

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

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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.*



Last Sunday's LifeTeen Outdoor Mass

Eucharistic Liturgies

July 27 - August 3, 2008

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Joe & Marian McGowan
- 8:00 am † Dorothy Maloney
- 9:30 am † Rose Schuba
- 11:30 am † Renee Walsh
- 5:00 pm † Mary Conroy

Monday

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:15 am † Abert Higuera

Tuesday

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:15 am † Renee Walsh

Wednesday

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:15 am † Renee Walsh

Thursday

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:15 am † Renee Walsh

Friday

- 6:30 am No Mass
- 8:15 am † Pete Wickham

Saturday

- 8:15 am Special Intentions for Mary Rhee
- 5:00 pm † Joe & Marian McGowan

Sunday

- 8:00 am John McHale
- 9:30 am † Betty Heeran
- 11:30 am † Rose Schuba
- 5:00 pm † Dorothy Maloney

New Hope Apartment Family Update and Thanks



Dear Members of the St A's Family,
 In the New Hope Apartment Program the mother of the family that our parish is supporting is facing an important change in her life. She is expecting a second child. The baby, a boy, is due in late August or early September.

At the same time, the mother has been working with the teacher and other staff at her son's school on an Individual Educational Plan for the four-year-old boy, whose behavioral problems accompany poor academic performance. The boy has been diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). While her son's difficulties forced her to miss some work time and her supervisor reduced her work hours, the mother is still managing to make exceptional progress toward financial independence and self-sufficiency.

The staff of the Catholic Charities New Hope Apartment Program is pleased with her perseverance and progress in efforts to improve her life. The mother extends her heartfelt appreciation to our parish for our continuing support of her family. Her Catholic Charities social worker reports that the mother would be grateful for any form of assistance as she prepares for the new baby. Your generous donations to the New Hope Apartment Fund make it possible for our parish to help this family. We work with St. Mary's and St. Joseph's parishes in this effort.

We join this young mother in gratitude for the help you are providing her family. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Sotir at (847)864-4015.

Peace,
St. A's Peace and Justice Ministry

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

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|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Offertory July 19/20 | \$8,967 |
| HOPE Sunday To Date | \$28,132 |
| Retirement Fund for Priests | \$2,524 |
| ParishPay for July | \$12,740 |

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

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



Next Week: None

No 6:30 am Mass

There will be no 6:30 am Mass from Monday, July 28 thru Thursday, August 14.

Food Drive Next Weekend, August 2/3

Non-perishable items such as peanut butter, beans, canned meats and fish, pasta, tea and coffee are appreciated. Donations will be collected in the bin in the church for the Hemenway United Methodist Food Pantry. The Peace and Justice Ministry thanks you for your continuing support!



Weekly Food Collection

St. A's has decided to have a food collection every week and not just on the first weekend of each month, because the food pantries are in desperate need of more donations. The basket will be in the vestibule near the Lincoln Street entrance.

Traveling?

Free ministry to traveling Catholics. For nationwide Mass times and locations, call 1-800-Mass-Times or go to www.masstimes.org

Pope's Prayer Intentions

General Intention

Volunteers. That there may be an increase in the number of volunteers who offer their services to the Christian Community.

Pope Benedict XVI has repeatedly expressed his thanks and admiration for volunteers. Volunteers are the people who hear the Word of God and do it. They carry on the work of Jesus Christ by serving those in need with love and joy. In a meeting with volunteer associations last year, the Pope said that volunteers give our society a "humane and Christian face" it would not otherwise have.

Mission Intention

World Youth Day. That World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia may awaken the fire of divine love in young people and make them sowers of hope for a new humanity.

Pope Benedict XVI will visit World Youth Day (WYD) 2008, July 15-20, in Sydney, Australia. The theme Pope Benedict chose for this great Catholic youth festival is "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8).

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly engaged, especially **Ryan Clark** and **Emily Noyes (II)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Tom Walsh**, **Joseph DeLapp**, **Charmayne Swanson**, **Mary Ann Vogt**, mother of **Carolyn Groves**, **Philip Driscoll**, **Rita Smith**, **George Blecha**, **Rosemary Boyle**, **Kathy Groves**, **Olga Chappel**, **Brian Bourke**, **Mary Beth Egner**, **Robert Grisby**, **Patrick Nicholson**, **Christopher Cronin**, **Norman Seligman**, **Helene Joelo**, **Ursula Peghini**, **Pawel Chlipala**, **Victoria Neckel**, **Mary Rhee**, **Annie Beck**, and **George Gordon**;

Those in the military, especially **Ensign Anthony Grusich, USN**, son of **Lois and Bill Grusich**, **Petty Officer 3rd Class Ryan Olsen** and **PFC Kyle Olsen**, grandsons of **Jane and Emmit Ingram**; and **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of **Eric Harkna** and **Tonise Paul**;

Those who have died, especially **Olga Chepell**.

