

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.*

Celebrating Marriage

an evening to remember



Celebrate with us!

Saturday, October 17, 2009
Donald Stephens Convention Center,
Rosemont, IL

Begins with a mass at 5:00 PM

Inspiration,
Entertainment, Food,
Music, and Dancing

All this for only \$70.00 a couple!
Includes free parking.

Beginning with a special Mass at 5 PM, the evening will include a blessing of all married couples and a presentation by R. James and Suzanne Nicholson, former ambassador to the Vatican. The Nicholsons will share insights from their own marriage that you will want to hear.

Following the Nicholsons' talk will be a special comedy presentation of *'Til Death Do Us Part*. Written by the authors of *Late Night Catechism*. "Sister" offers up her hilarious lessons on the Sacrament of Marriage.

After *'Til Death Do Us Part* there will be plenty of food, music, and dancing to complete a great evening of inspiration and entertainment.

Organized by the  Family Ministries Office, Archdiocese of Chicago

For more information call 312.534.8351 or register online:
www.catholicfest.org

In conjunction with the 2009 Catholic Festival of Faith

Eucharistic Liturgies

September 13 - 20, 2009

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Michael Bansley, Jr.
- 8:00 am † Michael Morrison
- 9:30 am † Lee Ann Chisholm
- 11:30 am † Matthew Charles Hays Freeman
- 5:00 pm † Dennis McLean O'Brien (Class of 1984)

Monday

- 6:30 am † Caesar Tabet
- 8:15 am † Thomas FitzGibbons

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Elizabeth Collins Moore
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Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Renee Walsh
- 8:15 am † Larry Maher

Thursday

- 6:30 am † Anna Ast
- 8:15 am † Special Intentions for the Houk Family

Friday

- 6:30 am † Alice Pool
- 8:15 am † James Wilson

Saturday

- 8:15 am † John Wallace
- 5:00 pm † Rosemary "Rosie" Mumm

Sunday

- 8:00 am † Alexander Ross
- 9:30 am † Jack Steinberg
- 11:30 am † Noel Shaw Family
- 5:00 pm † Evelyn Tratnik

Scripture Study –

The Life of the Blessed Mother

Mary, the Mother of Jesus, is mentioned only a few times in the Gospels, and yet we have a rich tradition surrounding her. The *Protevangelium of James*, or the *Infancy Gospel of Mary*, is an early 2nd century Life of the Blessed Virgin. This text informs us not only of early Christian beliefs about Mary, but about the ancestry of Jesus and the controversies between the Jewish community and Jewish Christian believers, which influenced the formulation of these beliefs. Join scripture scholar William Murphy for a four-part series on the Life of Our Blessed Mother.

Thursdays

September 17 & 24, October 1 & 8
In the Fitzgerald Chapel
2:00 – 3:30 pm

William Murphy – Loyola graduate, member of the Chicago Society of Biblical Research, past president of the Religion & Ethics Institute and Archdiocese of Chicago Master Catechist - also teaches and leads Scripture Study at St. Mary and St. Nicholas Parishes.

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

- Mk 8:34-35

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Offertory September 5/6..... \$11,713
Children's Envelopes\$0
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: St. Agnes,
Our Sharing Parish

Next Week: None

Pastor's Notes

Celebrating Marriage

For many St. A's people, the partnership of marriage is the prism that colors all life's relationships with children, family, friends, and God. We affirm and nourish this key element of our parish life too little.

The Chimes cover story highlights a wonderful opportunity to lift up the calling to the Sacrament of Marriage and to have fun at the same time. The Archdiocese is sponsoring the **Catholic Festival of Faith 2009 on Friday and Saturday, October 16-17**, at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont. Workshops and other events are planned for families and individuals. **Married couples are invited to "Celebrating Marriage, An Evening to Remember", on Saturday, October 17.**

That same evening, a **Dinner and Social/Party** takes place for **young adults**.

Schedules and registration information is found online at www.catholicfest.org.

Faith First

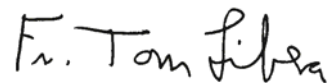
Faith First is a new parish effort to draw St. A's people together through our common connection with the Scripture, especially the Gospel as a source of relationship with Jesus Christ and His good news message.

You can read the coming Sunday's Gospel in *The Chimes*. I am asking each group that meets at St. Athanasius to take the first 10-15 minutes of meeting time to read aloud this Gospel passage and then to share their reactions. Sharing our perspective on the scripture is a gift of wisdom that we can give each other.

Even if you do not attend a meeting, I suggest you read the Gospel in *The Chimes* and reflect on your reaction, either individually or with those who share your life.

I know that doing **Faith First** will make a positive difference in our parish faith life.

