

COVER SHEET

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Please remove Fr. Gerald Umoren's name on our staff list. He returned to Africa.

Thank you!

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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 ext.24.(Pastoral Ministry)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**SUNDAY, November 2 All Souls Day**

- 8:30 Raymond J. Alessi
 10:00 Nicholas & Antonnina Salvatore, Anna, Florence, Michael Langino, Linda & Tony Goetz, Salvatore Marchese
 10:00 Spanish Mass (Lower Church)
 11:30 For all those who were buried here at St. A's from Nov. 1, '07 to Oct. 31, '08
 11:30 Italian Mass (Lower Church) Felice & Petronilla Senturo
 6:00pm Nicole, Caterina & Giuseppe Barbaro

MONDAY, November 3, 2008

- 7:00 All Souls Novena
 9:00 Giuseppe, Francesca, Placido Lauro

TUESDAY, November 4, 2008

- 7:00 All Souls Novena
 9:00 Julia Iachetta

WEDNESDAY, November 5, 2008

- 7:00 All Souls Novena
 9:00 Anthony, David D'Amico. Madeline, Thomas Greco

THURSDAY, November 6, 2008

- 7:00 All Souls Novena
 9:00 Loretta Marinelli, Anna & Giovanni Balzano, Vito, Loretta, John, and Beniamino Caputo

FRIDAY, November 7, 2008

- 7:00 All Souls Novena
 9:00 Antonio Sigona
 2:00pm Wedding Ceremony- Edwin Gutierrez & Jeanette Sanchez
 7:00pm (Lower Church) San Martino Novena [Spanish]
 8:00pm First Friday (Italian) Mass- Oronzo Pietanzo, Lorenzo & Isabella Bolognini

SATURDAY, November 8, 2008

- 9:00 All Souls Novena
 10:30 Memorial Mass- Michael DeLuca
 1:30pm Wedding Ceremony- Jonathan Dubinski & Brooke Johnson
 3:00pm Wedding Ceremony- Nivia Martinez & Anthony Malcaus
 5:30pm Elena LoBiondo
 8:00pm (Upper Church) San Martino Novena & Mass [Spanish]

SUNDAY, November 9 Dedication of St. John Lateran

- 8:30 Michael Matrascia
 10:00 Holy Name
 10:00 Spanish Mass (Lower Church)
 11:30 Purgatorial Society
 11:30 Italian Mass (Lower Church) Giovanna Maggiore
 6:00pm Deceased Members of the Arena Families

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. Please feel free to pray at the former communion rail next to the Altar of the Blessed Sacrament.

HOSTS FOR THE WEEK- *donated in loving memory of Antonio Sigona requested by wife, Concetta & daughter, Connie.*

WINE FOR THE WEEK - *donated in loving memory of Maria & Sebastiano Vacirca requested by Tina Giaquinta & Family.*

ALTAR CANDLES FOR THE WEEK - *donated in loving memory of Joseph LaGreca requested by his family.*

SANCTUARY LAMPS *One sanctuary lamp is donated in memory of Mario Fulco requested by Mary Guadagni. The other sanctuary lamp is donated in memory of Deceased of the LaPeruta Family requested by Cecilia, Frank & Lisa Tardo.*

OUR CALL TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Loving God, we give in confidence, knowing the seeds we plant today will sprout and produce a harvest that will feed body, mind and soul and "as each has received a gift, we employ it for one another as good stewards of God's grace."
(1 Peter 4:10)

Our weekly expenses reflects what is needed for salaries, insurances, utilities, bills as well as the costs of the many programs, ministries & services we offer here at St. A's.

SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES Every parishioner is encouraged to use the Sunday collection envelopes. We invite you & your family to register at the rectory by stopping in, up until 8p.m., for a "Welcome Packet."

