

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

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Eucharistic Worship

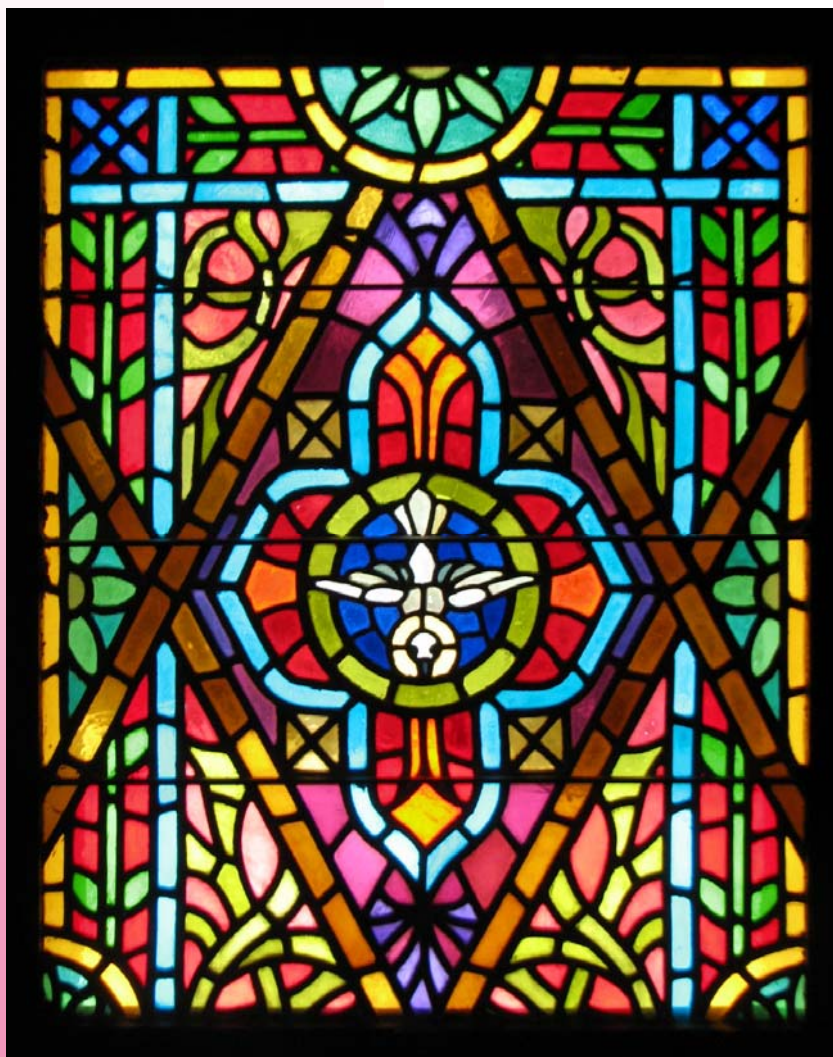
Monday - Friday 6:30 and 8:15 am
Saturday 8:15 am, 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am
LifeTeen 5:00 pm

Our Mission

*"Do this in memory of Me."
We, the members of the
Catholic Community of
St. Athanasius Parish,
are each called by baptism
to continue the work of
Jesus Christ embracing all.
We aspire to worship, love,
thank and serve God.
We are open to what
God calls us to become.*

Lent 2008 - Revisiting My Gift of Being Catholic: Knowing, Showing, and Living My Easter Faith

The Holy Spirit
- God's imprint
on us:
wisdom,
encouragement,
love.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 10, 2008

Eucharistic Liturgies

February 10 - February 17, 2008

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Carl Sotir
- 8:00 am † Rose Schuba
- 9:30 am † Tom Arndt
- 11:30 am † Maria Eipl
- 5:00 pm † Ruth Bonier

Monday

- 6:30 am † James E. Craig
- 8:15 am † Barry McRaith

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Dorothy Seligman
- 8:15 am † Jim Sternik

Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Julie Happ
- 8:15 am † Carmelo Sabatino

Thursday

- 6:30 am † Mary Suarez
- 8:15 am Brian Hughes

Friday

- 6:30 am † Patrick & Doreen Maloney
- 8:15 am † Julie Rhee

Saturday

- 8:15 am † Barry McRaith
- 5:00 pm † Vincent Stanislawski

Sunday

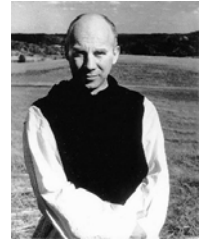
- 8:00 am † Barry McRaith
- 9:30 am † Rose Schuba
- 11:30 am † Carl Sotir
- 5:00 pm † Fr. Ralph Starus

