

COVER SHEET

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Today we have two inserts. Both double sided.

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, May 27, 2007 PENTECOST SUNDAY

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| 8:30 | Don & Elaine Hesch |
| 10:00 | Francisco Gambino |
| 10:00 | Spanish Mass (Lower Church) |
| 11:30 | Bilingual Mass (English & Italian) |
| | UPPER CHURCH ONLY |
| | Purgatorial Society, All Veterans Who Died- Veterans of Foreign War Post 1204 and Angela & Giuseppe Marchiano |
| 2:00 | Wedding- Giarrizo & Carollo |
| 6:00 | Joseph, Rosa, Frank Caria |

MONDAY, May 28, 2007

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| 7:00 | NO 7a.m. Mass today- MEMORIAL DAY |
| 9:00 | Vincent Henry Tolino |
| | RECTORY CLOSED TODAY |

TUESDAY, May 29, 2007

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| 7:00 | Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother |
| 9:00 | Ambrogio & Rosaria Pepitone |
| | St. Anthony Novena Week # 12 |
| 7:15 | St. Anthony Novena & Benediction |

WEDNESDAY, May 30, 2007

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| 7:00 | Antonino Gentile |
| 9:00 | Anthony & Dave D'Amico Madeline & Thomas Greco |

THURSDAY, May 31, 2007

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| 7:00 | Salvatore Cangiarella & Family |
| 9:00 | Susanna DiBari & Rose Ciaccia |
| 7:30 | Italian Mass-Figli Maria S.S. Adolorato |

FRIDAY, June 1, 2007

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| 7:00 | Carolyn D'Antonio |
| 9:00 | Ernesto Mio |
| 8:00 | First Friday Italian Mass Caterina e Vito Palazzo |

SATURDAY, June 2, 2007

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| 9:00 | Matthew Ferrigno |
| 9:00 | (Lower Church) Memorial Mass- Sabina D'Agostino |
| 10:00 | (Lower Church) Spanish Exposition & Benediction |
| 10:30 | Memorial Mass- Gaspare Valenti |
| 5:00 | (Lower Church) Wedding (Spanish) |
| 5:30 | Rosemary & Anthony Gentile |

SUNDAY, June 3, 2007 TRINITY SUNDAY

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| 8:30 | Lucio Fantini |
| 10:00 | Robert LaSala Sr. & Jr. |
| 10:00 | Spanish Mass (Lower Church) |
| 11:30 | Purgatorial Society |
| 11:30 | Italian Mass (Lower Church) In Honor of S. Padre Pio, S. Michele Arcangelo. La Santissima Trinita |
| 6:00 | Vincent & Elena LoBiondo |

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 & Sundays 7a.m. to 7p.m.

"To withdraw from the world and repose with Jesus in the Tabernacle is my delight; there I can hide myself and seek rest. There I find a life which I cannot describe, a joy which I cannot make others comprehend, a peace such as is found only under the hospitable roof of my best Friend."

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL BEEPERS, PAGERS & CELL PHONES UPON ENTERING CHURCH SO ALL CAN PRAY & WORSHIP.

Additionally, we ask that you do not answer any calls during Mass. Kindly take advantage of your voice mail to capture a message that you will respond to after you leave the church building.



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)

May 20, 2007 9,577

Last Year (2006) \$9,103

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."

HOSTS FOR THE WEEK- *donated in loving memory of Frances Gambino requested by wife, Susanna & children.*

WINE FOR THE WEEK *donated in honor of our priests and deacon anniversaries requested by the people of St. A's.*

ALTAR CANDLES FOR THE WEEK *donated for a Happy Anniversary Vincent & Diana Scarabino requested by your wife, Diana.*

SANCTUARY LAMP *One sanctuary lamp is donated in loving memory of Raymond Michael Alessi requested by Ann & Ray (Mom & Dad.)*

Another sanctuary lamp is donated in loving memory of Colomba, Giovanni Tanzi and Costanza & Alessandro Spagnolo requested by the children.

PARISH OFFICES & RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY ON MONDAY MAY 28th FOR OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY. No one will be available.

If there is an emergency, please call our emergency line for the priest on duty. Please respect that this line is for EMERGENCIES ONLY. Mass cards, mass schedule, or to make an appointment with a priest or staff member do not constitute emergencies.

THE 2007 ANNUAL CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL FOR THE DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

In order to continue to run our Diocese for the upcoming year, our Diocese will \$2,500,000 to continue to keep subsidized Catholic Schools open, both elementary and high schools; **\$500,000** to provide Religious Education to adults, children, and training volunteer catechists & parish lay leaders; **\$2,500,00** to continue to keep subsidized parishes open; **\$500,000** for Migration & Immigrant Services; **\$750,000** for Priestly Formation & education along with our Seminary operations; **\$2,000,000** for Catholic Charities Social Services. **The Diocese hopes to continue offering its outstanding services to the people of Brooklyn and Queens. Without your help, the Diocese will provide less.**

OUR GOAL HERE AT ST. A's IS \$59,000. We have made our goal.

