

**NORTH PARISH
MAY 2014
NEWSLETTER**

**THRU THE HANDS OF GOD -
ONE HAND HELPING ANOTHER
(North Parish's Mission Statement)**



From Fr. Tim's Desk

"I will come again and take you to myself so that where I am, there you may be also." - John 14:3

A few years ago a Christian radio broadcaster named Harold Camping predicted that Jesus Christ would return to Earth on May 21, 2011 at which time the "saved" would be taken up into heaven in the rapture. All of those left behind would suffer 5 months of fire, brimstone, and plagues until the final destruction of the world on October 21, 2011. Well . . . you and I are still here. Did the boat sail without us? The Lord's own words tell us "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." The day WILL come; and what is it that you and I will be doing in the mean time?

For the entire Easter-tide season we are reading from the Acts of the Apostles, stories of men called out of the ordinariness of their lives by the Lord to be disciples, and then apostles. Ordinary men performing extra-ordinary acts and miracles. How did they do it? They were filled with the Spirit and the power of God. Jesus had set the example. Jesus had shown them the way. Jesus had shown them the truth. Jesus had shown them the life. Jesus had shown them what it means to be in the Father's house and what it means for the Father to be in them. Jesus had shown them the work that needed to be done, the work that he wanted them to do. Not by themselves, but by the power and Spirit of God.

Judgment Day did not come on October 21, 2011, but it will come. If nothing else, Harold Camping's errant prediction of the end times should renew our sense of urgency. We need to be prepared, to make every day count, to live our lives in holiness to the glory of God, to tell others what we have seen and heard, to do the work he has given us to do, to be his witnesses in times and places that need his love, and mercy, and justice, and compassion, and hope, and peace. He calls us out of the ordinariness of our lives and He shows us the way, the truth, and the life. He calls us out of the ordinariness of our lives to interject ourselves into those rough times and those rough places that truly need his presence and just BE, just BE so that where WE are, HE may be also, just BE and let the power and Spirit of God do the rest.

Fr. Tim +



MAY MEMORIALS



WINE & WAFERS: In loving memory of Mildred Whyne Waldner by Diane Lippincott.
In loving memory of Beverly Hess and Madeline Jones
by Carol and Bob Jones.
In loving memory of Naomi and George Amour by son Roy.
In loving memory of Betty Noble by Steve, Bonnie, Jaime & Ben Hynoski.

BULLETINS: In loving memory of Naomi Amour, Mary Williams, Minnie Hess and
Jennie Jones by Carol and Bob Jones.

**SANCTUARY
CANDLES:** In loving memory of Irene and Stephen J. Rasimowicz Sr. by
Janis and Barry Idell.
In loving memory of Hannah Strobel, Phoebe Amour, Mary Schuler,
Matilda Hess, Eleanor Roberts, Malinda Zimmerman by
Carol and Bob Jones.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All articles for the June Newsletter should be submitted to our Parish Administrator, Shannon no later than May 7th. Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, May 21st at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Apostles, St. Clair to help fold the newsletter.



**THE ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHLAND
WILL BE HELD ON MAY 11th
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

ALL ARE INVITED!

**This yearly event is hosted by the Amour & Hess
family.**

**North Parish would like to wish all of the mothers of the parish a
Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!**



Sharing Thoughts from the Senior Warden

Lent and Easter is now behind us. Spring is here, with summer approaching in a couple of months. The weather is becoming favorable which brings us to our next fundraisers. Our Mother' Day Flower Sale will be Friday and Saturday, May 9th and 10th. We have ordered a beautiful assortment of flowers to make our 2nd annual flower sale even more successful! Planning ahead, we have our Strawberry Festival in June and our Peach Festival in August.

My fellow parishioners of North Parish, I cannot be more serious in telling you that are funds are becoming very limited! Fundraising has become an essential and necessary part of keeping our doors open and this parish functioning. Supporting our parish by purchasing the products we offer is always appreciated. Your vestry members actively run these events with help from folks that are not even members of the parish. It is still not enough. We need our parishioners to help the few of us who work consistently to raise these funds so desperately needed. Please consider spending time, no matter how much you can afford, to make our efforts even more successful.

May God bless you and your families!

