

Saint Athanasius Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:30, 10:30, 12:00, 5:30,
1:30 (Spanish)

Vigil (Sat eve): 5:30, 7:30 (Spanish)

Monday - Friday: 6:45, 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Holy days: 6:45, 9:00, 12:10, 7:30

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

English Baptisms Call Parish Office
Spanish Baptisms Llame a la Oficina Hispana

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual Celebration: Saturdays, 4:00 -4:30 p.m. in English
and 6:30-7:15 p.m.- Bilingual
Any time by appointment with the priest, please call the
Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to celebrate marriage should contact the
priest at least six months before the proposed wedding
date.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Information on parishioners who are ill, hospitalized, or
homebound, should be communicated to the priests as soon
as possible.

FAMILY PRAYER HOUR Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament, 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.

St. Athanasius Youth Group (SAYG)

<http://sayg.blogspot.com> or contact Alicia Baturoni at
650-793-3380, abaturoni@comcast.net

SENIOR GROUP

2nd Tuesday each month - 12 noon, Parish Hall

RESPECT LIFE GABRIEL PROJECT

Every first Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the Rectory

ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTIONS

Community Pregnancy Center (650) 964-8093

836 West El Camino Real, Mountain View, CA 94040

Project Rachel (Post Abortion Help) (888)-HOPE-790

(888)-4673 790

WELCOME TO ALL NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our Parish and invite you to register with us as soon as possible.

Fill in the details below and drop in the collection basket, or at the rectory.

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-mail: _____ Envelopes:

SAINT ATHANASIUS MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA

Dear Parishioners,

The good news is we have a new roof over our heads that will last for thirty years. Ian Abel Director of Facilities at the central office of the Diocese got an expert to examine a sample section from the roof. He examined it scientifically and declared that a new roof was needed. We have been dreading this moment for the last two years, that is why we have been having “second collections for maintenance”. Also any rebates coming back to us from the Catholic Foundation Fund are dedicated to maintenance projects. The cost of the roof will use up all that we have in our Maintenance Fund. Yet our Maintenance Committee has a list of other priorities that need attention - refurbishing the bathrooms – the carpet in the church is going ragged, etc. So we hope to use the Annual Diocesan Appeal to raise the extra funds needed to pay for the roof and replenish the Maintenance Fund. Thus our second collection today.

The basic recommendation from our Stewardship program in our parish is focus attention on our mission.

“God gives us mission for life. We are our most alive when we are in mission. Fulfillment is not found in consumerism. We have tried that that. We know its futility. Fulfillment is found in what we build, not what we buy. With mission, there is an excitement, a fulfillment that comes in no other way. We have a genuine, abiding satisfaction that our lives matter for a great cause. We know we are living life at our best. People who are serving a great mission have the strong, confident sense that their lives count.

God gives us mission that we might have life. The text is clear. “Seek first the Kingdom”. Where mission happens, the Kingdom happens. Where events of reconciliation, wholeness, caring, and justice happen, there mission happens. There is a direct correlation between mission and life. We are given life to participate in the mission. We find life in the mission.

Giving is grace. The reward is the giving. As we give, we grow. We become newer, deeper people. It is not “when you give, God will reward you.” It is not that God “rewards” your giving. The reward is the giving. As you give your share God’s grace. The act of giving is both a sign and an event of the generosity of God in our lives”. (Interesting thoughts from Kennon Callahan’s book *Effective Church Finances*).

“Where your heart is there will your treasure be” the Lord says. If your heart is in building up the church then you know God is calling you to give of your Time, Talent and Treasure so that the church-community (the parish) may be an effective sign of God’s presence in our personal history.