Anything over our goal comes back to St. A's 100%!

REGISTRATION FOR OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM IS NOW TAKING PLACE

We are preparing for our school year 2007-2008, and we need all present students and all NEW students to register in our Religious Education Office, Monday to Thursday 10a.m. to 2p.m. **If you need another time, please call the Religious Education Office at 718-331-8811 to make other arrangements.** A **new registration form** must be completed for ALL returning students as well as new students. **TUITION IS \$100.** At registration a \$25 deposit is required to hold the seat for your child in September. **Anyone registering for the first time must present a copy of a Baptismal Certificate.** If someone is transferring into our program and has already received another sacrament, a certificate for that sacrament must be presented as well.



OUR PRIESTS AND DEACON'S ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

This year our priests and deacon celebrate some milestone anniversaries, today at the 11:30a.m. Mass. After Mass there will be some refreshments in the Parish Hall and an opportunity to share some Christian fellowship with one another as we congratulate our parish clergy. This is a wonderful opportunity to say thanks to them for all they continually do for us!

GRADUATES OF ST. ATHANASIUS SCHOOL: Class of 1957

Our 50 Years Reunion will take place in 2007. If interested call Robert Babella at 718-318-1922

PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN SHRINE – G.I.S.A. Gruppo Italiano Sant'Atanasio is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrine at Don Bosco Retreat House in West Haverstraw, New York on Sunday, June 3rd, 2007. Tickets are \$25 and may purchased before or after the Italian Mass in the lower church, or by calling Maria Perniciaro at 718.256.8122, Maria Porcu' at 718.627.0387, Fred Felletti at 718.236.9855.

PARISH CALENDAR MEETING at 7:30p.m. WITH MSGR. CASSATO & PARISH STAFF Thursday Jun e21 in the Parish Auditorium. A representative of EACH SOCIETY and ORGANIZATION must be present in order to request space. **No society or organization will be guaranteed the same space or the ability to reserve dates, even if they used parish space on that same date last year, if NO representative is present.** If it is impossible for a representative to be present, the society or organization's PARISH STAFF MEMBER is to be given the list of requested dates. **ANY SOCIETY or ORGANIZATION NOT REPRESENTED WILL LOOSE ITS SPACE!**

In your kindness please pray for those who are sick

Jerry Agrusa, Guy Ateniese, Faith Arent, Kimberly Arent, Catherine Arrighetta, Patricia Aurigemma, Antionette Benfante, Carole Brooks, (John Fruner's sister) John Bernard, Viki & Chris Caravallo, Judith Carminite, Cynthia Carponetto, Ben castellano, Patricia Civiletti, William & Bruce Dalton, Celest DeLeonardas, Joan DeMeyer, Marie D'Atre, Josephine D'Auria, Celeste DeLeonardus, Joseph Delgado, Joan Demeyer, Rachel DePinto, Amedeo DiLullo, Barbara Doyle, Maria Esemplare, Olwell Ellis, Carolyn Farbelkp, Frances Falzetta, Helen Felcetto, Anthony Felicito, Chalres W. Fontana, Carol Frank, Mary Ganley, Joseph Genuso, Anthony Giordano, Sal Giuffrida Matthew Guadagno, Linda Guiida, Diana Ingravallo, John Jadazeewski, Carmen Jiménez, Stephen Kelleher, Arlene Lautermilch, Marie Liberti, Rosemarie Liberti, Richard Liberti, John Liberti, Barbara Jean Lizzi Ellen Mary MacDougall, Ellen Mackey Fontana, Paul Marchese, Michael Matrascia Grace Martino, Tom Martocci, Eleanor Marando, Paul Modica, Josephine Morotta, Grace Pecorella, Assunta Pellegrino, James Pelliccio, Sr., Joe. P, Cathy Petrik, Steve Rinaldi, Francis Rowan, Eileen Ryan, Florence Fontana Sakeles, Donna Schiavoe, Carol Sidoti, Suzanne Taranto, Diane Twibell, Elaine Turcellino, David Vega, Catherine Vermericci, Angelina Vonelli, Corinne Wehrle, Ralph Zulferino

In your kindness please pray for those who have died.

Antoinette Martino, Syllvia Paradiso, Pia Fruner, George Tlatelda.

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

TO ADD A NAME, (or keep a name) please call ext. 44 on Monday, (or call the Pastoral Counseling Office at 718.236.4973) spelling the name. If you wish the name to remain on the list you must call each week.



