

# The Chimes

## of Saint Athanasius Parish

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



## All Creatures Great and Small at the Blessing of Pets

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 14, 2007

# Eucharistic Liturgies

October 14 - October 21, 2007

## Sunday

5:00 pm (Saturday) ✠ Vincent Stanislawski  
8:00 am ✠ Catherine & Don Carlson  
9:30 am ✠ Sally Ann Elam  
11:30 am ✠ Rose Schuba  
5:00 pm ✠ Russell Wallace

## Monday

6:30 am ✠ Jean DeMonte  
8:15 am ✠ Nancy Eich

## Tuesday

6:30 am ✠ Michael Delaney  
8:15 am Elizabeth McCarthy Family

## Wednesday

6:30 am ✠ Julie Mathnikowski  
8:15 am ✠ Percy Holden

## Thursday

6:30 am Suzanne Draths  
8:15 am ✠ John Madden

## Friday

6:30 am ✠ John Madden  
8:15 am ✠ Mary Louise Wright

## Saturday

8:15 am ✠ Richard Gough  
5:00 pm ✠ John Madden

## Sunday

8:00 am ✠ Kevin Tobin  
9:30 am Suzanne Draths  
11:30 am ✠ Ed & Rosemary Brown  
5:00 pm ✠ Rose Schuba

## A Prayer for Those Hoping to be Parents

Gracious God, we ask your richest blessings upon our families who are anticipating parenthood. Children are among your greatest gifts. For those who look forward to this gift, whether by birth or adoption, we thank you. For those who have not yet been able to receive this blessing, we ask you to send them whatever forbearance they may need to live out your will for them. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior.

*Amen*

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development educates Catholics on our call to be in solidarity with the poor. CCHD funds organizations that are working to empower the poor, disabled, the elderly, minorities, workers and immigrants. Please consider participating in the November Collection.

## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

*"Open your mouth,  
decree what  
is just,  
defend the  
needy and  
the poor!"*  
*Proverbs 31:9*



*CCHD addresses the root causes of poverty by funding organizations that are:*

- Decreasing youth violence
- Increasing access to affordable housing
- Advocating for the rights of seniors, workers, immigrants, and people with disabilities

Please support the CCHD Collection  
November 17-18

## Catholic Campaign For Human Development

*Breaking the cycle of poverty*

Archdiocese of Chicago 155 E. Superior, Chicago, IL 60611  
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esegura@archchicago.org

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



This Week: St. Agnes  
Scholarship

Next Week: Propagation  
of the Faith

## PAR Minutes from the September Meeting

### **Parish Pastoral Council:**

The Council meeting began by recapping the major discussion themes of its summer evening retreat, many of which involved searching for ways to help St. A's be a place that parishioners will feel is important to them throughout their lives. Having found a "strength-finder" exercise helpful to identifying talents of its members, the Council decided to open this exercise up to the members of the 5 PAR coordinating groups, as well. Father Tom updated the group on the search for a new Youth Minister. There was some discussion about the need to unite different groups within the Parish, and all expressed a desire for greater representation of the School on PAR leadership committees and events. Representatives from parish groups examining the possibility of a parish capital campaign gave an update of their research and discussions. Andrea Sorensen and Bob Doyle agreed to serve as Co-chairs for this coming year.

### **Administration:**

The Administration Coordinating Group began developing a work plan to design and launch a Parish ListServ to enhance communication to parishioners. "ListServ" is the generic term for an email-based mailing list application. Over the next couple of months the St. Athanasius ListServ will be populated with parishioner contact information and the content and design of the ListServ will be outlined and defined.

### **Community:**

There are two big upcoming events which will have receptions provided by our Hospitality Committee: October 7, 2007, 9:30 am Mass: Deacon Dick Jay's 25th Anniversary of his ministry as deacon of St. A's, and November 4, 2007, 9:30 am Mass: 70th Anniversary of the building of our church. Our Hospitality Committee needs more volunteers. Until there are more members, hospitality after Masses will be for special occasions only. Groups may also make requests for hospitality (i.e., Angel Ball) to Pat. A booth will be set up at Oktoberfest to welcome new parishioners. We plan to review the organizational chart next month.

