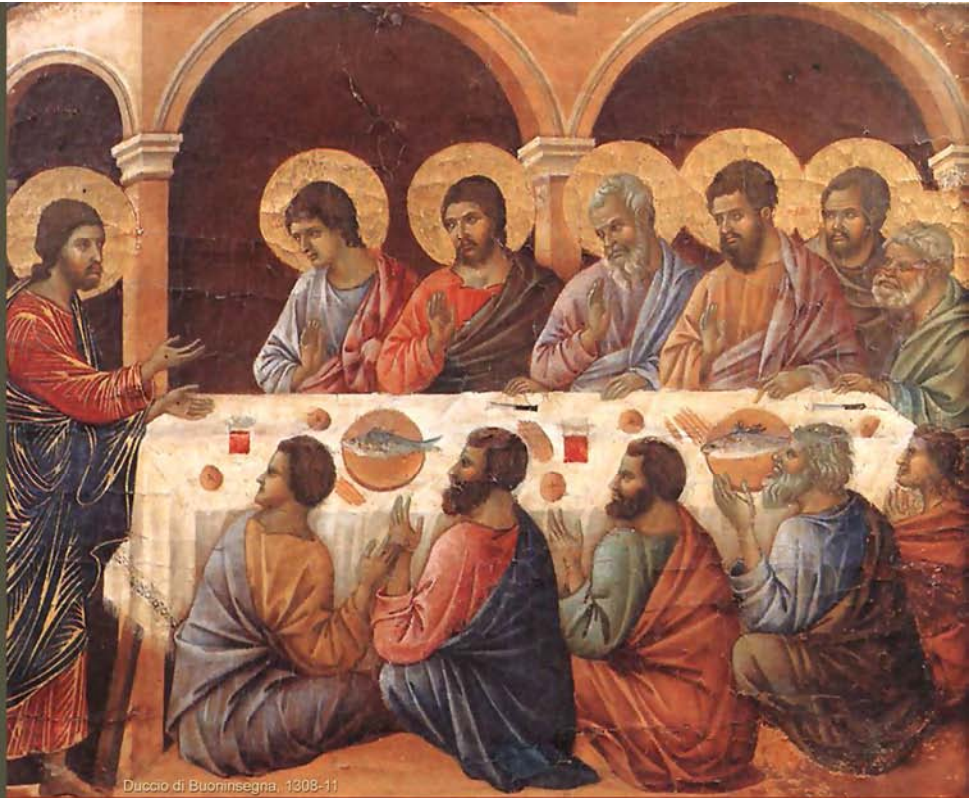


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April 19, 2015 3rd Sunday of Easter

Sunday Mass:

Vigil 4pm; 9am, 11am

Daily Mass:

Mon - Fri: 9am
Morning Prayer 8:45am

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays 6:30 - 7:30pm
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First Saturday Mass: 9am

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Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15-3:45pm and during Eucharistic Adoration.

Baptism: Celebrated the 3rd Sunday at 1pm. Call to register for Baptism Prep.

Anointing of the Sick: Notify the office when a person is seriously ill. Extraordinary Ministers are available to bring the Eucharist to the homebound.

Marriage: Call at least 6 months in advance of your wedding.





Saturday, April 18

4pm Lucretia Barrett

Sunday, April 19

9am Eunice & Robert Owen

11am Mass for the People of St. Athanasius

Monday, April 20

9am Rev. Arthur Brown

Tuesday, April 21

9am Frederick Resca Anniversary Mass

Wednesday, April 22

9am Rev James Lanergan

Thursday, April 23

9am Patricia Gentile

Friday, April 24

9am Mass

Saturday, April 25

4pm John Gillespie

Sunday, April 26

9am Mass for the People of St. Athanasius

11am Richard J. McNeil, Jr. Birthday Memorial

High Altar Candles Donation by Anonymous

Please pray for our military and civilians who defend our freedom, especially:

The 26th "Yankee" Brigade, and 1st Lt. Ryan Johnson, US Army, Patrick Cavanaugh, and PFC Kyle Lepore



Remember those in need of prayers, especially:

Maryann Lucerto, Stephanie Lombardo-Saulnier, Gina Campagna, Margaret Sumner, John Cadigan, Mary Lou, Dianne, Bill, Joan D., Scott, Dan Hallidy, David S. Attachi Family, Olga Calautti, Stephen O'Neill, Kathy Oliveira, The Haines Family, Cindy O'Connell, Paula, Joanne Curran, Jimmy, Charles Morrison, Frank F., Frank DelGrecco, Barbara Coffin, Ken Hodgson, John F. O'Brien, Ruthie, Richard Rossi, Robert D, Thomas D, Andrew D, Richard D, Phil T, Jen M, Fran P, Bryan M, Marion M, Anna Windels, Mary McNerney, Richard M, Larry Y, Denise S., John, Annemarie, Mary G., Shirley N, Mary O'C., Carol & Frank, Deborah, Patricia Maines, Justin L., Paula, Mike, David, Bubba Toussaint, Leslie L, Joan D