Barry Idell
Senior Warden

Vestry Highlights – April 6, 2014

Church office relocation project is moving along as the electrical work is complete. Within the last week of April, the carpet is to be installed. The tentative move is scheduled for May 5th.

Donation type envelopes to be placed in the bulletins for the organ repairs at St. John's and Holy Apostles.

Good Friday offerings to be split between the Ashland Food Bank and our local chapter of the Salvation Army.



FOOD BANK MINISTRY

During the month of May we will be collecting canned baked beans, popcorn, sauerkraut and baby food for the local food banks. *Please note...these are suggested items; any non-perishable food items are gladly accepted! Thank you to everyone who donated products in April. If you are in need of food assistance, please call the church office at 570-874-4532 and we will direct you to a local food pantry.



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MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE

May 9 – 1:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
May 10 – 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. or sellout

J.L. Dresch Storage, St. Clair Port Carbon Highway
Logs, Hanging Baskets and Assorted Flowers

Proceeds benefit North Parish's General Operating Expenses

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

We will honor our high school graduates on Sunday, June 1st during Sunday services. If you are a high school graduate please notify the church office (874-4532 or email: nparish@ptd.net) no later than May 7th.

Please include the following:

Graduate's name _____

High school _____

Future plans _____



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SAVE THE DATE

June 18, 2014 – Strawberry Festival

Holy Apostles' Church, St. Clair, PA



We will need volunteers to help set up, serve, clean up and bake goodies. This is a North Parish event and we will need help from all of our members. Proceeds will benefit our general operating expenses.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Spencer Dougherty, Daniel Jenkins Sr., Matthew Foerster, Tania Miller, Ray Moyer, Fr. Jim Smith, Deb Anderson, Kathy Dunham, Fawn Eisenhart, Kyle & Karl Schu, Laura Kennedy, Bill Goodrich, William Moore, Lori Kahler, Mary Moyer, Linda Regal, Christopher Albright, Jason Noble, Alma Davis, Martha Semar, Sherese Gavenport, Howard Hauk, Jessica Rhein, Mabel, Arlene Davis, Mckenzie Rose, Rafael Ramos, Shirley Moyer, Kay Collier, Kevin Rhein, Stephen Rasimowicz, Jr., John Hauk, Todd Leshner, Bob Jones, Sr., Maria Machos, Mary Price, Virginia M. Bushyager, Theresa Price, Jackie Jones-Allison, Theresa Robbins, Suzanne Glick Connor, Charlotte Smith, Thelma Morgan, Jim Spieles, Jr., Judy Demyan, June Leshner, Steven Leshner, Russell Leshner, Kristin Lecher, Suzette Pogash, Mary Catherine Glick, Kay Fertig, Charles J. Wylam, Mary Faith Goodman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS SERVING HERE AND ABROAD.

PRAYER LIST POLICY: To request a person to be placed on the prayer list, please call the church office (570-874-4532) with the person's full name; also the person who is making the request must leave their name and phone number. There will be no time limit to how long a person can stay on the prayer list, however, please call the office when your prayer request has been met so the list will stay updated. Thank you.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: You may have noticed that during Sunday services our priests have designated a spot in the service for birthday and anniversary blessings. If you would like a birthday or anniversary blessing, please let our priests know during the announcements that it is your special day.



SPECIAL INTENTION: Your prayers are asked for Stanley F. Hulet who entered eternal life on April 5, 2014. May God grant Stanley eternal rest and give comfort to all who knew and loved him.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 8 – Robert Tiley
- 10 – David Hewes, Sr.
- 12 – Melyssa Willard
 Kyle Schu
- 13 – Elvin Brennan, Jr.
- 14 – Robert Higgins, Sr.
- 15 – Carly Demcher
 Julia Foerster
- 17 – Ty Androshick

- 20 – Susan Neary
- 21 – Dylan Harkins
- 22 – Megan Scheuren
- 23 – Chloe Demcher
- 26 - Diane Leshner
- 29 – James Frew
- 30 – James Lecher