### **Outreach:**

The lack of participation in the MOMS program was discussed and a number of suggestions were offered to try to bring about more active involvement in MOMS. We were reminded that we need to keep on top of the issue of making the parish campus more accessible. We were informed that there will be a new Red Book in Church. We wanted to be sure that some large print copies are purchased and that they are strategically placed for easy access. We discussed a number of upcoming calendar events. The Ecology Committee will begin a monthly "Green Life" section in the Chimes. They are planning "Movie Nite" with ecology themes. They will hold a Light Bulb Drive in the near future. The Crop Walk is being held on Oct. 21 more details will appear in the Chimes. Fr. Foley from St. Agnes will be here for the 9:30 am Mass. Peace and Justice will have a day to support the Prison Ministry with a speaker. Tentative plan is for Sunday before Thanksgiving.

### **Worship:**

We began our meeting by discussing how to increase input from the worship sub-committees, and decided to actively recruit new people in the coming month. We also talked about how to expand use of PowerPoint at our Masses, now that a G4 laptop has been specifically donated to us for liturgical use. We would be thrilled if 8th graders would consider helping us with PowerPointing our songs at Mass as a way of fulfilling their service hours for Confirmation. The last thought of the meeting was that we might need to form a small sub-group that would be specifically devoted to working on different types of activities throughout the course of the year in order to fully acknowledge and celebrate this 70th year anniversary of our beautiful church.

### **Formation:**

The Faith Formation Group discussed finding new parishioners to join the group. They also explored new ways of energizing the Parish through adult faith formation. One of the ideas mentioned was whole community catechesis or intergenerational gatherings four times a year.

## Calling All Who Love to “Greet”

If you enjoy people, if you get a thrill extending your hand and saying welcome! - then the *Ministry of Greeters* needs you. Remember the warm feeling you've experienced those times you arrived at Church and someone was there to say, "Welcome, glad to see you!" We're looking for families, couples, singles, seniors, teen, 'tween teens, pre-teens (get the picture?) who will commit to arriving 15 minutes before a Mass begins to welcome others as they assemble to celebrate Liturgy. It's that simple - no set up, no clean up - just a friendly smile and welcoming demeanor. Imagine the great feeling you'll have as you take your place in the pew to join your neighbors in liturgical prayer. You were there to start it off. You were the first step to helping everyone experience community. Interested? Call Eileen Parkinson at 847-998-8732 and tell her what Mass will be best for you. Or email her at [joropa@northwestern.edu](mailto:joropa@northwestern.edu).

## St. A's Book Club

will meet Thursday evening, October 18, at 7:30 pm in the Fitzgerald Chapel. We will be discussing *Blindness* by Jose Saramago. You may come for a single discussion without joining, though we do have a wonderful time together and great snacks.

## Fourth Wednesdays for Spiritual Growth

A new program is beginning October 24 for people interested in deepening their spirituality. The current “buzz” word in religion these days, *spirituality*, is not new to Catholics. We have always been encouraged to grow personally in our relationship to God and have been provided many ways to nurture that relationship from the rosary to the daily missal, novenas, and Adoration. Many do not find these traditional practices helpful any longer and yet are still looking for a deeper connection with God and with themselves. Busyness and activities take over our lives and we begin to yearn for time, for space to just be. TAKE THE TIME AND COME. We will meet the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Fitzgerald Chapel, both at 9:00 am and at 7:30 pm. Pick the session which is most convenient for you. Each session will last for an hour and a half at the most. The first session on October 24, “The Sounds of Silence,” will focus on listening to the still small voice within ourselves, and letting go of the clutter that prevents us from listening and hearing that voice. For more information, contact [carolyn.groves@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn.groves@gmail.com) or phoning at 847-328-1430, extension 130.