As a courtesy to your fellow parishioners and to maintain a prayerful atmosphere during mass, kindly lower the kneelers as gently as possible, especially during Mass.

PASTORAL CARE & 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.

DO YOU NEED HELP? Our *Bensonhurst Cluster Outreach Office* is located at *Our Lady of Guadalupe Rectory*. A referral telephone operator is now waiting for your call so (s)he can provide you contacts for professional social services. Please call 718-232-6268.

FREE INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING AVAILABLE FROM Master's in Mental Health Counseling Intern LINDA HICKS who is here on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10a.m. to 3p.m., **Linda can be contacted to make appointments by calling 718.236.0124 Ext. 44 of the rectory.**



ST. ATHANASIUS SCHOOL

Registration continues at St. Athanasius School. Please call 718.236.4791 for availability of classes and all other information pertinent to registering your child.

Are you separated? Thinking about Divorce? In the midst of a Divorce? Already Divorced? Ending a long term relationship? OUR DIVORCED & SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP meets in the Nazareth Institute on Wednesday June 6 from 7:30-9p.m.



NEWS ABOUT OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We have received \$975,500 so far in contributions towards our Capital Campaign. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

DEALING WITH THE LOSS OF A RELATIVE, FRIEND OR ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT PERSON IN YOUR LIFE? FEELING LIKE YOU WANT OR NEED TO TALK BUT HESITATE WITH FRIENDS BECAUSE "YOU DON'T WANT TO DRAG THEM DOWN?" WANT TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH PEOPLE WHO MAY BE FEELING THE WAY YOU DO? Come join Sr. Barbara Murtha, C.S.J., Elaine Sarcona, for conversation, prayer, & fellowship on the four Mondays of **JUNE** (June 4, 11, 18 & 25) at 7:30p.m. to 9p.m. in the Library of the Nazareth Institute, corner of 62nd Street & Bay Parkway in the Convent Basement.

RENT A TABLE AT THE BAZAAR You can sell anything that is new. \$40 per day (Fri, Sat or Sun) or \$100 for all 3 days (Fri, Sat and Sun) The tables will be set up outside the schoolyard, on the sidewalk, where everyone walks by. Call Anna Cali @(718) 256-2509 to reserve a table.



Our Annual Bazaar is June 6 to June 11

WE NEED BAZAAR WORKERS!

If you are interested, please return this to Msgr. at the rectory or place in the collection basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ (Cell _____)

E-mail: _____

Age: _____

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA FEAST & BAZAAR
Raising money to keep St. Athanasius School open, vibrant, & continuing its educational ministries.

Wednesday June 6, 2007

6:30p.m. Bazaar Opens
7:30p.m. Entertainment- **The New York Connection**

Thursday June 7, 2007

6:30p.m. Bazaar Opens
7:30p.m. Entertainment- **Christian Rock Band**

Friday June 8, 2007

6:30p.m. Bazaar Opens
7:30p.m. Triduum to St. Anthony (English & Italian)
8:00p.m. Entertainment- **Italian Night**

Saturday, June 9, 2007

6:30p.m. Bazaar Opens
7:30p.m. Triduum to St. Anthony (English & Italian)
8:00p.m. Entertainment- **D.J. Augie**

Sunday June 10, 2007

3:00p.m. Procession in Honor of St. Anthony of Padua
Distribution of Blessed Bread through the streets of the parish.
6:00p.m. Family Entertainment & Cartoon Characters Bazaar opens.
7:30p.m. Triduum to St. Anthony (English & Italian)
8:00p.m. Entertainment- **DJ Jose**

Monday June 11, 2007

6:30p.m. Bazaar Opens
7:30p.m. Latino Night with **Mariachi Band**
10:30p.m. Raffle Drawings in the Auditorium
11:00p.m. Bazaar Closes

VISIT OUR NEW MARTINI BAR nightly, in our aid conditioned auditorium!

Tuesday, June 12, 2007

7:15p.m. St. Anthony Novena Prayers with Benediction

Wednesday, June 13, 2007

7:30p.m. Mass in Honor of St. Anthony of Padua

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.

Describe the Holy Spirit as if you were speaking to someone who had never heard of the Trinity. How does your description compare with today's Gospel?

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.

WAYS TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO DIED

The Tree of Life is an important symbol in nearly every culture. With its branches reaching into the sky, and roots deep in the earth, it is a link between heaven & earth as we remember our loved ones.

**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 or Msgr. Cassato to reserve your Tree of Life memorial.

A LEAF HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE TREE:

**In Memory of Domenick A Costagliola
Love You and Miss You
Wife and Children**

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.** They can be e-mailed to StAPastoralMin@aol.com Faxed copies & hard copies are not accepted.

