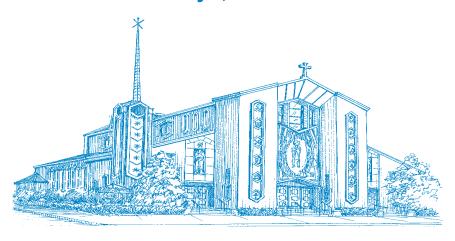
St. Athanasius Church

Brooklyn, New York



WHO IS WELCOME IN ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH?

Are you a sinner? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Are you divorced or separated? Are you physically or mentally challenged? Are you from a different culture? Are you not accepted because of your sexual orientation? Are you elderly, a teen or young adult? Are you discriminated against because of your color? Are you feeling broken? Are you poor or out of work? Have you been imprisoned? Have you a feeling that you are left out? You are welcome here! This is your home, and we are your family!

Do you suffer from Celiac Sprue Disease? We are Celiac friendly and, after receiving permission from our Bishop, we can provide you with low gluten hosts and a pyx, in order to enable you to receive Holy Communion at daily Mass and Sunday Mass. To begin the process, please call Fr. Ron D'Antonio at our rectory, 718.236.0124 Ext. 13.

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The Rectory is also the home of our Parish Priests. We ask you to respect their home by observing Rectory Office Hours and by calling in advance for an appointment.

Our Church is Handicap Accessible.

SUNDAY MASSES:

ENGLISH

Saturday: 5:30 PM Sunday: 8:30,10:00,11:30 (Choir) & 6 PM

SPANISH

Saturday: 7:30 PM (Lower Church) Sunday: 10:00 AM (Lower Church) 1:00 PM (Upper Church)

ITALIAN

11:30 AM (Lower Church)

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7 and 9 AM

MORNING PRAYER: Monday-Saturday 8:45 AM

ROSARY FOR LIFE:

Saturday after the 9 AM Mass

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS:

Every Wednesday after 9 AM Mass

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Eve: 7:30 PM (English)
Day: 7, 9 (English)
Night:
7:30 PM (Italian) Upper Church
7:30 PM (Spanish) Lower Church

FIRST FRIDAY: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament after last morning Mass concluding with Benediction at 7:30 PM. Italian Mass at 8 PM (Sept-June)

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:

Mondays after 9 AM Mass

CONFESSION (Reconciliation):

Saturdays 4-5 PM or anytime by appointment.

BAPTISM: First & Third Sunday at 2:30 PM. Parents make arrangements with Deacon. Both parents & godparents must attend a Baptismal Instruction Class on last Tuesday of month in the evening.

MARRIAGE: Couples are to make arrangements six months in advance.

ANOINTING & COMMUNION CALLS: Those who wish to be anointed or receive Communion at home, call one of the priests to make arrangements 718-236-0124

Sunday, Jan. 6th:

8:30 Giovanni Furio

10:00 Ernest Ferrante, Jr.

10:00 Spanish Mass - Lower Church

11:30 PURG. SOCIETY, In Thanksgiving to St. Jude for Blessings Received

11:30 ITAL. - Anna Marsica

1:00 Spanish Mass—Upper Church

6:00 Francesco & Isabella Gaudioso

Monday, Jan. 7th:

7:00 Donald J. Tighe

9:00 Nicola & Donato Tagarelli

Tuesday, Jan. 8th:

7:00 Andrew Henry Dufala

9:00 Christina Leonardo

Wednesday, Jan. 9th:

7:00 Giovanni Cusenza

9:00 Di Rende & Lanzillotta Families

Thursdzy, Jan. 10th:

7:00 Rose, Mary Mangino, Rose De Vita

9:00 Salvatore Davi

Friday, Jan. 11th:

7:00 Madonna Dei Miracoli

9:00 Ruggiero, Clemente & Pesce Family

Saturday, Jan. 12th:

9:00 Deceased Lay Carmelites of Our Lady of The Rosary

10:30 Giuseppe Paneta

5:30 Antoinette Montaniro, Anniv.

