

**NORTH PARISH
JULY/AUGUST 2023
NEWSLETTER**

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



Musings from the priest's computer....

*For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
Ecclesiastes 3:1*

It seems I was purchasing ice melt for the walkways just yesterday, and now, I was looking to bring home a bag of Miracle Grow-Enhanced Potting Soil. I unrolled my Green Stole last week, but was hesitating about rolling up and stashing away my white one. It seems that Lent passed quickly. And then the Easter season was gone in a flash. The Paschal Candle had been a focus of lightness and joy in Easter, but now it is back, unlit, where it belongs for Ordinary Time.

I think it is strange that we call this season after Pentecost "Ordinary Time" though there are some Sundays after Christmas and before Lent which are also "Ordinary Time". And because of this, this is now the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Proper 6, but the 3rd Sunday after Pentecost. Ordinary does not mean dull or boring in this case, however. It refers to the ordinal numbers, as in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc., rather than cardinal numbers, as in, one, two, three, four. It has been suggested also that these times of ordinariness also signal when Christ lived among us ordinary folks, working, ministering, teaching and loving. This year, Year A, we will hear the many events recounted by the Gospel of Matthew.

Ordinary time is a special time of the church year, when we are called to live more fully into the faith we express and nourish, becoming alive in the ordinariness of life itself. Ordinary time in the Church also focuses on the entirety of our faith, not only the anticipation associated with Advent or Lent, or the peaceful Brilliance of Christmas, or the Extraordinary Joy of Easter. Ordinary time is a special time to seek new ministry, research burning questions of theology, and learn nuances of our Christian faith.

I pray in the rush of this summer that you take some time to consider how you can be more active in your faith, and what you can explore more fully and how you can strengthen your prayer life to live more fully into your Baptismal promises. Remember, Advent is just around the corner.....

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Kurt+



JULY BIRTHDAYS

1 – Joseph Scheuren	14 – Abrahm Scanlan	23 - Joshua Scheuren
4 – Judy Fishburn	15 – Laura Goodman Jenkins	27 – Stephen Hynoski
Abbey Javid	20 – Holly Frantz	Hannah Lippincott
6 – Lillian Dailey	21 – Dylan Harkins	28 – Diane Waldner Lippincott
9 – Gerry Salata	22 – Mackenzie Androshick	
11 – Edward “Don” Watters	23 – Zachary Leshner	
13 – Lauren Snyder	Susan Noble	

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1 – Anthony Javid	10 – Robert Davis	21 - Earl Donatti
3 – Enrique Ortiz, III	15 – Benjamin Hynoski	24 – Ann Hanson
4 – Nancy Davis	16 – Amanda Marie Jacobs	Jack Dudash
7 – Joshua Lauver	18 – Lois Hewes	26 – Taryn Harris
9 – Sally Leibig	20 – Matthew Foerster	29 – Darren McGlone
Joseph Coddington	21 – Roland Price, Jr.	31 – Peter Umlauf

If your birthday is listed incorrectly or it is not included on the birthday list, please notify the church office. Thank you.



All articles for the SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER NEWSLETTER should be submitted to our Parish Administrator, Shannon no later than Monday, August 14th.



JULY MEMORIALS

WINE & WAFERS: In honor of Donna L. Frantz by Phil Frantz and Family.

BULLETINS: In memory of Betty Noble by the Hynoski Family.

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Beverly Hess by Carol Jones.
In memory of Edith Hoffman by the Ulceski and Strunk Families.
In memory of my Aunt Ethel Lane by Linda Gerlott.



AUGUST MEMORIALS

WINE & WAFERS: In memory of George and Naomi Amour by Carol Jones.

BULLETINS: In memory of Jim Lecher by the Lecher Family.

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Cole Joshua Lauver by the Hynoski Family.

THE JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER is sponsored in memory of Mary Umlauf by Joseph Coddington.



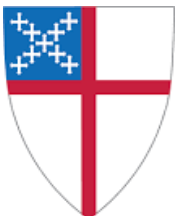
PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mia
Garth Baker
Tara Compinski
Delores Frantz
Donna Frantz
Gerard Frantz
Jennifer Frantz
Cathy Grayeski

Becky Higgins
Harley Hynoski
Diane Jarosiewicz
McKenzie Kline
Dolores Kozlosky
Joshua Lauver
Landry Lauver
Mary Levan

Jennifer Mackeravage
Jeff Maurer
Shirley Moyer
Catherine Mozdy
Mary Price
David Strunk
Bob Tiley

PRAYER LIST POLICY: Our prayer list has been updated. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, we ask that you call the church office at 570-429-7107 or email us at nparish@ptd.net. Please leave your name, phone number and the name of the person for the prayer list. Thank you.



