



ST. ATHANASIUS PARISH

St. Athanasius Church, 2050 E. Walnut Lane Philadelphia PA 19138,
Rectory 215-548-2700, fax-215-5487453 www.stathanasiuschurch.us
 Masses - Saturday 4PM, Sunday 10AM & 6PM, Daily Mass: 8:30AM Convent Chapel,
 7040 Limekiln Pk., enter at St. Joseph statue.

Holy Days: 7AM (Convent) 10AM & 7PM (Church)

St. Benedict Church, 1940 E. Cheltenham Avenue Philadelphia PA 19138 Mass - Sunday 10AM

Reverend Joseph F. Okonski, Pastor, Reverend Anayo Nna, C.S.S.R. In Residence

Reverend Saji G. Mukkoot, In Residence Pastor @St. Jude Syro-Malankara Catholic Church

Permanent Deacons Mr. James Mahoney, Mr. Fred Poelnitz, Mr. Stephen Hopkins, retired

St. Athanasius Parish Staff:

Mr. Ted Travis Jr.

rectory@stathanasiuschurch.us

St. Athanasius School: 7105 Limekiln Pike

25-424-5045

Ms. Andrea Tomaino, Principal

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St. Benedict Church Ministries:

Family Social Services

Mrs. Barbara Roberts

Food Cupboard 215-924-4401

Food Distribution Monday & Friday 10a-12p

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Guiding Star Ministry

215-924-2876

ST. ATHANASIUS MASS SCHEDULE: 10/21 - 10/29

Sat.	4:00pm	Jord'an Flamer req. by Marion Dunlap
Sun.	10:00am St. A.	Michael J. Garrity (decd.) req. by Ann Kitson
	10:00am St. B.	Jimmy Smith (decd.) req. by Marlene Matthews
Sun.	6:00pm	People of the Parish
Mon	8:30am	Rev. Norbert J. Rigali (decd.)
Tues	8:30am	For those to be Confirmed
Wed	8:30am	Denise Basile (decd.)
Thur.	8:30am	Lee Downing (decd.)
Fri.	8:30am	Charles Repper (decd.)
Sat.	4:00pm	Collins Clan req. by Lillian Eaddy
Sun.	10:00am St. B.	Jimmy Smith (decd.) req. by Marlene Matthews

This Week at St. Athanasius Parish

Tues.	Oct 24	Adoration St. Athanasius	9:00am
		Divine Mercy Chaplet	6:30pm
		Bible Study St. A Rectory	9:45am
		Senior Social St. Athanasius Rectory Basement Mtg. Room	12-3pm
		Legion of Mary	7:15pm
Wed.	Oct 25	Adoration St. Benedict	12:00pm
		Divine Mercy Chaplet	6:30pm
		Bible Study	7:00pm
Thur.	Oct 26	This Is Our Faith (RCIA)	7:00pm

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Psalm 17 (16):6-8

St. Athanasius Ministries Schedule Oct 21 – Oct 29

Sat.	Oct 21	4:00 pm	Marlene Matthews	Lector Comm.
			Eddis Bullock	Extra Ordinary Minister
Sun.	Oct 22	10:00 am	Beverly Harper Marc Temple	Lector Comm.
			Richard Mshomba Gene Frasier	Extra-Ordinary Minister
		6:00pm	Betty Jo Robinson	Lector Comm.
Sat.	Oct 28	4:00 pm	Marlene Matthews	Lector Comm.
			Eileen Gallagher	Extra-Ordinary Minister
Sun	Oct 29	10:00am	Janice Paige Tracy Brown	Lector Comm.
			Josephine Richardson Theresa Allen	Extra Ordinary Minister
		6:00pm	Angela Fairbanks	Lector Comm.

St. Benedict Ministries

Sunday, October 22, 10AM

Commentator Marlyn Barnes
1st reading Raymond Wallace
2nd reading Kadine Williams
Extraordinary Ministers D. Berry / C. Mills

Sunday, October 29, 10AM

Commentator Barbara Roberts
1st reading Unachukwu Family
2nd reading Unachukwu Family
Extraordinary Ministers M. Barnes / T. Epps

SACRAMENTS at ST. ATHANASIUS CHURCH

Baptism & Confirmation: Please contact the Rectory.

Confession: Available after Mass

Mass Intention Offerings

\$10 Mass Card. (Regular Mass Card)

\$15 Memorial Leatherette Mass Folder.

Contact the Rectory.



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 22, 2017

First Reading Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10
Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Gospel Matthew 22:15-21

The following members of St. Athanasius Parish will be remembered in prayer by the **Sisters of Saint Joseph**

Sunday Serge Paul
 Monday Rhonda Sutton-Travis
 Tuesday Mr. & Mrs. Harmon Philips
 Wednesday Anita Plumer
 Thursday Mr. & Mrs. Fred Poellnitz
 Friday Mr. & Mrs. John Pompey
 Saturday Margaret Poole Garnett

PRAY FOR OUR SICK: At each mass, we pray for **all** our sick, whether their **name is on** the sick list or **not**. The **list** of names below is for those **in the hospital or seriously ill**. Thanks for **letting us know** whose names can be **removed** from the list.