7:30 Spanish Mass - Lower Church

Sunday, Jan. 13th:

8:30 Salvatore Liguoro

10:00 Holy Name

10:00 Spanish Mass - Lower Church

11:30 PURG. SOCIETY, Christina & John Quarto

11:30 ITAL. - Umberto e Assunta Realini

1:00 Spanish Mass - Upper Church

6:00 Deceased Members of Fairechio Family



Please Turn Off Cell Phones

PASTORAL CARE Please don't forget to inform us if you are going to be hospitalized so one of our priests can visit. Provide us with your name, hospital, room number, phone number and, when possible, how long you will be hospitalized. If you are unable to attend Mass, due to poor health, illness or advanced age, please call so a Eucharistic Minister can bring Communion to you. Anointing of the Sick may be requested because of scheduled surgery or treatment for a life-threatening illness. Call us prior to your surgery or treatment. Anointing of the Sick at Mass may be celebrated before you go into the hospital. Directly inform one of our priests or call one of our Pastoral Administrators.

WELCOME, we're glad you're here! If this is the first time you have been to St. A's, welcome! We promise that if you keep your heart and mind open to God, you'll find what you're looking for. Would you like to talk to someone? We're here to listen and help if we can. Just call us at the Rectory when you're ready. In the meantime, remember that you are always prayed for and that it is our hope to pray with you each week.

MAKE A VISIT TO THE CHURCH AND PRAY IN THE PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Don't forget our Upper Church is open Monday-Friday from 6:30a.m. to 3p.m. Saturday 7a.m. to 7p.m. & Sundays 7a.m. to 7p.m. Feel welcome to kneel at the communion rail at the Altar of the Blessed Sacrament or sit on the benches in the Sanctuary.

Memorials for the Week

Hosts: In Loving Memory of John Domanico by Betty & Lucille Franco

Altar Wine: In Loving Memory of Nicola, Donata & Nicky Tagarelli requested by Grace Ateniese

Candles: In Honor of The 100th Anniversary of St. Athanasius Parish requested by June

Sanctuary Lamp: In Loving Memory of Giovanni Furio requested by Wife & Children

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Knights of Columbus Right-to-Life Rose: In Loving Memory of Christina Leonardo requested by daughter, Susan

BAPTISMAL IN-TAKE:

Baptismal arrangements are made every Wed. evening from 7-8:30 pm in the Rectory basement. Please bring a copy of the child's birth certificate when you come in. Instruction Class is held the last Tuesday of the month in the evening.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week will begin with 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 27, 2013, followed by refreshments and an "Open House" at the school.

On Monday, January 28, 2013, the school will begin new registration for all new students, during the hours of 9-11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m., please call the school for more information about new registration. The school will hold an "Open House" from 9-11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29th and Thursday, January 31st. Please feel free to see our school and how the children work and play.

Registration for Saint Athanasius School will begin on Monday, January 28, 2013 as follows:

Nursery – 7th Grade: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m.

No applications will be accepted without:

Baptismal Certificate

Birth Certificate

Parish Envelope Number (If you are a member of Saint Athanasius Parish)

Report Card from last June and any educational or psychological testing results (ex. I.E.P.)

Immunization Data

If child received Penance, Communion or Confirmation please give dates

Registration fee of \$175.00 per child at the time of registration (check or money order only, no cash accepted)

PLEASE HELP...

As part of the Little Doctor's Program, the 4th and 5th grades will be sponsoring a Blood Drive during Catholic Schools Week. Please join us on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>January 31st from 2 o'clock until 7:30 p.m.</u> to give the gift of hope. Everyone between the ages of 17 to 76 is welcome. Your presence and donation can make this life-saving event a success for everyone. Thank you.