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

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Phillip Neff, Keith Zandy, Steven Kimball**, son of Harold Kimball, **J. Robert Krebs**, father of Marsha Byrne, **Maritza Acevedo**, sister of Lilly Arias, **Keith Zandy, Richard Strup, Olga Cheppel, Paul Mooney, Mary Bomba, Betty Suttner, Frank Rinaldo, Patricia Blake, Maureen Walsh, Patricia Harker, Patrick Nicholson, and Charmayne Swanson;**

Those in the military, especially **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of Eric Harkna and Tonise Paul, and **Catie Staub**, daughter of David and Mary Therese Staub;

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.



## Visit the St. Athanasius Angel Ball Website

Need details about the Angel Ball? Want to donate to the auction and need a form? It's all available with the touch of a mouse. Visit the Angel Ball Website at [www.saintas-angelball.net](http://www.saintas-angelball.net). You will see photos of the sumptuous InterContinental Hotel, a detailed schedule for the evening, an auction wish list, forms for auction donations and program ads, and contact information for the chairs of the event. You can even purchase tickets online! We hope that you will be able to join us for this annual fun-filled benefit to celebrate the spirit of St. Athanasius.

## Annual Scholarship Fund Collection For St. Agnes, Our Sharing Parish

Father Matt Foley, Pastor of St. Agnes, will speak at all the Masses this weekend except the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass. If you can help disadvantaged children receive an excellent education in the safe environment of the parish school, please consider a generous gift to this fund. Please make checks out to St. Athanasius and we will send Fr. Foley one check to cover all the donations. Thank you!

*The Peace and Justice Ministry*

## Spirituality of Parenting

For Middle School Parents meets TODAY, Sunday, at 10:45 am in the Hartke Room. If you have children from fifth to eighth grade and would like to meet other parents facing the same issues and challenges, please join us. We will be devoting attention this week to knowing and monitoring the internet.

## Soup Kitchen

The next soup kitchen outreach opportunity will be **Thursday, October 18** at First United Methodist Church, 1630 Hinman Avenue, 4:30 - 7:30 pm (meal served at 6:00 pm), contact Karen Ryan (332-1850), Kris Koenig-Morel (475-2104) or Christine Carlson (869-4160).



## Christ Renews His Parish Reunion Save the Date - October 27

The men who participated in the Christ Renews His Parish Retreat in the early 1980's are invited to attend a reunion at St. Athanasius on Saturday, October 27. A Mass for our departed attendees will be held at 8:15 am followed by a short meeting in the Hartke Room. For details, please contact Stan Goszczynski at (847) 475-6324 or Bob Doyle at (773) 262-5938.

## Please Vote for Mrs. Bambrick!

Rita Bambrick, St. A's beloved 2nd-grade teacher and keeper of Bearville, has been nominated by Mrs. Castagna for an Archdiocesan "Heart of the School" award. The winning teacher is selected, in part, based on the number of nominations submitted to the Archdiocese. This can be done online. Please nominate Mrs. Bambrick **by OCTOBER 16**. **ANYONE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE CAN VOTE** - students, parents, colleagues, pastors, principals, alums, and others. **Everyone gets a vote.** For example, if you are a family of five, all five can vote for Mrs. Bambrick. Go to [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org). Look on the left panel marked "Catholic Schools." Click on "Catholic Schools" and scroll down to the Red Heart and "Heart of the School," where you can nominate your candidate online. Mrs. Bambrick is nominated in the category of "Catholic School Identity & Mission." Nominations can also be faxed or sent by snail mail to: Heart of the School Awards Committee, Office of Catholic Schools, 155 E. Superior St., Chicago, IL 60611-2980, Fax 312-751-5295. Let's pull together for Mrs. Bambrick!

## Last Chance Inter-Faith Tour of Chicago

Join the St. Athanasius Women's Club Thursday, October 18 from 8:45 am - 2:00 pm for a relaxing and informative tour of Chicago's worship spaces. From there, it's on to Greektown where we will have lunch. The bus will leave from in front of the church on Lincoln Street (Bus is handicapped accessible) Cost of the tour is \$35 per person including lunch in Greektown. If interested contact, Jackie Brennan at 847-676-4067.