In the Lord's Blessings,



St. A's and Senior Varsity

Interfaith Ministry for Seniors

St. A's is a member of the Senior Varsity Planning Committee. Join us for the September program, *Evanston African-American Community's Living Story - From Segregated and Sacrificing to Enduring and Established*, with **Craig Dudnik**, Documentarian. It is the story of a great generation's courage that helped free all Evanstonians from the bondage of discrimination, of the community's roots extending to Abbeville, South Carolina where the lynching of Evanston's prominent citizen, Anthony Crawford, took place, and of African Americans in World War II. The documentary presents interviews with Hon. Lorraine H. Morton, prior mayor, Rev. Larry Murphy, Rose Jourdain, Alan "Bo" Price and many others. This event will be held on Thursday, September 24 at the First Presbyterian Church, 1427 Chicago Avenue, beginning at 10:30 am with coffee and cookies, followed by the presentation at 11:00 am. Lunch will be served at noon. For lunch reservations, please call (847) 864-1472. Parking is available at the church.

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).

The St. A's Book Club

The St. A's Book Club meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Fitzgerald Chapel. This month's meeting will be on September 17. All are welcome. The September selection is *"The Grapes of Wrath"* by John Steinbeck, and in October, *"Anarchism: Left, Right and Green"* by Ulrike Heider.

Mass Intentions

may be reserved for \$10 each, with cards available to send to the family of the intended. Stop by the parish office or call the parish administrative assistant, Janice Moore, at extension 100.

Alexian Brothers Thank You

Dear Father Libera,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, and residents of Alexian Brothers AIDS Ministry, thank you for your gift of \$859.25.

This year, the Alexian Brothers AIDS Ministry is celebrating its 20th anniversary. Since 1989, the Alexian Brothers AIDS Ministry has transformed the lives of over 1,500 men and women with HIV/AIDS within a compassionate, supportive community by providing at home, comprehensive services, and spiritual care.

We are proud of our past success, however we could not continue our life-changing work without the support of people like you. Your gift helps our dedicated team of staff and volunteers provide our residents with valuable services and the skills to live independently as fully integrated members of our community.

We realize there are many worthy organizations seeking your support which is why we are doubly grateful that you have chosen to support our ministry. Your generosity will allow us to continue to make a positive difference in the lives of the people we serve. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wetzal

Chief Executive Officer
Alexian Brothers AIDS Ministry

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly engaged, especially **Chad Tady** and **Sara Schremp** (III), and **Michael Morand** and **Maie Taurafeldt** (I);

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Carolyn Lindley**, **Diann Schroeder**, **Tom Harvey**, **Dave Walker**, **Emma Vogelmann**, **Michael Del Turco**, **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**, **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, especially **Genevieve Sobaski**, mother of Jennifer Forby.

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 20, 2009
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mk 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him.

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest.

Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

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

Visit the website for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at www.usccb.org where you can access the readings for any day, in text or audio form, view a video reflection, or download a podcast.

Last Call for The St. Athanasius Women's Club

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)

\$15 per person

Call Bridget Hotchkiss at 847-733-0219 to make your reservation.



Last Call for the 41st Annual J. Barry McRaith St. Athanasius Golf Classic

September 18, 2009 – 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 "19th Hole" for
Dinner and the "After Party" under the stars!**

Call Tom Leinenweber at 312-403-1312 for more information or to make a reservation.



St. Athanasius Life Teen

PAINTBALL



Saturday, October 3

8 am - 6 pm

\$60

Includes safety gear, all equipment, and lunch

Please sign up by Sunday, September 27

Permission slips available in the Parish Office.

Make checks payable to St. Athanasius Parish.

**Questions? Contact Jim Potthast
at 847-328-1430, extension 120, or
jpotthast@stathanasius-evanston.org**

Attention parents!!!

**We need drivers to help transport teens for this event.
Please contact Jim Potthast if you can help.**

Human Freedom: Self-Determination and the Grace of Christ

All are invited to a lecture/discussion with Dr. Peter Casarella, Professor of Catholic Studies and Director of The Center for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology at DePaul University. The opening session of the speakers series, "A Conscience Fit for Freedom," will be held on Monday, September 21 at 7:30 pm at St. Catherine Laboure Parish, 3535 Thornwood in Glenview. For more information, please call (847) 998-4704.