WE HAVE TWO NEW CANDLE RACKS FOR OUR UPPER CHURCH'S SHRINE TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA If you want to memorialize a rack (and we have two available), we are requesting a **\$5,000 donation per rack**. A plaque with your memorialization will be placed on the wall next to the rack you donate. Please speak to Msgr. Cassato.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING On **Mon. Oct. 27 at 7:30p.m.** in the **Upper Church**, there will be an important meeting for ALL PARENTS of children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion in the Spring of 2009. The meeting will be conducted by Msgr. Cassato, our Pastor, and Nicoletta Milo, our Director of Faith Formation.

THE FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM (Religious Education Program) NEEDS TEACHERS AND AIDS! There are so many children & the laborers are few! It is vital that we give witness to the next generation so that they may grow in the Catholic Faith. Adults, young adults, college students, PLEASE volunteer your time to be a catechist (religion teacher.) If interested, please call Nicoletta Milo at 718.331.8811. God will reward you for your generosity. High School students, please volunteer as a catechist (teacher) aid! God Bless You!

95 Years of Faith & Family here at St. Athanasius

Celebrate with your fellow parishioners

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2008

At El Caribe Country Club

Cocktails at 2:00p.m.- Dinner to Follow. \$85 a ticket.

For tickets call SUSAN GENTILE 347-831-8108

or ANNAMARIE SCUTERI at 718.236.0124 Ext. 19 in the Rectory.

THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL CHOIR WILL ONCE AGAIN BE HERE ON FRIDAY, DEC. 5TH TO PERFORM THEIR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Due to the tremendous response and success of last year's Christmas Concert, the Daughters of St. Paul Choir will once again be performing their wonderfully entertaining Christmas Concert at St. Athanasius Church. For those who attended last year's concert, please encourage any family members, friends and neighbors who missed last year's performance to be here for this year's concert. Therefore, everyone mark your calendars and get into the Christmas spirit early this year by attending this wonderful and truly inspiring event at our Church – you will be glad you did! Monsignor wants to see a "full house" on the night of the performance! **Date: Friday, December 5, 2008**

Time: 7:00pm

Place: St. Athanasius Church (Upper Church)

Ticket Cost: \$10

Tickets can be purchased throughout the month of November in the back of the Church after all Sunday Masses, at the rectory, or at the door on the night of the concert.

THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL WILL BE HERE ON DECEMBER 6 AND 7 TO SELL THEIR EXCELLENT RELIGIOUS ITEMS.

The Daughters of St. Paul, Catholic Nuns dedicated to evangelization using the communications media, will be with us on the weekend of December 6 and 7 after all of the Sunday Masses, with a display of good Catholic books, music CDs, movies on DVD and VHS, and other religious articles. You are encouraged to select some good spiritual items for yourself, your family members and friends for Advent or as Christmas gifts. The sale will take place in the Upper Church Narthex. Items will be available in English, Italian and Spanish. If you want more information on the Daughters of St. Paul or are interested in seeing other available items, please visit Pauline Books & Media in Midtown Manhattan at: 150 East 52nd Street – New York, NY 10022 (between Lexington and 3rd Avenues), call them at: 212-754-1110 or go on-line to the Pauline Books & Media website: <http://www.pauline.org>.

