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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 leave this information on Ext.44

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY JANUARY 23 *Third Sunday Ordinary Time*

8:30	Michael V. Damiano
10:00	Janet & Bill Goumas
10:00	SPANISH MASS (Lower Church)
11:30	Purgatorial Society
11:30	ITALIAN- Giovanni Cusenza
6:00	Ida Scotto & Biagio Scotto

MONDAY, JANUARY 24: *St. Francis de Sales*

7:00	Frank Bruno
9:00	Giuseppe and Domenico Greco
NOVENA AFTER MASS	

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25: *Conversion of St. Paul*

7:00	Trotta & Caiafa Families
9:00	Msgr. T. David Dougherty

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26: *Sts. Timothy & Titus*

7:00	(Living) Jaime Antonio Ovalles
9:00	(Living) Roseanna Genova

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27: *St. Angela Merici*

7:00	Adeline DiPaolo (Anniversary)
9:00	Filippo Comes and Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28: *St. Thomas Aquinas*

7:00	Katherine Casey
9:00	Jeane Leva

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29:

9:00	Paolo Pesce
10:30	MEMORIAL MASS For Giovanni LaVara
5:30	Ateniese and Tagarelli Families

SUNDAY JANUARY 30 *Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time*

8:30	William J. Flynn
10:00	Gregorio Vecchio
10:00	SPANISH MASS (Lower Church)
11:30	Purgatorial Society
11:30	ITALIAN- Giovanni & Maria LiRossi
6:00	Franco & Pietro Palazzo and Family

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE: 7a.m. on Jan. 27 (Thurs.), Jan. 31 (Mon.), Feb. 7 (Mon.), Feb. 9 (Wed.) Feb. 15 (Tues.) Donation \$15. **Intentions for the Lenten Mission, 7:30p.m. Mass in English, Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., March 14, 15, 16, & 17th** Donation \$25. Please come to the rectory to reserve your intention.

WANT OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN EMAILED TO YOU?

Send us an Email (StAPastoralMin@aol.com)

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."

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)

COLLECTION – 1/292005: \$7,611.00

COLLECTION- Last Year: \$7,457.00

AVG. WEEKLY EXPENSES \$12,500.00

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.

LENT BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9

Ashes will be distributed during Mass & Services only.

Mass in English at 7a.m., 9a.m.

Service of the Word in English at 11a.m. & 3:30p.m.

Mass in English & Italian at 7:30p.m. (Upper Church)

Mass in Spanish at 7:30p.m. (Lower Church)

Mass in Korean at 9p.m. (Upper Church)

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HOSTS FOR THE WEEK- *donated in loving memory of Michael Maffai requested by wife, Angela, and children.*

WINE FOR THE WEEK – *donated in loving memory of Carmine P. Bartiromo requested by Cathy and Tara Petri.*

Before Mass, speak to God. During Mass, let God speak to you. After Mass, speak to one another.

SANCTUARY, WINE, HOSTS, CANDLES MEMORIALS are still available for this year.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY WITH FR. RON. Any adult (18+) who wishes to receive Confirmation is invited to call Fr. Ron (ext. 13) at the rectory.

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAS ESTABLISHED AN OFFICE HERE IN ST. A'S RECTORY, Wednesdays, from 8:30-4:00p.m. You can enter through the SIDE DOOR of the rectory. The office is an extension of the Citizen's Action Center which assists people in elder abuse, domestic violence, drug activity, landlord-tenant abuses, fraud, harassment & sexual abuse.

DURING FLU SEASON please take the following precautions: Please *wash your hands well* before coming to Mass and make sure all children do the same. Refrain from drinking from the cup *when you have a cold*. Use good judgment when exchanging the sign of peace, *limiting contact with others if one is sick*. If a Catholic is sick, there is *no obligation to attend Mass*. Personal prayer and reflection of the scriptures is encouraged, as well as viewing the mass on television.

SAVE A LIFE! GIVE BLOOD. Our Winter Blood Drive will take place on Sunday Jan. 23, 2005 from 9a.m. to 2:30p.m. Donors must be at least 18 to 75 & a minimum of 110 pounds. Bring I.D. Free physicals & blood screening for donors. For more information call Sal Iacullo at 718.259.4608.