The following Weekday Masses for Mar., 2013 are available:

Time	Date	
7:00am	Mar. 8, 11, 14, 18, 19,	

The following Memorials for Jan-Feb. 2013 are available:

Host	Wine	Candles	Sanctuary Lamp	Sanctuary Lamp
	Feb. 3	Jan. 27		

The following girls from St. Athanasius Parish have received academic honors from Fontbonne Hall Academy.

Michela De Vito 11th gr. Principal's List Gabriella Castellano 12th gr. First Honors Lauren Gibaldi 12th gr. First Honors Christia Vazquez-Rivera 12th gr. First Honors Ugonna Nwabueze 11th gr. First Honors

SAINT ATHANASIUS SPORTS PROGRAM Presents

NIGHT AT THE RACES



Saturday, January 26^{th,} 2013

St. Athanasius Auditorium 6120 Bay Parkway

Doors open at 6:30pm, Post Time 7:15pm

Tickets \$25 per person

Includes: Sandwiches, Beer, Wine, Soda, Chips, Cookies & Coffee (Must be over 21 years of age to attend)

Tickets available at the St A's Gym on Saturdays in January from 9am to 1pm **or call**

Bill Finn (718-236-6680) Mike Garthaffner (718-331-2406) Joe Orlando (646-210-2919) Bob McKenna (718-676-2102)

You may also complete this form and return it along with the appropriate amount of cash or check payable to St. Athanasius to the Rectory (2154 61st Street) Attention: "Bill Finn - Night at the Races Tickets". Tickets will be delivered or mailed to your address.

Address:					
Telephone Number:					
Please enclose the following:	Number of tickets:	X \$25 = \$			
Tickets for this event are limite served. Please note below the wish to be seated at a specific	names of people attending				

Bollettino Settimanale



Messa in Italiano ogni Domenica alle 11:30am (Chiesa di giu')

DOMENICA PROSSIMA, 13 GENNAIO 2013, BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE, SI CONCLUDONO LE FESTE NATALIZIE

<u>Dal nostro DIACONO DANTE COLANDREA</u> <u>Riflessione del mese di gennaio</u>

UNA PREDICA NELLA FESTA DELL'EPIFANIA IN INDIA

Nel 1965, in India, alla festa dell'Epifania, sono stato invitato a parlare nella chiesa di una cittadina dello stato di Andhra Pradesh, dove lavorano i missionari del Pime. Essendo l'unico prete disponibile, ho dovuto celebrare la Messa (ma allora si celebrava in latino!) e anche fare la predica dell'Epifania. Dato che sapevo solo poche parole di telegu, la lingua locale (una delle più importanti delle 18 lingue ufficiali dell'India, parlata da più di 80 milioni di indiani, con una letteratura molto ricca e antica), il vescovo di Warangal monsignor Alfonso Beretta mi aveva fatto accompagnare da un catechista che sapeva bene l'inglese. «Tu parla inglese andando adagio», mi aveva detto, «e lui tradurrà in telegu, frase per frase, parola per parola».

Così sono andato in quella grande chiesa di Kammameth (che oggi è Diocesi), piena di gente, col mio bel discorso scritto in inglese. Dopo la lettura del Vangelo, la gente si è seduta e io ho cominciato a parlare, facendo riflessioni sulla festa liturgica, sul significato teologico dell'Epifania. A ogni frase mi fermavo e lasciavo al catechista il tempo di tradurre. Ma, man mano che andavo avanti nella predica, mi accorgevo che mentre le mie frasi erano brevi, il catechista parlava a lungo; e poi, io non citavo nessun nome proprio, ma lui continuava a citare Baldassarre, Melchiorre e Gaspare.