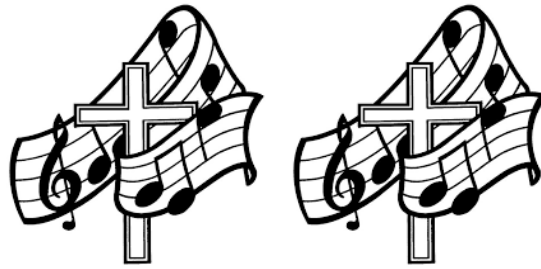
HOLY APOSTLES HOLY EUCHARIST SATURDAY SERVICES

July 1, 2023

August 5, 2023

5:00 p.m.

Celebrant – The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich



LUMBER RIVER QUARTET IN CONCERT: August 26, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Church, 40 Church Street, Newtown (Tremont), PA. Admission is free and a love offering will be collected to support Lumber River Ministries

Lumber River Quartet is based out of Lumberton, NC and travel the USA and Canada with their Gospel Music and spread the word of God through their beautiful harmony and testimony. For more information call 570-691-6881 or 6883.

SUNDAY BREAKFASTS - Holy Apostles

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

July 2, 2023

August 6, 2023



Menu includes: scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home-fries, toast, juice, coffee, tea, etc.

Cost is \$10.00 at the door

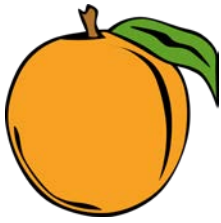
The breakfasts are fundraisers for North Parish's general fund. Our profit from May was \$662.51 and June's profit was \$624.15

Thank you for your support.

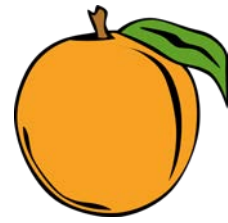


The 2023 Schuylkill County Fair will be held from July 31 until August 5. The Episcopal Church of Schuylkill County has been a presence there for many years, and we hope to be for many years to come. We offer "Hugs and Kisses from an Episcopalian" and will offer pony bottles of water this year as well. Volunteers are needed to be in our booth from 4 PM until closing--usually 8 PM--each day. Consider when you are available to share in this vital ministry. Please recruit

your children and or grandchildren to come and enjoy this with us. If you have questions, please call Fr. Kurt.



**NORTH PARISH
PEACH FESTIVAL
Thursday, August 24, 2023**



St. John's Episcopal Church
Ashland, PA

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tickets - \$8.00

Come enjoy ice cream with fresh peaches, baked good and a beverage.

Eat in or take outs available.

For tickets, see Bonnie Hynoski,
Bonnie Baker or call the church office at 570-429-7107.

Volunteers are needed to set up, bake treats, to sell tickets and to clean up.
If you cannot make a baked good, monetary donations would be greatly appreciated to
offset the cost of the peaches.

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.

Money raised from the Peach Festival will go to North Parish's general account.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**



Mackenzie Androschick, Graduate of Pottsville Area High School. Her future plans are to attend Penn State, Schuylkill Campus to study Radiological Sciences.

Kyler Bowers, Salutatorian and Graduate of Pottsville High School. Kyler will attend Penn State, Main Campus to study Biomedical Engineering.

Our graduates will be honored at the July 16th Service at Holy Apostles.
May God bless Mackenzie and Kyler and all of their future endeavors!



Summer Reading Camp News - Plans are underway for Summer Reading Camp at Trinity Episcopal Church, Pottsville, which will be held on July 10-14 from 8:30-12:30 in the undercroft. The theme for camp this year is *Sports* and our reading activities will be based on that theme. Student athletes and coaches will visit with the children to discuss their sport and the positive aspects of participation- practice, persistence, being a team player, and good sportsmanship. On our final day of camp, we will have a visit from Screwball, the mascot from the Reading Phils.

Many parishioners have asked how they can help with camp. We will have a large preschool group this year, and will have to split it into two classes, so extra teachers are always needed.

Donations are always welcome for our Lunches for Learners Program, where you can sponsor one lunch for a child for \$4.00 per day or a week of lunches for \$20.00. At the end of camp, we give the children a Scholastic Activity Pack, since many of the children do not have books in their homes. These activity packs cost \$30.00 per student and any donations to underwrite the cost of these books would be gratefully appreciated. The staff of Summer Reading Camp thanks you for your support and prayers which really are the keys to our success.

If you would like to make a donation, please make your checks payable to North Parish and please designate Lunches for Learners Program or Scholastic Activity Pack. Thank you.

ON LINE RADA CUTLERY SALE: North Parish is selling Rada Cutlery online to benefit our General Fund. Please type in this link in your web address to place an order: <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=5315822.c6637d>. When you are directed to the website, please click yes to support North Parish. Then place your order like any other online purchase. This will be an ongoing sale. For those of you who are not comfortable ordering online, please see Bonnie Baker or Bonnie Hynoski for a printed catalog. Please feel free to share this with your family and friends.



THANK YOU to everyone who supported North Parish's Soup Sale in April. We had a profit of \$711.00 which was deposited to our General Fund.

THANK YOU to everyone who also helped or supported the Strawberry Festival. We had a profit of \$762.00 which was also deposited to our General Account Fund.

Look for our stand at the St. Clair Car Cruise on July 15th where we will be selling haluskie and halupki.