BISHOP DiMARZIO HAS ASSIGNED FR. GODOFREDO TO ST. ROBERT BELLAMINE PARISH IN BAYSIDE QUEENS. We will send him off with our good wishes and prayers on Sunday January 30th with the 11:30a.m. Mass and some fellowship in our Parish Auditorium after Mass. Please join us!

COMPUTER, WINDOWS & WORD FOR BEGINNERS, 6 evening sessions, tuition \$100, starting on Feb. 1, 2005 at **REGINA CENTER**. Register by phone with Sister Kathleen, 718.236.3000.

MARRIED COUPLES: Would you like to strengthen your marriage? Marriage Encounters are offered at the Immaculate Conception Center, in Douglaston Queens on Feb. 11-13. To register call 718.533.9483 or visit www.wmbeq.org **TODAY, BILL & LINDA REILY will speak after Communion this weekend about Marriage Encounter.**

G.I.S.A. (Italian Society of St. Athanasius Parish) FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH, PATRON OF G.I.S.A. will have a *Dinner-Dance* with hot food and beverages on each table, in honor of St. Joseph, Saturday, March 19, at 7:30p.m. in the Parish auditorium. Live music by "Nino & Angelo Ingrati's Band". Donation \$45 per person. Tickets available before and after the 11:30a.m. Italian Mass in the Lower Church. For information call Maria Porcu' 718.627.0387, Maria Perniciaro 718.256.8122, Freddy Felletti 718.236.9855.

RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS Do you have memories of pictures with the bridal party in front of Church? Are you celebrating a special anniversary? For all who found love we invite you to a **RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS & A BLESSING OF ENGAGED COUPLES & ENGAGEMENT RINGS** on Sunday Feb.13th at the 11:30a.m. Mass. **BLESSING OF ENGAGED COUPLES & ENGAGEMENT RINGS** Has God called you to the vocation of marriage? Sharing your joy with us here at St. A's Church as you ask the community's blessing & support during your preparations. Let us bless your engagement rings. Join our married couples on Sunday Feb.13th at the 11:30a.m. Mass. **To register:** Call the Pastoral Ministry Office on ext. 44 (or call the Counseling Office 718.236.4973) providing us with your names, the date you were married, how many years you are married & your wedding date. If engaged, provide us with the date of your intended wedding. Please SPELL all names for us. We need to know names by Thursday Feb. 10. Renewing your vows & receiving an Engagement Blessing can be a meaningful, touching, revitalizing experience for you & your family.

PASCHAL CANDLE MEMORIALIZATIONS ARE AVAILABLE The Paschal Candle will be placed next to the Ambo during the Easter Season & then is returned to the Baptistry. We are collecting \$150 for each donation, which will be listed on a plaque next to the candle. If interested, please write your intention, including with it, the donation. Intentions will also be listed in the bulletin for the entire Easter Season.

THANK YOU BOB VESSUZO FOR INSTALLING A NEW BELL IN THE RECTORY CONFERENCE ROOM to accommodate the District Attorney's Office, Pastoral Ministry Office, and the Hispanic Ministry Office.

In your kindness please pray for those who are sick

Louise Antrinoro, Guy Ateniese
Salvatore Bonsignore, Carmine Cava,
Peter Cianciotta, Alexandra Cortes,
Bruce Dalton, Marie D'Atre,
Catherine D'Aroghetto, Patricia Deasy,
Paul DeFilippis, Eleanor DiLuise,
Philomena DiCurcio, Susan DiFabio,
Rachel DePinto, Roger Esposito,
Frank Englise, Debbie Ferrara,
Calogero Gambino, Filippo Gambino,
Rosemarie Liberti, John Henry Loria,
Gabriela Luciano, Paula LoBello-Raiola,
Adrienne Marciano, Catherine Marra,
Antoinette Martino, Trudy McGranaghan,
Beatrice McKenna, Jacob Merkouris,
Joseph Midolo, Lucia Montella,
Josephine Morrone, Winnie Moreno,
Edgard & Diana Matos, Robin Price,
Jaime Antonio Ovalles, Richie Pallarino,
Silvana Pintieili, Alberta Piscioti,
Connie Puzzo, Rosemary Rios,
Perry Roszczy, Mary Rollo,
Caterina Ruggeri, Elisa Sciascia,
Armando Sariano, Rita Schettini,
Charles Seidenberg, Gerry Sullivan,
Maria Tardio, Ethel Thomas,
Rosemarie Valerio, Giovanna & Rocco
Vitacco

In your kindness please pray for those who have died...

