

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.*



Wishing all of our St. A's students and families a lively and enjoyable school year.

Eucharistic Liturgies

August 30 – September 6, 2009

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) Special Intentions for the Houk Family
- 8:00 am † Ann Ignoffo
- 9:30 am † Genevieve Lubawy
- 11:30 am † Jack Kent
- 5:00 pm † Eva Solazzo

Monday

- 6:30 am † Betty Suttner
- 8:15 am † James Mahoney

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Alice Pool
- 8:15 am Active & Deceased Members of the St. Athanasius Women's Club

Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Charles Sotir
- 8:15 am † Terry Hartigan

Thursday

- 6:30 am † Rose Kilby
- 8:15 am † Special Intentions for the Houk Family

Friday

- 6:30 am † Willa Wallace
- 8:15 am † Barry McRaith

Saturday

- 8:15 am † Rev. Richard Vande Velde, S.J.
- 5:00 pm † Derek Dodd

Sunday

- 8:00 am † Ann Smith
- 9:30 am † Dick Speidel
- 11:30 am † Derek Dodd
- 5:00 pm † Willa Wallace

St. Athanasius Church

Labor Day Mass

Monday, September 7

9:00 am

There will be no 6:30 am or 8:15 am Mass that day.

Family Program Needs You!

Our Family Program is growing and we want to include everyone who would like to be a part of it. Do you have children or do you have relatives, friends, or neighbors who have children who might be enrolled in these classes? Would you like to teach, or help with the program? **We are looking for teachers.** If you travel on business or have other part time commitments, team teaching is possible and we always need substitute teachers. Qualifications? Faith and Passion – all training will be provided. **We are also looking for high school students to be classroom aides.** Classes meet from September to May on Sunday mornings from 10:45 am to noon. For a full schedule and further information, please consult the parish website, or contact the Religious Education Office at 847-328-1430, extension 129 for Bridget or extension 124 for Cynthia. You may also email Bridget at bhotchkiss@stathanasius-evanston.org or Cynthia at csplatt@stathanasius-evanston.org. ***If you are already a part of the program, please remember to return your registration forms.***

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Offertory August 22/23	\$5,993
Children's Envelopes	\$9.35
ParishPay for August	\$14,503

Fiscal Year 7/1/2008 through 6/30/2009

Sunday Offertory Actual	\$633,925
Sunday Offertory Budget.....	\$732,991
Shortfall	(\$99,066)

~ Thank You ~

**Every Contribution Matters
Every Parishioner Counts**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

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



Next Week: None

Honor A Worker

The Interfaith Worker Justice, headquartered in Chicago, is a national cluster of groups working with those sometimes exploited low-wage workers to raise wages, improve working conditions, and secure earned back wages (www.iwj.org or call 773-728-8400).

Next week, as we commemorate labor, IWJ suggests we show appreciation for those workers who feed or motivate us, those who deliver our newspapers, protect, heal, or teach us. Who are these people in our lives?

When we attend our Labor Day 9:00 am Mass, or in thinking of those individuals who help make our day, as well as those who are searching for jobs, let some of these people know that they are noticed and appreciated.

Health Care Reform

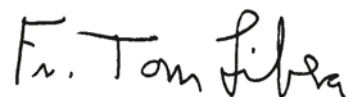
Amid the swirl of claims and counterclaims, fear mongering and the complexities of shaping a legislation that brings a manageable health care bill to our country, it is easy to lose a sense of perspective. With 624 hospitals, the Catholic Church is one of the largest health care providers in the United States. It has some wisdom and conviction to contribute to the debate surrounding health care reform. Reform is certainly needed when one out of three Americans under the age of 65 went without health insurance for some period of time during 2007 and 2008. Of these, four out of five were from working families. Sixty-four percent of the uninsured are employed full time, year round.

Our Catholic tradition does not propose to have all the detailed answers that bring us closer to adequate health care for our citizens. However, our bishops, through their National Conference of Catholic Bishops, do offer some convictions and guidelines that spring from our faith tradition and thus offer some direction for our thoughts.