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.



T H E
GENERATIONS
C A M P A I G N

our foundation, our footprint, our future

Today we continue our series of Questions and Answers related to our upcoming Generations Campaign. If you would like additional information or want to volunteer to help us achieve our \$3 million goal, please contact the campaign office (847-332-1615) or visit with a member of the Campaign Leadership Team.

Q. How many registered families are there in the Parish?

A. 1,015

Q. Can we have a quick recap of our last campaign? What was the goal for Forward with Faith? How much was collected?

A. The initial goal was to raise \$1.6 million, \$175,000 of which was designated for the Archdiocese-wide “*Sharing Christ’s Gifts*” campaign. More than \$1.5 million has been received toward this initiative with a few final pledge payments scheduled to come in prior to the end of 2008.

Q. How are the three components for The Generations Campaign prioritized?

A. The nature of the damage to the Church requires that St. Athanasius move quickly with repairs to maximize the work that can be accomplished in 2008 and diminish the opportunity for further deterioration. As such, the Parish has pooled available reserves and, along with early gifts to *The Generations Campaign* and a short-term loan from the Archdiocese, work is targeted to begin in the fall of 2008. Friends of St. A’s, LLC (the owner of Lindley Park) has asked that the Parish show a commitment to proceed by the end of 2008. With the decision to include the acquisition of Lindley Park as a campaign component, the Parish is currently in discussion with the generous families who make up this group to determine a mutually agreeable timeframe for purchase of Lindley Park. All funds that are committed to *The Generations Campaign* beyond the repair costs and the cost to acquire Lindley Park will be directed to the Parish-wide maintenance fund, currently estimated at \$400,000.

Q. How is the water getting inside the walls of the Church?

A. Water is penetrating the exterior face of the building through failure of the mortar in the joints between stones on exterior walls, failures in the gutters and downspouts, cracked stones, failure of sealants around the windows and other damaged areas.

Q. How do we know water is getting in?

A. You can easily see the water damage in several places inside the Church. The damage is most extensive on the upper East wall around the two large windows closest to Lincoln Street. Other places showing damage are on the arch above the Mary statue and the upper window next to it on the West wall. In addition, there is visible damage around the windows above the main altar.

At all these areas, the plaster is buckled or flaking and the stone surrounds of the windows are “spalling” – that is, the stone is flaking off. Spalling is caused by water infiltration. In addition there is “efflorescence” on the window surround stone. Efflorescence is a white powdery crystallization that forms on the stone when salts in the masonry or stone comes in contact with water.

Q. Isn’t this just a minor, isolated problem?

A. No. While the damage is most visible in only a few spots, experts have determined that much of the exterior of the Church needs to be repaired. In general, necessary repairs include replacement of the mortar between the stones, replacement of broken stone, sealing of all joints and other repairs.

IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING

Q. How do we know the problems are so extensive?

A. The Parish, enlisting the help of experts, hired the engineering firm of Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. (WJE) to perform a detailed condition survey of the Church building. WJE is well known in the Archdiocese of Chicago and has performed similar work on many church buildings and other structures throughout the country. WJE made a thorough interior and exterior inspection of the Church building. This was done through a walk around at ground level, as well as from ladders, a boom lift and on the roof, including the bell tower. They opened the walls in three places to examine behind the stone façade and took mortar samples for laboratory analysis.

Q. Did WJE prepare a written report of the findings of this inspection?

A. Yes. WJE presented a written report of approximately 50 pages. The major findings of the report are:

- Mortar between the joints of exterior stone over large areas of the walls has deteriorated.
- Cracks are evident in the walls of the sacristy area.
- Some stones (including a stone lintel) are cracked.
- Surface spalling and exfoliation (crumbling of the stone) was noted on the façade in limited areas.
- Efflorescence and water staining is present near windows on the East and North façades and on the stone tracery of the North windows.
- Silicone sealants applied in areas corresponding to observable interior water damage have failed – the sealant has been in place longer than the normal expected useful life and no longer provides a water seal.
- Decorative stone work (coping stones) at the top of the walls and buttresses has missing mortar from joints and/or is not properly sealed with surrounding stone; some of this stone is cracked.
- The bell tower shows significant deterioration of interior brickwork and exterior problems consistent with the remainder of the façade.
- Urethane sealant around each window and door opening as well as at all the limestone surrounds of the windows has failed.
- Sealant around the exterior protective glazing on the large stained glass windows has failed.
- Some copper window frame covers are damaged or missing.
- Metal window frames of the sacristy windows need repainting.
- The flat roof areas of the bell tower and sacristy have deteriorated and are near failure.
- Although in generally good condition, the slate roofs over the nave and apse show some missing or damaged tiles.
- All of the copper gutters have holes in the gutter liner. Joints between gutters and downspouts are open or broken in many places. Some downspouts show partial blockage by roof debris such as leaves and twigs.

