

**NORTH PARISH
AUGUST 2015
NEWSLETTER**

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



Sharing Thoughts from the Senior Warden

As we continue through the summer months and go about our lives enjoying the warm weather, sunshine, and family.....please keep in mind, our Lord and our spiritual well-being never take a vacation.

Yes, we all work hard and need a well-deserved time off to “recharge” ourselves, but please keep in mind our Lord is always there for us and our churches are open every Sunday for worship.

This time of year our attendance for Sunday services drops off as folks are away, however, I noticed when I lead my Morning Prayer service, the attendance has increased! I so appreciate those of you who join me at Holy Apostles for Morning Prayer as do Don Clamser and Bob Tiley as they lead Morning Prayer at St. John’s.

We look forward to seeing all of you as you return from vacations – well rested, ready to hear God’s word and receive His Eucharist!

North Parish is your parish – Be excited! Stay excited! May God bless you and your families!

Barry Idell

Senior Warden

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AUGUST MEMORIALS



WINE & WAFERS: In loving memory of Donald Lippincott by Diane Lippincott.
In loving memory of George and Naomi Amour by Carol Jones.

BULLETINS: In loving memory of David Padfield by Barbara and Dean Padfield.

**SANCTUARY
CANDLES:** In loving memory of Irene and Stephen J. Rasimowicz Sr. and
Stephen Rasimowicz, Jr., by Janis and Barry Idell.
In loving memory of Walter Kohler by Steve, Bonnie, Jaime and Ben Hynoski.
In loving memory of Anna Mae Krebs by Bob and Kay Ann Kalbach.

NEWSLETTER: In loving memory of David Padfield by Barbara and Dean Padfield.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All articles for the September Newsletter should be submitted to our Parish Secretary, Shannon no later than August 12th. Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, August 26th at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Apostles, St. Clair to help fold the newsletter.



Please call the church office if:

- your address or phone number 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: 570-429-7107

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

Church Office Email Address: nparish@ptd.net

Church Office Hours: Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:30-5:15 p.m.

Fridays: 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Website: www.northparish.com

Clergy – 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.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Alice, Matthew, Deb Andrews, Pat Brophy, Virginia M. Bushyager, Suzanne Glick Connor, Ellie Dando, Spencer Dougherty, Louanne Drumheiser, Mary Engelbrecht, Kay Fertig, Matthew Foerster, Sherese Gavenport, David Gerlott, Mary Faith Goodman, Mary Catherine Glick, Howard Hauk, John Hauk, Pat Hefner, Florence Hollick, Harley Hynoski, Jess Hynoski, Joanne, Daniel Jenkins Sr., Jackie Jones-Allison, Kay, Tamme Kehres, Paulette Kelley, Kristin Lecher, June, Steven & Russell Leshar, Mabel, Walter Machos, Donna McGinley, William Moore, Thelma Morgan, Shirley Moyer, Amanda Mozdy, Shannon Mozdy, Jason Noble, Anthony Novitsky, Stacey Orth, Suzette Pogash, Ruby Powanda, Theresa Price, Rafael Ramos, Linda Regal, Kevin Rhein, Theresa Robbins, Mckenzie Rose, Gerry Salata, Marg Scheuren, Connie Schrader, Kyle & Karl Schu, Martha Semar, Kevin & Judee Serrentino, Brittany Shoffler, Charlotte Smith, Lois Smith, Jim Spieles Jr., Mary Umlauf, Don Watters, Charles J. Wylam, and Marie Yeager

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 (570-429-7107) 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 priest has designated a spot in the service for birthday and anniversary blessings. If you would like a birthday or anniversary blessing, please let our priest know during the announcements that it is your special day.



