

# The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

## 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

## Confirmation 2006

*Emily Anne Gabrielle Barnett  
Emily Stanek Rose Blabolil  
Matthew Paul Brennan  
Christine Sara Bernadette Brown  
Julia Frisoni Cecilia Bruckš  
Lydia Clair Rose Philippine Byrne  
Glenn William Jerome Caan III  
Emma Eleanora Lucy Cagney  
Monica Maria Cardenas Galvez  
Brittany Marie Therese Consolo  
Lukas Max Gerard Cox  
Matthew Robert Luke Daw  
Nicole Francis Dillon  
Julia Margot Josephine Egofskę  
Kyle Robert Francis Enochs  
Caitlin Sullivan Teresa Flowers  
Jack Boney Dominic Folz  
Hannah Ruth Angela Fulcher  
Daniel Timothy Ambrose Gauna  
Elizabeth Nora Brigid Ireland*

*Erinn Margaret Catherine Kenney  
Evan Richard Thomas Josephs  
Sean Connor Thomas Kincaid  
Charles Henry Michael Leonard  
James Alexander Anthony Masello  
Grace Marie Genevieve McKendry  
Grace Taylor Rose Miles  
Zachary Alvin Felix Mulica  
Aidan Patrick Leo Murphy  
Eileen Anne Bridget O'Malley  
Kendall Cody Lawrence Rak  
Kevin Thomas Sebastian Rosinski  
George Nathaniel Patrick Sorensen  
John David Andrew Staub  
Brent Blocker George Terry-Penak  
Crissa Lynn Marcella Toledo  
Andrew Joseph Jose Urquiaga  
Sarah Elizabeth Genevieve Uttal  
Claire Elizabeth Genevieve Wagner  
Caroline Grace Elizabeth Wambach  
Meredith Elizabeth Sylvia Weissert*

# Eucharistic Liturgies

February 5-12, 2006

## Sunday

5:00 pm (Saturday) Thomas Leonard  
8:00 am † Ann Dunbar  
9:30 am † Edward Streit  
11:30 am † Ed and Rosemary Brown  
5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Athanasius

## Monday

6:30 am Elizabeth McCarthy Family  
8:15 am † Maria Josefa Moreno Eruti

## Tuesday

6:30 am Active and Deceased Members of the St.  
A's Women's Club  
8:15 am † Dorothy Maloney

## Wednesday

6:30 am † Patrick Hotchkiss  
8:15 am † Patrick Hotchkiss

## Thursday

6:30 am † Maria Josefa Moreno Eruti  
8:15 am † John Prondzinski

## Friday

6:30 am † Maria Josefa Moreno Eruti  
8:15 am † Ruth Bonier

## Saturday

8:15 am † Tom and Dolores Gaffney  
5:00 pm † Joe and Marian McGowan

## Sunday

8:00 am † Gerry Strzalko  
9:30 am † Beverly Lorey  
11:30 am † Noel Shaw Family  
5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Athanasius



## Prayer for Vocations

Source of All Life,  
We offer you our praise and thanks  
for creating us out of your abundant love.

You sent your Son, Jesus,  
to teach us and show us the way to live.  
You summon us to proclaim the Good News  
of Jesus' power to heal.

You call each of us to holiness.  
Strengthen our commitment to prayer and service.

Bless our Church with men and women  
who dedicate their lives to you  
through the consecrated life.

May we, your people, proclaim the Gospel  
whether it is convenient or inconvenient.

We trust that you will empower us  
through the gift of your Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

## The Evanston Catholic Women's Club

will hold its February meeting on Wednesday,  
February 8th, 2006 at noon at its Clubhouse, 1560  
Oak Avenue in Evanston. Our program will include a  
Valentine's Day Bingo game. All are welcome, please  
join us! For questions, please contact Rita Burrows at  
847-724-2534.

## Adult Confirmation Classes

Sheil Catholic Center, 2110 Sheridan Road, will  
be holding Adult Confirmation Classes on the  
following Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm:

**March 8, 15, 29**  
**April 5, 19**

Confirmation for college and graduate students:

**April 23rd, 10 pm at Loyola**

For adults not in college or grad school:

**June 19, Holy Name Cathedral**

A rehearsal will be required for either session.

Call 847-328-4648 to register. Cost is \$25 and a  
baptismal certificate is required.

