

# The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

[www.stathanasius-evanston.org](http://www.stathanasius-evanston.org)

## Eucharistic Worship

### Weekends

Saturday

5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am

LifeTeen 5:00 pm

### Weekdays

Monday - Friday

6:30 and 8:15 am

Saturday

8:15 am

## Catholic Schools Week

### 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.*



St. Athanasius School Teacher Rita Bambrick has received the Archdiocesan "Heart of the School" Award

# Eucharistic Liturgies

January 27 - February 3, 2008

## Sunday

5:00 pm (Saturday) † Barry McRaith

8:00 am † Josephine Rogan

9:30 am † John Walsh

11:30 am † Rose Schuba

5:00 pm † Sally Welko

## Monday

6:30 am † Colleen McCarthy

8:15 am Special Intention for George Gordon

## Tuesday

6:30 am † Susan McKearnan

8:15 am † Barbara McKearnan

## Wednesday

6:30 am † Brian Hughes

8:15 am † Catherine List

## Thursday

6:30 am † Betty Kelly

8:15 am † Allen Hoover

## Friday

6:30 am † Patricia Stolle

8:15 am Special Intention for George Gordon

## Saturday

8:15 am † Mr. & Mrs. Anton Czerwiec

5:00 pm † Arthur Stake

## Sunday

8:00 am † Fred Janik

9:30 am † Pearl Ciesla

11:30 am † Eleanor Farrell

5:00 pm † Rose Schuba

# Annual Catholic Appeal 2008

The theme of this year's campaign is "The Lord is my light..." Psalm 27:1.

**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.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

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## Ron Miller to Speak at Women's Club Morning of Reflection

On **Saturday, February 9**, the St. Athanasius Women's Club invites you to attend their Morning of Reflection. The guest speaker, Ron Miller, is chair of the Religion Department at Lake Forest College and the co-founder of Common Ground, an adult education group for interfaith religious study and dialogue. Miller will explore the topic **"Did Paul Get a Bad Rap About His Views on Women?"** Please join us in the church for Mass at 8:15 am, followed by a continental breakfast and Ron's talk in the Hartke Room. This is an ideal way to begin the Lenten season. Please join us.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Offertory for January 19/20.....\$6,309

Christmas as of January 20.....\$82,619

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



This Week: Annual Catholic Appeal

Next Week: Easter Flowers

# Pastor's Notes

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## Mrs. Rita Bambrick- 2008 Heart of the School Award

Anyone who has met **Mrs. Rita Bambrick**, our long-time 2nd grade teacher, quickly sees that she loves teaching our children and is especially passionate in preparing them for First Communion. At the school Christmas show, when the announcement was made that she would receive the Archdiocese's Heart of School Award, she was the only one who was surprised. As we begin Catholic Schools Week, this recognition is a fitting appreciation not only for her dedication, but also for the dedication of all our wonderful teachers. Mrs. Bambrick, Congratulations!

## Angel Ball

Two weeks ago, *The Chimes* needed two full pages to list the donors and underwriters who supported our Angel Ball 2007 Dinner-Dance. By all measures it was a notable success. Thanks go to our chairs **Stephanie Buettell**, **Heather Anderson** and **Cathy Giella**, and all who volunteered. In addition, school parents, Family Program parents, other St. A's parishioners, and many of our neighbors contributed to the Angel Ball success.

One consequence of its success was a **\$43,000 surplus** over the budgeted target of \$125,000. What to do with the surplus? This year I convened an ad hoc committee including representatives from the Parish Pastoral Council, School Board, Finance Committee, Family Program, and School Fundraising Development Committee to arrive at a consensus. The criteria we used were to first consider overall parish needs, then special educational needs, and finally other possibilities. We agreed that \$20,000 of this surplus be set aside for the church building repairs we hope to begin this year, \$15,000 will go to the Family Program budget, \$5,000 will be used for unbudgeted school projects, and \$3,000 will go to our church music program to partially restore funds cut from this year's budget.