Connie Dorsey, Charles Dorsey, Marie Odom, Louise Sloan, Heather O'Kubo, Lessie Thomas, Marlene Major, Solomon Fuller, Jarrod Stukes, Donald Nash, Donald Sigler, James Marshall, Ayana Lacey, Patricia McDione, Winnie Cannon, MaryEllen Gibson, Gwendolyn Slaughter, Pricilla Werner, Gregory McGhee, Maketa Robinson, Charles Oettle, Doris Blue, Marge Walker, Joseph Temple, Juanita Hartwell, Allison Rogers, David Bindley-Taylor, John Pompey, Leda Reeves, Edith Roberts, Mrs. Dennis James, James Jones, Justin Graves, Henry Jackson, Gwen Jackson, William Lee & Linda Jean Mc Seed, Owen Human, Christine Human, Edna Poole, Marjorie Pace, Lillian Scott, Lunell Mobley, Jessie Harrell, Joanne McCoy, Katrina Smith, Theotis Holmes, Cheryl Cobette, Anthony Pettis, Bobby Roberts, Rubin Johnson, Clyde Carroll, Arthur Poole, Liz Pileggi, Paxson Nash, Harmon Philips, Louise Hughes, Willie Love, Jean Love, Carol Patton, Jeanette Brown, Danielle Clemens, Lashae Thomas, Gertrude Lawrence, Eleanor Jeffries, Geraldine Mitchell, William Fairfax, June Robinson, Robby Thompson, Edwin Walker, Matthew La Smith, Anthony McClendon, Elsie Gardner, C. MacFarland, Gloria Gaston, Jerome Johnson, Ethel Mabry, Alicia Dolly Johnson, Theotis Warfield, Eddie Allen, Linda Heard, Anna Gibson, Noah Goldman, Perry March, Marilyn Scott, Angela Turner, Jeanette Perkins, Keith Surfin, Shirley Brown, Sylvia Greene, Mattie Spradley, Janet Hardt, Theresa Mitchell, Sandra Parrott, Andrew Doffus, Makayla Kenner, Beatrice Hardison, Helen Staron, James Burley

For those in homes: M. Tiley, L. Gaskins, M. Hill, K. McFarland, S. Strybuc, B. Foley, A. Vittoriano.

Saint Athanasius Parish Annual

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

On Sunday November 12, 2017 during the 10:00 AM Mass at Saint Athanasius Church and Saint Benedict Church. We will remember those who have died and have been buried from our Parish in the last year.

If a family member, who was not buried from St. Athanasius Parish has died since November 1, 2016 and you would like them remembered at one of these Masses please complete the information below and return it by November 3rd, 2017.

You may place it in the collection or return it to the rectory office.

Everyone is invited to attend these Masses to Pray for and remember in a special way the deceased members of our Church family.

If you have any questions please contact:

The Rectory 215-548-2700

St. A's -- Mary Gallagher 215-924-0792

or Janice Thomas 215-424-1272

St. B's -- Mildred Travis 215-280-3277

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Name of deceased: _____

Date of death: _____

Requested by: _____

Relationship of deceased: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of family members who plan to attend: _____

Church you will be attending on 11/03/17

St. Athanasius

St. Benedict



Do you want to be a Catholic?
Are You Baptized?

Have you made your First Holy
Communion?

Have you received Confirmation?

We cordially invite you to a Champagne Brunch

on

Sunday, October 29th, following the 10 AM Mass

BAPTISM (Living Waters) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." **John 4:10**

CONFIRMATION (Gifts of the Holy Spirit) Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." **John 20:21-22**

HOLY COMMUNION (The Bread of Life)

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." **John 6:51**

Do you know someone who is curious about our Catholic teachings?

Do you know someone who desires to be baptized? Do you know someone who longs to receive the gifts of the spirit? Do you know someone who yearns to eat from the Lord's Table? Tell Us!!

If you need to be baptized! If you need to be confirmed! If you want to receive the body of Christ! ASK US!!

Bring Your Interested Friend or Bring Your Own Questions

Please call to reserve a place:

the Rectory 215-548-2700

Or see Fr. Okonski, Fr. Anayo, or

Deacon Mahoney

Saint Athanasius R.C.I.A. Program

(This is our Faith)

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Divine Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who roam throughout the world...seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Fr. Augustus Tolton
(1854 - 1897)

PRAYER FOR THE CAUSE OF FATHER AUGUSTUS TOLTON

O God, we give you thanks for your servant and priest, Father Augustus Tolton, who labored among us in times of contradiction, times that were both beautiful and paradoxical. His ministry helped lay the foundation for a truly Catholic gathering in faith in our time. We stand in the shadow of his ministry. May his life continue to inspire us and imbue us with that confidence and hope that will forge a new evangelization for the Church we love.