These names will stay in the Prayer Corner until Sunday, May 3rd. Call the office or email Stathanasiusbulletin@parishmail.com to add or renew your loved ones on the list.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12

- 12 SUN Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31
- 13 Mon Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
- 14 Tue Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
- 15 Wed Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
- 16 Thu Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
- 17 Fri Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
- 18 Sat Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
- 19 SUN Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, Apr 20	Office Closed	
Tuesday, Apr 21	Adult Faith Formation	6:30-8:30 PAC
Thursday, Apr 23	Prayer Shawl	10:30 PAC
Saturday, Apr 18	Retrouvaille Post Session	3:30-9 PAC

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Mass Attendance: 483

First Collection: \$6906

Deficit Reduction Collection: \$3041

Rice Bowl Collection: \$1970.49

Reading Food Pantry

April donation suggestions:

Shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, deodorant

YOUTH MINISTRY: MIDDLE SCHOOLERS, HIGH SCHOOLERS, AND PARENTS

HAPPY EASTER! Continue to enrich your faith this Easter season by joining us for any of our upcoming youth ministry activities.

We'll be attending Project Bread's Walk for Hunger on the morning of May 3rd. There will be a middle school and high school group. If you'd like to join us, find our team (St. A's Youth) on the Walk for Hunger website or contact me and I'll provide you with the intel.

If you'd like to help out or take a leadership role in the St. Athanasius and St. Agnes Youth Ministry program, our next Youth Commission meeting is Sunday, May 3rd at 7-8pm at the St. Athanasius Parish Center. Parents and youth are welcome to join. Dessert will be provided.

We need parent volunteers for any and all events and activities so please contact me if you'd like to get involved. If you have any questions or interest in any of these offerings please feel free to contact me at [585-200-2831](tel:585-200-2831) or bagostinelli@parishmail.com.

Peace,

Brad Agostinelli

St. Athanasius and St. Agnes Youth Ministry

Follow us and stay updated with social media!

-Instagram @saintasyouth (#ReadingCatholicYM)

-St. Athanasius and St. Agnes Youth Ministry Facebook page (#ReadingCatholicYM)

Attention All Religious Ed Families

Religious Education Registration is now open for the 2015-2016 school year.

Registration forms were emailed to all Religious Education families this week.

If you did not receive an email, please call the office at 781-944-0330.

Forms are also available on the St. Athanasius website www.stathanasiusreading.org

and in the back of the Church.

Please return your registration forms as soon as possible so that we may plan accordingly.

Thank you

Easter Season Adult Faith Formation with Fr. Patrick!

This Easter Season, join Fr. Patrick as we journey through the Acts of the Apostles! We will meet for five one-hour sessions to discuss the following:

April 21, Acts 8:4-9:43 - the mission in Judea and Samaria

April 28, Acts 10:1-15:35 - the inauguration of the Gentile mission

May 5, Acts 15:36-28:31 - the mission of Paul to the ends of the Earth

Each session begins at 7:00 pm. Feel free to join us in the PAC for one, some or all of these sessions!

St. Athanasius Parish Outreach

We are expanding our outreach efforts so that we may better assist those in our community who may need a helping hand in a variety of ways. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to assist in the following ways:

- ◆ Drive parishioners to church
- ◆ Prepare meals
- ◆ Visit parishioners who may be unable to attend church
- ◆ Bake desserts for the Sawtelle Hospice House

Please let us know if you can provide any of these important services. If you are already on the Hospice House dessert list, you **do not** need to volunteer for that effort again since we already have your contact information. Please contact Ellen Terry at eterry18@yahoo.com or 781-944-5431 to volunteer for any of these programs. THANK YOU!

**First Communion Rehearsal date
and time change:**

**Wednesday April 29th from 4:00-
5:30 pm**

Cardinal O'Malley to Speak at Gordon College

The Center for Faith and Inquiry at Gordon College invites you to hear Sean Patrick Cardinal O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston speak at the Quasiquicentennial Lecture in the Carlberg Sanctuary of the A.J. Gordon Memorial Chapel at Gordon College in Wenham, MA. The event will take place on April 20 at 4pm.



Last Chance Fund Raiser Ends on Tuesday, the 21st Gift Cards for Swissbakers and Orange Leaf Yogurt

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Al-Anon Family Group Meeting

If someone's drinking is bothering you, please join us at our weekly 7:30 pm, Wednesday night, Pathways To Serenity, Al-Anon Family Group Meeting which is held in the St. Athanasius Parish Activity Center across the parking lot from the church. We will share with you our experience, strength and hope and you will find your life will improve whether the alcoholic continues drinking or not. Our fellowship is for you - the friends and relatives of Alcoholics and our fellowship is free.

St. Athanasius is at 85% of goal for the



Boston Catholic Appeal! Thank You!