In your kindness please pray for those who are sick

Kathy Adams, Catherine Arrighetta, Faith Arent, Kimberly Arent, Patricia Aurigemma, Guy Ateniese, Maria Bogdan, Ann Bricese, Douglas Brock, Anthony Crimini, Aidan Cassidy, Judith Carminite, Cynthia Carponetto, Glenn Carr, Mark Cascio, Michele Cassata, Ann Centorrino, Arthur Chapnick, Sebastian Chiarello, Carmela Colandrea, Vincenzo Coppolino, Bruce Dalton, Celeste DeLeonardus, Joseph Delgado, Gene DelPrete, Al DeMarco, Jr., Al DeMarco III, Louis DeMarco, Joan DeMarco, Joan Demeyer, Mario DePinto, Rachel DePinto, Catalina Diaz, Barbara Doyle, Maria Esemplare, Frances Falzetta, Helen Felcetto, Anthony Felicito, Marie Ferlazzo, Carole Fruner, Ann M. Fruner, Sunday Giuffanti, Theresa Giuffanti, Gina Giuffanti, Melissa Grondal, Ruth Hoffman, Diana Ingravallo, Francesca Ingravallo, John Jadazeewski, Neil Kelleher, Jean Kelly, Lawrence Klein, Lawrence Klein, Jr. Stephen Kelleher, Marie Liberti, Richard Liberti, John Liberti, Jillian Lasinsky, Sandra Lazinsky, Ellen Mary MacDougall, Ellen Mackey Fontana, Enise Maignan, Paul Marchese, Eleanor Marando, Rosalie Mazzalla, Catherine Minerva, Lucia Montella, Julie Murray, Joe P., Grace Pecorella, Cathy Petrik, Nicholas Perfetto, Ben Porto, Eric Brandon Pinzon, Christine Remmer, Hilda Rodriguez, Evelyn Rossi, Fortunato Salzano, Maria Sassano, Ralph Satriano, Donna Schiavoe, Josephine Schiavo, Jada Sciacchatano, Carol Sidoti, Fran Sidorksy, Concetta Sottilaro, Dana Sottilaro, Philip Sottilaro, Lauren Thurgood, William Thurgood, Amalia Vazquez, Rita Verde, Carla Vitucci, Pasquale Visceglia, Catherine Vermericci, Angelina Vonelli, Leonard Walder, Lucy Wasieleski

TO ADD A NAME, (or keep a name) please call ext. 24 on Monday, spelling the name. If you wish the name to remain on the list you must call each week.

In your kindness, please pray for those who died:

PASTORAL MINISTRY

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.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HERE IN ST. A's RECTORY ON WEDNESDAYS from 9a.m. to 4p.m. The Neighborhood Office is an extension of the District Attorney's Office's Citizen Action Center. You can discuss problems that concern you and our community with their staff members. **THE D.A.'s OFFICE IS LOCATED IN THE RECTORY CONFERENCE ROOM. You can call them at 718.234.8709.**

SUPPORT GROUPS HERE AT ST. A's

DIVORCED & SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP Are you separated? Thinking about Divorce? In the midst of a Divorce? Already Divorced? Ending a long term relationship? We will meet in the Nazareth Institute on **Tuesday Nov. 11** from 7:30-9p.m. Call AnnaMarie Scuteri at ext. 19 to get contact information of the Director of this support group.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS 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. **WE HAVE A GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS GROUP HERE AT ST. A's, meeting every Friday night at 7:30p.m. in the Nazareth Institute.**

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS Overeaters Anonymous members talk about their struggles with compulsive eating. **WE HAVE AN OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS GROUP HERE AT ST. A's, 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 first must help yourself. Al-Anon 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 here at St. A's every Friday at 8-9:30p.m. & Saturday at 7:30-9:30p.m. in the Nazareth Institute.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets twice a month on Fridays from 7:30-9:30p.m. in the Nazareth Institute's Bethany Room. For more information, call Andre at 646.236.4813.

We can longer offer counseling here at St. A's so...

IF YOU NEED COUNSELING, THE ITALIAN BOARD OF GUARDIANS offers counseling to adults, teens, seniors, children, couples, and families. Their services are offered in English and Italian. For more information & cost, call 718.232.4242 or E-mail nyisibg@alo.com.

ALCOHOL & SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM through **Catholic Charities** The program provides counseling, support, & treatment for those seeking help. Call 1.800.659.1603.

ST. A'S HOMELESS OUTREACH MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS, with cars, to help collect cooked food and serve meals in the Coney Island area on Saturday mornings, from nine to twelve. Call 718.236.0264.

PARISHIONER AVAILABLE TO BE HOME ATTENDANT

Dora Pellegrino. Call her at 718.837.0465.

A PARISHIONER IS IN NEED OF A CLEANING PERSON TWICE A WEEK.

If you are interested, or know someone who may be interested, please leave your name and phone number at our Pastoral Ministry Office for Pastoral Associate John Fruner, 718.236.0124 Ext. 24. He will put you in contact with our parishioner who needs your help!

FLU VACCINES RIGHT HERE AT ST. A's!