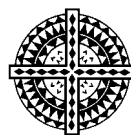
### OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Fiscal Year Goal (2005-6)	\$606,579
As of 11/30/05:	
Year To Date Goal	\$261,668
Year To Date Actual	\$215,468
Year To Date Deficit	(\$46,200)
Average Sunday Collection Needed	\$11,894
Average Sunday Collection To Date	\$9,794
Collections for January 22	
Offertory	\$8,045

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This Week: Seminary

Next Week: St. Agnes,  
Our Sharing Parish



## Securing our Financial Future

Last weekend, we heard from parishioners who have been blessed because St. Athanasius Parish is a part of their lives. They shared their appreciation for the educational, liturgical, and ministerial services available to our faith community. All this is a collaborative effort of our volunteers, teachers, catechists, and staff, and because of the financial support of many of you.

**St. Athanasius is struggling to meet our financial responsibilities.** Our 14 pastoral and support staff members serve more than 3000 parishioners, including the Family Program participants; and our 35 school staff members educate 317 students. To cover our operating expenses requires a weekly offering of \$12,000. We currently raise under \$10,000. This has created a \$50,000 deficit so far this fiscal year.

Your regular financial support is critical to our parish. Today, in the spirit of stewardship which is a sharing in gratitude of the gifts God has given us, I am asking you to review your current contribution in relationship to your income and, if possible, increase or begin a weekly offering commitment.

As a sign that we can face our financial challenge together, **I ask that each family fill out a Declaration of Intention card during Mass today.** Even if you have returned an intention card already, as a sign of solidarity, I ask that you do so again. Please know that your commitment is not legally binding, and will be used in preparing a realistic parish budget for next year.

Thank you for the ways you do decide to help support St. Athanasius parish.

In the Lord's blessings,



## A Message from Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we celebrate Seminary Sunday in all the parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago. In fact, we celebrate the lives of the many priests who serve you so faithfully each day and those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future. The love of a priest for his people makes present Christ's love for his Church.

As your busy lives unfold each week, good and dedicated priests in this parish continue to say Mass, baptize your children, witness marriages, visit the sick and bury your loved ones. Your priests never stop caring about you, your children and your parish.

This Seminary Sunday, please pray for vocations to the priesthood and for all of our seminarians. Your prayers are a tremendous support for them. Please also take a moment to thank the priest who serve so faithfully each week as they bring the love and healing power of Christ to you.

May God continue to bestow on you and your family His choicest blessings. You are in my prayers and I ask you to remember me, our priests and seminarians in your prayers each day.



## Volunteers Needed

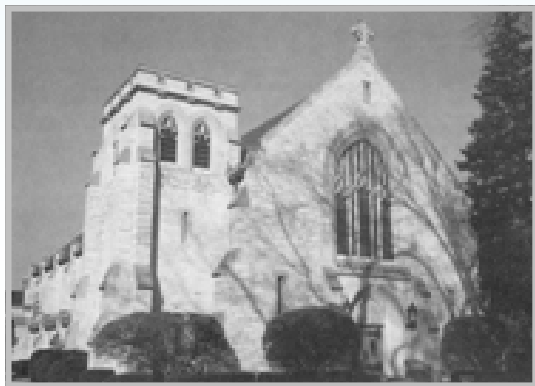
The parish office is looking for volunteers to answer the phone and door. Here are the available times: Mondays 2-4:30 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday mornings 9:00 -11:30 am. Please call Janice or Barbara at 847-328-1430 to join our fun group!

## Sing in the Adult Choir

Practices for 9:30 am and 11:30 am Masses will be held in the Church on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:30 pm. Newcomers are always welcome. If you have any questions, please call Nadine DiVito at 773-279-0864.

## Soup Kitchen

Our next monthly soup kitchen outreach opportunity will be Monday, February 13, 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).



## Food Drive This Weekend, February 4/5

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!

## Want to Join Our Book Club?

The Saint Athanasius Book Club meets on the second Thursday evening of the month at 7:30 pm in the Fitzgerald Chapel. We welcome new members to join us on a one-time or regular basis. Our next meeting is February 9th and the book we will be discussing is the bestseller *The Purpose-Driven Life* by Rick Warren. Books for the following months include *Reading "Lolita in Tehran"* by Ozan Nafesi in March, *"Maus: A Survivor's Tale"* by Art Spiegelman in April and in May, Elizabeth Rosner's *"Speed of Light"*. If you enjoy lively discussions with intelligent people, while drinking tea and/or eating chocolate, you will want to check out our book club. For any questions or info, contact Carolyn Groves at 847-328-1430, extension 130.