**OUR BENSONHURST CLUSTER
YOUTH MINISTRY**

has a website. Visit <http://brooklynym.tripod.com>

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
Feast / Bazaar RAFFLES**

Raising money to keep St. Athanasius School open, vibrant, & continuing its educational ministries.

\$1.00 each.

Please return as soon as possible!

SKY'S THE LIMIT RAFFLE

Raising money to keep St. Athanasius School open, vibrant, & continuing its educational ministries.

\$100 a ticket.

Go in with your friends. This is our 50/50 raffle. Drawing is on Monday June 11 at 10:30p.m. in Parish Auditorium.

See Msgr. Cassato for a ticket or Call Marie Skroly at the Rectory. (ext. 10)



FAITH FORMATION GROUP MEETS EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY at St. Dominic's Libutti Center (next to the rectory). We invite all

youth 7th grade and older to come on every other Wednesday Nights from 7:30-9PM, for some faith activities and exposure to learning more about yourself, others and God. Our next meetings are this Wednesday, May 23rd and June 6th. The Libutti Center is next to the church of St. Dominic's Rectory on Bay Ridge Pkwy (75th St) and 20th Ave, look for the statue of Pope John XXIII. On June 6th and June 13th we will extend an invitation to any youth who are ending their 6th grade year to come and join the older youth in our final weeks of Faith Formation before we stop for the summer. So come now into June, so you can attend our year ending BBQ that will take place on June 27th. Faith Formation will meet on May 23rd, June 6th, June 13th and June 27th.

YOUTH CANDLELIGHT ROSARY- MAY 31ST We need youth to help lead an evening to celebrate Mary's month, and invite all ages, especially families and young people to join us as we light up the gym at St. Dominic's on Thursday, May 31st at 7:30PM. Come experience as we use candles, music and images to pray the Luminous Mysteries in multiple languages. St. Dominic's is located on 20th Avenue, between 75th and 74th Street. (See Flyer for more information)

YOUTH MASS AND YOUTH GROUP AT ST. A's Every First and Third Sunday at St. Athanasius. The youth group is open to anyone at least in 7th Grade into High School. We meet at 4PM in front of the church for some youth activities and community building, which takes place at different locations on the parish property. Then at 6PM, we are invited to participate in a youth oriented Mass. All youth are given an opportunity to directly help lead in various ministries. The next gathering is on then on June 3rd.

Contact The Bensonhurst Cluster Youth Ministry Office via email at KenWodz@optonline.net, by phone at 718-259-4636, or in person at the Libutti Center at 2001 Bay Ridge Pkwy, next to the rectory of St. Dominic's.



St. Anthony

13 TUESDAYS IN HONOR OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA continue each Tuesday after the 9a.m. Mass. Veneration of the Relic of St. Anthony along with anointing with the Oil of St. Anthony will be part of our Novena prayers. St. Anthony of Padua's feast day is on Wed. June 13. **At 7:15p.m. each Tuesday, Novena Prayers with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place for the 13 Tuesdays as well.**

THE CATHOLIC MIGRATION OFFICE IS SPONSORING FREE CANCER SCREENINGS. --If you are over 40, uninsured and low income, you qualify to receive a free clinical breast exam, PAP test and mammogram. --If you are over 50, uninsured and low income, you qualify to receive a free colorectal cancer screening. --They will have free high blood pressure screenings as well. **The screenings will be held on: Sunday, July 8 from 9:00-12:00 at the Regina Pacis Youth Center, 1258 - 65th Street.** Registration is required. Call 718-236-0909 to schedule an appointment.

REPORT FROM THE APRIL 30 PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

- Following a presentation by Trinity Consultants, there was extensive discussion about the need for another campaign to install an elevator to the lower church and the timing of a campaign. Monsignor will take all comments under advisement and make the final decision.
- The bazaar and St. Anthony procession will be held June 6-11. The Bazaar Committee is looking for new volunteers. Raffle books and Sky's the Limit raffles will be mailed out shortly. Our goal is \$70,000.
- The senior leadership of the Youth Board has been instrumental in advising the new leadership and bringing them up to speed. Basketball finished after a successful season, and baseball has begun with 250 members, double what it was last year.
- The Retreat Committee apologized for the error in the bulletin and confirmed that the dates are June 1-3. The cost is \$150 plus \$25 for the bus.
- GISA is planning a trip to Don Bosco on July 8-15.
- Several comments were made about the many beautiful Holy Week services. The Hispanic Community will present a video they made of their services at the next PC meeting.