Q. So how do we fix this?

A. WJE has prepared a detailed work plan to address all the major concerns identified through the inspection. The plan is divided into two phases.

***The phases will be described in future bulletins
so please watch for more details.***

MEET THE TEAM!

Please enjoy this week's installment as we continue to introduce those who will serve on the Campaign Leadership Team in support of *The Generations Campaign*. If you have any questions going forward, you are invited to discuss them with any member of the Team.



Bill Harmon grew up on a family farm in Ottawa, Illinois. He still owns that farm which has been in his family now for 175 years. Current crops include corn and soybeans. Bill attended Marquette High School in Ottawa and went on to pursue an undergraduate degree in history at Bradley University in Peoria. He taught history and social studies for several years at a high school in Westville, just outside Danville, Illinois.

During his tenure as a teacher, Bill's grandfather's advice took hold and he decided to attend law school at The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Here he met Sue and they were married in 1979 as they finished their respective law degrees.

Bill and Sue came to Chicago and began their law careers. Bill took a position with the firm, Isham Lincoln & Beale, founded in 1872 by Edward Swift Isham and Robert Todd Lincoln. He spent nine years there before he moved to his current firm, Jones Day, in 1988. Bill's specialty is corporate securities and utilities law.

The Harmon's came to Evanston in 1983 and joined St. Athanasius Parish. Bill and Sue have two children. Sarah will be married at St. Athanasius this fall and Mark will be a sophomore at Columbia College. Both children attended the Family Program and Bill feels they received a great education in the spiritual traditions of the Church. St. Athanasius is an important part of their family. Neither Sue nor Bill grew up here, but feel now after many years that they have a sense of putting down roots in Evanston and in the Parish. Bill observes that St. A's is unique in that there are generations of families living here together and sharing the same faith community.

Bill agreed to serve as a member of the Campaign Leadership Team because he cares about preserving what St. Athanasius has and providing for the future. *"We all share the beauty and history of our Church. We all have responsibility to preserve and protect it today and pass it to the next generations. We have a once in a lifetime chance to give a great gift to those who follow us here by acquiring Lindley Park."* Bill is serving in a liaison capacity with the Parish's Facilities Team for **The Generations Campaign** and is well versed on the work that needs to be done on and in the Church.

Reserved Parking for Northwestern Football Games 2008

St. Athanasius Parish Parking Lot Proceeds Benefit St. A's Parish Projects

Reservations

\$21 per reserved space per game (\$147 for the season) Individual games may be reserved. Please indicate which games you will be attending. With reservations, you receive colored parking slips by return mail and your name on our "check-in list".

If someone else will be using your reserved parking spot, or to reserve additional spaces, please email the youth minister, Jim Potthast at jpotthast@stathanasius-evanston.org or phone 847-328-1430, extension 120, at least 24 hours prior to the game.

For non-reserved spaces when available

\$20 at the entry on Eastwood only

Lot opens 2 hours prior to game (call if early arrival needed)

Rules for Parking in our Lot

NO ALCOHOL

No cooking or heat source

No glass

Lindley Park available for picnic, no alcohol

Bathroom is available (outside entrance east of children's play lot)

We are not responsible for any damage to your property while using our parking lot.

Home Game Schedule 2008

August 30

Syracuse

September 13

Southern Illinois

September 20

Ohio

October 11

Michigan State (C)

October 18

Purdue (homecoming) (C)

November 8

Ohio State (C)

November 22

Indiana (C)

**(C) = Big 10 Conference Game*

Make check payable to St. Athanasius Parish with the memo "NWU parking".

Mail c/o Pat Schmidt to 1615 Lincoln Street, Evanston, 60201.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, July 27

Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Monday, July 28

Tuesday, July 29

Wednesday, July 30

Thursday, July 31

Friday, August 1

Saturday, August 2

Sunday, August 3

Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Soup Kitchen

Volunteers are needed for the next **Thursday** soup kitchen on **August 7** at First United Methodist Church, 1630 Hinman, 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm (meal served at 6:00). Please contact Karen Ryan (847-332-1850) or Kris Koenig-Morel (847-475-2104) or Christine Carlson (847-869-4160) to participate. Volunteers are also needed for the next **Monday** soup kitchen on **August 11** at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Please contact Katie Maday (847-475-1538) or Helen Madden (847-866-8875) to participate.