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

The newly engaged, especially **Jacob Dalan and Kara Nordus (III)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Tony Burusu, Faye Frank, Cecilia Willis, Joan Watt, Paul Donovan, Frank O'Shaughnessy, Joshua Piene, Lisa Sikorski, Frank Adornetto, Leo Tarpey, Joseph Farley, Suzanne Quigley, Aiden Brennan, Leo E. Smith, Marion Benedict, Carmelo Sabatino, Amy Royer, Phyllis Staub**, mother of David Staub, **Ken Berg**, uncle of Dave Berg, **Rose Connor**, niece of Nancy and Bob Doyle, **Mary Regina Ganey**, mother of Rita Weinberg;

Those in the military, especially **Jacob Meyers, Chris Straub, Maura Sullivan, Catie Staub, Capt. Chris Brennan, Jay Dettloff, Alex Manettas, Dylan Binder, Michael Prato, Andrew Best, Col. Glenn Wortmann, Sgt. Shannon Gillette, Matthew Grelck, Major Mark Gleisner, Matthew Janicki, Capt. Andrew Webster and Brian McCormick**;

Those who have died, especially **Edward Castle**, father of Connie Morrison and **Thomas Gorey**, father of Patty Coghlan.

# An Invitation to Join Our Planned Offertory Program

St. Athanasius Parish is participating in a relatively new online program called **ParishPay**. We have signed up for the program through the Archdiocese of Chicago to process donations via automatic withdrawals from bank accounts or credit cards. There are two methods for signing up:

- 1) You may fill out the form below and return it to **Barbara Bonier** in the parish office, or
- 2) You may sign up online at [www.paritypay.com](http://www.paritypay.com).

Sign up once and the donations are taken care of for you once a month. What could be easier?  
We are very grateful for all of your continuing support and hope that this program will provide another option for handling your contributions.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

## DONATION INFORMATION

I wish to give the following amount MONTHLY: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I also wish to include a MONTHLY amount for **St. Agnes, Our Sharing Parish**: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I also wish to include a MONTHLY amount for **Forward with Faith Campaign**: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For **Easter** collection (in March or April), please additionally deduct: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For **Christmas** collection in the month of December, please additionally deduct: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Circle One:    Visa                    MasterCard                    American Express                    Discover

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

- OR -

## BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Routing #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(9 digit bank identifier along bottom of check)

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Bank: \_\_\_\_\_

# January 9, 2006 Leadership Night

## Minutes from PPC and Coordinating Groups

### Parish Pastoral Council

There were three items for decision tonight by the PPC. The first was the selection of two members to serve as the parish's representatives on the Diocese's Regional Pastoral Council (Ellen Cushing and John Osterlund). The second was how and when to issue the Parish Covenant Handbook regulating our parish's new governance model. The plan is to have it ready for the next Common Leadership Night in February. The third item for decision was the process by which to plan for St. A's first "Gathering of Ministries" on April 6, 2006. During this gathering everyone in the parish currently involved in a ministry will assemble to discuss the past year, to plan for the year ahead, and to discern among their members new representatives to serve on the parish's coordinating groups. Notable in the reports that followed was one from Outreach noting that meeting space has been made available at St. A's for a local group made up families that are both Jewish and Catholic and another report indicating an apparent rise in attendance at the Sunday liturgies. Among items for discussion next time by the PPC will be a response to a request for input from the PPC on what kind of community we are hoping to build at St. Athanasius. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. The next meeting of the PPC will take place on February 6, 2006.

### Worship

This night's Worship Coordinating Group meeting was devoted largely to deciding what the "terms of office" would be for the current group members and an update on music. The latter highlighted the tremendous success of the Christmas music program led by our able interim director Steve Carson and the tremendous turnout for the Parish Youth Caroling Choir. According to the PAR Covenant regulating parish governance, each year one-third of a coordinating group's members will rotate off the coordinating groups to make way for new members drawn from the various ministries. Once established, this kind of rotation will ensure that the coordinating groups enjoy the benefit of both experience and "new blood." Two members of the WCG will rotate off this year. Other topics of discussion this night included the music coordinating group, the convening of various committees, the coordination of the ushers, and the need for sacristans.

### Community

The job of Greeter Coordinator was more clearly defined, and will include coordinating the greeters with the other ministries at each mass (i.e., Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors), publishing a monthly schedule in the Chimes, and providing support and resources. The first St. A's on Draught (Root Beer for Lent) has been scheduled for March 10, in the Gym and Lunchroom, with Catholic Identity as its focus. Babysitting will be provided. Diane Maloney is Program Chairperson and Coordinator, and Sam Inglese will head Hospitality and Atmosphere.