- The St. Vincent de Paul Society has been having some problems with receiving donated food that is spoiled or outdated and is addressing the issue.
 - The Rosarians will hold a retreat at St. Alphonse on May 22. They will hold a Chinese auction in June. At their next meeting, they will come to a final decision about moving their meetings to Sundays after Mass. Their membership outreach to school mothers was not as successful as they hoped.
 - There was discussion about several calendar conflicts that occurred between parish groups. There will be a meeting scheduled in June regarding the 2007/2008 calendar.
 - The Holy Name Society's membership is increasing. Their annual communion breakfast will be held on Mother's Day. Tickets are available for \$15. Sal Iacullo was honored as Man of the Year by the Diocesan Union of Holy Name Societies.
 - There are 110 children receiving First Communion and another 110 receiving Confirmation this year.
 - Cluster Altar Server Appreciation Day will be June 7, 12:00-3:00, at Astroland. Tickets are \$7.
 - There will be an anniversary Mass and reception on May 27 at 11:30 for our priests and deacon. Monsignor is celebrating his 35th anniversary, Fr. Ron his 30th, Fr. Heebong his 10th, Fr. Gabriel his 5th, and Deacon Dante his 15th.
 - Fr. Heebong has been named pastor of Holy Spirit parish in Borough Park. He and the Korean Community will be transferred on June 30.
 - Seminarian Robert Mucci will be back in Brooklyn for the summer, following his second year of study. The Bishop will assign him to a parish, but not necessarily St. A's.
 - The Finance Council will finalize the new parish budget at their next meeting.
 - There are at least ten Hispanic families interested in buying houses in the parish. If you can help them, tell Monsignor.
 - The May crowning will be held on May 21.
 - Our 8th graders will graduate on June 15.
 - Last Saturday's Bridge to Brooklyn concert was an enjoyable, affordable evening.
 - Samantha Lo Bello has joined the PC as our youth representative.
 - Monsignor was honored by the diocese for promoting scouting.
- The next PC meeting will be on Wednesday, June 20, at 7:30 in the auditorium.

Our Annual Bazaar- June 6, 2007 thru June 11, 2007- 8 p.m. – 11p.m.

Friday June 8, 2007 – Please join us for an evening of Italian music and songs with Charles Galgano along with the participation of Tenor Carlo Lauricella.

Bazaar Annuale 8 Giugno 2007 - 11 Giugno 2007 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Venerdi 8 Giugno 2007 – Avremo una serata di musica e canzoni Italiane con Charles Galgano e con la partecipazione del Tenore Italiano Carlo Lauricella.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT MASS- Saturday June 16th at the 5:30p.m. Mass



"Is there anyone among you sick? They should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save that person, and the Lord will raise them up. If that person has committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven."
(James 5:14-15)

Suffering and illness have always been among the greatest problems that trouble the human spirit. Christians feel and experience pain as do all people; yet their faith helps them bear the pain with greater courage. Those who are seriously ill need the special help of God's grace. That is why, through the Sacrament of Anointing, Christ strengthens those who are ill. The celebration of the Sacrament consists of laying on of hands and anointing with oil. This Sacrament gives the grace of the Holy Spirit to those who are sick; by this grace the person is helped and sustained by trust in God. The sick person is able not only to bear suffering bravely, but also to fight against it. A return to physical health may follow the reception of the Sacrament if it will be beneficial to the sick person's salvation.

WHO MAY BE ANOINTED?

- Those who health is seriously impaired by sickness or advanced age
- Some one who is going to the hospital for surgery
- Elderly people who have become notably weakened even though there is no serious illness
- Sick children that can understand that by receiving the Sacrament, God's grace will strengthen them.

The community of St. Athanasius needs to support one another. We are a family and our celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing is one way we reveal our sensitivity, love and support for our sisters and brothers.

WE ASK THAT YOU FILL OUT EITHER PART I or PART II & RETURN IT TO US EITHER IN THE SUNDAY COLLECTION BASKET OR AT THE RECTORY NO LATER THAN MONDAY JUNE 11.

FOR PERSONS TO BE ANOINTED June 16 at the 5:30p.m. Mass

Dear Msgr. Cassato, I wish to be anointed at Mass.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Age: _____ Private home or Apartment? _____ Floor _____

Phone: _____ Do you need assistance from home to church? _____

Do you need transportation? _____

FOR PERSONS WHO WILL ASSIST at the Anointing of the Sick Mass, June 16 at 5:30p.m.