Fr. Casey

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat (10th)	9:00	Souls in Purgatory
	5:30	_____
Sun	8:30	Mario Pascua †
	10:30	People of the Parish
	12:00	Ted Salinas †
	5:30	_____
Mon	6:45	Mr. Lam Tan Nguyen †
	9:00	Richard Ramilo (T)
Tue	6:45	Lt. Col. Bernard Ploshay †
	9:00	Maria & Joseph Nguyen S.I.
Wed	6:45	Justina Somera †
	9:00	_____
Thur	6:45	Ricardo Ramilo T
	9:00	Tomasina Gomez SI
Fri	6:45	_____
	9:00	Jim Taylor †
Sat (17th)	9:00	Souls in Purgatory
	5:30	Mr & Mrs Mrs Do Huu Quan †



The Seriously Ill

Ruzzel Alapar, Judy Baturoni, Faith Bernard, Kamau Burt, Celia Caballero, Leonora Campbell, Helen Cang, Jorge Castrillo, Jim Cesano, Emilio & Gabriela Da Rosa, Karen Dawson, Connie DiStefano, Sam Dolan, Virginia Eyron, Henry, Veronica and Patricia Fagundes, Kristin Feetham, Brian Flynn, Salustiano Hilario, Roselin Joseph, Frank Lai, Peggy McKinney, Gloria Mattioda, Edward Morada, Javier Monroy & Family, Gerald Lupe Munoz, Sade Otudeko Carroll, Emer O’Keeffe, Emily Pepper, Kieko Poso, Patricio Resolme, Debbie Raybourn, Nanci Smith, Andrea Soria, Joseph Tung, Katrina Underwood, Marilyn, Tomasina Gomez.

Death Anniversary Remembrance Week of January 11

Lynn Howard Miner, Alberto Del Real, Loreto Valdez, Corrado M. Bautista, Josefa I. Bonzall, Cecil Sheehan, Mariano B. Mollare, Bettie A. Clinton, Thomas Richmond, Paul Bouladier, Jesus R. Rosario, Mary Lacy, Michael Gazdayka, Hugh Fisher, Justina Somera. **May they rest in peace**



Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday

9:00 - 12:30 pm

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Anytime by appointment with one of the priests. **Group Meetings in Rectory by prior arrangement only**

Remember to honor our advertisers listed in the back of the Sunday Bulletin. Remember to tell them you saw

Christmas Season Thank You!

The parish wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to the following parishioners for donating their time and talent to decorate the church for Christmas this year: Bulmaro Carranza, Patrick Foy, Annemarie Foy, Bernadette Foy, Keely Downey, Douglas Albrecht, Katelyn Albrecht, Michelle Matias, Len Radzilowski, Gabrielle Ayres, the Caligaris family (for setting up the Giving Tree), Mike Cavera, Lucile, Mary Jane, and Ernie Bianco. Special thanks to Steve and Verna Olival for setting up the crèche under the altar and the Mancilla family (and helpers) for setting up the big crèche in the church vestibule. Special thanks as well to Marilyn Masek, who ordered and picked up, in Half Moon Bay, thirty beautiful, fresh poinsettias that graced our Sanctuary this year. We also thank all of you who donated flowers or money to buy them!



TITLE: SANTO NINO FIESTA

The Diocesan Council of Filipino Catholics, Diocese of San Jose invites everyone to the Annual celebration of the feast of Santo Nino on January 17, 2009 at St. Joseph Cathedral/Basilica, 80 So. Market St., San Jose. Bishop Patrick McGrath will preside at the Eucharistic celebration. Before the mass is the traditional "Sinulog" and "Karakol" processions at 11:30 A.M.. The fiesta will be preceded by a nine days novena to be held at different churches in the diocese. In the evening there will be a dinner dance at the parish hall of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Santa Clara, tickets cost \$30.00 per person. For more information, please call (408) 729 7228 or (408) 578 5101.

Memories of Parish Life at St. Athanasius

Personal Memories of current and former parishioners are being requested for inclusion in the St. Athanasius 50th anniversary commemorative book. **Please submit at least one story or memory from your time at our parish.** Each submission (you can write more than one) should be 100 words or less and sent to: Nadine O'Leary, 205 Thompson Square Mountain View, CA. 94043

Oleary.205@gmail.com

Here are some ideas to help you get started:

- Special occasions at St. Athanasius (wedding; baptism; first communion; confirmation)
- Parish activity (BBQ; picnic; potluck; prayer day; work party; dinner dance) ; Memory of a special parishioner, priest, staff member, or religious
- Why you chose St. Athanasius to be your parish
- Parish activity in which you are or were involved
- Spiritual revelation, growth, or renewal that you received ; A time when you felt especially thankful; a time when you felt support; a blessing received

Your stories can be serious, of a spiritual nature, historical, or funny. All submissions will be subject to editorial review.