Frances Ryan, Neil Panariello, Michele Forte Cox, Nancy Croce, Louis Peduto,
Louis Lasardo.

We send our prayers & condolences to the deceased's family.

TO ADD A NAME, please call ext. 44 on Monday, spelling the name. (When you call & hear "Thank you for calling St. Athanasius Church," hit 44 during that greeting.) **In order for us to keep our list up to date, we ask you to call each week with the name of the sick person, or the name is removed.**

NEWS FROM SAINT ATHANASIUS SCHOOL Catholic Schools week will begin at Saint Athanasius School on Sunday, February 6th at 10:00 Mass followed by light refreshments in the School Auditorium. Saint Athanasius School will be holding its Open House on Tuesday, February 8th and Thursday, February, 10th, between the hours of 9-11am and 1-2pm. Please come and see us in action. You may visit classes and see everyone at work. We would be delighted to answer any questions you may have about our school. Registration for September, 2005 will take place the week of March 7th as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday-9-11am and 1-2pm; Wednesday- 9-11am **Registration will be for all Grades**, Nursery through Seventh Grade. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate, Birth Certificate, Immunization Data and if applicable, last June's report card. The fee for School Registration is \$100.00 per child, this is due at the time you register. No cash will be accepted, checks and money orders only. We look forward to seeing you at St. Athanasius School.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL BEEPERS, PAGERS & CELL PHONES IN ORDER TO BE IN PREPARATION FOR PRAYER & WORSHIP.

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE The Sunday Bulletin is e-mailed to our printer at 5p.m. Monday. All announcements must be submitted in WRITTEN form (handwritten, typed, computer, fax, etc) by 12 noon Monday. Announcements received after the deadline will be published the following week.

THE ELIJAH CUP is a chalice presented to a family, individual, or couple each Sunday to take home and use as a focal point while praying for an increase in vocations. To schedule your week, please call the Pastoral Ministry Office at 718-236-0124, Ext. 24 or email StAPastoralMin@aol.com.

ROSARY FOR LIFE is prayed every Saturday after the 9a.m. Mass for an end to abortion.

START LENT OFF WITH GOOD CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL READING Alba House Books will once again be with us on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 9th, providing us books, in our Upper Church's Narthex. Please take advantage of their **LENTEN BOOK FAIR**.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD is celebrated three Sundays a month at the 10a.m. Mass.

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 ext. 44 in the rectory

COOKBOOKS ARE STILL ON SALE! We have 51 copies left, so get your while supplies last! You can purchase a cookbook for \$15 at the rectory.

LENTEN BOOK CLUB: What on Earth am I here for? The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. A 40 day Lenten journey that helps us reflect on the purpose of our life and how all pieces of our life fit together. Having a new perspective will help us reduce stress, simplify our decisions, and increase our satisfaction. Read a chapter a day and then participate in a group discussion after the 11:30a.m. Mass until 2:00p.m., Sundays **February 13, 20, March 6, 13.** in the Rectory Conference Room. You can purchase your own book from Amazon.com, BN.com or from OverStock.com for about \$12. **If you want to order a book through us, please drop off \$15 at the rectory by Mon. Jan. 24.** When the books arrive we will call you.

