



128: Isaiah 35:4-7a
 Psalm 146:7-10
 James 2:1-5
 Mark 7:31-37



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 09/07 8:00 a.m.

Edwin M. Seabolt, intention daughter, Janice Seabolt
 Joe Gray, intention Martha Whalen
 Clifton Wissner, intention Elizabeth Almazar

Tues. 09/08 8:00 a.m.

Ed Nicoli, intention Patricia Rose Williams
 George Zaruba, intention Lin Noonan & Family
 Genevieve Zientek, intention Agnes & Richard Paulick

Wed. 09/09 7:00 p.m.

Patrick Clarke, intention Clarissa Clarke & Family
 Franlesca Corapi, intention Andrew & Barbara Sendeck
 Craig L. Minorrik, intention Joseph & Elaine O'Malley

Thurs. 09/10 8:00 a.m.

Communion Service

Fri. 09/11 8:00 a.m.

Marilyn M. Janssens Turcott (Health), intention
 Doris Hilferty
 Lorraine Thompson, intention Roberta Walter
 Andy Skrezecz, intention Martha Whalen

Sat. 09/12 8:00 a.m.

Communion Service

4:00 p.m.

Julia Ann Lanasa, intention Dad
 Nicolas E. Bonacci, intention William & Colleen Shenton
 Anna & Ferdinand Mullauer, intention Marie Mullauer

Sun. 09/13 8:00 a.m.

David Cage, intention Sandra Cage & Family
 Wanda Haluch, intention Louise Regiec
 Pete Blauciak, intention Bob & Pat Selig

10:30 p.m.

Alexsandra & Antoni Tarnowski, intention Catherine Benicewicz
 Cecilia Zarachowicz, intention Rick & Sharon Dehn
 Helen Fuller, intention Gene Ryan



Dear Parishioners and friends,

I would like to thank those who have volunteered for our Greeter Ministry and for sharing their warmth in welcoming our parishioners and visitors. You will notice them at the doors of church at all of the Masses.

This week I have asked Mary Beth Barnes to write a few words and extend an invitation concerning the upcoming meeting in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you for your interest and kind attention.

God Bless ~ Fr. Rob

Dear Parishioners,

St. Athanasius' Confirmation Program prepares our young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation by providing them with opportunities for learning, service, prayer, worship and to support a more mature understanding of the Catholic Church and their commitment to it. I would like to extend an invitation to all young people who will be entering the 8th Grade or high school in the Fall and their parent and/or guardian to attend an Information Meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Old Church Chapel. Come and join us!

For any adult not baptized, baptized in another Christian Church, or baptized in the Roman Catholic Church and has not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist, please consider joining our RCIA Program. This program is starting in October. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact me at the Parish Office or e-mail mb.barnes@verizon.net.

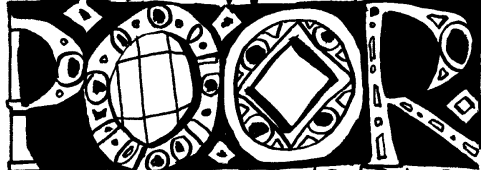

God Bless ~ Mary Beth

LABOR DAY

PARISH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED

Monday, September 7, 2009

Morning Mass - 8:00 a.m. Old Church Chapel

DID NOT GOD
 CHOOSE
 THOSE WHO ARE

 IN THE WORLD
 TO BE

 IN FAITH?



help! Please remember to maintain your sacrificial giving, as our budget depends on your generosity!

Liturgy



Please contact the Parish Office for information regarding Baptisms



The Anniversary Mass for those married in the month of **OCTOBER** will be held on Saturday, **OCTOBER 3rd** at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. If you wish to renew your vows and receive a blessing, please call the Parish Office to Register.



PRAY FOR THE SICK AMONG US

If you have any sick among you for whom you would like us to pray, please contact the Parish Office to request the name. Names will be published for 4 weeks.

Helen Blottenberger, Theresa Mills, Herbert La Claire, Sherrie Browne, Patsy Wood, Robert Moore, Sr., Mike Fador, Karyl Koch, Margaret Woolridge, Bob Gakenheimer, Vincent Pullara, III, Jim Koch, John Popescu, Sr., Ruth Von den Bosch, Michael Panto, Annette Panto, Robert Szuba, Charles Stewart.