Catherine of Siena: A Woman for Our Times

Adrian Dominican Sr. Nancy Murray, OP (sister of comedian Bill Murray), will perform as St. Catherine of Siena, at this fundraiser at St. Nicholas Church in Evanston on Friday, October 23 at 7:30 pm.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 13

Volleyball, 1:30-4:30 pm, Gym

Monday, September 14

Volleyball, 3:30-5 pm, Gym

Leadership Night, 7-8:30 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Pastoral Council, 8:30-10 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30 pm, Rosemeyer Room

Tuesday, September 15

Volleyball, 4:30-8:30 pm, Gym

School Board, 7 pm, Hartke

Wednesday, September 16

Brownie Troop 1550, 2:35-4 pm, Lunchroom

Women's Club Mass & Dinner, 6 pm, Church/Gym

FDC, 7-9 pm, Hartke

RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Choir, 7:30 pm, Church

Thursday, September 17

Volleyball, 4:30-8:30 pm, Gym

Scripture Study, 2-3:30 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Virtus Training, 6-9 pm, Hartke

St. A's Book Club, 7 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Friday, September 18

Golf Outing, Noon, Peter Jans Golf Course

Saturday, September 19

Volleyball Tournament, 8am-4 pm, Gym

Sunday, September 20

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School

Confirmation Parent Meeting, 5 pm, Church

Staff Extension List 847-328-1430

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 Goszczyński

Weekday Servers September 14 - 19

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday

Cross & Jack Daffada

Thursday/Friday/Saturday

Michael & Matthew Consolo

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend September 19/20

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector John Carroll, Jean Peters

Servers Claire Glavin, Fiona & Conor Harrigan

Eucharistic Ministers

Barbara Zapszalka, Anne Swoboda,

Nancy Murray, Helen Stake, Joan Conroy

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Josie Vorda

Servers Sam Knepper, Christopher Kreid,

Henry Hebson

Eucharistic Ministers

Judy Berg, Kerry Hubata, Steve Jennings,

Mary Sullivan, Nancy Taylor

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector Rick Blabolil

Servers Molly Gentile, Ava Hanlon,

Isabelle LeCompte

Eucharistic Ministers

Bob Curley, John Osterlund,

Kevin Leonard, Dennis O'Malley,

David Ozar

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Bill Harmon

Servers Mary Lee, Ben Maloney,

Samantha Maltezos

Eucharistic Ministers

Eunie & Jim Nondorf, Marge Foley,

John & Troy Dentzer

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Working with the Scriptures

September 13, 2009 (*Mk. 8:27-35*)

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” This certainly isn’t the kind of talk we’re used to. Even in difficult economic times, one need only look at the number of catalogs stuffed into our mailboxes; the steady stream of commercials on TV, radio and the internet, and the glamorous magazine ads shouting “Buy! Buy! Buy!” to see that talking about denying oneself also denies everything our consumer economy preaches. No wonder we can find it hard to accept such a counter-cultural message.

Maggie is a single mom. She works hard so that her daughter, Audrey, can live in a nice house rather than in the kind of dump Maggie grew up in. She tries to teach Audrey the value of a dollar, but the kids Audrey goes to school with send a very different message. Many of them drive to school in their own cars; Audrey takes the bus. Their clothes come straight out of the latest fashion magazine; Audrey’s clothes come from a discount store near her Mom’s office. One day, Maggie found a leather jacket lying on Audrey’s bed. Audrey told her that a friend had lent it to her, but Maggie suspected otherwise. She questioned her daughter until Audrey admitted to having taken the jacket from another girl’s locker. Maggie called the girl’s mother and arranged for Audrey to return the jacket and the girl’s mother agreed not to press charges.

Teaching Audrey to be satisfied with what she has is Maggie’s cross. In exchange, she denies herself the luxury of time alone. She knows that it’s important for her to spend as much time with her daughter as possible and she willingly accepts the trade-off. She thanks God for the gift of her daughter and she’s determined to do everything possible to raise her right.

Maggie believes that God will help her, but she knows it won’t be easy. Are we like Maggie, willing to deny ourselves even when it’s difficult? Or do we prefer to follow the crowd – and follow Jesus only when we can be assured that there’s no cross involved?

Vinal Van Bentem

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2009

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Ten Thousand Villages Evanston Annual Oriental Rug Event September 11 - 19

The evening seminar at the store Wednesday, September 16 at 7 pm offers an opportunity to hear rug expert Yousaf Chaman talk about the time-honored rug-making process. Call the store at 847-733-8258 to reserve a spot for this session. Shopping hours are Monday & Thursday, 10 am - 7 pm; and Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 am - 6 pm.

Misericordia Family Fest

“One Day for a Better Tomorrow”

The 29th Annual fest will be held **TODAY Sunday, September 13**, from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm, on the Misericordia Campus at Ridge and Devon in Chicago. Come for live entertainment, children’s games, kiddie rides, auctions, raffles, food and drinks. Parking is free. All proceeds support Misericordia’s programs for 550 children and adults with developmental disabilities.



Howard Area Community Center

Barbara Rinella will be performing at the Benefit Board’s fall breakfast event at the Evanston Golf Club on September 15. Barbara brings literature to life through her portrayal of many well-known heroes and heroines. Please join them for a wonderful morning of friendship, fun and education. The donation for the event is \$50. For questions or reservations, please call Betty McCabe at (847)251-4538 or Nancy Geary (847) 251-7067.

St. Athanasius Parish

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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‡)

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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.



Ryan Field half-time exhibition debut of St. A's teams at Northwestern's season opener