Dopo la Messa gli chiedo come aveva tradotto la mia predica e mi sento rispondere: «Padre, tu dicevi cose troppo difficili che io capivo poco e i nostri fedeli, gente semplice, non avrebbero capito nulla e non sapevo come tradurre. Allora ho raccontato alla gente la storia dei tre Re Magi, chi erano, da dove venivano e cosa hanno fatto quando sono tornati alle loro case dopo aver visto Gesù. Forse tu non sai, ma in India c'è la tradizione che i Magi erano indiani. lo li ho ambientati nei nostri villaggi telegu, in modo che tutti li sentissero come loro antenati. Ma non preoccuparti, ai nostri fedeli la tua predica è piaciuta molto, anche perché hanno capito tutto e adesso le vicende della vita di Gaspare. Baldassarre e Melchiorre le racconteranno anche ad altri». Quell'episodio mi ha fatto capire una grande verità: il Vangelo è il racconto di un fatto, di un avvenimento, di una notizia; cioè comunica la «Buona Notizia» e usa un linguaggio estremamente concreto, che invita a cambiare vita, a convertirci. Gesù parla con parabole, cioè racconta dei fatti che avrebbero potuto anche essere veri, per dare un'indicazione morale. Non fa come in certe prediche di noi sacerdoti, che la gente non ascolta o non capisce, perché disincarnate dalla vita quotidiana. Essere cristiani significa vivere la vita di Cristo e offrire agli uomini degli esem

concreti di vite spese per Dio e per il prossimo. Quello che convince o scuote e fa riflettere i non credenti o i non praticanti non sono i ragionamenti o le dimostrazioni filosofiche o teologiche (ci vogliono anche queste, ma a luogo e tempo debito)., sebbene i buoni esempi delle vite di Gesù, di Maria e dei santi. E anche dei Re Magi che venivano dall'Oriente!

Anche la nostra vita cristiana deve diventare, agli occhi di chi non crede, un annunzio di salvezza, una testimonianza di fede e di bontà. Nessuno riesce mai a essere un vero cristiano, perché il modello di Gesù è infinitamente al di là delle nostre piccole persone: ma quel che importa è la sincera volontà di camminare per la via che Cristo ci ha indicato. Non preoccupiamoci troppo delle nostre cadute, quando sono sinceramente combattute e detestate, quando ripetiamo ogni giorno al Signore il nostro pentimento e la volontà di togliere il peccato dalla nostra vita. «La santità», diceva Santa Teresina del Bambino Gesù, «non è una salita verso la perfezione, ma una discesa verso la vera umiltà».

IL PRESEPE NELLA CHIESA SOTTOPIANO RIMANE APERTO FINO AL BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE – DOMENICA PROSSIMA 13 GENNAIO Venita ad ammirare il piu' bel presepe della nostra citta'.

Oggi, 6 GENNAIO, EPIFANIA DEL SIGNORE – Una stella ha guidato i Magi fino a Betlehemme. E' nato il Re dei Giudei. BENEDITE LA VOSTRA CASA NEL GIORNO DELL'EPIFANIA - Il Vangelo ci dice che i Magi incontrarono Gesu' appena entrati in casa. La porta della nostra casa e' la nostra sacra entrata. Vi incoraggiamo a benedire tutti quelli che entrano e escono dalla vostra casa scrivendo sulla porta 20+G+M+B+13. La tradizione ci dice che le lettere sono le iniziali dei Magi: Gaspare, Melchiorre e Baldassare. Questo puo' anche significare "Christus mansionen benedicat" cioe' che Cristo benedice questa casa. Gennaio e' il primo mese dell'anno, ossia la porta d'entrata al nuovo anno. Benedite la vostra porta con acqua benedetta mentre recitate una preghiera.

Monsignore Cassato e tutti dell'ufficio parrocchiale ringraziano quelli che hanno reso il nostro Natale, e Capodanno un'evento particolare a Sant'Atanasio.