PRAY FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

Please pray for our service men and women who are deployed and the wounded in the armed forces. Please call the Parish Office to request their name. Jacob Joseph Koppleman Sturgill, Gene Shugars, James R., Brian C. Graham, Sr.

LABOR DAY

Labor Day is usually a reminder to us all that it's time to buckle down again and get to work. Summer is at an end and the school year begins once more. The holiday is a reminder to us that there is dignity in the work we do. There are a number of church teachings that speak of the worth of labor and laborers. Sometimes we lose sight of the value of work because we don't take the time to step back and refuel our tired spirits. That is the purpose of "Sabbath rest." One of the commandments is "Keep holy the Sabbath" A good question to reflect on: "What do I do to re-create my spirit?" and "How do I keep Sunday the Lord's Day ?" Copyright © 2009 Resource Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.



BLESSING OF PETS

In Honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
 Sunday, October 4, 2009

12:00 noon - St. Athanasius Church Lawn

Surrounding the Statue of Mary

You are invited to bring any pet that is friendly.

Please note that the pet must be leashed or properly constrained.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER 12/13

| | 4:00 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Altar Server | J. Stevens P. Reese | J. Stevens | J. Stevens M. Stevens |
| Cross Bearer | R. Szuba | M. Douglas | D. Stevens |
| Lector | C. Wilson | B. Shenton | M. Herold |
| Bread | B. Bowers* C. Miller R. Collins | Deacon Mike* L. Bonacci | C. Stevens* R. Trice P. Trice |
| Wine | M. Peregoy* T. Lynch | M. Koppleman S. Swinko | T. Stevens* W. Kowalewski |
| Choir | | | J. Koch |

GOSPEL OF LUKE BIBLE STUDY

Please Join Deacon Mike Dodge
Tuesdays - September 8,
September 15, September 22, September 29,
October 6, October 13 and October 20
7:00 p.m. in the Old Church Chapel
Please call the Parish Office to register.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Our altar is beautiful because of your generous donations. In order to continue to have altar flowers weekly we need your support. Without your generous donations we will be unable to provide flowers. The donation for altar flowers is \$25.00 for the Blessed Mother, \$25.00 for St. Joseph and \$50.00 for the main altar, \$100.00 for the entire sanctuary. If you would like to make a donation for an arrangement in honor, or memory of a loved one, family member or friend, please call the Parish Office to reserve your request 410-355-5740.

**Flowers in front of all the altars this weekend are
In Honor Of The 50th Bonacci Family Reunion
Requested By The Bonacci Family**

Faith Formation**CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

Our Confirmation Program is open to all students who will be entering the 8th Grade or who attend high school in September of 2009. Candidates must have completed or are in the process of completing 8 years of religious education in a Catholic School or in a Religious Education Program. They must come into the program of their own free will and desire to explore their sense and belief of God.

In order to register for our program, Candidates and their families must be registered, practicing and supporting members of St. Athanasius for at least three (3) months prior to January 2010 with the intention of continuing to practice and support St. Athanasius after Confirmation. If you would like to register, Census Forms are available in the Main Vestibule or you may call the Parish Office at 410-355-5740.

If you have any questions, please call Mary Beth Barnes at 410-355-5740 or by e-mail at mb.barnes@verizon.net.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****CLASSES**

Re-registration for the 2009-10 school year has been sent to all families currently enrolled in our program. Please complete and return the re-registration form to the Parish Office as soon as possible. To register a child not currently enrolled in our program, please complete the form in the bulletin and return the form in the collection basket or return to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Classes begin on Thursday, October 1, 2009.

The Class schedule for 2009-10 school year is as follows:

Thursday Evenings /6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Grades 1-8

The tuition schedule for the 2009-10 school year is as follows:

1 child = \$45.00

2 children = \$55.00

3 or more children = \$60.00

Please call the Parish Office at 410-355-5740 if you have any questions.

**PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE
FIRST DAY OF CLASS TO REGISTER**

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR
ADULTS/R.C.I.A.**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is an adult faith formation process by which adults can consciously grow in life of Christ through prayer, study, and reflection. It is designed as a process for welcoming ADULT newcomers into the Roman Catholic Church, and for Catholics who have not been completely initiated.

In short, the process for women and men who are not baptized, baptized in another Christian church, but need further instruction and initiation or baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, but not evangelized or completely initiated.

We are currently forming another group starting this Fall. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you are interested, or know someone in your family or neighborhood who may be interested, contact Mary Beth Barnes in the Parish Office at 410-355-2450 or email at mb.barnes@verizon.net.