FROM OUR CATHOLIC SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY
Called to "do justice, love, act in kindness & walk humbly with our God." (Micah 6:8)

DO YOU HAVE A COMPUTER THAT WORKS BUT YOU JUST DON'T USE? A parishioner is desperately job searching & is in need of computer that can handle MS Office. Call Frances at 718.256.8148 after 5p.m.
PARISHIONER AVAILABLE AS A PAINTER, HANDYMAN, BASIC PLUMBING & ELECTRIC, FURNITURE ASSEMBLED, LIGHT CARPENTRY He has done work for us here at St. A's. Call 718.837.2743 or 917.874.8061.
SEASONAL JOBS AVAILABLE beginning Jan. 27- April 15 as receptionist or clerical positions, Mondays-Fridays, 9a.m. to 5p.m., Saturday & evening hours available as well. \$8 per hour. Experience preferred but not necessary. Call 718.837.7818.

DO YOU HAVE PALM FROM LAST YEAR? Drop it off at the rectory and we will use it to make out ashes this year. We need all palm by Sunday January 30.

FAREWELL TO THE ALLELUIA AND BURNING OF THE PALM, in preparation for Ash Wednesday, will be celebrated at the 10a.m. Family Mass, Sunday February 6th. Everyone is reminded to bring their *Alleluia Banners* to mass that day so we can bury them until Easter Sunday. **MAKE AN ALLELUIA BANNER FOR OUR "FAREWELL TO THE ALLELUIA & BURNING OF THE PALM" FAMILY MASS, SUNDAY FEB. 6th.** During Lent we don't sing or say "Alleluia," reserving it to express our joy at Jesus' Resurrection. Take time to make a banner that says "Alleluia". It can be simple or elaborate as your time allows. After we bury our "alleluias" we are going to try not say the "a" word until Easter Day!

LENTEN VIDEOS WITH FR. RON: The Gospel of Matthew. The scriptures come alive in this word for word presentation of the Visual Bible's production of Matthew. Bruce Marchiano portrays a Jesus you have never imagined before: smiling, compassionate, a man of great joy! **Matthew** will be presented on 4 Lenten Tuesdays, Feb. 15, 22, March 1, & 8 at **9:30a.m. & 7:30p.m.** in the Nazareth Institute.

YOGA IS OFFERED EACH THURSDAY HERE AT ST. A's IN OUR AUDITORIUM. If you are interested, call Lisa Cacace, our certified Yoga Instructor at 917-969-4190 to register. Please do not simply show up as there is a limit to the number of people in the class.



Parrocchia Sant'Atanasio
Bollettino Settimanale
Messa in Italiano ogni Domenica alle 11:30am (Chiesa di giu')

Terza Domenica
del
Tempo Ordinario

Noi, la parrocchia di Sant'Atanasio, siamo una comunità cattolica piena di fede, in cui Gesù Cristo è riconosciuto come il Signore ed il Salvatore nel nostro viaggio quotidiano e presente nella nostra gioiosa celebrazione dei Sacramenti, nella nostra proclamazione e vita a secondo del Vangelo, e nel nostro amore di raggiungere e servire particolarmente a quelli che ne hanno più bisogno. Riconosciamo l'esigenza per la Grazia di Dio nelle nostre vite incomplete. Riconosciamo la nostra incompletezza ed impegniamo la nostra vita di fede nel lavorare per la creazione di una comunità in cui l'uguaglianza della gente di Dio che nasce dal Battesimo, è celebrata con speranza e passione. Poniamo il nostro impegno nella creazione di una comunità in cui i cercatori ed i dubbiosi sono accolti favorevolmente, dove i dimenticati ed i marginati sono riconosciuti, dove la gente di Dio è rinfrescata, riconciliata e rinnovata.

Dal nostro DIACONO DANTE COLANDREA
Riflessione del mese di Gennaio
ADORIAMO IL SIGNORE GESU' CHE E'
VENUTO AL MONDO

O Bambino Gesù che tanto atteso nei secoli e dall'umanità, tanto atteso anche dai nostri poveri cuori, noi Ti adoriamo e Ti salutiamo; Ti esprimiamo a nome di tutte le creature l'immensa gratitudine per essere venuto a salvarci secondo la promessa divina.

Vogliamo adorarti con tutta la gioia e l'entusiasmo di cui siamo capaci e insieme gridiamo: "Gloria, onore e benedizione a Te, Verbo di Dio fatto carne".

Ti adoriamo e Ti lodiamo Figlio di Dio e di Maria Santissima, Ti adoriamo per la tua estrema povertà'.