Among the clear principles is a support for “universal health coverage which protects the life and dignity of all, especially those who are poor and vulnerable.” In addition, our bishops oppose “any efforts to expand abortion funding, mandate abortion coverage, or endanger the conscience rights of health care providers and religious institutions.” Finally, there are the criteria to control costs while safeguarding health care for legal immigrants.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic bishops has established a website with current information on emerging issues at www.usccb.org/healthcare. It offers suggestions on how we can have our voices heard during this pivotal time of policy making that will touch all of us.

In the Lord's Blessings,



Mom & Tot Playgroup on September 1

Come join us for Mom & Tot Playgroup the first Tuesday of every month. This month we are meeting at Independence Park (across from Paper Source) from 10:30 am to noon. In case of rain or extreme heat, we will meet in the Rosemeyer Room at the Parish House. Our following meeting will be on Tuesday, October 6. Stay for the entire time, or just drop in for a little bit as your schedule allows. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Maggie Swider at 847-425-1331 or email at mtrebbien@hotmail.com.

Soup Kitchen

The month of September brings us two opportunities for soup kitchen outreach. The next **Monday** soup kitchen will be on **September 14** at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Contact Katie Maday (475-1538) or Helen Madden (866-8875). The next **Thursday** soup kitchen will be on **September 17** 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).

Food Drive Next Weekend, Sept. 5/6

Please bring your non-perishable food items to the bin in the church for the Hemenway United Methodist Food Pantry. The Peace and Justice Ministry thanks you for your continuing support!



Come Out and Show Your St. A's Spirit!

North Shore Community Day at Ryan Field Featuring St. A's Redhawks vs. Wilmette Catholic at Halftime

The Wilmette Catholic (St. Francis and St. Joseph Schools) and St. A's football teams will open their 2009 seasons with a scrimmage on Ryan Field during the halftime of the Towson vs.

Northwestern football game on Saturday, September 5. Both teams will also form the team tunnel for the Wildcats when they take the field for the game. All participating team members will be admitted free, and their families and friends can purchase tickets for only \$10. Join us in a show of support for our St. A's Redhawks! Order forms may be found at all of the church exits and in the School and Parish offices. **Forms must be turned into the St. A's School Office by Tuesday, September 1 with payment.** Please put them to the **attention of Katie Hageman, Athletic Director.** Tickets may be picked up on Friday afternoon, September 4 at 3:30 pm outside the front doors of the school.

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly baptized, especially **William Benjamin Foley**, son of Daniel and Lauren Foley;

The newly engaged, especially **Chad Tady** and **Sara Schremp (I)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Diann Schroeder, Tom Harvey, Dave Walker, Emma Vogelmann, Michael Del Turco**, and **Kathleen Freestone**, niece of Mary Lietz, **B.J. Wagner**, wife of Harold Kimball, **Tom Kent, Fred Meeder, Elizabeth Adamson, Carol Hoppe, Molly Malek**, sister of Joan Lemasters, **John Romankiewicz, Mary Alice Micali, Jeanne Haselton, Mary Bomba, Dennis Degelmann, Arthur Hofstetter, Katie Ryan, Alice Sloma, Helene Joelo, Margit Joelo, Charmayne Swanson, Bruce McCulloch**, husband of Jean McCulloch, **Kathryn Hand, Ron Selke, Sharon Lebsack**, and **Paul Mooney**, nephew of Bob and Nancy Doyle;

Those in the military, especially **Ken Razionale, USMC, Catie Staub**, daughter of David and Mary Therese Staub, **Ensign Anthony Grusich, USN**, son of Lois and Bill Grusich, **Petty Officer 3rd Class Ryan Olsen** and **PFC Kyle Olsen**, grandsons of Jane and Emmitt Ingram, and **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of Eric Harkna and Tonise Paul;

Those who have died.