Happy Birthday

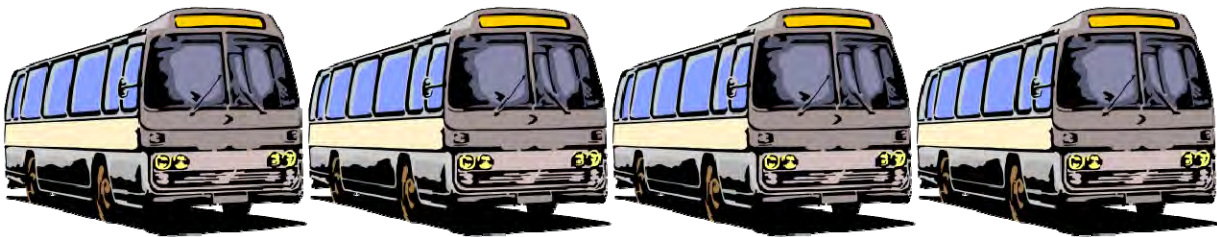




ORGAN REPAIR FUND



St. John's and Holy Apostles Churches each have very old antique, pipe organs. If anything major were to render these beautiful organs inoperative we would not have the finances to replace them. To maintain them in working order the replacement parts and specialized labor is very expensive. That being said, you will find donation envelopes with your Sunday bulletins. These envelopes are for donations to specifically set aside funds for organ repairs for both St. John's and Holy Apostles organs. You may also specify as to which church your donations is to be applied. If you do not have access to these donation envelopes, please mail your donations to our parish office and again specify which church to apply your donation.



Bus Trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster to see "Moses" Tuesday, August 26th

**Price - \$76.00 - includes transportation & theater ticket
We will stop at Hershey's Farms to eat.
Meal is on your own.**

**Pick Up – Frackville mall, movie side of Kmart parking lot
If you are interested in attending see Bonnie Hynoski,
Lois Hewes, Bonnie Baker or call the church office.**

MARCH 2014 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account
Mar-14 \$ 6,114.56
Year to Date Gen.
Receipts \$ 15,229.54

M&I Account
Mar-14 \$ 255.17
Year to date \$ 1,804.23

Memorial Account
Mar-14 \$ 1.23
Year to date \$ 34.26

Balances
General Account \$ 3,941.63
M&I Account \$ 23,144.05
Total Funds available \$ 27,085.68

Memorial Account \$ 14,410.51
Temp. Restricted Fund

North Parish Disbursements

General Account
Mar-14 \$ 6,557.02
Year to Date Exp. \$ 16,520.15

M&I Account
Mar-14 \$ -
Year to date \$ 8.00

Memorial Account
Mar-14 \$ -
Year to date \$ -

Please call the church office if:



- your address changes
- if a loved one has been admitted to the hospital
- if you have a prayer concern
- if there is any way we can assist you

Church Office Phone: (570) 874-4532

Church Office Address: North Parish, P.O. Box 487, Frackville, PA 17931

Church Office Email Address: nparish@ptd.net

Church Office Hours: Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:00-5:15pm; Fridays: 1:00-4:30pm

Website: www.northparish.com

Clergy – The Reverend Timothy Albright; The Reverend James C. Smith

Senior Warden – Barry Idell – (570) 385-7978; cell – (732) 690-5862

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Please note: No items shall be removed from Christ Church worship areas and the undercroft without the permission of the Vestry.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Applications are now being taken for two collegiate scholarships administered by the Diocese of Bethlehem. These are:

The Leonard Hall Scholarship--for diocesan youth active in youth ministries and The Gressle Scholarship--for the male children of diocesan clergy resident in Pennsylvania, with priority given to clergy families in the Diocese of Bethlehem.

Completed applications are due to Diocesan House by May 15. Awards are made during the summer for the following academic year.

For information and applications, please go to the diocesan Website - http://www.diobeth.org/How_We_Serve/Diocesan_Scholarships_and_Funds/ or contact Nanette Smith, Administrative Assistant to the Archdeacon at 610-691-555, ext. 222 or nsmith@diobeth.org.

NEWS FROM THE MARION C. PRICE TRUST FUND

New Labels-People are eating larger portions, so the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) is bringing the food label up to date with changes to its design and content. Because of obesity, heart disease and other chronic diseases are leading public health problems the proposed new label is intended to bring attention to calories and serving sizes, which are important in addressing these problems.