Senza l'aiuto e la generosita' di tante persone, la liturgia, i tre presepi, i fiori in Chiesa, gli alberi di Natale fuori la chiesa e le luci su Bay Parkway non sarebbero stai possibili. Un grazie particolare a tuti quelli che erano presenti a Messa durante il Santo Natale. La nostra preghiera e' che tutti noi continuiamo a cercare Cristo nel nuovo anno e nella nostra vita quoditiana e che nel nostro cammino con il Signore continua, come i Magi che trovarono e adorarono Gesu'. Grazie e buon anno



LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR 6 DE ENERO DE 2013

La estrella de Belen ha sido a veces comparada a la vocación , hay una luz que invita, como invito a los Reyes magos , a buscar a Dios, pasando incluso por dificultades, conflictos, incomodidades y sacrifcios. A los Magos el llegar a ver a Jesús parece que les merecio la pena. Cuando nosotros mismos o nuestros hijos, sentimos esa luz dentro y esa llamada a buscar al Señor, es importante no escudarse en problemas, sino seguir la llamada

y animar a otros a seguirla, El resultado es un encuentro personal con el Jesús hoy y siempre.

Continuamos la campaña en el año de la Fe que el Papa Benedicto XVI nos invita , retomando las enseñanzas basicas del Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica:

LOS SIETE SACRAMENTOS

- EL BAUTISMO
- LA CONFIRMACION
- LA COMUNION
- LA CONFESION
- LA UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS
- ORDENES SAGRADAS
- EL MATRIMONIO

AVISOS PARROQUIALES

- BAUTIZOS EN ESPAÑOL ENERO 26 Y FEBRERO 23 , REGISTRARSE CON TIEMPO EN LA RECTORIA .
- DOMINGO ENERO 6 TENDREMOS LA PROCESION DE REYES A LAS 12 PM "SEGUIDAMENTE DE LA MISA SOLEMNE A LA 1PM EN EL TEMPLO DE ARRIBA Y, UNA VEZ TERMINADA LA MISA HABRAN RE-GALOS EN EL TEMPLO DE ABAJO PARA LOS NIÑOS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD HISPANA.
- REGISTRACIONES PARA LA ESCUELA ELEMENTAL A PARTIR DEL LUNES 28 DE ENERO A LAS 9 AM TENEMOS CUPOS DISPONIBLES DESDE GUARDERIA HASTA GRADO 7, INTERESADOS COMUNIC-ARSE CON EL SEÑOR ALVARO EN LA RECTORIA 718-236-0124 EXT 24
- MISA DE LA PRESENTACION DEL SEÑOR SABADO 2 DE FEBRERO A LAS 7:30 PM

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100th Jubílee Events				
Sunday, January 20, 2013	11:30am - Mass & Reception Nun's Reunion - Sisters of St. Joseph All the Sisters that were assigned here or entered from here to be honored for their service to our Parish			
Saturday, February 23, 2013	5:00-8:00pm - International Supper - Food & Music			
Mon Thur., March 11-14, 2013	7:30pm - Jubilee Mission Mass & Homily by Former Priests of the Parish			
Sunday, April 7, 2013	11:30am Mass - Welcome Home Sunday-Divine Mercy Sunday Former Parishioners - Refreshments Served			
Thursday, May 2, 2013	7:00pm Feast of St. Athanasius - Trilingual Mass & Reception			
June 2013	Youth Event - TBD			
July 2013	Parish Trip to the Tomb of St. Athanasius			
Sunday, September 22, 2013	Ministry Sunday			
Sunday, October 27, 2013	11:30 am Mass - Closing of the Jubilee Year			
November 17, 2013	2:00pm - 9:00pm - Dinner Dance Gala at El Caribe			