St. Athanasius Golden Age Club has arranged for FREE FLU SHOTS to be given out Wed. Nov. 12th between 1-3p.m. in the Parish Auditorium. ALL ARE WELCOME. Call Marie Ferlazzo at 718.259.1218 for further information.

THE ROSARY SOCIETY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our annual Christmas Fair will beheld on **SUNDAY Dec. 7th**. Anyone interested in reserving a table please call Eleanor Damiano at 718.331.0450 or Eleanor Mattia at 718.256.4321.



Ringing in 2009!

SAVE THE DATE! December 31, 2008 – New Year's Eve Party in our Parish Hall! Celebrate the new year with your St. A's family and friends. More information soon!

Praying for Vocations

WHAT IS YOUR PATH? Let the VISION Vocation Network help you explore Catholic Vocations in Religious Life and Priesthood. Visit their website: [www.http://www.vocation-network.org](http://www.vocation-network.org) and take an online survey and they will suggest some communities or religious vocations that might appeal to you.

COMPUTER FOR ADULT, 6 CLASSES, STARTING ON NOVEMBER 3, 2008 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Tuition is \$100. Registration will take place at the Regina Center, 1258 65 Street on a first come basis. Call the Catholic Migration Office 718-236-3000 ext 122.

CATHOLIC MIGRATION MASS - The annual Migration Day Mass is being held at REGINA PACIS Church on 65th Street between 12 & 13 Avenue on Saturday, November 15 at 3 pm. Please join us in this special annual event.

WHY IS BAPTISM HELD DURING MASS?

Baptism is one of the "Sacraments of initiation" -- the others being Confirmation and Eucharist. Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life -- the entrance which gives access to the other sacraments. Through baptisms we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission (cf. Catholic Catechism, #1213). When we come to Mass on Sunday, we celebrate and give thanks for our membership in Christ. Celebrating Baptisms during Mass reminds us of our own initiation into Christ as we give thanks for the newest and sometimes youngest member(s) of our faith community. By celebrating Baptism during Mass we are renewed, refreshed and invigorated!

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.

Share about times when you were not being sincere with someone and how that made you feel.

THURSDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE REFLECTION & FAITH SHARING GROUP meets every Thursday, after the 9a.m. Mass, in the Nazareth Institute to discuss the upcoming Sunday's Scriptures. Join Lay Pastoral Leader Joe Barbieri for spirited discussions on next Sunday's Bible readings.

WE NEED YOUR HELP EACH WEEK WITH YOUR SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

When enclosing a check in your weekly envelopes, please print your PARISH NUMBER on your check. We also ask that you not tape the envelope. It takes us so long to open all those envelopes. Finally, while we appreciate every cent, when at all possible, please do not include change in your envelope.

WHY NOT CONSIDER DONATING A LEAF OR STONE ON OUR ST. ANTHONY-ST. JOSEPH TREE OF LIFE? A gold leaf is available for a donation of \$1,800, a copper leaf for \$1,000 and small stones for \$10,000. All memorials can be paid on an installment plan. Please come in to the rectory and speak to Marie Skroly, AnnaMarie Scuteri or Msgr. Cassato to reserve your Tree of Life memorial.



PARISH THANKSGIVING MASS Wednesday November 26 at 7:30p.m.

Please join us to thank God for the many blessings God has given us. We will gather on WEDNESDAY evening at 7:30p.m. to celebrate the Eucharist. Come to mass as a family and bring your friends!



IT'S TIME FOR OUR THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE Thanksgiving is quickly approaching and our St. Vincent DePaul Society has already received so many requests for food baskets. Especially since the economy is not as good as it was last year, more families are struggling to put food on their tables. Please help us provide a great dinner for them. Nonperishable Thanksgiving foods are being collected until Sunday November 23. **You can leave them in front of St. Joseph's Altar in the Upper Church.** If you are planning to donate a turkey, please inform Fr. Ron D'Antonio, our moderator of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. **Don't forget treats for the kids! Fruits, vegetables, pies, and breads can be donated on Sunday November 23 but not before Friday November 21.**