Father in heaven, Father Tolton's suffering service sheds light upon our sorrows; we see them through the prism of your Son's passion and death. If it be your will, O God, glorify your servant, Father Tolton, by granting the favor I now ask through his intercession, (*mention your request in silence*), so that all may know the goodness of this priest whose memory looms large in the Church he loved.

Complete what you have begun in us that we might work for the fulfillment of your kingdom. Not to us the glory, but glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord. Father, son and Holy Spirit, you are God, living and reigning forever and ever.

Amen.

2017 Holiday Drawing

Father Augustus Tolton
Canonization Fund

\$10,500 --- CASH AWARDS
1ST PRIZE -- \$5000.00 * 2ND PRIZE -- \$2000.00

3RD TO 5TH PRIZES -- \$1000.00 EACH

SELLERS' PRIZES -- \$ 100.00

--DRAWING --

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2017 -- 3PM

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
CLOTHING DRIVE
www.SVdPPickup.org

St. Athanasius Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit The Society of St. Vincent De Paul,
Saturday October 28th 2017
9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be using the services of **GreenDrop** to support their clothing drive.

Look for the **GreenDrop** truck in the
St. Athanasius School Yard

7105 Limekiln Pike Phila. PA 19138

where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations.

Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as: kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances under 50 pounds, electronics, sporting goods, books, CD's & videos are also accepted. Unfortunately, **furniture, large appliances, TV's or computer monitors cannot be accepted.** For a full list of acceptable items visit www.gogreendrop.com

To learn more about GreenDrop visit
Their website: www.gogreendrop.com

Black Catholic History Month Lecture



I Give Myself Away

Embracing Black Catholic Holy Men and Women

presented by

Dr. Camille Brown

author of

African Saints, African Stories: 40 Holy Men and Women

Saturday November 4, 2017

8:30AM to 1:30PM

a light breakfast and lunch will be served

LaSalle University

1900 W Olney Avenue Philadelphia PPPA 19141

Books will available to purchase.

RSVP fr.rowens@archphila.org

Call 215-587-3541

**THE KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER, KNIGHTS OF
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Selected

**2017 Body of Christ Awardees,
Saint Athanasius's Leo and Paula Jones**

COUNCIL AND COURT # 368

Saint Benedict's **Raymond Wallace**

This year's award will be given, at the
Philadelphia Claver Awards Banquet, which
will be held at the Springfield Country Club,
400 Sproul Road, Springfield, PA 19064,
on

Sunday, November 19, 2017, 1pm – 5 pm.

Please see any Knight or Lady for further
information.

Saint Martin de Porres Mass



Friday, November 3, 2017 7:00PM

**Archbishop Charles Chaput, OFM Cap,
Presider & Homilist**

St. Athanasius Church

2050 E Walnut Lane
Philadelphia, Pa 19138

**The Office for Black Catholics will honor
Cynthia Brown**

with the St. Martin de Porres Medal.

*Reception following the Mass in the hall.

Note: Volunteers, Greeters & Ushers are needed !!!
Please contact the Rectory 215-548-2700, leave
your name and phone number and area that you
prefer to assist.

Sunday 22nd, Meditation

MAGNIFICAT

The conscience can remain dazed for a long time, but sooner or later, something happens that reawakens and regenerates it, since at its root there is and in destructible core: the desire for truth and the need for good. Let no one be deceived:

Christianity can be reduced to a visible minority, but it can never be eliminated, because the Lord said, *Do not be afraid, I am with you until the end of the world*, and because the human soul is made for God. And this is stronger than all of the persecutions and all of the lies that circulate so rapidly in the air today.

Today—in the name of values like equality, tolerance, rights—the aspiration is to marginalize Christianity, to create a world order without God, where differences are glorified on one side and crushed on the other. This is true for...the peoples and nations. However, if we look at the results, we have to conclude that it began with good intentions, but with erroneous decisions. The overbearing will to homologate, to want to condition the profound visions of life and behaviors, the systematic annulment of cultural identities—all of this resembles...a journey toward...a deleterious...refoundation that the population recognizes as oppressive and arrogant, where Christianity is considered divisive because it does not bow down before the emperor *du jour*.

History attest that when those in power concentrate on their own survival out of personal ambition, turning away from the common good, it is the time of decline. Marginalizing Christianity from the public sphere is a sign, not of intelligence, but of fear. It is failing to see, through the dark clouds of prejudice that society can benefit from Christianity. Yes, society can benefit from Christianity...The more one seriously studies the origins of humanism, and the ore he recognizes the existence of something that is not only spiritual, but distinctly Christian.

CARDINAL ANGELO BAGNASCO

ST. ATHANASIUS PARISH

St. Athanasius October 15, 2017	
Saturday - Sunday envelopes 149	\$ 3367
Additional Offerings	\$ 950
Total**	\$ 4317
St. Benedict October 15, 2017	
Sunday envelopes 61 count 100	\$ 1316
Additional Offerings	\$ 185
Total**	\$ 1501

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