In your kindness please pray for those who are sick

Santo Ammirable, Nina Amico, Vivian & Antoni Antonelli, Patricia Aurigemma, Timoteo Beck, John Bernard, Al Bergen, John Bernard, Mary Bidmead, Joseph Biuso, Jr., Stacy Bono, Alfred Brancaccio, Catherine Broderick, Brenda Burns, Christopher Canale, Robert F. Cannone, Anthony Caputo, Ann Centorrino, Carmela Colandrea, Robert Colosini, Josephine Como, Rosemarie Costagliola, Julia Coston, Thomas Cronin, Diana D'Alessandro, Josephine D'Auria, Salvatore Davi, Anthony De Fino, Anthony De Luco, Rachel De Pinto, Laura D'Antonio, Craig De Lullo, Alex De Marco, Jr., Alex De Marco, III, Joan Demeyer, Jacqueline Di Palma, Elaine Esposito, Tina Esposito, Vincent Esposito, Patricia Farenga, Anthony Felicito, Lauren Fevola, Stanley Fishelson, Mary Fumai, Gracie & Theresa Garritano, Edward Gironachan, Gary Golemi, Barbara Hale, Helen Hauser, William Horgan, Carlo, Diana Ingravallo, Aldo Inguanti, Julie Inzerillo, Cerina Jimanez, Neil, Paul & Stephen Kelleher, Rose, Keith & Elicia Klein, Herb Levin, Catherine Linde, Jillian Lasinsky, Richard & John Liberti, Angela Maffai, Sara Marie LoCicero, Lo Piano Family, Eileen Lucchese, Ellen MacDougall, Maiya Macko, John Malloney, Katherine Mami, Linda Mark, Grace Martino, Paul Mezzo, Andrew Mirabella, A & M. Mohamed, Lucia Montella, Lucy Napoli, Lisa Neglia, Roger Nilsen, Frank Nitto, Joe P., John Palmiero, Jean Palombo, Rafael Pellez, Clara Pezza, Cathal Quigley, Felicia Randolph, Joseph Riccardi, Margaret Rizzi, Ida Russo, Judy Sabatini, Rosemary Sabatelle, Angelina, Jenna, Dina Scarponi, Mickey Sasko, Jada Sciacchatano, Antoinetta Selicchi, Matthew Settanni, Concetta Sigona, Alecia Sirico, Jared Speroni, Marie Stokes, Suzanne Taranto, Dorothy Thoelen, Peter Tarulli, Lori Taub, Helen Umhasuser, Vasta Family, Rita Venezia, Nicole Villorola, Carla Vitucci, Leonard Walder, Josephine & Robert Wise, Jr., Nelson Yates, Martin Zukowski

Youth Ministry Bowling League

Calling all youth, any age, do you like to bowl? Going pro or just learning? Every other Friday in the late afternoon at Shell Lanes, we have a youth league, with teams of all ages desired. Have some friendly competition and be part of a team! Program just restarted so if you want to join call/email Frank Morale at (917)566-0768 or movie-fan79@aol.com for more information and to register. This program is fully supported by the Ben-

Calling all confirmed Youth!

Have you received your confirmation last year, year before or more? Looking to learn more, share more with your faith? Then we need you and you need us, join the NEWLY formed Post Confirmation Youth Group!

If you know someone who was confirmed remind them they need to be more involved in the church, that is what they confirmed with the

> Saint Margaret Parish Msgr. Steven Aguggia present...

SHRINES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE March 4 to March 14, 2013

Call Doug at 718.326.1911 for information

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED



In order for those of you who are hearing impaired to follow along with the Mass we are having installed a hearing assistance system. An antenna will be

connected to our audio system and those who need assistance will use a belt pack along with the supplied ear buds. We recommend that if the same people use the belt pack week to week, for sanitary purposes ,they should purchase their own ear buds or any other type of head sets. Belt packs run at a cost of \$160 each. Many people who have <u>t</u> coils installed in the hearing aids can wear a neck loop plugged into the belt pack

Please feel free to contact the Rectory for any questions you may have.

Bensonhurst Youth Ministry

Youth Center - Every Tuesday from 6:30-9:30PM at St. Frances Cabrini. For youth 6th grade through high school. Come where faith and fun are one!

<u>Soul Team</u> - Meets every first and third Wednesday at St. Frances Cabrini . This is a High School and College Leadership Team.

Youth Mass - at St. Athanasius and meets either the 2nd or 4th Sunday. Afterwards a post confirmation youth group, and confirmation leaders group will meet from 7-9PM.

Faith Formation: Youth and Adult Lead sessions. meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at St. Simon and Jude from 7-9PM.

<u>Passion Players</u>: Youth drama group meets on Tuesday evenings at the Youth Center

SYP- Saturday Youth program meets every 1st and 3rd Saturday at St. Athanasius from 10:30-2PM.

The St. A's Scouting Program meets every Wednesday night in the school auditorium at 7:00 p. m. All boys ages 7-18. Boys and Girls 14-21 can join the Venturing Crew. Come and learn skills that will last a lifetime.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Gives Back

For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our church a \$50/\$100 per vehicle donation. If you, a family member, friend or neighbor has an old neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of, call the Society at (718) 491 2525 Thank you!

Faith Sharing Question of the Week

We encourage you to talk about the readings & reflection question in the car on the way home from Mass, at dinner on Sunday, or at parish meetings. Faith sharing opens the door for us to meet, know & walk with Christ in our everyday lives.

What "signs" in your life have led you to Jesus?

The Morning Scripture Reflection & Faith Sharing Group

Meets <u>every Thursday</u>, <u>after the 9a.m. Mass</u>, <u>in the Nazareth Institute</u> to discuss the upcoming Sunday's Scriptures. Join Lay Pastoral Leader Joe Barbieri for spirited discussions on next Sunday's readings.

Golden Age Club

Meets every Wednesday at 12:45pm in the School Auditorium (During the school year)

All Golden Agers are welcome to join us.

Figlia Maria SS Addolorata

Join them every First Friday to pray the Rosary in the Nazareth Institute at 8pm. During May the Rosary is prayed on Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 8pm

Charismatic Prayer Group

Meets every Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Lower Church.

The St. Athanasius Respect Life Ministry

Rosary and Prayers for an end to abortion. Every Saturday after the 9:00am Mass..

"That we continue to honor & pray to the Infant Child Jesus through the year and realize His wonder works."

Community Outreach Program

Where there is despair, let us bring hope. Volunteers are needed to serve food to the poor and the homeless on Saturday Mornings. For more information, please call Fred Rubino at (718) 236-0264 or Dawn Aiello at (718) 232-3113

Food Pantry

Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Panty is requesting donations of the following items:

Cereal, canned vegetables, soups, peanut butter & jelly, tomato sauce & pasta.

Leave all donations in front of the St. Joseph Altar. We thank you in advance for helping the needy of our Parish.

Rosary Society

The Rosarians welcome all women of the Parish. The Society is dedicated to the Blessed Mother, the growth of the love of God through Mary. We honor the Blessed Mother by the constant and reverent praying of the rosary in our daily life.

We are involved in all Parish activities, liturgical and social – and keep informed about civic community activities

Spiritual activities include an Annual Retreat, Annual Communion Breakfast and Baby Shower for Unwed Mothers. The Society raises money to help our Church continue outreach efforts. The fundraisers include: Christmas Fair, Basket Night, Chinese Auction.

We attend the 10:00am Mass on the Third Sunday of the month (except July & August) followed by a meeting & light breakfast in the School.

If interested, please call Palma @ 718-837-1752 or just come to the Mass & meeting.

Holy Name Society

New members are welcome to help with our community service work. The Society is a spiritual organization, a fraternity of the Catholic Church, spreading devotion to the Name of Jesus. Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow!

The present Holy Name Society members dedicate themselves to corporal works in helping our Parish Organizations and School, with various fundraising. The Holy Name meets every second Sunday of each month (after the 10 a.m. Mass), except for July & August.

Men of all ages are welcome, especially the fathers of children attending St. A's School and Catholic War Veterans are cordially invited to attend. For more info., call Ed DiGiacomo at:718-836-7917

Make a difference in your community. Join the Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are looking for Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Whether it's doing charitable deeds, making new friends, or supporting your church, the Knights of Columbus may be right for you.