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.

Next Sunday's Gospel – September 6, 2009
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mk 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis.

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his fingers into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "*Ephphatha!*"— that is, "Be opened!" — And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.

He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

After reading the Gospel aloud, in unison, those gathered reflect on the following questions:

- In this passage, what word, phrase or image struck you?
- How does that speak to you personally?
- How does that speak to our community at St. Athanasius? And to the wider Church?

*Conclude by praying the **Our Father** together.*

Faith First

For many centuries, few Catholic Christians read the Bible, and still today, we are often timid about doing so. The first English translations of the Bible from Latin were made by early Protestants and it was not until 1582 that a Catholic translation was published. Even then, Catholic lay people were less likely to read their Bible regularly. The many advances in Scripture scholarship during the twentieth century and the openness brought about by the Second Vatican Council in the 1960's have given us a new perspective on our sacred texts.

Do you have a family Bible in your home? If it is several generations or more old, it may be a Douay - Rheims, a later version of the original Catholic translation, or it may be King James, a recent version of the Protestant translation. These are family keepsakes to be treasured, but for reading, study and prayer you may want to consider a new Bible. Footnotes are essential - reading the Bible is like reading Shakespeare, contemporary people need explanations. The Scripture readings we hear on Sunday are taken from the New American Bible (NAB). The NAB translation is available in two very user friendly editions: The Catholic Bible, Personal Study Edition and the Catholic Youth Bible.

For more information on how to choose a Bible, visit the Parish website.

The St. Athanasius Women's Club cordially invites you to their

Fall Dinner

Wednesday, September 16

Mass at 6:00 pm in the Church

Presiders: Fr. Tom Libera and Fr. Rich Sztorc

Followed by Social Hour and Dinner

in the School Gym (easy access from Ashland Avenue Gym Entrance)

Please join us as we begin another year of spiritual and social enrichment.
Ask a friend to come with you. Guests are most welcome.

Joan Lemasters and Pat Schmidt

Hospitality Committee

Please RSVP by Friday, September 11**

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**Dinner Reservation \$15 per person**

St. Athanasius Women's Club

2009-2010 Membership Application and Dinner Reservation

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(This information will be used to update our membership directory)

Membership Fee \$25 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
Dinner Reservation \$15 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
\$40 total

*\*\*If phone reservation is made prior to September 11, payment may be made at the door.*

For your convenience, you may include both on one check, payable to the St. Athanasius Women's Club.  
Please return your check, updated information, and reservation form to Bridget Hotchkiss,  
2503 Eastwood Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201 (phone 847-733-0219).



# 41st Annual J. Barry McRaith St. Athanasius Golf Classic

September 18 – Peter Jans Golf Course

Registration/Lunch – Noon

Shotgun Start – 1:30 pm

Awards and Prizes will be given at Dinner

Dinner Banquet, Live Music & Dancing featuring

**Dad Circus**

**Can't Golf? Join us at the "19<sup>th</sup> Hole" for  
Dinner and the "After Party" under the stars!**

Registration forms may be picked up at the Parish Office.

Please return your form and money to Tom Leinenweber, 2915 Colfax Street, Evanston, IL 60201  
**BY SEPTEMBER 11.**

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – AUGUST 24, 2009

Scaffolding is being built along the west side of the Church. Grinding and repointing of the mortar joints on the north side and the west upper elevations of the Church, and rebuilding the buttresses on the bell tower, continues.

The inspection of the structural columns, from a boom lift set up inside the Church on July 29, allowed for a close-up inspection of the condition of those columns, and confirmed that our drawings are accurate and that, while there has been some movement in the wood in the building's history, there is no evidence of any recent movement.



*The West Elevation of the Church*



*Inside the Bell Tower*

Two of the exterior buttresses on the east side of the Church (where we have seen extensive spalling and deterioration on the inside of the Church) have been stripped for further inspection, and will be rebuilt. Coring samples have been taken at the base of the wood columns, and testing has been conducted to evaluate the nature and extent of any wood decay. A third buttress, where there is no visible evidence of damage, will also be inspected.