Ti adoriamo, Agnello di Dio venuto a togliere i nostri peccati. Ti adoriamo Pane di vita, venuto a darci la vera vita.

Ti adoriamo in quanto partecipe delle nostre lacrime, delle nostre sofferenze, per darci la vera felicità'.

Ti adoriamo, o Dio fatto Bambino, a Te cantiamo: "Gloria nel più alto dei cieli".

Ti lodiamo e Ti amiamo con il cuore di Maria, tua Madre Santissima e di Giuseppe, tuo padre castissimo.

Ti amiamo e ti offriamo i nostri cuori con tutta la potenza di amore che Tu stesso ci hai donato e Ti stringiamo ai nostri umili cuori con tutta la forza che Tu ci hai donato.

Ti amiamo, o divina vittima di amore che sei venuto a portarci la pace, la speranza e la gioia.

O Gesù, Bambino divino, noi tutti Ti abbracciamo implorandoti: non permettere che possiamo separarci da Te. Così sia.

- Gloria al Padre....

GIORNO DI SPIRITUALITA' PER TUTTI I LAICI ITALIANI - Sabato, 19 Febbraio, 2005, ci sarà al Seminario dell'Immacolata Concezione di Douglaston un giorno di rinnovo di spiritualità' con colloqui sulla necessità' di come convertirsi a Cristo e in modo particolare di mantenere il rito dello spirito della Quaresima della nostra chiesa in quest'anno dedicato all'Eucarestia. **SIETE INCORAGGIATI TUTTI A PARTECIPARE.** La partenza da Sant'Atanasio sarà alle 8:30am. Oltre ai colloqui, la Santa Messa e l'Ora Santa al Santissimo Sacramento, ci saranno confessioni in Italiano durante la giornata. Sarà con noi il nostro Padre Steven Aguggia e forse il Vescovo

Di Marzio. L'offerta è di \$15 più il costo del trasporto. Per informazioni telefonare al Diacono Dante 917- 602 – 3793

GISA-FESTA DI SAN GIUSEPPE- G.I.S.A. ha organizzato un Dinner-Dance in onore di San Giuseppe, Santo Patrono della G.I.S.A., Sabato 19 Marzo alle 7:30pm nell'auditorio della nostra scuola. Ci sarà cibo caldo e bevanda su ogni tavola. Il prezzo del biglietto è di \$45 a persona. La serata sarà allietata dal complesso Nino e Angelo Ingrati. I biglietti si possono acquistare prima e dopo la Messa in Italiano. **Maria Porcu' 718-627-0387, Maria Perniciaro, 718-256-8122, Freddy Felletti 718-236-9855.**

DA RICORDARE CHE LA QUARESIMA inizia Mercoledì' 9 Febbraio cioè **Mercoledì' delle ceneri.** Le ceneri si possono ricevere durante la Messa delle 7am e delle 9am, e alle 7:30pm. A partire poi da Venerdì' 11 Febbraio, ogni Venerdì', alle 8:00PM ci sarà **La Via Crucis** recitata interamente in lingua Italiana. Da non dimenticare che il primo Venerdì' di ogni mese.

DONAZIONE DI SANGUE – Oggi Domenica, 23 Gennaio potete donare il vostro sangue qui nell'auditorio della nostra scuola **dalle 9 del mattino alle 2:30PM.** Da tenere presente che per donare il sangue bisogna essere in buone condizioni di salute e presentare documenti di riconoscenza.

CORSO PER ADULTI NON CRESIMATI – Padre Ron D'antonio sta' per iniziare classi per adulti che non hanno ancora ricevuto il sacramento della cresima. Padre Ron vi invita a iscrivervi recandovi in rettoria oppure telefonando al 236-0124 (interno 13).

L'ANNO DELL'EUCARESTIA

Dopo aver reso grazie, lo spezzò e disse: "Questo è il mio corpo, che è per voi; fate questo in memoria di me". Allo stesso modo, dopo aver cenato, prese anche il calice, dicendo: "Questo calice è la nuova alleanza nel mio sangue; fate questo, ogni volta che ne bevete, in memoria di me". Ogni volta infatti che mangiate di questo pane e bevete di questo calice, voi annunciate la morte del Signore finché egli venga. 1 Corinzi 11:24-26

VENERDI', 18 FEBBRAIO ci sarà la prossima riunione del gruppo di preghiera Italiano con Padre Steven Aguggia. Ci recheremo nel basement della rettoria subito dopo la Via Crucis. Venite numerosi.