We would like to express our deep appreciation for those who have been able to respond to the Boston Catholic Appeal. We are closing in on our parish assessment.

We would also like to ask if you have not yet made a pledge if you would prayerfully consider doing so and help our parish reach its goal. Pledges may be made online or with the Catholic Appeal envelopes. Fr. Colarusso & Maria Blewitt, Catholic Appeal Coordinator for St. Athanasius

Holy Hour for the Persecuted Church Wednesday, April 22nd - 7:00 PM Saint Agnes Church



The parish members of Saint Athanasius and Saint Agnes are invited to gather and to **“keep watch.”**



BIBLE DETECTIVE

See what you can discover for yourself about the background to the readings.

FIRST READING: ACTS (OF THE APOSTLES)

In this reading, the Apostle Peter mentions "the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob." What can you find out about Abraham, Isaac and Jacob? Who were they? When did they live (approximately)? Why were they so important to the Jews?

GOSPEL READING: LUKE

Who were the two people mentioned "who recounted what had taken place on the way"? Find the full story, by reading the earlier part of Chapter 24 of St. Luke's Gospel. To what place had the two men been going, and why?

FILL IN THE GAPS

The sentences below are missing key words. Can you find the correct ones? (They are all in today's readings.)

- The _____ of life you put to _____, but God _____ him from the dead.
- Repent, therefore, and be _____, that your _____ may be wiped _____.
- He _____ in their midst and said to _____, "Peace be _____ you."
- They gave him a piece of _____ fish; he took it and _____ it in _____ of them.
- Then he _____ their _____ to understand the _____.

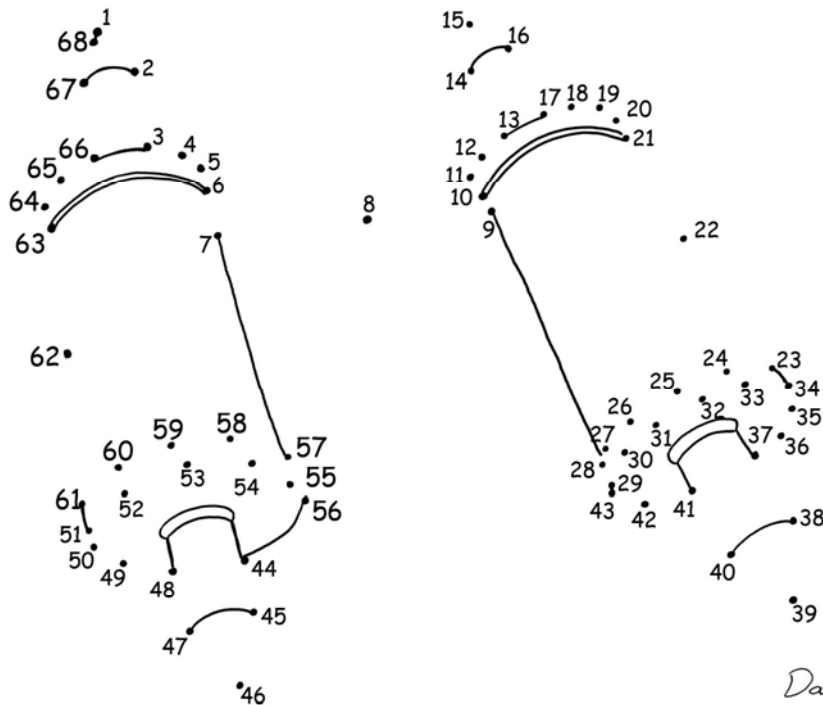
ANSWERS

1. author, death, raised 2. converted, sins, away
 3. stood, them, with 4. baked, ate, front
 5. opened, minds, scriptures

CONNECT THE DOTS

GOSPEL READING: 1 LUKE 24, 35-48

"HE OPENED THEIR MINDS TO UNDERSTAND THE SCRIPTURES."



David Fielding

25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Eminence, Sean Cardinal O'Malley, OFM invites all couple celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2015 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. The Mass will be celebrated on June 14th at 11:30 and will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, please visit bostoncatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass or call the parish office at 781-944-0330. Please register by June 1 to have your name included in the printed list of anniversary couples. A formal invitation and more information will be mailed to each registered couple in May.

Ladies' Prize Bingo! Friday, May 15th 6:30pm in the PAC

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April & May
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or sign up in the Parish Center .



Rachel mourns her children; She refuses to be consoled, because her children are no more. Thus says the Lord: "Cease from your cries of mourning. Wipe the tears from your eyes... There is hope for your future."
Jeremiah 31:15-17



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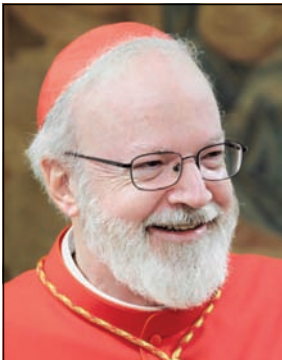


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