Cleaning products, to clean the staining on the limestone, are being investigated to determine the best product for our façade.

## Parish Calendar

**Sunday, August 30**

**Monday, August 31**

Volleyball, 3:30-7:30 pm, Gym

**Tuesday, September 1**

Women's Club, 9-11 am, Dining Room

Mom's & Tots Playgroup, 10:30-11 am, *Independence Park*

Volleyball, 3:30-8 pm, Gym

**Wednesday, September 2**

Cheerleading, 2:30-4:30 pm, Lunchroom

RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Choir, 7:30 pm, Church

**Thursday, September 3**

Volleyball, 3:30-8 pm, Gym

**Friday, September 4**

**Saturday, September 5**

**Sunday, September 6**

## Grief and Loss Support

St. Francis Xavier Grief and Loss Support Group will meet on Thursday, September 3 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Sessions are held in the Parish Office on the corner of 9th and Greenleaf in Wilmette.

Excerpts from author Joyce Rupp's *Praying our Goodbyes*, will be used for discussion and reflection. Sessions are free and all are welcome.

Reservations are recommended, but not required. For more information, call Debbie at the Ministry of Care Office (847) 256-2273.

## Staff Extension List 847-328-1430

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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 100 Parish Office  | 116 Jean Lauri        |
| 100 Janice Moore   | 120 Jim Potthast      |
| 101 School Office  | 123 Mary Lietz        |
| 103 Fr. Sztorc     | 124 Cynthia Splatt    |
| 105 Marion Amling  | 125 Steve Carson      |
| 107 Judy Berg      | 129 Bridget Hotchkiss |
| 111 Fr. Libera     | 142 Barbara Bonier    |
| 114 José Moreno    | 143 Karen Sellers     |
| 115 Susan Castagna | 157 Lori Goszczynski  |

## Weekday Servers August 31 – September 5

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday  
Connor & Michael Carlin  
Thursday/Friday/Saturday  
Karina & Peter deHueck

## Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend September 5/6

5:00 pm Saturday

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** TBA

**Servers** Molly Braasch, Connor & Michael Carlin

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Henrietta Berning, Joan Conroy,  
Jackie & Mike Brennan, Helen Stake

8:00 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** TBA

**Servers** John Charron, Martin Fenn, Sean Cox

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Mary Sullivan, Judy Berg, Sally Hageman,  
Deborah Haracz, Nancy Taylor

9:30 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** TBA

**Servers** Matthew & Michael Consolo,  
Aidan Crowe

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Rita Bambrick, Jill Blabolil,  
Donna Consolo, Bridget Hotchkiss,  
Beth Rodriguez

11:30 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** TBA

**Servers** Paul Cushing, Clementine Creevy,  
Cassie Dooley

**Eucharistic Ministers**

John & Troy Dentzer, Tom & Sue Laue,  
Karen Sellers

5:00 pm Sunday

**Presider** TBA

## Working with the Scriptures

August 30, 2009 (Mk. 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

There was a time in Catholic practice when everyone knew exactly what to do and when to do it. We knew when to eat meat and when to eat fish. We knew when to wear a hat and when to take it off. We knew these things because this was “what we had always done.” People could tell by looking at us that we were Catholic. At least, that is, if they happened to be looking at us at dinnertime on Friday or if they saw us getting ready to go to church on Sunday. But what about those people who worked with us on Monday?

It was 9:30 A.M. when Fred called a meeting of the sales team. The publishing house was a small one and most of the employees were used to handling whatever came their way, even if it was not technically “their job”. Usually they worked together well enough. But today was not a “usual” day.