Iglesia Católica de San Atanasio
Boletín de la Comunidad Latina

23 enero 2005
Tercero Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario

Misa en Español: Domingos 10a.m. (Iglesia Abajo)

Padre Amiro Jimenez:

Residencia en la Rectoría de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

7201 15th Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11228-3405 (718) 236-8300

Horas de Oficina en San Atanasio:

Todos los Viernes en La Oficina de Ministerio Pastoral (En la Rectoría)
(718) 236-0124 Ext. 44

BAUTISMOS: Si va a pedir para el bautismo para sus hijos, por favor comuníquese con el Padre Amiro para recibir toda la información que se requiere. *Requisitos para pedir el bautismo:* Acta de Nacimiento del bebé, asistencia de las charlas prebautismales, ser miembro activo de la parroquia.

¿ESTÁ REGISTRADO EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA COMO MIEMBRO? Se recomiendo por su propio beneficio que por favor trate de registrarse en la parroquia, llenando una hoja de registro en la rectoría. Si Ud. Necesita bautizar a su bebé, desea poner sus niños en clases de educación religiosa, o quiere ser padrino en otra parroquia Católica, es necesario estar registrado en alguna parroquia.

DIVISIÓN

Es una situación que se presenta con más o menos importancia: cristianos divididos

Un juego de baloncesto de la CYO pone a dos equipos de parroquias vecinas en oposición. Los padres de los jóvenes que juegan se insultan y lanzan amenazas unos a otros para mostrar su "superioridad". Una iglesia protestante y una católica están en propiedades aledañas. Cada una está alerta para remover a los que se estacionan violando las señales "privadas" de dónde estacionar. Un pastor de avanzada edad se jubila y permanece como párroco emérito residente en su parroquia. Un nuevo párroco toma su lugar y muy pronto se entera de que su "comunidad" de fe no está de acuerdo con sus decisiones. San Pablo se enfrenta a desacuerdos similares que ocurrían en la iglesia joven de Corinto. Él los anima a que se pongan de acuerdo y a que vivan unidos en el mismo pensar y sentir. La primera lectura de hoy tomada del profeta Isaías habla de un pueblo agobiado por el peso del pecado y la oscuridad. Ciertamente las disputas y diferencias entre nosotros se pueden catalogar así. El Evangelio nos cuenta

sobre el inicio del ministerio de Jesús. La luz ha llegado y nos anima a cambiar "nuestra vida y corazón porque está cerca el Reino de los Cielos"

Primera lectura — El Señor glorificó el distrito de los gentiles. Al pueblo se le apareció una gran luz. El Señor los ha colmado de alegría y de celebración. (Isaías 8:23—9:3).

Salmo — El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación (Salmo 27).

Segunda lectura — Les ruego que se pongan de acuerdo, que no haya divisiones entre ustedes, y que vivan unidos en el mismo pensar y sentir (1 Corintios 1:10-13, 17).

Evangelio — Jesús empezó a predicar y les decía: "Cambien su vida y su corazón porque está cerca el reino de los Cielos". Comienza a invitar a los apóstoles (Mateo 4:12-23 [12-17]).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Me dijo el Señor: Tú eres mi servidor, Israel. Te voy a poner como una luz para el mundo, para que mi salvación llegue hasta el último extremo de la tierra (Isaías 49:3, 5-6).

Salmo — Aquí estoy, Señor, para hacer tu voluntad (Salmo 40).

Segunda lectura — A los que Dios santificó en Cristo Jesús . . . tengan bendición y paz, de parte de Dios Padre y de Cristo Jesús, el Señor (1 Corintios 1:1-3).