Dear Msgr. Cassato, I will be of assistance at the Mass.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Able to drive? _____ I will be able to pick up persons from their home and drive them back after Mass. _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



Parrocchia Sant'Atanasio

Bollettino Settimanale

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

MAGGIO 1967 – MAGGIO 2007

LA SANTA MESSA IN LINGUA ITALIANA ARRIVA AI SUOI 40 ANNI

LODIAMO IL SIGNORE PER QUESTO BEL TRAGUARDO

Dal nostro DIACONO DANTE COLANDREA

Riflessione del mese di maggio

L'AMORE DI MARIA - Chi mai potrebbe spiegare l'Amore di Maria per noi miserabili! Dice Arnoldo Carnotense: "Alla morte di Gesù Cristo, Ella desiderava con immenso ardore di morire insieme al Figlio per nostro amore".

La prima ragione del grande Amore di Maria per gli uomini è il suo immenso Amore per Dio. L'Amore verso Dio e verso il prossimo – come scrisse San Giovanni – sono contemplati nello stesso precetto: "Questo è il comandamento che abbiamo da lui: chi ama Dio, ami anche il suo fratello", in modo tale che quando aumenta l'uno, tanto si accresce l'altro... Parlando delle virtù di Maria, Ella ha amato Dio dal primo momento della sua vita più di quanto l'abbiano amato tutti i Santi e tutti gli Angeli nell'intero corso della loro vita. La Vergine rivelò a suor Maria Crocifissa che era tanto grande il fuoco dell'Amore di cui Ella ardeva per Dio che se il cielo e la terra fossero stati posti su tali fiamme, in un momento si sarebbero consumati. Aggiunse poi che al suo confronto tutti gli ardori dei serafini erano come vento fresco. Dunque, tra tutti gli Spiriti beati non c'è chi ami Dio più di Maria, così non abbiamo né possiamo avere chi dopo Dio, ci ami più di questa nostra amorevolissima Madre. Se si unisse l'amore di tutte le madri per i propri figli, di tutti gli sposi per le proprie spose e di tutti i Santi ed Angeli per i propri devoti, non si arriverebbe all'Amore di Maria per un'anima sola. Dice Padre Niermberg che l'Amore di tutte le madri per i propri figli è un'ombra in paragone all'Amore di Maria per uno solo di noi, e soggiunse: "Ci ama molto Lei da sola che tutti gli Angeli e i Santi insieme. ESEMPIO: Nell'anno 589 tutta l'Europa era devastata da un'orribile peste e Roma era particolarmente colpita. Pare che i morti fossero tanti da non trovare neppure il tempo per seppellirli. San Gregorio Magno ordinò pubbliche preghiere, processioni di penitenza e digiuni, ma la peste persisteva. Allora si rivolse particolarmente a Maria facendo portare in processione la sua immagine; anzi la portò egli stesso e seguito dal popolo attraverso le vie principali della città. Leggiamo nelle cronache che la peste sembrò scomparire come per incanto e i canti di gioia e riconoscenza cominciarono presto a sostituire i gemiti e le grida di dolore.

PREGHIERA - Maria, insegnaci a pregare nelle gioie e nei dolori, nelle ansie e nelle afflizioni, nelle difficoltà e nelle tentazioni, nel lavoro e nelle occupazioni giornaliere. Con tenerezza di figli ci affidiamo a Te, che sei la più tenera

delle mamme. Attiraci con la tua materna bontà; reclineremo il capo fra le tue braccia, fisseremo i tuoi occhi, pieni di infinita dolcezza. Ci sentiremo più generosi e forti, ameremo Gesù con maggiore intensità, ci dedicheremo al bene dei fratelli. Comprenderemo così che solo la preghiera sarà capace di toglierci dalle preoccupazioni della terra e ci porterà a Dio ed Egli sarà la nostra gioia in eterno. Amen.

OGGI, DOMENICA 27 MAGGIO - 11:30am Santa Messa concelebrata nella chiesa del piano superiore per festeggiare l'anniversario di sacerdozio dei nostri sacerdoti e diaconi. Seguiranno rinfreschi dopo la Messa.

VOTAZIONE DI DOMENICA SCORSA – in base alla votazione dello scorso weekend, abbiamo i 5 punti essenziali più votati. Cortesemente leggete la pagina in Inglese, Italiano e Spagnolo per sapere su quali punti si dirige il programma futuro della nostra parrocchia. Il Consiglio Pastorale Amministrativo ringrazia tutti per la cortese partecipazione.

G.I.S.A. PELLEGRINAGGIO ANNUALE A DON BOSCO

- Domenica 3 giugno. G.I.S.A. Gruppo Italiano Sant'Atanasio, ha organizzato un pellegrinaggio a Don Bosco (West Haverstraw, NY), Il costo del biglietto è di \$25 a persona. I biglietti si possono acquistare prima o dopo la Santa Messa Italiana nella chiesa di giu' oppure telefonare a Maria Perniciaro 718 256-8122, Maria Porcu' 718 627-0387, Fred Felletti 718 236-9855.