IN ORDER FOR ONE OF OUR DESIGNATED PARISH MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS TO RESERVE ONE OF OUR ROOMS HERE AT ST. A'S we require you to fill out our **PARISH CALENDAR & ROOM REQUEST FORM**. THE ROOM REQUEST FORM is available in the rectory or can be downloaded from our website & there you have the option of e-mailing your request. Otherwise, you can e-mail Joann Rubino at JRubino215@hotmail.com To check for available space, our parish calendar is online. Visit our parish website (<http://StAthanasiusNY.tripod.com>), The same parish calendar is also in the Rectory Office. **This is the ONLY way to reserve a room here at St. A's. Whatever group is listed on the parish calendar is the group that has the right to use that space. If you are not a designated ministry of our parish,** permission must be granted from our Pastor, Msgr. Cassato, a rental fee is paid, & a lease agreement completed in order to use space.

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES The Sunday Bulletin must be e-mailed to our printer by 5p.m. Monday. **All announcements must be submitted in WRITTEN form only (handwritten, typed, computer, fax, e-mailed, etc) by 12 noon Monday.** Announcements received after the deadline will be published the following week. **No one on the parish staff will assume the responsibility for your ministry's articles.** Include your bulletin articles in your advance planning for your event. **ALL FLIERS NEED TO BE APPROVED BY A STAFF MEMBER, and MUST BE SUBMITTED ON DISC or E-mailed ONLY** to StAPastoralMin@aol.com. A submission form is also on our website on the **BULLETIN** tab. (<http://StAthanasiusNY.tripod.com>)

ST. A's SCHOOL ALUMNI WE NEED YOUR HELP! We want to form an Alumni Association that can help keep St. A's School going strong! Anyone who is interested in forming a committee to get this going is asked to contact Msgr. Cassato at 718.236.0124. Ext. 11 or email him at StAthanasiusNY@hotmail.com

WONDER AND AWE IN GOD'S PRESENCE



As we try to offer a refuge from the business and confusion of the world, we ask all our parishioners to **PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES BEFORE ENTERING CHURCH.** Likewise, we ask all to please refrain from **TEXT MESSAGING** anyone, especially those who are already here in St. Athanasius Church! Finally, **GUM CHEWING** is not acceptable at Mass or in church, even when it is removed just before Communion. The Church requires us to fast for one hour before receiving Communion (Catechism of the Catholic Church # 1387), and we are to refrain from eating before we receive Communion. Gum chewing shows a lack of respect for the celebration of the Eucharist. **WE DO NOT BRING COFFEE, OTHER DRINKS, & FOOD *into* church.**

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Our Cluster Youth Ministry Office has a website.

Visit <http://brooklynym.tripod.com>

To contact *The Bensonhurst Cluster Youth Ministry Office* email KenWodz@optonline.net. By phone call **718-234-0614**. In person visit The Libutti Center at 2001 Bay Ridge Pkwy, next to St. Dominic's Rectory.

YOUTH CENTER- ST. FRANCIS CABRINI (BAY 11TH AND 86TH ST/16TH AVE) Every Tuesday 7-9PM, join us for food and fun, pick up games, video and board games, and much more. \$5.00 registration fee for all members.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION- ST. DOMINIC'S-LIBUTTI CENTER (2011BAY RIDGE PKWY) This group meets every other Wednesday Night to discuss life, to do activities that help you to understand life, God and faith. Faith and fun come together from 7-9PM. For those in 7th grade through high school. Next meeting is Oct 29th.