### Faith Development (formerly Formation)

An integral part of the overall goal of Parish unity was discussed — that of incorporating the school family members and the family program members into a more cohesive group. This topic produced multiple suggestions that ranged from basketball games, peace and justice projects, retreats, etc. Other suggestions included getting younger children and their families involved in projects, such as making holiday cards for residents of Presbyterian Homes, Three Crowns and home-bound parishioners, combined with a fun activity together. We welcomed a new member, Andrea Sorenson, to our group, and as a family program member and a St. A's catechist, she adds an important dimension to our discussions and decisions.

### Administration

The Administration Coordinating Group discussed the status of the Parish Census and remaining next steps. Follow-up phone calls were made to all parishioners who had not yet responded to the census. All parishioners who expressed interest in particular ministries have been compiled and will be thanked and acknowledged in a mailing to be sent out February 13<sup>th</sup>. A separate mailing will also be sent to inform ministry leaders of parishioners who wish to learn more and/or join their respective ministry. All data will then be entered into the Parish database and a parish-wide communication of the results is planned. The group also briefly discussed ideas for further engaging parishioners in various Lenten programs planned for this spring.

## Parish Calendar

### **Sunday, February 5**

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School  
Elizabeth Ministry, 10:30 am-11:30, Teen Room  
Athletics, 1-7 pm, Gym  
LifeTeen 7-10 pm, Teen Room  
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

### **Monday, February 6**

Athletics, 3:30-6:30 pm, Gym  
Leadership Night, 7-9:30 pm, Gym  
Pastoral Council, 8:30-9:30 pm, Hartke

### **Tuesday, February 7**

Athletics, 3:30-6:30 pm, Gym  
School Board, 7 pm, Hartke  
Cub Scouts, 7-9 pm, Gym/Lunchroom

### **Wednesday, February 8**

Athletics, 3:30-8 pm, Gym  
RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel  
Chess, 7-8:30 pm, Hartke  
H<sub>2</sub>O, 7-8:30 pm, Teen Room  
Choir Practice, 7:30 pm, Church  
Men's Basketball, 9-11 pm, Gym

### **Thursday, February 9**

Scriptures, 9-11 am, Fitzgerald Chapel  
Athletics, 3:30-8 pm, Gym  
Brownie Troop #504, 3:30-5:30 pm, Hartke  
St. A's Book Club, 7:30 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel  
M.O.M.S., 7:30-9:30 pm, Teen Room

### **Friday, February 10**

Eighth Grade Photos, 1 pm, Hartke  
Band Pizza/Movie Party, 4 pm,  
Lunchroom/Fitzgerald Chapel  
Chess Tournament Set-up, 3:30 pm, School

### **Saturday, February 11**

Chess Tournament, School  
8:30 am, Check-in  
9:00 am, First Round

### **Sunday, February 12**

Family Program, 9 am-Noon, School  
Athletics, 1-7 pm, Gym  
LifeTeen 7-10 pm, Teen Room  
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

## Weekday Servers February 6-11

**8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday**

Alana Natke, Katie Rose O'Brien

**Thursday/Friday/Saturday**

Carlin O'Brien, Will Nawrocki

## Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend - February 11/12

5:00 pm Saturday

**Presider** Fr. Libera

**Lector** Chris Talbot

**Servers** Daniel O'Malley, Matt McCareins, Evan Swenson

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Virginia Davidson, Lori and Stan

Goszczynski, Jan Zeller, Barb Zapszalka

8:00 am

**Presider** Fr. Stoeger, S.J.

**Lector** Bob Best

**Servers** Patrick Mulica, Devin and Derek Schmitz

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Jerry Garner, Judy Berg, Mary Sullivan,

Morley Roberts, Kerry Hubata

9:30 am

**Presider** Fr. Stoeger, S.J.

**Lector** David Staub

**Servers** Christopher Polinski, Meredith Newman,  
Lauren Teske

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Jean Peters, Donna Consolo, Tom and Sue

Laue, Ken Taylor

11:30 am

**Presider** Fr. Libera

**Lector** Jim De Nardo

**Servers** Alana Natke, Will Nawrocki, Bradley Suennen

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Mary Ann Harvey, Joan Harvey, Carol

Ekman, Mary Sotir, Marge Foley

5:00 pm Sunday

**Presider** Fr. Sztorc

**Servers** Sean Kincaid, Grace Miles



## Readings for the Week of February 5, 2006

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/ 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39  
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/ Mk 6:53-56  
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/ Mk 7:1-13  
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/ Mk 7:14-23  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/ Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/ Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/ Mk 8:1-10  
Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/ 1 Cor 10:31—11:1/ Mk 1:40-45

## Working with the Scriptures February 5, 2006

(Job 7:1-4,6-7;1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23)

You've probably seen one. Maybe it was in a fast food restaurant, or in a real estate office – a picture frame with the words “Employee of the Month!” engraved in gold below the photo of a smiling employee. Maybe you recognized the person as someone who waited on you or helped you with some transaction. Maybe you'd never seen them before. The important thing is – their *boss* recognized them and chose this way to thank them for a job well done.