PELLEGRINAGGIO A PHILADELPHIA – sabato, 23 giugno si terrà il prossimo pellegrinaggio del Diacono Dante alla chiesa Old Saint Joseph, fondata nel 1733. L'offerta di \$55 comprende il viaggio e il pranzo in un bellissimo ristorante italiano nel centro storico di Philadelphia. Avremo la possibilità di visitare alcuni punti storici della città. Per informazione telefonare al Diacono Dante al 917-602-3793.

ESAMI MEDICI GRATUITI - L'ufficio del Catholic Migration sponzorizza un servizio gratuito per coloro che vogliono far controlli per qualsiasi malattia causata dal cancro e per coloro che hanno problemi di pressione alta. Persone di età da 40 in poi e senza assicurazione medica possono ricevere questa esami medici gratuiti. Questi esami medici si terranno domenica, 8 luglio iniziando alle ore 9:00am presso Regina Pacis Youth Center, 1258 - 65 Strade. E' necessario prenotarsi. Telefonare al 718 - 236-0909 per una prenotazione.

The Results Are In!

The Winning Goals From Last Weekend's Vote Are:

Community: To expand the number, variety, and affordability of faith and social events for parishioners of all ages and cultures.

Evangelization: To develop a ministry to invite inactive Catholics to resume an active practice of their faith.

Evangelization: To teach our youth an appreciation of Catholic faith traditions and practices beyond the completion of Sacraments.

Community: To continue to improve education and technology in our parish school.

Community: To improve communications with parishioners and among parish groups beyond the bulletin and pulpit announcements.

According to over 1000 voters, these are the goals our parish will strive to accomplish over the next 5 years.

So how are we going to accomplish these goals? And what do they really mean?

That's up to all of us. On June 2nd and 3rd, we will all have the opportunity to sign up for Reflection Groups to brainstorm ideas to fulfill these goals.

WHAT'S YOUR BIG IDEA?

Reflection Groups will meet on June 16th and 23rd.

Sign Up to Share Your Thoughts & Ideas with your fellow parishioners and identify the objectives of the goals you selected!

Abbiamo i Risultati!

I Punti Essenziali Piu' Votati Lo Scorso Weekend Sono:

Comunita': Aumentare il numero e la varieta' degli eventi sociali per i parrocchiani di ogni eta' e cultura e allo stesso tempo cercare di diminuire le spese.

Evangelizzazione: Creare un ministero che aiuti i cattolici non praticanti a riprendere a praticare la loro fede.

Evangelizzazione: Insegnare ai giovani ad apprezzare la fede e le tradizioni cattoliche anche dopo aver ricevuto i sacramenti.

Comunita': Continuare a migliorare le norme istruttive e tecnologiche della nostra scuola cattolica parrocchiale.

Comunita': Migliorare le comunicazioni con i parrocchiani e fra i diversi gruppi della parrocchia oltre al bollettino e agli annunci fatti in chiesa.

Secondo il risultato dei voti di oltre 1000 parrocchiani, questo e' il programma futuro che la parrocchia cerchera' di completare nei prossimi 5 anni.

Come possiamo realizzare questo programma?

E che cosa significa questo programma?

Questo dipende da tutti noi.

Il prossimo 2 e 3 giugno ci sara' l'opportunita' di iscriversi a Gruppi di Riflessione per cercare idee per completare questo programma.

QUAL'E' LA TUA GRANDE IDEA?

I Gruppi di Riflessioni si riuniranno il prossimo 16 e 23 giugno.

Iscrivetevi con altri parrocchiani per dare il vostro parere e le vostre idee a individuare gli obbiettivi per il programma da voi selezionato!

¡Los Resultados Están aquí!

Las Metas Ganadoras de la votación del pasado fin de semana son:

Comunidad: Para ampliar el número, la variedad, y accesibilidad de la fe y acontecimientos sociales para los feligreses de todas las edades y culturas.

Evangelización: Para desarrollar un ministerio e invitar a los católicos inactivos a que reasuman una práctica activa de su fe.

Evangelización: Para enseñar a nuestra juventud un aprecio de las tradiciones y prácticas católicas de la fe después de haber hecho los sacramentos.

Comunidad: Para continuar mejorando la educación y la tecnología en nuestra escuela parroquial.

Comunidad: Para mejorar las comunicaciones con los feligreses y entre Los distintos grupos de la parroquia más allá de los avisos del boletín y del púlpito.

Según más de 1,000 votantes, éstas son las metas que nuestra parroquia se esforzará por alcanzar durante los próximos 5 años.