ST. MARK

A New Bible Study at St. Athanasius!

Why not deepen your faith this winter by getting to know Jesus through the eyes of Mark's Gospel? As you may have noticed, this liturgical year we are reading primarily from Marks' Gospel on Sundays so we decided to offer a special bible study focusing on his Gospel. It will be offered at two different times on Thursdays from **January 22nd – March 26th**: **Thursday Lunchtime** from 12:15 – 1:30 in the Rectory (bring your lunch!) **OR Thursday Evenings** from 7:30-9:00pm in Room 2 of the school bldg. We will be using the Little Rock Scripture Study materials for this study and request a donation of \$20.00 to cover the cost of the materials. **Registration is required** (by Monday, January 19th). Contact Mike Cavera to register - (650) 967-7939 or mikepcavera@yahoo.com

CATECHETICAL PROGRAM, K-GR. 8

KINDERGARTEN-GRADE 5: Our catechetical program will meet on January 11 & 25 from 8:30-10 a.m. this month. (NO CLASSES on January 18, Martin Luther King holiday). **Español, 11:30-1:00.**

FIRST COMMUNION: First Communion preparation on January 11 & 25. The new books are \$15.50 each.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 6-8: Classes resume this Wednesday, January 14, from 6-8 p.m. in the school.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP & CONFIRMATION
We meet January 14, 6-8 p.m. We'll be focusing on the bible, so bring your bibles to class. For details of SAYG, visit the youth group website: <http://sayg.blogspot.com> or call Alicia at 650-793-3380.

"In his Apologia Pro Vita Sua, John Henry Newman writes this about the human conscience: "It praises, it blames, it promises, it threatens, it implies a future, and it witnesses to the unseen. It is more than man's own self. The man himself has no power over it, he may not make it, he cannot destroy it, he may refuse to use it, but it remains.... Its very existence throws us out of ourselves, to go see him in the heights and depths, whose Voice it is". (Chinese Proverb: Who sacrifices the conscience burns the picture to obtain the ashes.)

Collection

Collection for 12/28/08: \$5,310

Christmas Offering: \$16,231.15

This Week's Offering: \$10,408.83

Identified Donors: \$6,365.23

Unidentified Donors: \$4,043.60

2nd Collection: Ethnic Minorities: 2,090.37

THANK YOU!



LAS AGUAS BAPTISMALES

Cuando se planta un césped nuevo, debe regarse Constantemente. Los jardineros dicen que esto “teje” el césped al suelo. Lo mismo sucede cuando se injerta una rama a un árbol: el cataplasma que los une debe estar húmedo en todo momento. El agua es lo que mantiene unidas a las células de nuestro cuerpo. Con razón las religiones de todas las épocas y culturas han usado tanto este símbolo. Cuando Jesús se sumerge en el Jordán para ser bautizado, se “teje” a todo aquello que lo precedía. Al sumergirse en el Jordán, se hizo uno con el pueblo de Israel que había cruzado el río para llegar a su Tierra Prometida. Junto a Juan Bautista, Cristo se tejió a la tradición profética que presagiaba la venida del Reino de Dios. Jesús se había convertido plenamente en humano en las aguas del vientre de María y al participar del rito del Bautismo del arrepentimiento, se sintió identificado con nuestra frágil y pecaminosa humanidad. Por las aguas del Bautismo Cristo continúa injertando nuevos miembros a su Cuerpo, la Iglesia; gracias a nuestro destino de vida eterna, por estas aguas somos limpiados del pecado y recibimos la promesa de la gracia. Para nosotros, como para Jesús, las aguas bautismales también inauguran nuestra misión de proclamar la Buena Nueva.

CATECISMO PARA ADULTOS.

Para todos aquellos adultos que no han recibido alguno o todos sus sacramentos, las clases comenzaran después del verano, por favor comuníquese con los encargados de la misa para poder anotarse. Recuerde que, no importa la edad que tenga, venga y reúnase con este grupo que es muy bonito.