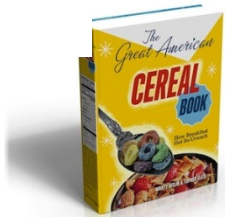
SPECIAL INTENTION: Your prayers are asked for Raymond J. Umlauf who entered eternal life on July 14, 2015. May God grant Raymond eternal rest and give comfort to all who knew and loved him. Ray attended St. John's, Ashland.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3 – Enrique Ortiz, III
4 – Nancy Davis
9 – Sally Leibig
10 – Robert Davis
15 – Benjamin Hynoski
16 – Amanda Marie Jacobs
18 – Lois Hewes
20 – Matthew Foerster

21 – Roland Price, Jr.
23 – Daniel Vidal
24 – Ann Hanson
Jack Dudash
26 – Taryn Harris
29 – Darren McGlone
31 – Peter Umlauf





FOOD BANK MINISTRY

During the month of August we are collecting non-perishable breakfast and lunch items. Thank you to everyone who donated products in July. If you are in need of food assistance, please call the church office at 570-429-7107 and we will direct you to a local food pantry.



MAY FINANCIAL REPORT (JUNE'S REPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT NEWSLETTER)

North Parish Receipts

General Account

May 15	\$ 5,720.04
Year to Date Gen. Receipts	\$ 21,802.35
Transfer in from M&I	\$ 10,000.00
Transfer M&I Year to Date	\$ 28,440.00

M&I Account

May 15	\$ 25.67
Year to date	\$ 25,501.84

Memorial Account

May 15	\$ 21.58
Year to date	\$ 652.54

Balances

General Account	\$ 5,527.73
M&I Account	\$ 61,341.96
Memorial Fund (Temp. Restricted)	\$ 18,579.92

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

May 15	\$ 16,565.07
Year to Date Exp.	\$ 51,168.33

M&I Account

May 15	\$ 10,000.00
Year to date	\$ 28,440.00

Memorial Account

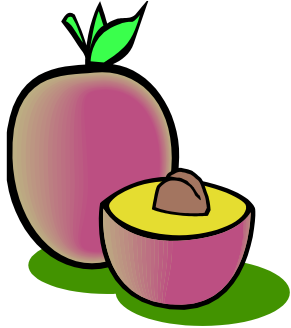
May 15	\$ -
Year to date	\$ -



THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Strawberry Festival.
The profit was \$515.00.

NORTH PARISH PEACH FESTIVAL

Tuesday, August 18, 2015



St. John's Episcopal Church
13th & Market Streets
Ashland
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



Tickets - \$5.00

Come enjoy peaches, ice cream, baked good and a beverage.
Eat in or take outs available.

For tickets, call the church office at 570-429-7107 or see Bob Tiley.

Volunteers are needed to set up, bake treats, to sell tickets and to clean up.

If you can help set up and peel peaches, please arrive at the church the day of the festival by 9:00 a.m. Baked goods can be dropped off at that time. If you can help that evening, please arrive by 4:30 p.m.

Please use the sign- up sheets available in each church if you can help or see Bob Tiley.

Please note this fundraiser is to benefit North Parish's General Operating Expenses. We will need all church members to help make this fundraiser a success!



PIONEER DAY CELEBRATION

NORTH PARISH will participate in the Annual "Pioneer Day" Celebration on Saturday, August 15th at Higher Up Park, Ashland from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. We will be selling: Halubki, halushki, donuts and coffee. Monetary donations and volunteers are needed. Please see Bonnie Hynoski or Lois Hewes if you can help.

NEWS FROM MARION C. PRICE TRUST FUND

Medicare – Open enrollment period is October 15 – December 7, 2015. This is the time to review your Medicare Part D Drug Plan or your current Medicare Advantage Plan. Even if you are satisfied with your current plan, it is wise to check if there are plans in your area that offers better health and/or drug coverage at a more affordable price. Every year plans can change their formularies, premiums and deductibles. Please call Kathy Burda at 570-621-3220 to help you review your plans.

Scam Alert - With so many online stores available, it's sometimes very difficult to know the difference between a legitimate e-commerce site and a fake one setup to steal money or a person's identity.