Bishop Kearney High School presents: "Into the Woods"

Performances are November 14th, 15th, 21st, and 22nd at 7:30p.m. and on November 16th at 3p.m. Tickets are on sale now at Bishop Kearney High School. Call 718.236.6363. **Support our neighbor & the students at Kearney!**

BISHOP McDONNELL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION On Sat. April 4, 2009, Bishop McDonnell Alumni will have their annual reunion. The school is celebrating special anniversary classes of the 1930s, 1944, 1949, 1954, 1954, 1964, and 1969. The reunion will take place at Bishop Loughlin High School from 12pm to 7p.m. For tickets & more info, call 718.857.2700 Ext. 2253 or email rmaloney@blmhs.org

KINGS COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION will have its **Fall Fundraiser right here at St. A's, Sunday Nov. 9 2-6p.m. in our Parish Hall.** Donation is \$15. Please join them for an afternoon of fun and a chance to win some great prizes. Admission includes food and liquid refreshments will be available for a small cost. For tickets call Connie Ranocchia at 718.491.6245.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES

Xaverian High School, an all boys high school, Open House **Wednesday November 5** at 7p.m. Xaverian is located at 7100 Shore Road in Bay Ridge. www.xaverian.org

Nazareth Regional High School, 475 East 57th Street Brooklyn, **Wednesday November 5** from 6-8p.m. Nazareth is an all boys High School.

For info, Visit www.Tachsinfo.com .
Click on **HANDBOOK** .

BLOOD DRIVE - SPONSORED BY THE SAINT ATHANASIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND (9AM TILL 2:30PM) - PARISH AUDITORIUM: Please help show the Saint Athanasius spirit by supporting this worthy effort to help the New York Blood Center. Blood donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh a minimum of 110 pounds. Any questions, please call Bill Finn at 718-236-6680.

ADVENT IS ALMOST HERE!

Opportunities for some Advent Memorializations

4 Advent Wreath Candles are available for memorialization for a donation of \$50 each. Your intention will be printed in the bulletin for the 4 weeks of Advent. **A NEW Advent handmade Altar cloth from Belgium, in silk, cloth, and real gold thread, is available for memorialization** for a donation of \$500. Your intention will be sewn into the cloth on a memorial tag as well as printed in the bulletin for the 4 weeks of Advent. **A NEW matching Advent handmade Pulpit hanging, also from Belgium, in silk, cloth, and real gold thread, is also available for memorialization** for a donation of \$350. Your intention will be sewn into the cloth on a memorial tag as well as printed in the bulletin for the 4 weeks of Advent. **Speak to Pastoral Administrators Marie Skroly, AnnaMarie Scuteri or Ann DeVito in our rectory.**

ST. FRANCIS CABRINI PARISH CELEBRATES ITS 45th ANNIVERSARY

With a Dinner Dance on Saturday Nov. 15 from 7 to 11p.m. at St. Francis Cabrini Hall. Music and dancing is provided to the music of **Generation Gap**. Hors d'oeuvres and wine, sit-down derved dinner including antipasto, prime rib with potatoe and mixed vegetables. Wine, soda, coffee, tea, and dessert. **ickets \$50. Call 718.236.9165**



Parrocchia Sant'Atanasio

Bollettino Settimanale

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

2 novembre 2008
XXVI domenica del

SABATO, 15 NOVEMBRE, 2008 - 3:00pm
MESSA DEGLI APOSTOLATI DELLA DIOCESI DI BROOKLYN
CHIESA REGINA PACIS – 65 STRADE & 12 AVENUE

Dal nostro DIACONO DANTE COLANDREA**Riflessione del mese di novembre****SULLA MORTE**

Non c'è nulla che possa sostituire l'assenza di una persona a noi cara.

Non c'è alcun tentativo da fare, bisogna semplicemente tenere duro e sopportare.

Ciò può sembrare a prima vista molto difficile, ma è al tempo stesso una grande consolazione, perché finché il vuoto resta aperto si rimane legati l'un l'altro per suo mezzo.

E' falso dire che Dio riempie il vuoto; Egli non lo riempie affatto, ma lo tiene espressamente aperto, aiutandoci in tal modo a conservare la nostra antica reciproca comunione, sia pure nel dolore.

Ma la gratitudine trasforma il tormento del ricordo in una gioia silenziosa.

I bei tempi passati si portano in sé non come una spina, ma come un dono prezioso.

Bisogna evitare di avvoltolarsi nei ricordi, di consegnarci ad essi; così come non si resta a contemplare di continuo un dono prezioso, ma lo si osserva in momenti particolari e per il resto lo si conserva come un tesoro nascosto di cui si ha la certezza.