Find out more by visiting www.cavallarocouncil.com or call 718-259-5080.

RENTALS

Apartment Wanted: Single, mature woman, has references. If available call: 1-347-831-7557

The District Attorney's Office is located in the Rectory Conference Room on Wednesdays from 9 - 4. Call 718.234.8709.

The <u>Neighborhood Office</u> is an extension of the District Attorney's Office's <u>Citizen Action Center</u>. You can discuss problems that concern you and our community with their

BINGO

Every Thursday in the Auditorium.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Admission \$3.

Knights of Columbus News

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a basketball Free Throw Contest on Saturday, Jan. 26.

All children ages 11-14 are encouraged to participate. It will be held at the St. Athanasius School gymnasium at 6120 Bay Parkway, Brooklyn, NY. Winners will move on to semifinals. For more information please contact us at 718-259-5080 or visit us on the web at www.cavallarocouncil.com.

Home Assistance

We are happy to announce that two members of our Parish have now opened:

Right-at-Home

In Home Care and Assistance

Do you need a Minister of Caring? Is someone in your family ill, homebound, hospitalized or in a care facility (assisted living or nursing home) & wishes a visit or a phone call from a **Minister of Caring**, please call Bensonhurst Cluster Lay Minister Palma Parmese at 718.837.1752.

Support Groups at St. A's

<u>Bereavement Support</u> meets in the Nazareth Institute with Sr. Barbara Murtha, C.S.J. on Mondays, Sept. to June, at 7:30pm. <u>Will begin again in the Spring.</u>

Divorced & Separated Support Group will meet in the Nazareth Institute from 7:30-9:30p.m. on Tuesdays. Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 19; Mar. 5, 19; Apr 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28; June 11, 25.

Call Enza at: 917-613-3959 for more information (after 7 p.m.).

<u>Gamblers Anonymous</u> is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from a gambling problem. Meeting every **Friday night at 7:30p.m.** in the **Nazareth Institute**.

<u>Overeaters Anonymous</u> members talk about their struggles with compulsive eating. Meeting **every Wednesday night at 8:00p.m.** in the **Nazareth Institute.**

Is your life effected by someone who is drinking? To help them, you must first help yourself. <u>Al-Anon</u> helps families and friends of alcoholics recover from the effects of living with the problem drinking of a relative or friend.

Our Al-Anon Group meets in the Nazareth Institute every Friday 8-9:30p.m. & Saturday 7:30-9:30p.m.

In order for designated Parish Ministries & Organizations to reserve one of our rooms at St. A's, we require you to fill out our <u>Parish Calendar & Room Request Form</u>. The form is available in the rectory or can be downloaded from our website. We even have an E-form so you complete this form without writing. Just e-mail it back to us, or print it out and drop it off. <u>All Requests must be made using our form</u>. E-mail completed form to <u>AnnaMarie Scuteri</u> at <u>annamariesta@hotmail.com</u>. This is the <u>ONLY</u> way to reserve a room here at St. A's. <u>The group listed on the parish calendar is the group that has the right to use that space.</u> <u>If you are not a designated ministry of our parish</u>, permission must be granted from our Pastor, Msgr. Cassato, a rental

<u>Sunday Bulletin Deadlines</u> The Sunday Bulletin must be e-mailed to our printer by **10a.m. Monday**. <u>All announcements must be submitted in WRITTEN form only</u> (handwritten, typed, computer, fax, e-mailed, etc) by <u>3p.m. Friday.</u> Announcements received after the deadline will be published the following week. <u>No one on the parish staff will assume the responsibility for your ministry's articles.</u> Include your bulletin articles in your advance planning for your event. All Flyers need to be approved by a staff member and submitted by <u>Email only</u> to <u>MrsAthanasius@aol.com</u>.