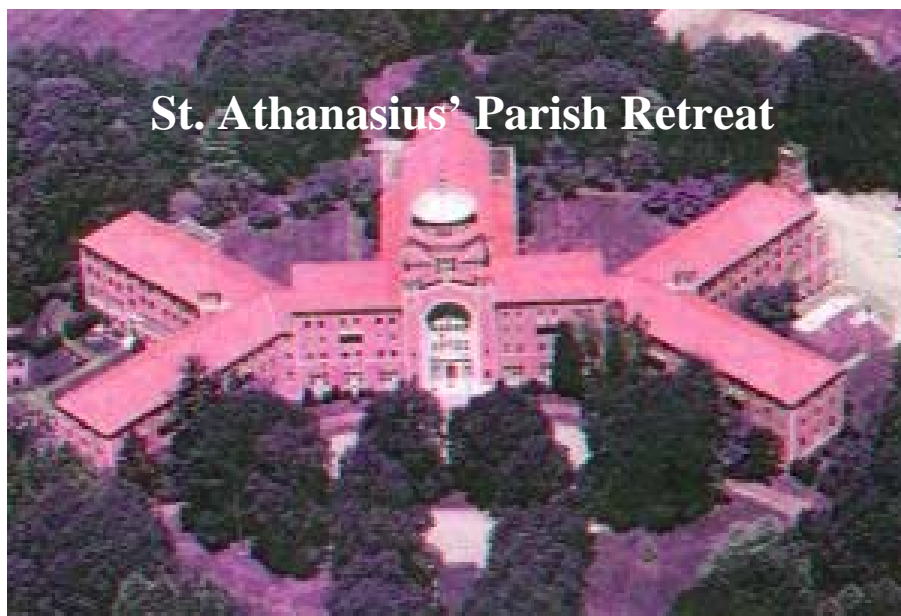
¿Cómo nosotros alcanzaremos estas metas? ¿Y qué ellas realmente significan?

Todo depende de nosotros. El 2 y 3 de junio, todos nosotros tendremos la oportunidad de inscribirnos para en Grupos de Reflexión para poner en común las ideas para alcanzar estas metas.

¿CUAL ES SU GRAN IDEA?

Los Grupos de la reflexión se reunirán el 16 y 23 de junio.

¡Inscríbase para Compartir Sus Ideas y Pensamientos con sus compañeros feligreses e identificar los objetivos de las metas que usted escogió!



A Retreat Given by Fr. Anthony Ciorra
Dean of the Graduate School of Religious Education
Fordham University

*And a second like unto it is this,
Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.
Matthew 22:39*

The Lord Jesus would periodically retreat to a quiet place so that He Himself could concentrate on His relationship with His Father. Ever since, Christians throughout history have been taking chunks of time out of their busy schedules so that they could be alone with God. The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception is available to us for a weekend in June, so that we can grow in the Lord both as individuals and as a parish family. Most Christians would agree that they want a better relationship with Jesus, especially active Christians who are in the prime of their lives looking for more ways to be fulfilled. Now is a concrete chance to do so. *Reservations are limited.*

DATE: Friday evening, June 1 to Sunday, June 3. The retreat will begin Friday JUNE 1 AFTER DINNER and end Sunday after lunch
DEPARTURE: by Bus from St. Athanasius 1:30 P.M. on Friday and return between 2 - 3:00 Sunday afternoon
COST: \$150.00, for the entire weekend.
Accommodations for two nights, all meals, Retreat Master fee included. All rooms are private with bath.
BUS TRANSPORTATION: \$25.00 extra per person
PLACE: Immaculate Conception - Huntington, NY (440 West Neck Road Lloyd Harbor, NY 11743 (631.423.0483))

**TO PLACE YOUR RESERVATION, FILL OUT AND TEAR OFF BELOW.
DROP AT THE RECTORY WITH YOUR \$50.00 DEPOSIT
SPACE IS LIMITED - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Home _____ Work _____

Additional registrant's name: _____

DEPOSIT ENCLOSED* I WILL BE TAKING THE BUS* I WILL GO ON MY OWN*

Amount Enclosed _____

Support Group for Women who have experienced or are experiencing Domestic Violence



DOES YOUR PARTNER:

- Embarrass you with bad names and put downs?
- Look at you or act in ways that scare you?
- Control what you do, who you see or talk to, or where you go?
- Jealous of the time you spend with friends or family?
- Make you feel like you can't do anything right?
- Destroy your property or threaten to kill your pets?
- Threaten to take your kids from you if you leave?
- Shove you, slap you, hit you or pull your hair?

The Purpose of this group is:

- *To provide emotional support for women as they work through the effects of abuse
- *To encourage personal growth in all areas of life
- *To provide a comfortable atmosphere to develop relationships which are trusting and caring
- *To provide a safe place to talk about the abuse
- *To learn more about abuse and its affects on oneself and children witnessing abuse



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