“Is not man's life...a drudgery...his days those of hirelings?” Sure, we all have a bad day now and then; but most days are just kind of ‘neutral’. On those days, how we look at our work can make all the difference. For example, serving up burgers can be downright boring. But look again at that young person's face in the photo. She's SMILING! Come to think of it, almost every time I go into that restaurant she's smiling. Her work may be repetitive and boring but her attitude definitely is not. She makes every customer she serves feel special. And rather than being ‘drudgery’ she sees her job as her way of helping other people smile, too.

But what about those people whose faces are *not* on the wall? The tax accountant who barely looks up from his desk when you walk in because he's too busy to talk to you? The realtor whose first question when you call about purchasing a home is not “What are you looking for?” but, rather, “How much are you willing to spend?”

“If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me...”. We *all* have an obligation to preach the Gospel, and for most of us one of the ways we do this is through our work. How we do our work, then, is how we preach the Gospel. Do we “...do all this...for the sake of the gospel”? Or do we see our work as ‘drudgery’? In other words, if God had an “Employee of the Month!” picture frame, would our picture be in it?

*Vinal Van Benthem*

## The Alice Millar Birthday Concert

will be performed TODAY at 3:00 pm at the Alice Millar Chapel, at 1870 Sheridan Road in Evanston. Over 200 Northwestern student performers will collaborate with composer and conductor Eric Whitacre in some of his most acclaimed works. The program also includes Rossini's Stabat Mater, one of the composer's most dramatic and virtuosic works for chorus, soloists and symphony orchestra. Admission is free, with a freewill offering. A reception will follow.

## 2006 Ulster Project

Any families interested in hosting a teen for the 2006 Ulster Project should contact Mariellen Hendricks at 847-679-7148. The Ulster Project takes place during the month of July. Twelve teens from Northern Ireland are matched with twelve teens from America. Our goal is to teach the Protestant and Catholic teens from Northern Ireland about acceptance, tolerance and diversity. There are many retreats, service projects, and field trips that require a commitment from the host families and of course, your teen. Contact Mariellen for details.

## Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

From April 23 to May 5, Fr. Bob Colaresi, O. Carm., will lead a group of people to the Holy Land. The cost of the trip is \$3,275 (double occupancy) and includes visits to Galilee, Nazareth, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Way of the Cross, the Western Wall, and many more. It will be a powerful experience into the heart of Christianity, the life of Jesus and our Jewish heritage. For further information, contact Darlene at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien at 630-969-4141.

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## Pastors

Rev. Thomas Libera, *Pastor*  
Rev. Richard Sztorc, *Associate Pastor*  
Rev. James Stoeger, S.J., *Weekend Assistant*

## Parish Office

847-328-1430 (fax) 847-328-1809  
Secretary'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*  
Barbara Bonier, *Office Manager*  
Marion Amling, *Business Manager*  
Janice Moore-Rivas, *Administrative Assistant*

## Parish School

2510 Ashland Avenue  
Evanston, IL 60201-2319  
School Office 847-864-2650  
(fax) 847-475-7385

## Parish School Staff

Mary Lietz, *School Administrator*  
Suzanne Hanley, *Administrative Assistant*

## Pastoral Staff

**Buildings and Grounds**  
Jose Moreno, *Facilities Manager*

## Catholic Chaplain

Evanston Hospital 570-2330  
Sr. Ann Weiler, O.S.F.

## Deacon

Richard S. Jay

## Music Ministry

## Pastoral Associate 328-5979

Razia Khokhar

## Religious Education 328-5931

Carolyn Groves, *Director*  
Bridget Hotchkiss, *Coordinator*

## Youth Ministry 328-1430

Christina Thompson, *Director*

## 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).

## 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 a staff member.

## 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 House to make arrangements.

## Confirmation

preparation begins in the middle of the 7th grade year; the sacrament is celebrated during the winter of the 8th grade year. 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 Razia Khokhar. First Eucharist preparation for children begins in 1st grade and the sacrament is celebrated in the spring of 2nd grade.

## Matrimony

arrangements are made by contacting one of the priests at the Parish House. 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 House.

## 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.



A photo finish in the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby