

Eucharistic Liturgies

May 9 - 16, 2010

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Bea Biondi
- 8:00 am † Kate Eisenmenger
- 9:30 am † Josephine Manahan
- 11:30 am † Anne Brady
- 5:00 pm † No Mass

Monday

- 6:30 am † Gloria Harris
- 8:15 am † Rudolph Redlich

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Jacob Pierce
- 8:15 am † John Connolly

Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Allen Hoover
- 8:15 am † Clement Trimborn

Thursday

- 6:30 am † Louise Shilladey
- 8:15 am † Tom Kucera

Friday

- 6:30 am † Sally Welko
- 8:15 pm † Olga Walsh

Saturday

- 8:15 am † Norman F. Lawrence
- 5:00 pm † Bea Biondi

Sunday

- 8:00 am † Gene Jones
- 9:30 am † Ed & Dorothy Hanlon
- 11:30 am † Tom Harvey
- 5:00 pm † William Polston

"Countdown to Zero" Film

You are invited to see this compelling film about the need to eliminate nuclear weapons at **10:30 am on Sunday, May 16**, in Oldershaw Hall at St. Nicholas Church, 806 Ridge Avenue in Evanston. The event is an initiative of Global Zero, a group of 100 leaders from around the world. Two trained student leaders will present the film and lead a discussion. The St. Athanasius Peace & Justice Ministry is co-sponsoring the film, along with North Suburban Peace Initiative (N.S.P.I.) and the Peace & Justice committees of St. Nicholas and St. Mary's parishes.

Community Mental Health Conference

The Naomi Ruth Cohen Institute for Mental Health Education at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology will hold its 9th annual conference at Beth Emet Synagogue in Evanston on Sunday, May 23. **St. Athanasius is one of the 127 sponsors.** The title of this year's conference is "Discovering Hope: Understanding Addictions", and will feature nationally recognized experts who will address the varied nature of addiction, its different causes and treatments. For more information, call 312-467-2552 or visit the website at www.naomicohenfoundation.org. Brochures are also available in the church vestibule.

Police Appreciation Month

The Evanston Police Department Chaplain Team invites all members of St. Athanasius Parish to join them at a "Celebration of Service and Reception" on Thursday, May 13 at 3:00 pm at Police Headquarters, 1454 Elmwood Avenue, as they honor the police officers who put their lives on the line every day to provide for our safety and security. To RSVP or obtain more information, call Fr. Bob Oldershaw at 847-864-9192.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

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| Offertory May 1/2 | \$10,329 |
| St. Agnes | \$1,302 |
| ParishPay for April | \$13,955 |

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| Easter Budget | \$50,000 |
| Easter to Date | \$39,554 |
| Easter Deficit..... | (\$10,446) |

It's not too late to contribute to
our Easter Collection!
Please help us meet our budgeted goal.

~ Thank You ~
Every Contribution Matters
Every Parishioner Counts



OUTREACH COLLECTIONS

This Week: Catholic Charities

Next Week: Ascension

Cataract Surgery for the Church

Today the removal of cataracts is minimally invasive and recovery to sharpened sight is rapid. In the years since the harsh reality of **clergy sexual abuse of children and youth** in the U.S. Catholic Church came under public scrutiny, my hope was that the resulting acknowledgements of fumbling secrecy seeking to avoid scandal, the sincere apologies, the zero tolerance policies, the mandated reporter requirements, the victim assistance outreach programs, the background checks, and the children safety trainings, accumulatively would bring healing and new insight within our Catholic community. I hoped that such cataract surgery on the church would be successful and complete.

We now find that there are complications and that recovery is prolonged. The almost daily revelations of sexual misconduct and accusations of concealment, pointing both to popes and to priests we know and trusted, can tear open the healing wounds with fresh cuts of betrayal, embarrassment, and anger.

I, as pastor, along with you and with fellow priests, seek the cataract surgery needed to see clearly for the long haul. I am praying for the courage and faith of St. Francis of Assisi who was inspired to rebuild churches in ruins. He did so in his compassion and profound humility by washing the sores of the afflicted.

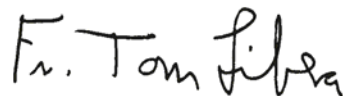
Here are some **evolving thoughts and observations**.

For some a public climate of mistrust and skepticism makes it difficult to see any progress. To be "heartbroken" about the sexual abuse is insufficient. Those in the know or who concealed must be punished. However, for Pope Benedict "(T)he world... speaks to us of our sins...(W)e see that the ability to repent is a grace, and we see how it is necessary to repent, that is, to recognize what is wrong in our life." Punishment or penance? Either or both? Where is the accountability which gives reform?

The price of slow response and appearing to place the institution before victims has cost the Church enormously in moral credibility, treasure, and in sounding like a hollow voice when speaking the Good News. But there now is a new directness and there are added voices speaking about our Church. Most do not wish to bring it down, but instead demand it live up to its high calling. In the meantime, I know that I need to go deeper to enter into the core of the gift of faith Christ has given me.

With one in three women and one in six men becoming the victims of some form of sexual assault, few families and parishes can claim to be untouched. I know that stories of wounds, healings, and reclaimed dignity are a part of St. A's. A Healing Garden has been proposed at a central location in the Archdiocese. Such a space of prayer, reflection, and refuge can inspire God's good presence. How does such a Healing Garden grow here in St. Athanasius as well?

In the Lord's Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Tom Libera". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style. It is positioned to the right of the typed text "In the Lord's Blessings,".

Spring Festival Concert at Alice Millar Chapel

Come hear the music of John Corigliano at the chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road in Evanston, on Sunday, May 16 at 7 pm, performed by the Alice Millar Chapel Choir and Soloists and the Northwestern University Brass Ensemble. Admission is a free will offering.

Parish Weekend of Renewal

Join us on **Saturday, May 15, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, in the gym**, as Fr. Tom Sweetser S.J. and his assistant, Wendy Rappé, lead a discussion to generate the spark of renewal and determine what is needed to improve St. Athanasius. This LEAVEN (Laity: Exploring, Active, Vocal, Engaged, Nourished) process nurtures creativity and shared responsibility. Fr. Sweetser will speak at all the Masses next weekend.

Volunteer Opportunity

On the second Monday of each month, St. Athanasius' priests say a short Mass in the Elliot Chapel at the Presbyterian Home on Grant Street in northwest Evanston. Help is needed to set up the altar and assist in pushing the wheelchair bound residents from their rooms to the chapel. The total monthly commitment is about 1½ hours, from about 2:30 to 4:00 pm. It is an easy but very rewarding job. Please call Sue Harmon (847-491-9197), Jane Goodman (847-492-7760) or Ruth Wheeler (847-492-7746) if you are able to help out each month or on an occasional basis.

Diaper Bank Donations Needed

Food stamps do not cover diapers and most women in the lower income brackets don't have access to washing machines. Day care centers won't take kids without disposable diapers. We will be collecting cartons of diapers in church during the month of May on behalf of Connections for the Homeless in Evanston. Please consider donating a carton.

Mother's Day Flower Sale This Weekend

Bouquets of flowers will be sold after all the Masses this weekend. Choose from roses, carnations, hydrangeas or mixed arrangements. Proceeds from the sale help support the life-saving work of The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. Visit their website at www.womens-center.org for more information or contact Liz Fitzmaurice at 773-794-4771.

There will be no 5:00 pm Mass
this Sunday, May 9.

Soup Kitchen

The month of May brings us three opportunities for soup kitchen outreach. The next **Monday** soup kitchen will be on **May 10** at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Contact Katie Maday (475-1538) or Helen Madden (866-8875). The next **Thursday** soup kitchen will be on **May 20** at First United Methodist Church, 1630 Hinman Avenue, 4:30-7:30 pm (meal served at 6:00). Contact Kris Koenig-Morel (475-2104) or Christine Carlson (869-4160). The next **Sunday** soup kitchen will be on **May 23** at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1004 Greenwood Street, 1:30-4:00 pm (meal served at 2:45). Contact Michael Masini (847-869-4321). Please consider giving them a helping hand.

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly baptized, especially **Isaac Robert Sato**, son of Aaron Sato and Athiua Karvunidis, **Nicola Marie Renegar**, daughter of Clayton Renegar and Stephanie Bergmann, **Audrey Raquel Cervantes**, daughter of Fernando Cervantes and Megan Sullivan, and **Samuel David Bishop**, son of Michael and Melani Bishop;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Pat Schmidt**, **Merrit Hicks**, **Marianne Trombello**, **Marguerite Cuny**, **Ginny Martin**, niece of Larry and Joan Conroy, **Jerry Barkulis**, **Janet Strup**, **Tim Hendershot**, **Katie Ryan**, **Mary Chmielowski**, **Marge Baas**, **Collin Wehr**, **Michele Rene Kennedy**, daughter of Dorothy Kennedy, and **Kathleen Freestone**, niece of Mary Lietz;

Those in the military, especially **Ken Razionale**, **USMC**, **Catie Staub**, daughter of David and Mary Therese Staub, **Ensign Anthony Grusich**, **USN**, son of Lois and Bill Grusich, **Petty Officer 3rd Class Ryan Olsen** and **PFC Kyle Olsen**, grandsons of Jane and Emmitt Ingram, and **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of Eric Harkna and Tonise Paul;

Those who have died, especially **Charles McDonald**, **Isabel Vargas**, mother of Fr. Mike Alcantara, and **Theresa Refermat**, mother of Fr. Thomas Refermat.

Congratulations to our 8th Graders Graduating from the Religious Education Family Program

*Nnamdi Achebe
Ariana Alcaraz
Jack Blanchard
Nathan Brieva
Aidan Crowe
Nicholas DiVito
Timothy Kenney
Alex Klier*



*Alexander Legg
Olivia Luby
Erica Morales
Kate Pingry
Cathleen Rosinski
Harry Runzel
Maureen Tabet
Rebecca Wagner*

Olivia Wind

Foundation for Children in Need

Enjoy an evening of fellowship and thanksgiving at the **Fourth Annual Foundation Evening** on Friday, May 28, 5:30 pm, at St. James Parish Center, 820 Arlington Heights Road in Arlington Heights. The foundation is a non-profit organization founded by Tom Chitta and Geetha Yeruva to provide help to needy children, college students and the elderly in the rural villages of India. They would like to express their gratitude to God and to all of their sponsors and donors, including many St. A's people. Dinner will be served at 7 pm followed by a short presentation and music. There will be a silent auction to raise funds for construction of a new dormitory for girls. Please RSVP to Tom Chitta at tomchitta@hotmail.com or 847-924-3284. Visit the website at www.fcindia.org.

St. A Café Soup Kitchen

Sunday, May 23

Brunch Bee

10:45 am in the school lunchroom

For the Take-Home bags we still need:

- 250 slices of whole wheat sandwich bread
- 250 slices of cheese
- 250 slices of ham or turkey
- 12 dozen hard boiled eggs
- 125 juice boxes or bags

Non-perishable items may be brought to the school office during the week. Please bring perishable items to the lunchroom on May 23. Contact Cynthia Splatt at csplatt@stathanasius-evanston.org or 847-328-1430, ext. 124 to let us know what you will be bringing.

Afternoon Meal 1:30 – 4:00 pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

1004 Greenwood Street in Evanston

We will prepare what may be the most popular menu: grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. We cook the burgers and dogs on site, which means we need three grills and a crew of about 20. If you would like to help, contact Michael Masini at mvmadini@sbcglobal.net or 847-869-4321. Here are the items we still need to complete the menu:

- 150 hot dogs
- 150 hot dog buns
- 30 lbs potato salad
- 12 jars of ketchup
- 12 jars mustard
- 12 large onions
- 6 gallons of milk
- 8 gallons of juice
- fruit for 100 (please include watermelon)
- desserts
- table cloths
- flowers



CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2010 MOTHER'S DAY APPEAL

Reunite a Family

It's a long road back when a woman is recovering from alcohol or substance abuse and yearns to be a good parent again. Catholic Charities has a safe, structured program to make it happen. José, the son of a mother we helped, got what he wanted most of all:

"When my mother decided to go into Catholic Charities' Forever Free program I was happy, but honestly, I really didn't think it would last. She told me we were going to be a family again. It took awhile and I missed her a lot, but it was all worth the wait. I am very grateful to have the mother I know back in my life and around when I need her."

Give to the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal to help us reunite more families.



www.catholiccharities.net

312.655.7012

Thank You from Sunlight African Center

Dear Fr. Tom,

I want to acknowledge the parish's donation of \$950.00 towards Sunlight's general operating support fund. We really appreciate your support all these years. Please let the church know how much we appreciate their love and kindness to the students of Sunlight. It is their efforts that has continued to empower us to hang on, and may God reward them threefold!

We are getting ready for summer day camp coming up July 6 through August 16, 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. It is always intense and fun, too. There are usually 57 kids and 8 interns. It's never easy, but we try.

Again, thank you very much for your support and prayers. We love you all!!

Sincerely,

Ruphina Pettis

Executive Director

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.



After reading the Gospel aloud, in unison, those gathered reflect on the following questions:

- In this passage, what word, phrase or image struck you?
- How does that speak to you personally?
- How does that speak to our community at St. Athanasius? And to the wider Church?

*Conclude by praying the **Our Father** together.*

Scripture Question of the Week

“...stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.” How many claim power they do not have? Do we feel any power? Lord, show us where your power lies within our reach.

Thank You from Center for Interchange and Solidarity (CIS)

Dear St. Athanasius Parish,

Thank you for your gift of \$1,422.90 which we received on March 31, 2010. Your support enables our work building social and economic justice in El Salvador.

- CIS education programs, teaching Spanish and English in the context of the reality in El Salvador and the world.
- The CIS School for Solidarity and Social Transformation, to empower communities in building alternatives and coordinated strategies for survival.
- A network of grassroots organizations working for democratic participation and economic justice.
- Building people-to-people bridges through high school, university scholarships, and community training.
- Solidarity and fair trade instead of “free” trade, including promoting Salvadoran artisan cooperatives and enterprises for women.

In Solidarity,
Los Olivos CIS

Parish Calendar

Sunday, May 9

Monday, May 10

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

Tuesday, May 11

PSO, 7 pm, Hartke

Liturgy Planning, 7 pm, Parish House

Wednesday, May 12

Brownies #40091, 2:35-4 pm, Lunchroom

RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel

Choir, 7:30 pm, Church

Thursday, May 13

Brownies #41566, 3:30-5 pm, Lunchroom

Friday, May 14

Saturday, May 15

Parish Weekend of Renewal, 9 am-2 pm, Gym

Sunday, May 16

Where will you find God today?

Some of us find God at church on Sundays, but finding God the other six days of the week can be a puzzle. **Other6.com** is a community of people answering two simple yet profound questions: *Where have you found God today?* and *Where do you need to find God today?* The website www.other6.com, brought to you by Loyola Press, a Jesuit Ministry, is based on "examination of consciousness" - a prayerful review of the day intended to help us recognize God in our daily routines.

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| 101 School Office | 123 Mary Lietz |
| 103 Fr. Rich Sztorc | 124 Cynthia Splatt |
| 105 Marion Amling | 125 Steve Carson |
| 107 Judy Berg | 129 Bridget Hotchkiss |
| 111 Fr. Tom Libera | 142 Barbara Bonier |
| 114 José Moreno | 143 Karen Sellers |
| 115 Susan Castagna | 157 Lori Goszczyński |

Weekday Servers May 10 - 15

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Cross & Jack Daffada
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Peter & Devin deHueck

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend May 15/16

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Rick Blabolil

Servers Emma & Noah Regnier, Mia Polinski

Eucharistic Ministers

Jackie & Mike Brennan, Joan Conroy,
Bill Quinlan, Nancy Murray

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector Tom McRaith

Servers Moira Mulhern, Abby Samuelson,
Burke Sorensen

Eucharistic Ministers

Kausar Allahrakha, Jean Lauri,
Mary Sullivan, Mary Pat Schmidt,
Bill Kauffman

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera

Lector Larry Wojcik

Servers Rebecca Suennen,
Marina & Marcus Schmitz

Eucharistic Ministers

Rita Bambrick, Anne Swoboda,
Beth Rodriguez, Dennis O'Malley,
David Ozar

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc

Lector Mary Rooney

Servers Caitlin & Eleanor Sweeney, James Zampa

Eucharistic Ministers

Marge Foley, Anne Turner,
Karen Sellers, Tom & Sue Laue

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Libera

Readings for the Week of May 9, 2010

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| Sunday: | Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29 |
| Monday: | Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26---16:4a |
| Tuesday: | Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11 |
| Wednesday: | Acts 17:15, 22---18:1/Jn 16:12-15 |
| Thursday: | Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 |
| Friday: | Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 |
| Saturday: | Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28 |
| Next Sunday: | Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26 |

Working with the Scriptures

May 9, 2010 (*Acts 15:1-2, 22-29*)

Terry was a delightful young woman – a single mom with two kids in college, although she hardly looked old enough to be out of college herself. She was the manager of the Quick-Mart where I sometimes stopped for coffee and she knew just about everybody in town. I particularly remember one morning when Terry greeted me with the words, “Look what they did! I didn’t know they were going to do this, but they did!”

“What did they do?” I asked, wondering not only “what they did,” but who “they” *were*. “My employees - they nominated me for ‘Merchant of the Year’ – and I WON! Can you believe it? The Chamber of Commerce chose *me!*”

I assured Terry that I absolutely could believe it and that they couldn’t have made a better choice. On the way to work I remembered some of the things Terry had done since I had known her. I remembered the people she had hired, mostly high school kids who needed after-school hours and young moms who needed hours during the school day. Terry had always taken the time to figure out what best suited the needs of her employees; then she took the hours that nobody else wanted. I remembered the conversations I had overheard while waiting in line and the genuine concern in Terry’s voice when people shared their problems with her.

I didn’t, however, ever remember Terry talking about what church she went to; but, then, I didn’t ever remember her talking about what churches other people *didn’t* go to either. I didn’t ever remember hearing Terry talk about the Bible; but I didn’t ever remember her refusing to listen when others wanted to talk about it. Mostly I remembered Terry simply doing what she felt was the right thing to do.

Terry knew what was necessary in life. “It is the decision of the Holy Spirit...not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities...” The apostles and the elders – and Terry - chose not to *place* burdens, but to *lift* them. Can we say as much? What do we consider necessities in the spiritual life?

Vinal Van Benthem

Tea at Techny

Pam Coster will be speaking on “Discerning Our Call, Using Our Gifts” on Wednesday, May 12, 4:30 - 6:00 pm in the gift shop building at Divine Word Missionaries, 1835 Waukegan Road in Techny. \$20 per person. For reservations, call Marcia at 847-272-7600.

Evanston Catholic Woman’s Club

Their spring luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at the North Shore Country Club, 1340 Glenview Road in Glenview. Barbara Rinella will be reviewing “Shanghai Girl’s” by Lisa See. Cocktails start at 11:30 am, followed by lunch at 12:30 pm. \$35 for non-members. Cash bar. Everyone is welcome. For reservations, call Marge at 847-328-3725.

Deals on Wheels

Drop off items in the parking lot at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1776 Glenview Road in Glenview, between 8 and 9 am on **Saturday, May 15** and they will do their best to sell them for you. You set the price and OLPH keeps 20%. Pick up your cash or unsold items after the sale (by noon that day). **ALL SALES ARE FINAL.** Bring anything on wheels: bikes, trikes, wagons, skateboards, lawnmowers, strollers, baby joggers, vacuum cleaners. Please - no exercise equipment. Questions? Call Chris Prouty at 847-998-1684.

Mass for Mentally Ill Persons...

and their families in honor of St. Dymphna, Saturday, May 15 at 8 am at Queen of All Saints Basilica, 6280 N. Sauganash in Chicago. For more information, call Jim or Shirley at 773-777-6022.

St. Athanasius Parish

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Reception Hours: Monday/Tuesday 4:30-8:30 pm

Wednesday - Friday 4:30-6:30 pm

Saturday 10 am-1 pm; Sunday 9 am-1 pm

Parish Office 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.

† - @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.



First Communicants Pose for a Group Photo