Evangelio — Ahí viene el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo. Él es el Hijo de Dios (Juan 1:29-34).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mc 3:22-30

Martes: Hch 22:3-16 o Hch 9:1-22; Mc 16:15-18

Miércoles: 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mc 4:1-20

Jueves: Heb 10:19-25; Mc 4:21-25

Viernes: Heb 10:32-39; Mc 4:26-34

Sábado: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mc 4:35-41

Domingo: Sof 2:3; 3:12-13; Sal 146 (145); 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS, THROUGH THE WATCHES OF THE NIGHT Most of us sleep at night, though we



know that others like firemen, policemen or hospital staff either are "on call and ready" or work while others sleep. Military service members know about nighttime operations, about standing watches through the night, about the special dangers that may be theirs during the night. In the shadow of God's wings we commend **John Bivona, Johnny Medina, Wellington Jimenez**, who are serving in our country's military. As we remember them, we too pray for their families in their absence.

Lord, we give You thanks for sheltering us and our loved ones through the watches of the night, and bringing them safely to another day. Keep them under the shelter and shadow of Your wings, so that as they protect us and serve You, they continue to work for peace and justice.

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, at parish meetings... Faith sharing opens the door for us to meet, know & walk with Christ in our everyday lives.

What might you have to "leave behind" to follow Jesus?

GODSPELL The Brooklyn Theatre Arts Project, Inc.

Presents **GODSPELL**, a musical play by Stephen Schwartz, based on the Gospel of St. Matthew, one weekend only, HERE IN ST. A's AUDITORIUM.

February 18th Friday at 8:00pm

February 19th Saturday at 8:00pm

February 20th Sunday at 1:00pm

Advance Tickets: \$10 Adults & \$8 Seniors/Children

At the Door Tickets: \$12 Adults & \$10 Seniors/Children

Cast members will be here to perform some songs during Mass on the weekend of February 13.

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT OUR RECTORY.

As we begin Lent with Ash Wednesday, we will be signed with these words:

Will you turn from sin and be faithful to the Gospel?

How can we take advantage of God's call for renewal in our lives this Lent?

LENT BEGINS WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 9

Behold, now is the acceptable time;

behold, now is the day of salvation!

Let us therefore in the upcoming Lenten days show ourselves to be servants of God, in much patience, in prayer, in fasting, and in love. *The Benedictine Liturgy*

DAILY LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS WRITTEN BY THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

are on sale here at St. A's for \$7. The price of each book helps the congregation continue their many ministries in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, and Manhattan. This is another way we can thank the Sisters for the many ways they have changed our lives & continue to contribute to our Christian formation as Catholics. **Reflection Books will be on sale in the Narthex on Sunday Feb. 6.**

We have only ordered 500 books so quantity is limited.

**"Lord, how good it is to be here!"
(Mark 9:2)**

A day apart but... still in Brooklyn.

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER

Sunday February 27, 2005

***Right here in St. Athanasius Auditorium
from 12:30p.m. to 6p.m.***



Join us for fellowship with coffee & cake after mass, Midday Prayer, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, two Lenten talks followed by small group discussions, Sunday Dinner, Vespers, and time for individual watches in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

A DONATION OF \$ 20 PER PERSON IS REQUESTED.

The entire day will be presented in English.

RETREAT MASTER

Sr. Rosemarie Figlia, C.S.J.

Campus Minister

Bishop Kearney High School

**TO REGISTER FOR THE DAY,
please place the requested donation in an envelope, with your
name & phone number, & drop it off at the rectory.**

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SABATO, 19 FEBBRAIO, 2005

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ALL'EUCARESTIA**

PROGRAMMA DELLA GIORNATA

8:30 AM Partenza da Sant'Atanasio

9:30 AM Registrazione

10:00 AM Colloquio
Soggetto: *La Santa Communione – Segno della*
Nostra Unione con le Sofferenze di Cristo

11:15 AM Santa Messa

Mezzogiorno Pranzo

1:15 PM Via Crucis

2:00 PM Intervallo

2:15 PM Ora Santa davanti al Santissimo Sacramento
per pregare per tutte le vostre intenzioni particolari

Confessioni in Italiano durante la giornata

Per informazioni: Diacono Dante 718 236 – 0124 (interno 19)
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partecipate numerosi**