I thank this committee for its assistance in making decisions from a whole-parish perspective. We will use the same process next year if we are blessed with an Angel Ball surplus.

## Voices Heard and Next Steps

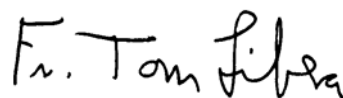
As we complete the seventy-five interviews with parishioners seeking their reactions to potential capital projects at St. A's, I thank all who participated. This information is crucial for discerning what shape our **"A Time To Grow" parish improvement capital campaign** should take. After receiving the interview report from Foley Consulting, the Parish Pastoral Council will convene along with members of the A Time To Grow Project Committee. With the Lord's help, we will come to a decision about what will be included in the capital campaign.

Whatever the decision, we will need a solid number of volunteers and full parish participation to realize our dreams. Based on the enthusiasm and work of those parishioners already involved in this project and the prudent steps we are taking to move forward, my confidence level that we will succeed is very high.

## Confirmation and Cardinal George's Visit

Continue to pray for our **confirmation candidates** who will be confirmed on **Saturday, February 9 at 2:00 PM**. Finally, a reminder that **Francis Cardinal George** will preside at the **9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, February 10**.

In the Lord's Blessings,



## Attention St. A's School Applicants

Interested families should submit Applications for Admission (K-8) by February 11 for first round consideration. During the first round, active St. A's parishioners are given preference, i.e., they are admitted after siblings are entered on the class lists. After February 11, all applicants (parishioners and non-parishioners) are admitted on a first come, first served basis. Applications for Admission are available at [www.saintas.net](http://www.saintas.net). If you have questions, please call the school office at 847-864-2650. We look forward to welcoming you to St. Athanasius School.

## In the Hospital?

Please notify the Parish Office when you or a family member is admitted to a hospital or tell the hospital personnel that you are a member of St. Athanasius and want us to know you are there. Because of privacy requirements or some hospital policies, we are not always notified. We'd like to keep you in our prayers.

## 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-Rivas at extension 100.

## Food Drive Next Weekend February 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!

## 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).

## 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.

## *Please Remember In Your Prayers...*

The newly baptized, especially **Daniel John Vehovsky**, son of Gabriel and Jaime Vehovsky;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Elizabeth Adamson, Mary Rhee, George Gordon, 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 **Oliva Navarette**, sister of Maria Higuera, **Irma Peters**, mother-in-law of Jean Peters and **Sheila Weinsheimer**.

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.

## Lent is Coming, Are you ready?

We will begin celebrating Lent this year on the earliest possible date it can be: February 6 is Ash Wednesday, less than two weeks away. This year many of our Lenten programs and activities will revolve around the theme “**Rediscovering Catholicism.**” Here are some of the ways we will be doing this:

1. We have ordered multiple copies of Matthew Kelly’s book, *Rediscovering Catholicism*, to use parish wide during Lent. The book will be available at no cost to parishioners to be used in Lenten sharing groups, in parish discussion groups, and for personal reading. You might think about forming a small group of people during Lent to get together on a regular basis to read and discuss the book. On Sunday morning, Fr. Tom, Fr. Rich and other staff members will be available to discuss the book after the 9:30 am Mass. There will be book discussions mornings, afternoons, and evenings during Lent for people to attend.
2. During Lent, we will feature speakers to focus in on different aspects of Catholic teaching as part of our Theology on Draft series. We will launch this series on February 1, a week before Lent, with Robert McClory speaking to us on his new book (see announcement in today’s *Chimes*).
3. There will also be other written Lenten resources available next weekend at all the Masses.
4. We hope to have an intergenerational film event and other film showings as well on themes in the Catholic tradition.
5. Each week we will have a special Lenten charity for you to support.

### What you can do now to prepare?

1. **Contact your Lenten sharing group, plan your first meeting, receive copies of the book for everyone from us.**
2. **Start a Lenten sharing group and let us know how many books you need.**
3. **Plan your Sunday mornings so you are able to attend the sessions after the 9:30 am Mass.**
4. **Set aside time to read Kelly’s book, to pray, to make Lent a special time of year for spiritual growth for you.**
5. **Check *The Chimes* during Lent for programs and events we will be offering.**
6. **Support our weekly Lenten charities.**

For further information, contact Carolyn Groves at 847-328-1430, Ext. 130 or [carolyn.groves@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn.groves@gmail.com).

### Explore Racism with Storyteller Susan O’Halloran

On Sunday, February 10, the Office for Racial Justice and Catholics United for Racial Justice are proud to sponsor a Vicariate II presentation of storyteller Susan O’Halloran’s, “*Stories of RACE, Stories of PLACE, Stories of GRACE*”, which celebrates Cardinal George’s pastoral letter on racism, “Dwell in my Love,” and highlights the four types of racism outlined in the pastoral. Join with family (appropriate for children 10 and older) and friends to explore the sin of racism and how deeply it affects individuals and institutions. Use the stories to spark discussion on how we are called to dwell in God’s love and how we can respond to that call. The program begins at 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 1775 Grove Street in Glenview. There is no charge for this event; however, a free will donation will be appreciated. This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency. For more information or directions, please visit [www.dwellinmylove.org](http://www.dwellinmylove.org).

# Theology on Draft

Presents noted book author and journalist

## Robert McClory

Speaking on the subject of his new book

*As It Was in the Beginning,  
The Coming Democratization in the Catholic Church*

**Friday, February 1**

**7:30 pm in the Hartke Room**

He will also share with us the results of his November interviews of clergy and laity of the Church in Holland which heralds a new age for the laity.

Join us for this interesting conversation. Beer, pretzels, and soft drinks will be served. Babysitting provided upon request. Call 847-328-1430, Extension 130.

**Come see all that our school has to offer!**



**St. A's**

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to 8th Grade**

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### **Open House & Presentation**

10:30 a.m. to noon

**Sunday, January 27**

9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

**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!

## Parish Calendar

### ***Sunday, January 27***

Open House, 10:30 am-Noon, School  
Pinewood Derby, 3 pm, Gym  
Athletics, 1-5 pm, Gym  
Youth Group, 6-8:30 pm, Teen Room  
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

### ***Monday, January 28***

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

### ***Tuesday, January 29***

Mom & Tots, 10 am, Rosemeyer  
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym  
Brownies#2466, 3:30-5 pm, Hartke

### ***Wednesday, January 30***

Athletics, 3:30-9pm, Gym  
Chess, 6-8 pm, Lunchroom  
RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel  
Peace & Justice, 7 pm, Hartke  
Choir, 7:30 pm, Church  
Men's Basketball, 9-11 pm, Gym

### ***Thursday, January 31***

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

### ***Friday, February 1***

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym

### ***Saturday, February 2***

Athletics, 8 am-3 pm, Gym

### ***Sunday, February 3***

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

## Staff Extension List 847-328-1430

100 Parish Office	120 Jim Potthast
100 Janice Moore-Rivas	123 Mary Lietz
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 28 - February 2

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday  
Emma Regnier, Charlotte Runzel  
Thursday/Friday/Saturday  
Daniel O'Malley, Colin Sellers

## Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend February 2/3

5:00 pm Saturday

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** Jane Carney

**Servers** Derek & Marina Schmitz,  
Angel Toledo

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Jackie & Mike Brennan,  
Richard Byrne, Anne Swoboda,  
Helen Stake

8:00 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** Amy Fischl

**Servers** Connor & Molly Braasch,  
Thomas Zampa

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Robert Coats, Nancy Taylor,  
Sally Hageman, Deborah Haracz,  
Kerry Hubata

9:30 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** Peggy McCarthy

**Servers** Jamie Davis, Patrick Walsh,  
Matteo Brucato

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Rita Bambrick, Jill Blabolil,  
David Staub, Kevin Leonard,  
Dennis O'Malley