Parish News

ALTERNATE GIVING PROGRAM

This is a special way to give back to your parish for an occasion that marks gift giving. Often at the time of a death, birthday, or anniversary, we give flowers, or even gifts to others that are not needed. This *unique* form of giving allows you to give in memory or honor of a loved one, allowing you the satisfaction of honoring that person's life or remembering their special day. At the same time it assists our parish. In appreciation, the names of the persons remembered will be printed in our parish bulletin and Mass will be celebrated at the first Sunday of every month at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. A Perpetual Enrollment for their intentions. Beautiful cards are now available at the Parish Office. Two cards are inserted, one to be given as the gift and the other to be returned to the parish with your donation. In order to cover the cost of the printer, we are asking a minimal donation of \$25.00 to be given for this perpetual enrollment.

| Amount | Person Enrolled | Enrolled By |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| \$30.00 | In Memory of Gertrude Cremen | Theresa & Kathy Safford |



ST. ATHANASIUS NIGHT OUT WITH THE BALTIMORE ORIOLES RAFFLE

Orioles vs. Blue Jays
Sunday, October 4, 2009
1:35 p.m. - Game 81

Your Chance To See The Game
In An Air-Conditioned Suite
14 Tickets - Between Home Plate & 1st Base
4 Parking Passes
(\$1,500.00 Value)

Suite Is Non-Catered
Food & Drink Will Be Available For Purchase
\$10.00 per Ticket or 5 Tickets for \$40.00
Purchase your tickets in the main vestibule of the
Church after any Mass or in the Parish Office.
Drawing to be held September 20, 2009 after the
10:30 a.m. Mass in the main vestibule of the Church.

SPECIAL EVENTS RAFFLE TICKETS

Our Parish Special Events raffle tickets for the month of **OCTOBER** are on sale this weekend in the church vestibule. The price is \$5.00 per ticket. You have **31** chances to win. Remember a raffle ticket for the Month of **OCTOBER** will make a nice gift of any kind, such as, a THANK YOU GIFT, a GIFT for a SPECIAL FRIEND, a HOSTESS GIFT or an ANNIVERSARY GIFT or just to brighten someone's day in the month of **OCTOBER**. If you can sell tickets to your co-workers, friends, or relatives, please ask at the desk in the church vestibule and they will get you as many as you need. Thank you for all of your help. **Anyone selling the Monthly Lottery Tickets MUST TURN IN BOTH, SOLD OR UNSOLD TICKETS BY THE 1st OF THE MONTH OR THE TICKET WILL NOT BE HONORED!** We have to account for 1,000 tickets at the end of each month.

SPECIAL EVENTS LOTTERY RAFFLE WINNERS

| DATE | WINNER | TICKET | PRIZE |
|-------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| 08/24 | Barbara Berg | 242 | 50.00 |
| 08/25 | Not Sold | 058 | 100.00 |
| 08/26 | William Shugars | 576 | 50.00 |
| 08/27 | Don Yirka | 093 | 100.00 |
| 08/28 | Anna Nelson | 378 | 50.00 |
| 08/29 | Trudy Bittner | 555 | 75.00 |
| 08/30 | Maureen Rubino | 366 | 50.00 |



ST. ATHANASIUS BOWLING LEAGUE

We will begin our **20th** year of "DUCK PIN BOWLING" on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the SOUTHWEST BOWLING LANES. Anyone interested in joining our League, or if you have a team and would like to join please call **Dolores at 410-636-6496** for more info.



SENIORS LUNCHEON & BINGO

Friday, September 11, 2009

Parish Hall - 12:00 Noon

Luncheon Cost: \$5.00 ~ Cost: 25 cents per Card
This Month's Menu: To Be Announced ~ Please call the Parish Office 410-355-5740 if you are planning to attend by Wednesday, September 9, 2009.



Please Support Our Special Events Raffle Tickets. Our parish functions help us to keep our parish on budget. Thank You For Your Generosity!



FLU AND PNEUMONIA SHOT CLINIC

Thursday
September 17, 2009
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
St. Athanasius Parish Hall

The cost is \$30 for Flu shot and \$45 for Pneumonia shot. Payment is due at time of service. Maximum Healthcare Services will bill Medicare directly. Some insurance companies may cover the cost of the shots, however, you will have to submit to your own company. Call Gina 410-355-5740 at the Parish Office for more information.



PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, September 20, 2009
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Parish Hall

For all Donating Participants 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Free Breakfast - Pancakes & Sausage
12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.

Free Lunch - Crab Cake Sandwich & Chips

Donated by Bill & Mary Green-The Stoney Creek Inn
Call Bill Shenton 410-792-2481 to schedule an appt.

WOMEN'S CLUB FALL FASHION SHOW

Men's & Women's Fashions by Kohl's of Severna Park
Friday, September 25, 2009
7:00 p.m. - Cost: \$15.00

Food Platter ~ Desserts ~ Beverages
Door Prizes ~ Raffles

To purchase tickets call Rose Green 410-355-5630.
Tickets also available at the Parish office.



PARISH BINGO

Sponsored by Parish Men's Club
Friday, October 2, 2009
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Party Packs \$10.00 - Specials Available ~ Featuring:
Fill the Card ~ Jackpot Game \$500 - Numbers To Be
Announced ~ Magic Number Bingo - To Be Announced ~
DOOR PRIZES AND REFRESHMENTS ~ Kitchen
Special: To Be Announced ~ Bonanza, Early Bird Games
at 7:00 p.m. ~ Regular Games Follow ~ Next Regular
Bingo, Friday, November 7, 2009 ~ Gift Certificates
available: \$10 and \$20 packages ~ Must be at least 18
years old to attend ~ Smoke free ~ Handi-Cap
Accessible ~ Invite a Friend ~ For more information,
call 410-355-5740, 410-792-2481 or 410-636-6496.

ST. ATHANASIUS SPRING RAFFLE 2010

Our tickets for "EVERYONE'S A WINNER RAFFLE" FOR THE YEAR 2010 are now on sale! The raffle will take place on **May 16, 2010** at 2:00 p.m. in the church hall. The tickets are **\$100.00** each with a Grand Prize of **\$5,000.00**. Two Prizes of **\$1,000.00**; Two Prizes of **\$500.00**; Five Prizes of **\$200.00**, Ten Prizes of **\$100.00**, and Consolation Prizes. This year raffle all paid tickets turned in by **March 20, 2010** will also be eligible for "THE EARLY BIRD DRAWING" of **\$500.00** on March 20th. Thank You! The **\$100.00** Ticket would be a great gift for an Anniversary, Birthday, Wedding, Special Occasion, or just to make someone Happy! To purchase tickets call the Parish Office at 410-355-5740.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 09/06 Sun. 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Loaves & Fishes
10:30 a.m. Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word
12:00 noon Baptismal Prep Class
- 09/07 Mon. Labor Day - Parish Office Closed
- 09/08 Tues. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Chapel
- 09/09 Wed. 7:00 p.m. Mass/St. Joseph Novena
8:30 p.m. Cantor Rehearsal
- 09/11 Fri. 12:00 noon Senior Luncheon/Bingo

FUTURE EVENTS

- 09/13 Sun. 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. Coffee House
10:30 a.m. Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 09/15 Tues. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Chapel
- 09/16 Wed. 7:00 p.m. Mass/St. Joseph Novena
8:30 p.m. Cantor Rehearsal
- 09/17 Thurs. 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Flu Shots - Parish Hall

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

THE MARYLAND INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY ALLIANCE

20TH Annual Baltimore Community Reception
Will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 in the
Parish Hall. More Information in future bulletins



2ND ANNUAL

**ST. ATHANASIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
EDWARD J. NICOLI
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Wednesday, September 23, 2009
Compass Pointe Golf Course
9:30 a.m. Tee Time
18 Holes (Shotgun)**

**Coffee and Donuts!!
Great Lunch!!
Soda and Beer on Course!!**

1st Place Prize
2nd Place Prize

Mulligans - \$5.00

Longest Drive Prize
Closest to the Pin Prize
Putting Contest
Raffles

\$100.00 Entry Fee includes all of the above

Bring a foursome or sign up alone and we will get you into a group!

Complete and mail registration form with check to:

St. Athanasius Church
4708 Prudence Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21226

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

Foursome:

(1) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

(4) _____

IF YOU DO NOT PLAY GOLF

A sponsorship is greatly appreciated! You can sponsor a hole in memory of someone or in your name or business for \$150. Your sponsorship will be posted at one of the 18 holes for all to see. Please call the Parish Office 410-355-5740 if you wish to sponsor the event.