Staff Extension List 847-328-1430

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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 |
| 116 Jean Lauri | |

Weekday Servers July 28 - August 2

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Kieran Howard, Fiona Harrigan
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Sam Knepper, Abby Samuelson

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend August 2/3

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Larry Wojcik
Servers Cassie Dooley, Quinn Foley
Eucharistic Ministers
Jackie & Mike Brennan,
Richard Byrne, Helen Stake,
Bob Costello

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Sheila Fenn
Servers Fiona McMahon, Katy Rose O'Brien,
Frances Leonard
Eucharistic Ministers
Nancy Taylor, Sally Hageman,
Mary Sullivan, Robert Coats,
Josie Vorda

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Dowd
Lector Robert Coats
Servers Roman Krasnitsy, Molly Gentile,
Christopher Kreid
Eucharistic Ministers
Barbara O'Connor, Rita Bambrick,
Donna Consolo, Jill Blabolil,
John Osterlund

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Dowd
Lector Dan Delaney
Servers Gabriel Knight, Billy Nondorf
Eucharistic Ministers
John & Troy Dentzer, Marge Foley,
Claire Labbe, Mary Ann Harvey

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Libera

Readings for the Week of July 27, 2008

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52
or 13:44-46
Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Working with the Scriptures

July 27, 2008 (Rom. 8:28-30; Mt. 13:44-52)

I've written before about my mother's belief that "...all things work for good for those who love God..." My Mom knew from personal experience that even though things may seem to be going wrong, if we hang on to our faith in God things all will be well.

"The kingdom of heaven is like...a treasure buried...a pearl of great price..." Every day it seems that we hear stories of massive layoffs in the automobile and airline industries, driven primarily, by increasing fuel prices caused by shortages of foreign oil. Some people are calling for the use of alternative power – wind, solar, nuclear, etc. Others would solve the crisis by drilling new wells in previously protected areas of our country. Debates rage – do we protect our own pristine lands at the expense of third world devastation? Do we divert funding to farmers who grow corn for ethanol? What are the consequences of wind turbines on migrating birds? Where do we go with nuclear waste? Do we really have the right to shoot our garbage out into space?

Everyone has their treasure. For some it's the environment; for others it's the availability of cheap fuel. Declining automobile sales are forcing manufacturers to design more fuel-efficient vehicles for a population that treasures its transportation independence. Conservationists point out the effect of drilling and mining not only on our own environment, but on foreign rain forests and grasslands as well. In other words, what some see as a crisis others view as an opportunity. How we respond, however, will depend largely on what we treasure.

"...All things work for good for those who love God..." But loving God cannot be limited to an hour on Sunday. Loving God demands that we also love all that God has created. Loving God demands that we love the Divine Spirit present in every man and woman, no matter where they live. Do we see the land as "treasure"? Or only as an opportunity for exploitation? What do we value? *Who* do we value? Will the challenges of our times work for good? Or will we forget and buy the wrong field?

Vinal Van Benthem

St. Nicholas of Tolentine School

Celebrates its 100th Anniversary, 1909 - 2009, and is looking for former students to join them for a great celebration on May 16, 2009. The celebration will begin with Mass at 2:00 pm, followed by a School Open House and ending the evening with a dinner-dance at Georgio's from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm. For more information, call Fr. Stan Rataj at (773) 735-1121. The school is located at 3721 West 62nd Street in Chicago.

Lincoln Chamber Auditions

Auditions will be conducted for the upcoming performance of Luigi Cherubini's Requiem in C minor. The rehearsals begin on August 3. The performance date is set for November 2 at 5:00 pm at Beautiful Nativity BVM Church in Chicago. They are looking for a chorus of 50 members which will perform with professional chamber orchestra and organ. To schedule an audition time, call Tim Woods at (815) 806-0066, or email him at jtcatholic@earthlink.net.

New Center for Marriage Enrichment

Imagine if you could create with your spouse the relationship of your dreams. The Center for Marriage Enrichment is a new outreach program from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Counseling Services. Their Fall Marriage Retreat takes place on October 11 and 12 from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. At this weekend retreat you will have the opportunity to revitalize and re-energize your relationship. The cost for the retreat is \$275 per couple. All CME events are held at the OLPH Rectory, 1175 Grove Street in Glenview. To register, please call Mary Butler (847) 475-1092 or Patty Tilghman (847) 729-9234.

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Admin. Assistant Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 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 9 am-1 pm

Parish Office Staff

Karen Sonnicksen Sellers, *Parish Administrator* (ksellers†)

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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.