Allora si che dal passato emanano una gioia e una forza durevoli.

DONAZIONE DI SANGUE- oggi domenica 2 novembre potete donare il vostro sangue qui nell'auditorio della nostra scuola **dalle 9 del mattino alle 2:30PM.** Questo è il modo ed il regalo perfetto per aiutare persone malate. Da tenere presente che per donare il sangue bisogna essere in buone condizioni di salute e presentare documenti di riconoscimento, ad esempio la patente di guida ed il proprio numero del Social Security. Per informazioni dettagliate telefonare a Bill Finn 718-236-6680.

SABATO, 15 NOVEMBRE 2008 – 3:00pm – si terrà la Messa annuale di tutti gli apostolati della Diocesi di Brooklyn e Queens. Padre Steven Aguggia, moderatore del nostro apostolato invita tutti gli italiani in modo particolare a tutti i giovani, a partecipare a questa Messa per far sì che la presenza dell'apostolato Italiano sia presente e viva. Regina Pacis – 12 Avenue e 65 Strade.

DOMENICA, 16 NOVEMBRE 2:00pm - grande festa al El Caribe Country Club per il 95esimo anniversario della nostra parrocchia. L'offerta è \$85 a persona. Sarà un grande pomeriggio di divertimento e ottimo pranzo. Per biglietti telefonare a Maria Porcu' 718 - 627-0387 oppure Susan Gentile 347-831-8108.

SPETTACOLO TEATRALE - BROADWAY SHOWS

mercoledì, 5 novembre – YOUNG FRANKSTAIN - \$155.

L'autobus parte da Sant'Atanasio. Cena in ristorante prima dello spettacolo. Per informazioni dettagliate telefonare a Diacono Dante al 917-602-3793.

PRIMO VENERDI' DEL MESE – venerdì, 7 novembre è il primo venerdì' del mese. Come al solito il Santissimo Sacramento sarà esposto tutto il giorno. Benedizione alle 7:30pm seguita dalla Santa Messa e poi la Via Crucis.

31 DICEMBRE, 2008 VEGLIONE DI CAPODANNO A SAN ATANASIO- Diacono Dante -917- 602-3793 - ha iniziato i preparativi per il veglione di capodanno. Dinner Dance con inizio alle ore 7:00pm. Cibo caldo e musica. Brindisi di champagne a mezzanotte. \$65 a persona. Per informazioni e prenotazioni telefonare al Diacono Dante 917-602 - 3793.

Vi ricordiamo che L'ufficio del PM (PUBBLICO MINISTERO DI BROOKLYN) ha stabilito un ufficio qui nell'ufficio parrocchiale di Sant'Atanasio il **Mercoledì' dalle 8:30 alle 4:00p.m.** Cortesemente entrare dalla porta laterale. L'ufficio è un'estensione del Centro dei pensionati per assistere pensionate e chiunque persona a qualsiasi abuso e violenza domestica, problemi di droga, problemi con i proprietari o inquilini di appartamenti, truffa, e qualsiasi altro problema di assistenza legale.

LE PROVVISI di CIBO per i poveri stanno diminuendo. Per cortesia se avete cibo in scatole da donare portatelo all'ufficio parrocchiale oppure domenica in chiesa.

IL LIBRO DELLE MESSE PER IL 2009 E' APERTO – recatevi all'ufficio parrocchiale dalle 9:00am alle 8:00pm dal lunedì' al venerdì' per chiedere una Messa per un vostro defunto. L'offerta è la stessa dell'anno scorso.

LA CASA DI DIO è un luogo per pregare e per ascoltare la Messa. Vi chiediamo silenzio quando siete in chiesa. Siete pregati di spegnere i vostri cellulari e i vostri beeper quando siete in chiesa e durante la Santa Messa. Grazie.

ASSISTENZA PASTORALE - Gentilmente informateci se voi oppure qualche vostra familiare ha bisogno di una visita in ospedale da un nostro sacerdote. Chiamate all'ufficio parrocchiale 718.236.0124 (interno 44) e date il nome del paziente, il numero della stanza e il nome dell'ospedale. Se non potete recarvi in chiesa per ascoltare la Santa Messa, uno dei nostri ministri eucaristici può portare la Comunione a casa del malato.

GRAZIE a tutti quelli che hanno partecipato alla Santa Messa e processione in onore di Padre Pio. Che tutte le benedizioni di Padre Pio discendono su di voi.



**Parroquia de San Atanasio
Boletín Parroquial Hispano**

Misa en Español cada Domingo en la Iglesia de Abajo a las 10 de la mañana

Noviembre 1: FIESTA DE TODOS LOS SANTOS.

Tuvimos la Misa por todos los Santos el pasado Viernes 31 de Octubre. En esta fecha, la Iglesia nos invita a reflexionar sobre todo en aquellos que fueron Salvados por Dios, porque se asemejan al Cordero sin mancha; a todos los que por su fé en el Señor soportaron la persecución. †

Noviembre 2: FIELES DIFUNTOS. Domingo XXXI tiempo ordinario.

“Ofreció el sacrificio por los difuntos, para que Dios les perdonase” : Los Macabeos combatieron la tiranía de los sucesores de Alejandro magno, desde la defensa del derecho a ejercer y vivir libremente su propia religión. La esperanza de la Resurrección los animaba a reclamar sus derechos y a exigir justicia. Hoy y durante el Mes de Noviembre haremos memoria de nuestros hermanos difuntos en todas las misas del Mes, en ambos idiomas.

NOTA: Cada familia debe inscribir los nombres de sus seres queridos que han fallecido y entregarlos con su donación al llegar a la Misa, para poder leer sus nombres en una de estas Eucaristías. Gracias. ♥

FIESTA EN HONOR A SAN MARTIN DE TOURS

Desde el día Viernes 7 de Noviembre hasta el Sábado 15 tendremos la Misa a las 7:30 pm y culminaremos la Fiesta con el Compartir fraterno en el Auditorio a cargo del comité de San Martín. Les esperamos a todos! ☼

CLASES DE RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos)

Domingo 2 y 9 en el Instituto Nazareth de 11:15 a.m. a 12:45 pm, y los del Sábado el día 22 a las 7 pm en la Escuela de San Atanasio. Favor asistir y aprovechar al máximo este tiempo de preparación para la recepción oportuna de sus Sacramentos.

OTROS EVENTOS DEL MES

- BAUTIZOS: La clase será el Jueves 27 a las 7:30 pm en la Iglesia de abajo y el Bautismo el Sábado 29 a las 2:00 pm en el mismo lugar. Favor registrarlos en el día domingo después de Misa o los Jueves y Viernes en la Rectoría.
- Recuerden la lección Divina todos los miércoles y el Círculo de oración todos los Viernes a las 7:30 pm en la Iglesia de abajo. Les esperamos.
- Cursillo Pre-matrimonial: Sábado 29 de Noviembre en la Rectoría de 7 a 9 pm.

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Tree of Lights

All members of our parish are invited to purchase lights on the TREE OF LIGHTS as a special gift for family and friends or for that “difficult to shop for” someone.

Gifts can be in honor of someone or in memory of a loved one or be in celebration of a Marriage anniversary or engagement. Lights can also be in Thanksgiving to God or a special Saint.

Lights may be purchased up until Friday Dec. 19, 2008 for your intentions to be posted on the plaque by our tree. The Tree will be lit until January 11, 2009.

THE TREE OF LIGHTS
IS LOCATED ON 61st STREET
TO THE LEFT OF THE RECTORY
BY OUR SAINT JUDE STATUE.



Each light is \$7.





TREE OF LIGHTS

Request for Lights Form



Please PRINT all information clearly.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail: _____



Please enclose \$7 per light. Make checks payable to St. Athanasius Church and return this to the rectory either by mail, in person or through the collection at Mass.

I would like _____ gift cards. I will pick up my gift cards at St. Athanasius Rectory.
 Please mail me my gift card

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