Actividades de la Semana:

- Lunes a las 7:00 PM** Grupo de Oración
- Martes a las 7:00 PM** Rosario bilingüe con oración
- Viernes a las 7:00 PM** El Grupo de Catecismo Para Adulto
- Viernes a las 7:00 PM** El Grupo de Jóvenes
- Comunión para enfermos:** si tiene familiar que no puede a misa y quiere recibir comunión, Nuestro ministro de Eucaristía gracias a Dios ya tenemos una para ese ministerio, puede ir a visitarle y dar la Comunión.
- Preparación para matrimonios:** Toma seis meses para la preparación del sacramento del matrimonio a partir de la primera cita. planea con anticipación, llame a Rosa María o verla después de misa.
- Bautizos** Los bautizos se llevan a cabo cada cuarto Sábado de mes a las 11:00 AM y las platicas cada segundo miércoles de mes a las 7:00 PM. Véanos después de las misa para poder llenar su forma.
- Quinceañeras:** Estas celebraciones son ofrecidas solo a los miembros registrados y activos de la parroquia.

IMPORTANTE

La parroquia, como todos sabemos estamos pasando por momentos difíciles, estamos en números rojos, es decir estamos usando dinero de nuestros ahorros y muy pronto esos ahorros acabaran. La única manera de salir de deudas es que cada uno de los que asistimos a nuestra parroquia tomemos responsabilidad en nuestras obligaciones como Católicos bautizados, que unamos nuestras manos y pongamos nuestro granito de arena. El comité de finanzas ha hecho cálculos de acuerdo a el censo que se hace cada ano, y somos los hispanos 51% los que estamos en esta parroquia, y si cada adulto diéramos, por lo menos, 10 dólares, la situación cambiaria. Todos sabemos que la situación económica esta difícil para todos, pero todos necesitamos de nuestra parroquia. Por favor considere ayudar y que al cabo Dios nos recompensa con muchas bendiciones y bonanzas. Que Dios les siga bendiciendo grandemente y de antemano, muchas gracias por considerar ayudar a sacar adelante la parroquia. Recuerde que cada centavo que usted de, especialmente en cheque, es de deducción en los impuestos, que es otro beneficio que se tiene.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — He aquí mi siervo a quien he dado mi espíritu. Él les enseñará mi justicia a las naciones (Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7) o *Isaías 55:1-11.*

Salmo — Te alabamos, Señor (Salmo 29 [28]) o *Isaías 12:2-6.*

Segunda lectura —Dios ha ungido a Jesús por el Espíritu Santo y el poder (Hechos 10:34-38) o *1 Juan 5:1-9.*

Evangelio — Tú eres mi Hijo, el Amado, al que miro con cariño (Marcos 1:7-11).

Lunes: Heb 1:1-6; Mc 1:14-20

PROGRAMA DE CATECISMO, K-GR.8

CLASES DE KINDER-GRADO 5: Tenemos clases los Domingos, 11 y 25 de Enero, a las 11:30 a.m.

CLASES DE LOS GRADOS 6 al 8: Regresamos a clases el Miércoles, 14 de Enero, de 6:00 a 8:00 p.m. en la escuela.

NOTA IMPORTANTE – PRIMERA COMUNIÓN
Estos niños necesitan ver a la señora Loretta para arreglos de la primera comunión: **JENNIFER AGUILAR, ANDREW AGUILAR, JESUS AGUILAR, MAURICIO AGUILAR, ANGEL MIRANDA, AYLIN PEREZ, RAYMOND PEREZ, JENNA SANCHEZ, EDGAR VELAZQUEZ, CANDALARIA VARELAS, ALEX YERENA.** Llámela al 650-967-7971 y deje un mensaje.

GRUPO DE JÓVENES (GRADOS 9-12)

El grupo de jóvenes de grados 9-12 se reunirá el miércoles, 14 de Enero, de 6-8 p.m. Traigan sus biblias. Para más detalles del grupo de high school, vea <http://sayg.blogspot.com> o llame a Alicia al 650-793-3380.

Vision Statement for St. Athanasius Parish

St. Athanasius church is a gathering place of worship and community for the parish family. We come together with the guidance of the Holy Spirit to live our Christian life, with and for the people of God, through sharing, learning and serving.

Visión de la Parroquia de San Atanasio

La Iglesia de San Atanasio es un lugar de oración y comunidad para la familia parroquial. Con la guía del Espíritu Santo, nos reunimos para vivir una vida Cristiana, con la gente y para la gente de Dios, compartiendo, aprendiendo y sirviendo.