Communal Penance Service Monday, February 25 7:30 pm

The Legacy of Thomas Merton

Sunday, February 17
3:00 - 5:00 pm

In keeping with our Lenten theme of *Rediscovering Catholicism*, we will be presenting this **film and discussion** on Thomas Merton, known as one of the greatest Catholic writers of the 20th century. Thomas Merton made famous the Trappist monastery of Gethsemane in Kentucky (also known for its fruitcake and cheese) where he lived as a monk and wrote numerous books and articles until his death in the late sixties. Merton has withstood the test of time. He is seen as a major influence in many areas of contemporary religious thought from social justice to beginning the interfaith dialogue. Join us in the **Fitzgerald Chapel** for this opportunity to get to know more about Merton. **Liz Stout, who is an interfaith minister here in Evanston, will present the film and lead our conversation.**



Our Ministers of Care for the Sick

Tom Bobowski	Diane Maloney	Eunice Nondorf
Helen Madden	Joan Sextro	Jean Lauri
Nancy Taylor	Shari Coats	Toni Maloney
Helen Stake	Mary Sotir	Katie Maday
Lori Goszczynski	Mary Lee Lally	Rita Kent
Carol Ekman	Stan Goszczynski	Marianne Zelewskys

Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Offertory for February 2/3\$8,927
Easter Flowers\$777

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



This Week: St. Agnes,
Our Sharing Parish

Next Week: Lenten Charity
St. Vincent dePaul

Pastor's Notes

Cover Story

Today's Gospel from Matthew reports that, "Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert." Our *Chimes* cover pictures that Spirit in one of our church windows, represented in the biblical imagery of a dove. Where is that window located?

This Lent, I invite you to allow yourself to be led into that spiritual desert by that same Spirit. And once there, through the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and charity, why not ***revisit your gift of being Catholic by Knowing, Showing, and Living your Easter Faith?***

Yesterday Bishop Joseph Perry administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to our eighth graders using the sacred oil. This action identifies them as willing workers in the Church, and as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says, they are "enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit."

What do we **know** about this Holy Spirit? One of our church windows, located in the Lincoln Street sacristy, shows a 1940's scene of Confirmation with a boy and girl kneeling as Jesus extends His hands in blessing over them. This suggests that God, as Holy Spirit, draws us into a closer relationship with Christ. The Holy Spirit is spotted not as a static picture but rather, more elusively, as if out of the corner of the eye, as something that happens to us. When a church with a relation to Jesus becomes animated, built up, or sanctified, the Holy Spirit has been there. When an individual, in relationship with Jesus, experiences courage, wisdom, a right judgment, clarity, reverence, or wonder in God's presence, then the Holy Spirit has been a visitor.

Today, as we are led in worship by our spiritual shepherd, Cardinal George, when we open our hearts to him as teacher, the Holy Spirit has been present.

Continue to pray for our newly confirmed. Make a decision to "do Lent" in some way real and challenging to you. Use the **Fr. Mark Link, S.J. booklet** daily. In the weeks to come let the beautiful church windows that surround you be an enlightenment and teacher in learning to **know** more about our faith. Our Women's Club has produced a guide booklet explaining the symbolism of our windows. This booklet may become one of your Lenten companions.

In the Lord's Blessings,

Fr. Tom Libera

Father Tom Presents

Rediscovering Catholicism

Fr. Tom will be doing presentations on our Lenten book, *Rediscovering Catholicism* by Matthew Kelly, on the following dates:

Sunday February 17 at 10:45 am in the Hartke Room

Tuesday, February 26 at 10:00 am in the Fitzgerald Chapel

Wednesday, March 12 at 7:30 pm in the Parish House Dining Room

The purpose of these meetings is to offer us opportunities to gather as a Catholic community to learn more about our faith, to update our understanding, to ask questions, and to experience our pastor as the faith leader of Saint Athanasius in a more informal setting. Please remember copies of the book are available in the front vestibule of the church on Sunday and in the parish house during the week. Pick one up and treat yourself.

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. If you have questions, please call the school office at 847-864-2650. We look forward to welcoming you to St. Athanasius School.

North Shore Ulster Project

Every year 300 teenagers from Northern Ireland come to the United States to see the way Americans have learned to live together in our "melting pot" society. We are lucky enough to have 12 kids come to Evanston and stay with host families each July. Teens spend four weeks exploring Chicago and learning about each other and themselves. The American host teens participate with the Ulster teens in daily activities. Each week, one service project is also included, such as helping with an activity at Misericordia. All activities are led by four counselors and there is no cost to the host family. This year they are in need of host families with children currently in 8th grade. If you would be willing to be a host family, please contact Beth Miles at (847) 425-1963 for more details.

St. A's Book Group

Join us on **Thursday, February 21**, at 7:30 pm in the Fitzgerald Chapel to discuss this month's selection, ***Water for Elephants***, a novel by Sara Gruen.