**2007 St. Athanasius  
Annual Christmas Wreath and Garland Sale  
To Benefit Church Repairs**



**Order your holiday greenery and support the repairs needed to our church building!** Thank you! These beautiful handcrafted evergreen wreaths are on heavy steel frames sizes 20” to 60”. They are decorated with 2 frosted pinecone clusters, red holly berries, and a velvet bow. (No bow desired at the time of order will reduce the cost by \$2.00.) Fresh garlands are 25 feet long.

Orders will be taken throughout October with a **final order date of October 31.**  
**PAYMENT AT THE TIME OF THE ORDER IS REQUIRED. NO C.O.D. THIS YEAR.**

To order

1. Complete this order form and make out the check to St. Athanasius, memo wreaths. If you want to know what you ordered last year, call Pat Schmidt at 847-673-2621.
2. Mail form to Wreath and Garland Sale, 1615 Lincoln Street, Evanston, IL 60201. You may also drop it off in the school office.
3. Your order will be delivered to your home in late November. (Date depends on the supplier.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

**Order Form (Please keep a copy for your records)**

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST
	20 inch balsam wreath with velvet bow	\$18.00	
	24 inch balsam Special made on a 14” ring, a fuller wreath with velvet bow	\$23.00	
	36 inch balsam wreath with velvet bow	\$27.00	
	48 inch balsam wreath with velvet bow	\$37.00	
	60 inch balsam wreath with velvet bow	\$56.00	
	60 inch balsam wreath without bow	\$54.00	
	Balsam Garland (also called roping) 25 feet with 12 to 16 inch flare	\$22.00	

Please make check payable to St. Athanasius Parish, memo wreaths. **Total amount** \_\_\_\_\_

## Parish Calendar

### **Sunday, October 14**

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School  
Spirituality of Parenting, 10:30 am, Fitzgerald Chapel  
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

### **Monday, October 15**

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym  
Peace & Justice, 7:30 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

### **Tuesday, October 16**

Mom & Tots Playgroup, 10 am, Rosemeyer  
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym  
Brownie Troop #2466, 3:30-5 pm, Hartke  
Cub Scouts, 7-9 pm, Gym  
School Board, 7 pm, Hartke

### **Wednesday, October 17**

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

### **Thursday, October 18**

Scripture Class, 9-11 am, Fitzgerald Chapel  
M.O.M.S., 9:15-11:30 am, Rosemeyer  
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym  
P.C.L.D., 7:30 pm, Hartke  
St. A's Book Club, 7:30 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

### **Friday, October 19**

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym

### **Saturday, October 20**

Athletics, 8 am-1 pm, Gym

### **Sunday, October 21**

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School  
Spirituality of Parenting, 10:30 am, Fitzgerald Chapel  
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

## Staff Extension List

847-328-1430

100 Parish Office	123 Mary Lietz
100 Janice Moore-Rivas	124 Lori Goszczyński
101 School Office	125 Steve Carson
103 Fr. Sztorc	129 Bridget Hotchkiss
105 Marion Amling	130 Carolyn Groves
111 Fr. Libera	142 Barbara Bonier
114 José Moreno	143 Karen Sellers
115 Susan Castagna	

## Weekday Servers October 15 - 20

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday  
Robert Staub, Eleanor Sweeney  
Thursday/Friday/Saturday  
Evan Swenson, Angel Toledo

## Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend October 20/21

### 5:00 pm Saturday

**Presider** Fr. Libera  
**Lector** Jane Carney  
**Servers** Mickey McLaughlin,  
Matt & Michael McCareins

### Eucharistic Ministers

Joan Conroy, Nancy Murray,  
Anne Swoboda, Henrietta Berning,  
Bob Costello

### 8:00 am

**Presider** Fr. Alcantara  
**Lector** Michael Bansley  
**Servers** Katy Rose & Carlin O'Brien,  
Christopher Polinski

### Eucharistic Ministers

Kerry Hubata, Robert Coats,  
Morley Robbins, Judy Berg,  
Joseph Walsh

### 9:30 am

**Presider** Fr. Libera  
**Lector** Peggy McCarthy  
**Servers** Abigail Mark, Patrick Mulica,  
Liza Prah

### Eucharistic Ministers

Donna Consolo, Jill Blabolil,  
Rita Bambrick, Dennis O'Malley,  
David Ozar

### 11:30 am

**Presider** Fr. Sztorc  
**Lector** Bill Harmon  
**Servers** Emma Regnier, Quinn Ryan,  
Colin Sellers

### Eucharistic Ministers

Jim Rooney, Karen Sellers,  
Tom & Rita Laue, John Syvertsen

### 5:00 pm Sunday

**Presider** Fr. Sztorc

## Readings for the Week of October 14, 2007

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

## Working with the Scriptures

October 14, 2007 (Lk. 17:11-19)

A complaint I hear often is that this generation seems to have an exaggerated sense of entitlement. Our consumer society encourages it; the media sells it; and all too many of us are buying into it. True, when we pay for a product or service, we should be able to count on the product being as advertised and the service being performed quickly and competently. But that doesn't mean we shouldn't say "Thank you".

"As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him." Ten people who had need of healing. Ten people who believed that Jesus could heal them. And, indeed, He did. But only one came back to say "Thank You". Luke tells us that the one who returned was a Samaritan – a foreigner, and a hated foreigner at that. Yet this one came back to say "Thank You". Why? Could it be that the other nine, being Jews, knew Jesus and because they knew him felt somehow *entitled* to the healing?

A friend of mine was in the hospital recently. The doctors, nurses and others who cared for him were incredible, bringing humor and light into the room even as they brought gentleness and healing. Given the high cost of hospitalization, my friend could easily have insisted that he was entitled to such care. But he didn't. Because he appreciated what they did, he thanked them – often! Were there other patients who did not say "Thank You"? I hope not. But if there were, I have no doubt that these good people would have treated them equally well.

When was the last time that someone performed a service or provided a product to which, because you paid for it, you felt entitled? Was it the clerk at the checkout counter? The bank teller who cashed your check? Did you say "Thank You"? Or did you take their work for granted, assuming that the fact that they got paid was thanks enough? The Samaritan thanked Jesus, not because he was *entitled* to his healing, but because he appreciated it. Do we appreciate what others do for us? Do we return to say "Thank You"?

*Vinal Van Benthem*

## St. Nicholas Young Adult Mass and Social

The Young Adult Ministry of St. Nicholas Church, 806 Ridge Avenue in Evanston, invites all young adults, ages 18 to 40, to a social gathering on Saturday, November 3, beginning with the 4:30 pm Mass. The social follows in Oldershaw Hall with pizza and drinks available. Singles, couples and families are welcome. Please RSVP to Kylie Barker at [kylie\\_barker@hotmail.com](mailto:kylie_barker@hotmail.com) or 847-452-0962 or to Brian Michalski at [blpm72@aol.com](mailto:blpm72@aol.com) or 773-334-5695 before October 30.

## Church Women United in Evanston

Will sponsor "*Embracing Justice Under God's Tent*" to celebrate World Community Day, November 2. This celebration is a worship service that lifts concerns of homelessness, immigration, and responses to disaster based on familiar scriptures and Psalms 23, 82 and 85. They invite you to stretch yourself and join with others to learn and pray and act for a just and peaceful world community for all humanity. This event will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3637 Golf Road, Skokie. Registration starts at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. To make reservations by October 26, call (847) 869-8015.

## St. Joseph Services Fall Festival

The 3rd Annual Fall Festival will be held at 7:00 pm on Saturday, October 20 at Bredemann Lexus & Ford, 2000 Waukegan Road, Glenview. Come enjoy an evening of Irish music by the famed *Sullivan Brothers*, chorals and dances by young "stars of tomorrow", an exciting silent auction, light supper and dessert. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph Service' AAA - Academics, Athletics and Achievement - Center. Tickets for the event are \$40.00. For more information, call Mercy Chala at (773) 278-0484, or visit [st.josephservices@sbcglobal.net](mailto:st.josephservices@sbcglobal.net).

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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.

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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

## Parish School

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

## Parish School Staff

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

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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.



Life at the Cabaret