Catechetical Program (Religious Education)

Our parish catechetical program is a blend of the Generations of Faith and the catechetical textbook series *Blest Are We/Bendecidos*. This process provides an integrated and comprehensive approach to forming the faith of children, youth and adults blended with a systematic approach to sharing faith with children and youth. It is the basic preparation program required for children and youth who are seeking to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation. **For more information, please contact Loretta Fennell at the Catechetical Office, 650-967-7971.**

Sacrament Preparation for Children & Youth

Preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Grades 1-12) and for Confirmation (Grades 9-12) is a two-year process. Students are required to participate in both the catechetical sessions and the specific preparation sessions for the sacrament to be celebrated. **For more information, please contact Loretta Fennell at the Catechetical Office, 650-967-7971.**

Saint Athanasius Youth Group (SAYG)

Open to students in grades 9-12. This program gives high school students a way to participate in the parish community while having fun and deepening their faith. SAYG meets twice a month during the school year. For weekly updates and a calendar of events, visit <http://sayg.blogspot.com>. **To join contact: Alicia Baturoni at 650-793-3380 or abaturoni@comcast.net.**

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist

Through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) non-baptized adults and baptized Christians of other denominations are welcomed into the Catholic Church. The process is adult oriented and sensitive to the experiences and questions people have. We also invite *baptized Catholics* who have not completed their initiation into the Church (through Eucharist and Confirmation) to prepare for the celebration of these sacraments. For more information: call **Mike Cavera at (650) 967-7939.**

St. Athanasius Blog

Visit the official St. Athanasius Blog to stay in touch with your fellow parishioners! It is a private blog that only registered users can read and write. To register, send your email address to **Dr.AaronRulison@gmail.com**, then point your browser to **<http://www.saintathanasiuscommunityblog.blogspot.com>**

Family Prayer Night

We need only to look around to see the tremendous pressures facing our families and how those pressures pull our families apart. There's little doubt that we live in a society of instant everything, one of the major contributions to family deterioration. Family Prayer Night is a response. It is a way for families to set aside an hour a week to be together in the presence of God, to pray and appreciate the most important people in our lives. Join us every **Tuesday in the Church, 7-8pm for Adoration, Benediction and Prayer.**

Baptism of Children

Parents are invited to contact one of the parish priests to set up an initial interview. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal preparation session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms of children (in English) are normally celebrated on the second Saturday of each month. No date can be set until the interview with the priest. Children age 7 or above are required to participate in our Generations of Faith program to prepare for this sacrament. To arrange a Baptism in Spanish, see **Rosa Mancilla after mass. For Baptism in English call rectory @ 650-961-8600.**

Quinceañeras

This service is offered only to registered and active parishioners who have received first communion. Please make arrangement 6 months before the event. Please call **Rosa Mancilla at 650-967-7900** for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Parish volunteers serve the most needy of our society. By donating food, money and most especially their time at our parish food pantry. Our food pantry is open for four days a week for one hour each day. Volunteers are greatly needed to work in the pantry from 1-4 hrs each month. To find out how you might help call **650-562-1000** and leave a message

P.I.A. (Peninsula Interfaith Action)

PIA is a local, interfaith, non-profit, organization that empowers faith communities to work together to identify and take action to change unfair and unjust situations in our neighborhood/city. Our parish PIA committee is making a difference in our local community and could use your participation. Call **Phillip Cosby (650) 906-9641** for more information

Respect Life/Gabriel Project

Working together, these two groups support the sacredness of all human life through direct service to women in crisis pregnancies, education, advocacy and direct action on behalf of human life. The Gabriel Project "Sign of Life" in front of our church gives an "800" number that refers callers to the nearest pro-life pregnancy center for counseling and support. Come to a meeting and see how you can help. For more info. call **Carmel Caligaris (650) 967-3807.**

St. Athanasius Justice and Peace Group

Our mission is to promote justice and peace for all people in accord with the Social Justice teachings of the Catholic Church. We do this through education and direct action and we are committed to prayer and study to further our mission. Call **Mike Cavera for more information (650)967-7939.**