Servers Eleanor Sweeney,
Rebecca & Bradley Suennen

Eucharistic Ministers

Steve Jennings, Walter Farrell,
Bruno Jaselskis, Chris Talbot,
Mary Sullivan

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Maurice Ann Sullivan

Servers *Catholic Schools Week Liturgy*

Eucharistic Ministers

Tim Burke, Barbara O'Connor,
Bob Curley, Gabe Rodriguez,
Michael Sultan

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector Dan Delaney

Servers Evan & Christian Swenson,
Bill Nondorf

Eucharistic Ministers

Mary Ann Harvey, Claire Labbe,
Rosemary Welch,
Jim & Eunie Nondorf

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Watts

Readings for the Week of January 20, 2008

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8* or Ti 1:1-5*/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/
Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Working with the Scriptures

January 20, 2008 (*Isa. 49:3,5-6; John 1:29-34*)

Maggie works in the deli. All day, every day, she slices meats and cheeses, and weighs out portions of salad. But, meats and salads aren't the only thing she gives to her customers. She gives them dignity. She cares about what's important to them. Is the meat the right thickness? Do they want the potato salad with mustard or without? As her experienced hands deftly transfer stacks of shaved ham into neat little plastic bags, she smiles and chats. If she knows the man or woman she's waiting on she may ask about family or job. If she doesn't know them, she'll cheerfully ask about the weather or the condition of the parking lot (if it's snowy or icy she always manages to get it taken care of). No one is rushed away but, somehow, no one is kept waiting, either.

Isaiah's experience of God is that of a child in its mother's womb. Isaiah is reminded by God that he is loved and cared for. Now he is to go out and spread the good news. God wants everyone – all the nations – to know that they are loved. And so Isaiah is sent. "I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

John the Baptist recognized Jesus as the Lamb of God, and he testified to that. He knew that Jesus was God's Son and he treated Him with great deference, because that's how one treats God's child. Maybe that's why Maggie is so popular with her customers. Maggie knows herself and each one of her customers to be a child of God, and she treats them that way. No one is insignificant in her eyes. But not everyone looks at Maggie that way. Some see her only as a middle-aged housewife who can't find any better job than working in a deli.

Paul reminds us that we are called to be holy, but what does that mean? Perhaps it means that we are called to be more like Maggie...

Vinal Van Benthem

Young Adult Happy Hour

The St. Nicholas Young Adult Ministry invites young adults to join them for happy hour at Candlelite, 7452 N. Western Avenue, Chicago, 5:00 to 8:00 pm on Friday, January 25. Singles and couples in their twenties and thirties are welcome. For more information, contact Kylie Barker by email at kylie_barker@hotmail.com or call (847) 452-0962.

OLPH Phoenix Group

The OLPH Phoenix Group is a group of Catholic singles age 50+, who share a social life by attending events of common interest together. Each first Friday they get together for snacks and planning. Members bring activity ideas, and those interested work out the details. They plan movie nights and day trips in the Chicago area. These events supplement our monthly bridge group, restaurant group, and book group. If you would like to meet new people and make new friends, why not join them at 7:30 pm on February 1. They meet at the Francis Room of the Lafayette Building of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Glenview. For more information, call Mary Jane at (847) 398-3528.

St. Benedict Entrance Exam

Open to all 8th graders who have not yet tested at a Catholic School on Saturday, January 26 at 8:00 am. Students should bring two #2 pencils and a \$25.00 testing fee. For more information, call the Admissions Director, Kevin Walsh at (773) 509-3830.

St. Athanasius Parish

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Pastors

Rev. Thomas Libera, *Pastor* (tlibera‡)
Rev. Richard Sztorc, *Associate Pastor* (rsztorc‡)

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Admin. Assistant's Hours: Monday 8:30 am-1:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday 11:30 am-4:30 pm
Reception Hours: Monday/Tuesday 4:30-8:30 pm
Wednesday - Friday 4:30-6:30 pm
Saturday 10 am-4 pm; Sunday 10 am-1 pm

Parish Office Staff

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Barbara Bonier, *Office Manager* (bbonier‡)
Marion Amling, *Business Manager* (mamling‡)
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Chimes Articles

The deadline for submitting information to the parish office is Friday at Noon, **10 days prior to publication date**. Best method is to email the document as an attachment to chimes@stathanasius-evanston.org.

‡ - @stathanasius-evanston.org

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

is a several-month process for an adult wishing to become a Catholic through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) or through a Profession of Faith. These rites are celebrated at the Easter Vigil. Please contact Fr. Rich Sztorc.

Infant Baptism

is generally celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm in the Church. The Baptism Preparation Program for parents and godparents, if possible, is held each month. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Confirmation

preparation begins in the middle of 7th grade and is celebrated during the winter of 8th grade. For adult/high school confirmation, call the Religious Education Office.

The Eucharist

is brought to the homebound by Care Ministers. Arrangements are made by calling Lori Goszczynski. First Eucharist preparation for children begins in 1st grade and is celebrated in the spring of 2nd grade.

Matrimony

arrangements are made by contacting one of the priests at the Parish Office. Arrangements a year in advance allow for adequate reservation time, participation in marriage preparation programs and liturgical planning.

Anointing of the Sick

is celebrated in the Fall during a communal celebration. Special requests for this sacrament can be arranged by calling the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

is celebrated on Saturdays, after the 8:15 am Eucharist until 9:30 am, in the sacristy near the front doors of the Church during the Holy Hour. Communal Reconciliation Services are held during Advent and Lent.



Thank You to our Parish House Volunteers