11:30 am

**Presider** TBA

**Lector** Mary Rooney

**Servers** Nolan Winkler, Chris & Lizzie Caan

**Eucharistic Ministers**

John & Troy Dentzer, Joan Johnson,  
Tom & Sue Laue

5:00 pm Sunday

**Presider** TBA

## Readings for the Week of January 27, 2008

Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17  
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

## Working with the Scriptures

January 27, 2008 (1 Cor 1:10-13,17; Mr. 4:12-23)

If Jesus walked into our workplace today and asked us to drop everything and follow Him, how many of us would do it? Not many, I suspect. But that's exactly what Mathew says happened to Peter, Andrew, James and John. Jesus was walking along the Sea of Galilee when he invited them to "Come after [him]..." and, "...immediately, they left their boat and their father and followed him." With very few exceptions, I'm guessing that most of us would say, "I can't do that – I have a family to support and bills to pay!"

But Jesus doesn't seem to be asking those first followers to leave their work *forever*. In fact, He promises that if they will leave behind them the way they are working *now*, He will show them *new* ways to work. Could it be that the invitation is not so much about leaving something behind as it is about following Jesus? Think about it. If Peter, Andrew, James and John are going to end up as fishermen anyway, what purpose is there in leaving in the first place? Unless, of course, the idea is to learn to fish (i.e., to do their *work*) differently!

Maybe that's what Jesus is asking *us* to do, too – to get untangled from whatever nets we're caught up in and follow Him so that we can go back to our work *changed*. Could competition be the net that's tying us in knots? What would our work look like if we chose to *cooperate* rather than *compete*? "I urge you... be united in the same mind and in the same purpose." Or maybe making a lot of money is the boat we need to get out of. "For it has been reported to me...that there are rivalries among you." Think of how different the workplace looks when managers balance their own salary increases with those of their employees!

How are *we* called to follow Jesus? If He walked into the place where we work today and invited us to come after him, what nets would we need to untangle? What boats would we need to leave behind?

*Vinal Van Benthem*

## Kolbe Hour Email Retreat

Kolbe House, the Archdiocesan Jail Ministry, invites you to participate in their Lenten email retreat on February 11. Every Monday during Lent, you will receive an email from them that contains a short reflection written by one of the jail chaplains, some scripture passages, some suggested actions to do, and a prayer. This retreat will relate reconciliation, one of the essential elements of jail ministry, to the Sunday scripture readings. If you are interested in participating in the Lenten email retreat, please send an email to [kolberetreat@aol.com](mailto:kolberetreat@aol.com). Your email address will not be shared with anyone else. You will not be asked for any donations in these emails. Please feel free to invite whomever you think would be interested in participating in this retreat.

## Fr. Thomas Loya to Speak

Come to St. Catherine Laboure, 3535 Thornwood in Glenview, on Sunday, February 3, noon-2 pm for their free Coffee Hour. The guest speaker will be Fr. Thomas Loya, Pastor of Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church and host of Relevant Radio. His topic for discussion will be "Encouraging a Promise-Keeping Culture." For more information, call Karen at 847-998-4704.

## Stop Elder Abuse

Whether it's financial exploitation, physical or mental abuse, or even neglect of an older person, it's unlawful and must be stopped. To report a suspected case of elder abuse on weekdays 9 am - 5 pm, call the North Shore Senior Center at 847-784-6040 or the Illinois Elder Abuse hotline at 800-252-8966. After hours please call 800-279-0400. All reports are confidential.

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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'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

Karen Sonnicksen Sellers, *Parish Administrator* (ksellers‡)  
Barbara Bonier, *Office Manager* (bbonier‡)  
Marion Amling, *Business Manager* (mamling‡)  
Janice Moore-Rivas, *Administrative Assistant* (jmoore-rivas‡)

## 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* (Lgoszczynski‡)  
Diane Maloney, *LEAVEN* (dmaloney‡)

## Religious Education

Carolyn Groves, *Director* (cgroves‡)  
Bridget Hotchkiss, *Coordinator* (bhotchkiss‡)

## Youth Ministry

Jim Potthast, *Director* (jpotthast‡)

## Parish School

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## Parish School Staff

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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](mailto: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.