We also plan on being at Pioneer Day, Saturday July 22nd from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., 19th & Oak Streets, Ashland, PA In addition to its coal mine tours and steam train rides, there will

be live musical entertainment. Enjoy the food, crafts, and games provided by wonderful vendors. Bring a lawn chair & enjoy the day!

APRIL 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account

	April	\$ 5,858.00
Year to Date Gen. Receipts		\$ 25,185.57
Transfer in from M&I (current)		\$ -
Transfer M&I Year to Date		\$ 6,000.00
Transfer from Memorial Acct		\$
Transfer from Memorial Acct. YTD		\$ 200.00

M&I Account

	April	\$ 98.21
Year to date		\$ 1,317.72

Memorial Account

	April	\$.20
Year to date		\$ 120.81

Balances

General Account	\$ 4,127.42
M&I Account	\$ 12,326.85
Memorial Fund	\$ 12,180.02

Temp. Restricted Fund

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

	April	\$ 4,827.59
Year to Date Exp.		\$ 32,344.53

M&I Account

	April	\$ -
Year to date		\$ 6,000.00

Memorial Account

	April	\$ -
Year to date		\$ 200.00



MAY 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account

	May	\$ 3,757.49
Year to Date Gen. Receipts		\$ 28,943.06
Transfer in from M&I (current)		\$ -
Transfer M&I Year to Date		\$ 6,000.00
Transfer from Memorial Acct		\$ -
Transfer from Memorial Acct. YTD		\$ 200.00

M&I Account

	May	\$ 64.21
Year to date		\$ 1,381.93

Memorial Account

	May	\$ 495.21
Year to date		\$ 616.02

Balances

General Account	\$ 2,957.58
M&I Account	\$ 12,391.06

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

	May	\$ 4,902.33
Year to Date Exp.		\$37,246.86

M&I Account

	May	\$ -
Year to date		\$ 6,000.00

Memorial Account

	May	\$ -
Year to date		\$ 200.00



News from Marion C. Price

SUMMER PICNIC

The Marion Price Trust Summer Picnic is being planned for Thursday August 10th. The picnic will be held at Bubeck Park in Schuylkill Haven at noon. We will begin with a picnic lunch, followed by bingo and socializing. Please spread the word- picnic is open to all Episcopalians served by MPTF (age 60 and over). If you are interested in attending, please contact Cathy Clouser at 570-621-3220 for more information and to RSVP.

NEW PROGRAM

The Marion Price Trust is looking to start a new program in the near future. The project will be based off of a telephone reassurance program and will utilize parishioners reaching out via telephone to each other. The project is in its early stages of development, but we expect it to be a very beneficial program once set in place. More information will follow in the next few months.

Summer Safety Tips

As we are spending more time outdoors this summer season, there are a few things to keep in mind to stay safe. Remember hats, sunglasses, and sunscreen to protect your skin and eyes from harmful UV rays. As summer temperatures rise so does the risk of heat related illness- especially dehydration. The risk of dehydration is particularly high for those over age 65. Age, diet, illness and medications are among the many reasons why elders suffer from dehydration.

Seniors are more susceptible to heat-related illnesses and injury, according to the Centers for Disease Control. When we age, our bodies become less efficient at regulating temperature because older adults do not sweat as much as younger adults, and sweat is the most important heat-regulating mechanism. Older adults also store fat differently, which can further complicate heat regulation in the body. As outside temperatures rise, so does the body's internal temperature. This is why seniors suffer heat stroke more often than younger people.

Staying indoors, preferably in air conditioning, when the sun is strongest (10 am-4 pm) will keep your body from having to work extra hard at maintaining a normal body temperature. Try dressing in loose-fitting and lightweight clothes in natural, breathable fabrics like cotton. Dress in light colors that will reflect the sun and heat instead of dark colors that will attract them. Some medications can cause increased sensitivity to the sun. Talk to your doctor about sun or heat related side effects of your current medications. Stay hydrated by drinking more fluids especially water. Watermelon is more than 90% water and a great tasting way to replace lost fluids.

Most importantly, look for any signs of heat related illnesses such as dehydration, heat stroke, heat exhaustion, etc. Signs to look for may include disorientation, dry skin, excessive tiredness, headache, lethargy, nausea, a flushed face, high body temperature, rapid pulse, dizziness and confusion. Seek medical attention for treatment.

Stay hydrated, stay cool, stay safe and enjoy your summer!



NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

JULY 2023

July 1 Saturday	Holy Eucharist	5:00 p.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
July 2	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
July 9	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
July 16	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
July 23	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Donald Clamser, Sr. Susan Noble
July 30	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Susan Noble Bonnie Baker

AUGUST 2023

August 5 Saturday	Holy Eucharist	5:00 p.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
August 6	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
August 13	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
August 20	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
August 26	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Donald Clamser, Sr. Bonnie Baker

July 1 & 2	The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
July 9	The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
July 16	The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Green
July 23	The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
July 30	The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
August 6 & 7	The Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ	White
August 13	The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Green

August 20
August 27

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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