The first thing you will notice is the calories are in larger and bolder print. For the first time “added sugars” will be included. The number of servings will be more prominent. The amounts of potassium and Vitamin D will be required on the label.

So you ask yourself what does it matter to me?

Total fat, saturated fat and trans fat- You need to get some fat in your diet. Fat is a source of energy when carbohydrates are **not available and helps with some vitamin absorption**. Total fat consists of both saturated, unsaturated and trans fats. Fats should make up 20-35% of your total calories.

Saturated fat is the kind of fat found in butter and lard, pies, cakes and biscuits, fatty cuts of meat, sausages and bacon, and cheese and cream. This type of fat increases your cholesterol levels and increases your risk of developing heart disease. Trans fats are produced when liquid oil is made in to a solid fat. Trans fats act like saturated fats and can raise your cholesterol level.



Dear Members of North Parish,

Please accept our sincere thanks for the generous donation to our library in Ashland. We know funding is low in all organizations and churches, so that is why we most humbly accept this gift.

Again, thank you, and God Bless the congregation for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
Anne Helwig, Manager
Ashland Public Library

(\$100 was sent from North Parish from our Outreach Budget).

NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

May 2014

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| May 4 | Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist | 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | St. John's Holy Apostles | Robert Tiley The Rev. Timothy Albright |
| May 11 | Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist | 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | St. John's Holy Apostles | The Rev. Timothy Albright The Rev. Timothy Albright |
| May 18 | Holy Eucharist Morning Prayer | 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | St. John's Holy Apostles | The Rev. James C. Smith Barry Idell |
| May 25 | Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist | 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | St. John's Holy Apostles | The Rev. Timothy Albright The Rev. Timothy Albright |

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| May 4 | The Third Sunday of Easter | White |
| May 11 | The Fourth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day | White |
| May 18 | The Fifth Sunday of Easter | White |
| May 25 | The Sixth Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday | White |



EASTER FLOWERS WERE GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

2014



St. John's

Amour, Hess
& Scheuren Families
Leona & Walter Briel
Leona Briel
Margaret Briel
John & Isabelle Coddington
Kenneth Heffner
Walter Hynoski
Lester & Madeline Jones
Ethel & Bert Kehler
Walter Kohler
Gladys Lally (2)
Deceased Members of
Benjamin Lane Family
Marlin "Sparky" Miller
Dorothy Tiley Miller
Wm. Miller, Jr.
Emily & Louis Morris (2)
William Morris
Betty Noble (2)
Mary Anne Clamser Orr
Husband, Jim Spieles
Harold & Deborah Strunk
Timothy Strunk
Hattie & Alfred Strunk
Margaret & John Stivetts
John Stivetts, Jr.
Mary Stokes
Parents Mark & Annette Trautman
Alice B. Umlauf
Alice Umlauf (2)
Anna & John Umlauf
Edward & Rosemary Ulceski



Holy Apostles

Jack Blake
Chattin Family
Robert and Mary Dean
Luke & Mary Dean
Dean & Russell Family
Oliver Dechert
Carol Dresch
Dolores DeLoach
Frank Frantz, Jr.
Charles & Maggie Frantz & Family
Frank Frantz
Orme & Merle Frantz
Ruth & Frank Frantz
Charlotte & Elmer Geiger
Lewis & Myrle Goodman
Robert B. Goodman
Robert Haverty
Earl & Mary Idell
Abram & Geneva Jones
Abram & Mary Jones Family
Mr. & Mrs. George Kimmel
Anna Mae Krebs
Misty & Ginger Lesher
Claire & Elizabeth Oliver
Alice & Albert Padfield
David Padfield
Sarah Paul
Bertha & Robert J. Price
Irene & Steve Rasimowicz, Sr.
Evan & Emma Reese
Alfred & Dolly Roberts
John Salata
Dale Shanoskie
The Continuing Generosity of the
Sanner/Glick Family
Dorothy K. Smith
Harry G. Smith
Harry & Catherine Smith
Mrs. Edna Swartley
Matt Wylam

Flowers on the side altar
were in loving memory of the
Amour & Hess Families.