A major client was pulling out and jobs were on the line. Fred announced that two of the people who had worked on the project would be laid off. Everyone held their breath. They had *all* worked on that project. Who would be the unlucky ones? Chairs shifted as people moved away from one another. Eyes were cast down, no one wanting to draw attention to themselves. Their thoughts were churning as each began to plan how they might ensure that *their* job would not be one of those to be eliminated. “What right does Fred have to do a thing like this?” “I’m calling my lawyer.” “What customers can I take with me if I’m let go?”

“From within...their hearts come evil thoughts... theft...greed, malice, deceit...envy...” The feelings that rise up in us at times like this have little to do with what we eat on Friday. “This people honors me with their lips...” And we probably don’t look much different to the people who see us at Church on Sunday. The real question is, what do people see when they look at us on Monday?

*Vinal Van Benthem*

## Readings for the Week of August 30, 2009

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30  
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37  
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44  
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11  
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39  
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5  
Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



### *Fair Trade Non-Profit* Ten Thousand Villages Evanston Hosts Annual Oriental Rug Event

*Friday, September 11 through  
Saturday, September 19*

Join us at 719 Main Street for our Annual Oriental Rug Event featuring the sale of over 300 heirloom quality rugs in all styles, shapes, and sizes – all hand-knotted by fairly paid adults. It’s a week-long event not to miss as these exquisite rugs from Pakistan represent a win-win situation for all: a high quality, fairly priced, hand-knotted rug for the consumer and a fair-paying, consistent job for artisans. Because parents are paid fairly, no children work on these rugs; instead they go to school.

Evening seminars at the store on Friday, September 11 or Wednesday, September 16 at 7 pm offer an opportunity to hear rug expert Yousaf Chaman talk about the time-honored rug-making process from wool-dyeing to fringe-tying and how the artisans’ quality of life is enhanced by fair trade. Call the store at 847-733-8258 to reserve a spot for these sessions.

Shopping hours are Monday & Thursday, 10 am - 7 pm; and Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 am - 6 pm; and Sunday, September 13, noon - 5 pm. Even if you are not in the market to purchase, the opportunity to view and learn about these gorgeous works of art is worth the trip. Get a preview of the rich colors and intricate designs at [rugs.tenthousandvillages.com](http://rugs.tenthousandvillages.com).

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## Pastors

Rev. Thomas Libera, *Pastor* (tlibera‡)

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

## Parish Office

847-328-1430 (fax) 847-328-1809

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‡)

Barbara Bonier, *Office Manager* (bbonier‡)

Marion Amling, *Business Manager* (mamling‡)

Janice Moore, *Administrative Assistant* (jmoore‡)

Jean Lauri, *Campaign Administrative Assistant* (jlauri‡)

## Pastoral Staff

### Buildings and Grounds

Jose Moreno, *Facilities Manager* (jmoreno@saintas.net)

## Catholic Chaplain

### Evanston Hospital 570-2330

Sr. Ann Weiler, O.S.F.

## Deacon

Richard S. Jay

## Music Ministry

Steve Carson, *Director* (scarson‡)

## Pastoral Associates

Lori Goszczynski, *Bereavement, Ministers of Care*

## Religious Education

Bridget Hotchkiss, *Coordinator* (bhotchkiss‡)

Cynthia Splatt, *Director* (csplatt‡)

## Youth Ministry

Jim Potthast, *Director* (jpotthast‡)

## Parish School

2510 Ashland Avenue

Evanston, IL 60201-2319

School Office 847-864-2650 (fax) 847-475-7385

## Parish School Staff

Susan Castagna, *Principal* (scastagna@saintas.net)

Mary Lietz, *Assistant Principal* (mlietz@saintas.net)

Mary Quish, *Assistant Principal* (mquish@saintas.net)

Judy Berg, *Communications Coordinator* (jberg@saintas.net)

Anne Marie McMichael, *Secretary* (amcmichael@saintas.net)

## 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](mailto:chimes@stathanasius-evanston.org).

‡ - [@stathanasius-evanston.org](mailto:@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.



*Laying the turf on Lindley Park*