

"Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." - Mark 16:15

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May 17, 2015 7th 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 Confessions Available

First Saturday Mass: 9am

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<u>StAthanasiusReading</u> Phone: 781-944-0330 Fax: 781-944-1266 **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, May 16

4pm Thornton & Peters Families

Sunday, May 17

9am Mass for the People of St. Athanasius 11am Joseph Mastrocola Memorial Mass

Monday, May 18

9am Patricia Maher

Tuesday, May 19

9am Thomas Murphy

Wednesday, May 20

9am Mass

Thursday, May 21

9am Melek Elias

Friday, May 22

9am John Hoell

Saturday, May 23

4pm Richard Martin

Sunday, May 24

9am Mass

11am Mass for the People of St. Athanasius

High Altar Candles Donation by Anonymous

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17

17 SUN Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

18 Mon Acts 19:1-8/ Jn 16:29-33

19 Tue Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a

20 Wed Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19

21 Thu Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26

22 Fri Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

23 Sat Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25

24 SUN Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or

Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27;

16:12-15

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Mass Attendance: 569 First Collection: \$6549

Deficit Reduction Collection: \$2875

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, 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, Joan D, Nana K., Bob, Remo, Katie Willenborg

These names will stay in the Prayer Corner until Sunday, June 7th. Call the office or email Stathanasiusbulletin@parishmail.com to add or renew your loved ones on the list.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sunday, May 17	K of C Pancake Breakfast Church Hall	After 9am Mass
Monday, May 18	Prayer Shawl	10:30 PAC
Thursday, May 21	Teacher Wrap Up Meeting - All Grades Please return your Teacher manual	7:00pm PAC
Monday, May 25	Office Closed - No Mass	

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration at St. Athanasius
Every Thursday from 6:30-7:30pm

A Few Notes For Religious Education

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

Registration forms were emailed to all Religious Education families.

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.

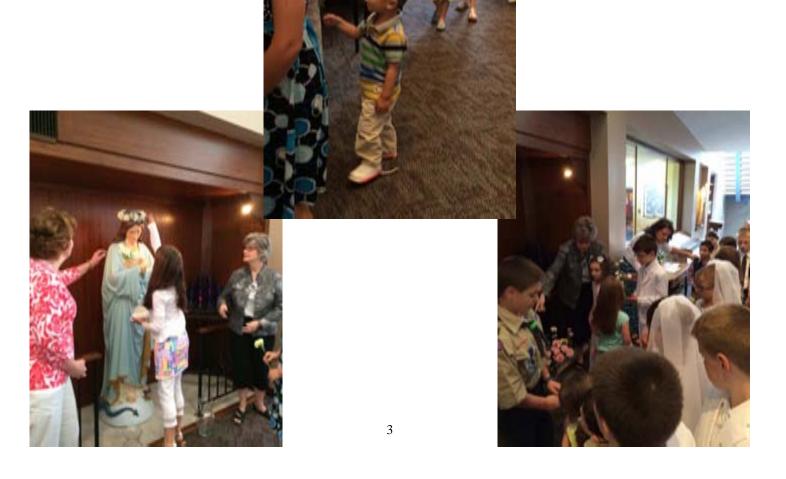
Please return your registration forms as soon as possible so that we may plan accordingly. We normally charge a late fee and did not do that this year. However, we do need you to register as soon as possible in order to receive a discount on our shipping cost for the books.

Looking for teachers for the upcoming school year in the fall for all grades, if you are in interested in teaching, please contact Jo-Ann Rossi at 1-781-944-0330 at ext. 14

We will be having a teachers wrap up meeting on Thursday May 21st at 7:00 in the PAC. Please join us for what has been proven to be a fun night.

RSVP to me by ASAP, so that I can plan accordingly.

Photos From the Crowning of Mary



Prayer Group Forming

Micah 6:8 says: "He has shown you, Oh mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Isaiah 1:17 says, "Learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless. Plead the case of the widow. Countless times, we are called by God to assist those who are less fortunate than us and those who suffer. Gary Haugen, President of International Justice Mission argues: "The work of justice begins with prayer. As we seek justice on behalf of others, we rely on an all-powerful God to help us do what is only possible with and through him." While it's true that seeking justice requires money, time and resources, it also requires prayer. Katie Curtis is starting a prayer group that will meet at 3:00 on Sundays to pray for issues of injustice in the world, and for those who seek justice. Anyone can come and there's no commitment. Just come with something you would like the group to pray for.

Contact Katie at: sweetavenue19@gmail.com if you are interested in coming and/or have any questions.

Easter Recital at St. Francis of Assisi

We invite you to join us on Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, for the Easter recital of "our own" Father Paul Bombardier as soloist, accompanied by St. Francis Chorus. The program is focused on the inspiring work, "Five Mystical Songs", by the great English composer, Vaughan Williams. The recital will take place in the upper church. There will be a reception with some light refreshments to follow in the dining hall.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you there!

For further information, or if you should have any questions, please contact Oksana Berezkina, music director, at 617-504-0771 or at oksana berezkina@yahoo.com



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.

Like us on FACEBOOK at St. Athanasius and St. Agnes Youth Ministry (#ReadingCatholicYM) and/or follow us on INSTAGRAM @saintasyouth (#ReadingCatholicYM). Find updates about our youth ministry program, Catholic quotes, images, and more.

We're inviting youth to participate in a couple hours of outdoor volunteer service at the St. Athanasius Parish campus, including lunch, on Saturday, May 30th at 10:30am-1pm. This could include gardening, cleaning, raking, etc. Please contact me if you're interested as space is limited.

Our next Youth Commission leadership meeting is Sunday, June 14th at 7-8pm in the St. Athanasius Parish Center. Anyone who would like to take a leadership role in Catholic youth ministry here in Reading are welcome to attend, including parents and youth. 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 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)

Malden Catholic HS Shadow Days

Malden Catholic High School is hosting Mini-Shadow Days for boys who are currently in the 7th grade. The dates are Tuesday, May 19th, Wednesday, May 20th, or Wednesday, May 27th, 2015 from 8:00 a.m.-10 a.m. This is an opportunity for young men and their parents to see all that Malden Catholic has to offer. Please visit www.maldencatholic.org/admissions for more information.

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!

Homeschooling Families

The Office for Homeschooling of the Archdiocese of Boston was established to spiritually support and connect homeschooling families with one another. For more information, please call anytime Fr. Ed Riley at 617-746-5425.

Please join us Friday, June 5th for our Annual Homeschooling Family Gathering at Saint John's Seminary for Mass, Vocation Talks, Lunch and recreation.

Please RSVP to Denise Fortin @ by Monday, June 1st! dfortin@rcab.org

Reading Food Pantry

May donation suggestions:
Laundry & dish detergents, household cleaners

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.

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Eucharistic Healing Service Tuesday, May 26th

St. Theresa Parish 978-664-3412 63 Winter Street, North Reading, MA

Celebrant: Fr. Jurgen Liias Concelebrant: Fr. Thomas Reilly

6:00 Eucharistic Adoration

6:15 Rosary and Confessions until 6:45

6:45 Benediction & Reposition

7:00 Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with Anointing of the Sick

8:00 Laying on of Hands

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Coffee Hour

NO COFFEE HOUR MAY 17th
Please attend KofC Breakfast
We need hosts for
May 24th & 31st
Contact Sophie at 781-944-9085
or sign up in the Parish Center.



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Heating Oil (1 week)	\$500.00
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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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~Cardinal Seán O'Malley



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