Operating predominantly out of China, scammers set up generic online stores that sell name brand items or mimic the websites of big name brand companies. On these sites, scammers sell fake or counterfeit products at significantly reduced prices designed to attract buyers looking for big deals on name brand merchandise. The over-reaching goal of these scammers is to gain access to the credit card numbers of their victims and then use the numbers to fraudulently make purchases, or make a buck with the information on the black market. In some cases, the criminals even go so far as to send fake or counterfeit products to victims. As the merchandise ships from international locations, victims often remain unaware of any wrong-doing against them until weeks have passed. Although many brand companies discover these sites and shut them down, it's usually too late.

Vaccines – There are four combination vaccines used to prevent diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough).

Td is a tetanus-diphtheria vaccine given to adolescents and adults as a booster shot every ten years or after an exposure to tetanus under some circumstances.

Tdap is similar to Td but also containing protection against pertussis. Tdap should be given as a one-time booster in place of Td. Tdap is especially important for those in close contact with infants.

Diphtheria is a respiratory disease caused by bacteria that causes a thick covering on the back of the throat. Symptoms are a gradual onset of a sore throat. It can lead to breathing problems, paralysis, heart failure and even death. It is spread person-to-person by coughing and sneezing.

Tetanus is a serious bacterial disease that affects your nervous system, leading to painful muscle contractions, particularly of your jaw and neck muscles. Tetanus can interfere with your ability to breathe and ultimately threaten your life.

Signs and symptoms may appear anytime from a few days to several weeks after the bacteria enters your body through an open wound. Common signs and symptoms include: spasms and stiffness in your jaw and/or neck muscles,

difficulty swallowing, fever, sweating, elevated blood pressure and rapid heart rate.

See your doctor to obtain a tetanus booster if you have a deep or dirty wound and you haven't had a booster shot within 5 years or aren't sure of when your last booster was. Or see your doctor about a tetanus booster for any wound – especially if it may have been contaminated with dirt, animal feces or manure –if you haven't had a booster shot within the past 10 years or aren't sure of when you were last vaccinated.

Pertussis (whooping cough) is a very contagious respiratory disease. It is spread from person-to-person by coughing and sneezing. Symptoms (runny nose, low-grade fever and mild, occasional cough initially) usually develop 7-10 days after being exposed. Everyone is at risk for pertussis, but it is most severe for babies, especially in the first months of life before pertussis immunizations begin.

Senior Adventures – Thursday, August 13, we will be traveling down to Hoss's in Schuylkill Haven. We will meet at Noon at Hoss's, we will not be taking STS. Please call Kathy Burda at 570-621-3220 to make your reservations today.



Property Tax/Rent Rebate program deadline for older adults and residents with disabilities to apply for rebates of rent and property taxes paid in 2014 has been extended from June 30th to December 31, 2015.

The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older, widows and widowers age 50 and older and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters and half of Social security income is excluded.

The maximum standard rebate is \$650, but supplemental rebates for certain qualifying homeowners can boost rebates to \$975. The Revenue department automatically calculates supplemental rebates for qualifying homeowners.

It costs nothing to apply for a rebate and the department reminds residents that free application assistance is available across the state, including Department of Revenue offices, Office of Senior Services, senior centers and state legislator's offices.

NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

AUGUST 2015

August	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. James C. Smith
2	Holy Eucharist	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. James C. Smith
August	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. James C. Smith
9	Holy Eucharist	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. James C. Smith
August	Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	Donald Clamser, Sr.
16	Holy Eucharist	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. James C. Smith
August	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. James C. Smith
23	Holy Eucharist	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. James C. Smith
August	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. James C. Smith
30	Morning Prayer	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	Barry Idell

	Notes:	Color:
August 2	The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
August 9	The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Green
August 16	The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
August 23	The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
August 30	The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green