Soup Kitchen

Our next monthly soup kitchen outreach opportunity will be **Monday, February 11**, at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Contact Blanche Childs (864-2506) or Katie Maday (475-1538).



Save the Date

St. A's Saint Patrick's Party, Saturday, March 8, 5:00 - 9:00 pm in the school gym.

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.

Ministers of Care

If you, a family member, or friend are not able to get to Mass because of illness or home confinement, please call Lori Goszczynski, at (847) 328-1430, ext. 124, or leave a message at the Parish office and we can have someone come to you for holy communion.

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Blanche Childs**, **Mary Penak**, mother of Kathy Penak, **Elizabeth Adamson**, **Marilyn Patterson**, **Mary Rhee**, **George Gordon**, **Eleanor McCarthy**, mother of Ruth McMahan, 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, **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 **Jay Belniak** and **Arthur B. Duffy**, father of Paula Meany.

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.

Lenten Charities 2008

February 10	St. Agnes, Our Sharing Parish
February 17	St. Vincent de Paul
February 24	Center for Interchange and Solidarity
March 2	Sunlight African Community Center
March 9	New Foundation of Hope
March 16	Kristin Lietz – Missionary Work in Mexico
Holy Thursday	AIDS Pastoral Care Network
Good Friday	Holy Land Shrines



February 17 - St. Vincent dePaul Society

Working in pairs, members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society personally visit the homes of all whom they seek to help. By their personal presence, they bring the presence of the Lord and the caring concern of the Church into troubled lives. Their goal is to help people become self-sufficient. After home visits and conferences with landlords, utilities or other creditors, the society, to the extent its resources allow, will make payments for its applicants, supply food certificates or give out vouchers to shop in a St. Vincent de Paul store. Your contribution can extend their resources and thus expand their ability to reach out to those who seek help in their time of need. Now you can give monthly to St. Vincent dePaul via ParishPay! Go to www.parishpay.com to sign up or call Barbara at extension 142.

First Sunday of Lent

Every October, approximately 40,000 people fill the street just outside of Grant Park in Chicago for the running of the Chicago Marathon. They nervously stretch in anticipation of the race ahead of them; they have trained for months for this day. With a horn's loud blare, they are off, a sea of humanity following a path to a finish line. Throughout the race, perfect strangers offer encouragement to those slowing down: "Don't give up!"

Jesus had known in his heart of the path on which his heavenly Father had placed him. And now, as he began his journey, he was immediately offered an opportunity to give up, to take the easy way out. By submitting to the temptations of Satan, he could easily achieve a wealthy, pain-free earthly life. But he knew his path and the ultimate goal, and nothing would stray him from his mission.

Are we ready to endure the long race? On this first Sunday of Lent, we must draw deeply upon the moral virtue of fortitude, which enables us to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life (CCC 1808). The race is long, it is hard, it will present us with difficult challenges, and yet the finish line never moves. Eternal rest in the kingdom of heaven for a life well led will be your greatest reward. Don't give up!

Explore Racism with Storyteller

Susan O'Halloran - TODAY

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.

Confirmation 2008

Paige Nicole Mary Affinito
Jack Donald James Anderson
Conner Maximilian Francis Berg
Dylan Grover Francis Blanchard
Victor Antony Sebastian Bordo
Connor Michael Joseph Braasch
Gabriel Joaquin George Brieva
Christopher Joseph Patrick Caan
Kathleen Marie Cecilia Carr
Jack Alexander Patrick Cogan
Maggie Therese Gianna Crowe
James Hamilton Nicholas Davis
Joseph Ferrario Luke DeGrand
Alena Ann Elizabeth Dowdle
Patrick Stephen Nicholas Fitzsimonds
David Allen Patrick Flowers
Blaire Alyssa Beatrice Frett
Serena Giulia Teresa Gobbi
Adelaide Marie Victoria Hake
Colleen Anne Elizabeth Handel
Daniel Luke Matthew Harman
Kristin Mary Joan Haug
Emily Fehrenbacher Teresa Kreid
Thomas More Patrick Leinenweber, Jr.

Joseph King Patrick Luby
Matthew Robert Andrew McCareins
Seamus Patrick Michael McMahon
Kamryn Houghton Agatha McPike
Abigail Houston Elizabeth Meenan
Jake Adrian Michael Miller
William Gaffney Joseph Nawrocki
Kevin Christopher James Nick
Carlin Elizabeth Ann O'Brien
Daniel Robert Philip O'Malley
Megan Emilie Hildegard Patton
Devante DeShawn Anthony Fulgentius Phillips
Jennifer Cantwell Audry Rees
Kieran William Anthony Rose
Quinn Thomas Michael Ryan
Charlotte Catherine Colette Runzel
Derek Edward Anthony Schmitz
Colin Richard Joseph Sellers
Michael Gregory Nicholas Stoklosa
Bradley Robert Francis Suennen
Terese Julia Colleen Swords
Katherine Genevieve Grace Wagner
Alexander Michael Constantine Wind
Nolan Patrick Benedict Winkler

Parish Calendar

Sunday, February 10

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

Monday, February 11

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym
Science Club, 6 pm, Science Lab
St. Vincent DePaul, 7:30 pm, Rosemeyer

Tuesday, February 12

Mom & Tots, 10 am, Rosemeyer
Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym
PSO, 7:30 pm, Hartke

Wednesday, February 13

Athletics, 3:30-9 pm, Gym
Eighth Grade Play Meeting, 5-7 pm, Hartke
Chess, 6-8 pm, Lunchroom
Teen Service Trip Info Mtg., 7 pm, Teen Room
RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel
Peace & Justice, 7:30 pm, Rosemeyer
Choir, 7:30 pm, Church
Men's Basketball, 9-11 pm, Gym

Thursday, February 14

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

Friday, February 15

Athletics, 3:30-10 pm, Gym

Saturday, February 16

Athletics, 8 am-1 pm, Gym

Sunday, February 17

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 Goszczyński
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 February 11 - 16

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Bradley & Rebecca Suennen
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Robert Staub, Nolan Winkler

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend February 16/17

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Sheila Fenn
Servers Joe DeGrand, Martin Fenn,
Quinn Foley

Eucharistic Ministers

Bill Quinlan, Tom Meany,
Anne Swoboda, Henrietta Berning,
Bob Costello

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Steve Carlson
Servers Conner Berg, Dominique Ford,
Wendy Kuanyin

Eucharistic Ministers

Deborah Haracz, Mary Sullivan,
Josie Vorda, Judy Berg,
Joseph Walsh

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Robert Coats
Servers Daniel O'Malley, John Charron,
Isabel Rodriguez

Eucharistic Ministers

Joan Conroy, Gabe Rodriguez,
Barbara O'Connor, Dennis O'Malley,
David Ozar

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Bill Harmon
Servers Colin Sellers, Clementine Creevy,
Bill Nondorf

Eucharistic Ministers

Jim Rooney, Karen Sellers,
Eunie & Jim Nondorf, Nancy Murray

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Libera

Readings for the Week of February 10, 2008

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/
Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Working with the Scriptures

February 10, 2008 (Mt. 4:1-11)

Rachel was a senior in high school. Since junior year, as part of the Religious Education program in her parish, Rachel had been preparing for Confirmation. I had known Rachel's family for years, so I was both pleased and honored when she asked me to be her Confirmation sponsor. As part of the process, Rachel asked if she could interview me, using questions that had been prepared by her catechist.

Among other things, Rachel wanted to know why I had given up a well-paying job in the private sector to take a job working for the church. She was considering various career choices and salary was a major factor. She dreamed of being successful and she couldn't understand why anyone would want to take a job where they made *less*, rather than *more*, than they had before! She was also applying to several prestigious colleges, convinced that her future success might depend on what school she went to.

I asked Rachel about her definition of success. The questions in her interview booklet seemed to presume that the sponsor's answers would be based on a belief in the dignity of the human person and the priority of the common good, but when I asked her how *she* would answer the questions, her response was often very different from mine.

The Scriptures tell us that Jesus was like us in all things but sin, and when the devil posed his interview questions to Jesus he seemed to be counting on that. He offered to make Jesus successful, rich and powerful, but to the devil's chagrin Jesus' idea of what it meant to be successful was very different from his. Why would someone settle for ordinary bread when they could feed on the Word of God? I don't recall that question coming up in my conversation with Rachel. It probably wasn't in her interview book. But as we begin our Lenten journey to confirming who we are as Catholic Christians in a time when wealth, power and prestige continue to tempt us on every side, perhaps it's one question that we might *all* want to consider...

Evanston Catholic Women's Club

The Evanston Catholic Woman's Club meeting for the month of February will be held on February 13 at the Kenilworth Club, 410 Kenilworth Avenue. The meeting will start at 12 noon. Their program will be a presentation by the Three Tarts Bakery. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome!

Evanston Eco-Fair Today

Sunday, February 10 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sponsored by St. Nick's Peace and Justice Committee, Beth Emet The Free Synagogue, First Congregational Church of Evanston and Keep Evanston Beautiful, this fair will be located at Beth Emet, 1244 W. Dempster Street. Learn how to reduce your environmental foot print. Find out about:

- Green home products
- Non-toxic lawn care
- Eating healthy on a budget
- Worms and composting
- Community supported agriculture
- Socially responsible investing
- And much more!

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. Your email address will not be shared with anyone else. You will not be asked for any donations in these emails.

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Pastors

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

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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

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Richard S. Jay

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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 Goszczyński. 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.



Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Hot Cars