



# Parish Tidings



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## 40th Anniversary



After nearly 50 years at the 5th and Williams location the members of Our Lord's Ascension Parish decided that it was the right time to build a new church. Ideally, the committee hoped to find land that was situated between Allentown and Bethlehem because of the large number of members that lived in the Allentown area. The growing parish considered several locations before choosing the Jennings Street property.

In August, 1975 members gathered on the property for the ceremonial first shovel of dirt unearthed. The building process lasted less than a year. The Dedication of the New Church was held May 23, 1976. Father Walter Poposki celebrated the first mass with many clergy and local dignitaries present in the overflowing crowd. A celebratory buffet dinner was held after mass in the church hall.

The members of the A.N.S. thought that a 40th anniversary deserved some recognition. They decided to celebrate the event with a brunch after mass. They invited all members of the parish to join them for a ham and cheese quiche, zrazi, tossed salad, bread, fruit salad with dip and a chocolate-strawberry cake buffet. We thank Andrea Gritman, Lynn Wunderler, Jo Ann Schaffer, and Jackie Bayak for set-up and baking on Saturday; Nancy Poposki and Sonia Kotch who joined the group on

Sunday; Marilyn Kovacs for preparing and donating the zrazi. Also, we thank Jackie Bayak for donating the cake, Nancy Poposki for donating the salad and bread, Jo Ann Schaffer for donating the fruit, and Lynn Wunderler for donating the fruit dip. Thanks also go out to Nicolette Stavrovsky, Helen Trexler and Lynn Wunderler for donating gift cards for the raffle in addition to all the groups that donated pierogies, rolls, bingo supplies, etc. for prizes. Those who won raffle prizes were:

- Lottery Calendar – Frank Matla
- Nut Rolls –, Barb Jurnock, Helen Trexler
- Apricot Roll – Father Bogdan
- 2 Dozen Pierogies – Gerry Matla, Helen Trexler
- Bingo for 2 – Lynn Wunderler
- Gift Certificates – David Broczkowski, Mark Bennett.

## Mother's Day Breakfast



A delicious breakfast buffet sponsored by the YMS of R was served after mass on Mother's Day, May 8, 2016. The menu included scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns, rolls, orange juice and coffee. Every lady was presented with a red rose and a raffle ticket. Congratulations to lucky raffle winners: Rose Bouquet – Mary Ann Bartone, Floral Centerpieces – Sonia Kotch, Lynn Wunderler, Andrea Gritman and Maria Fernandes. A special thanks to all the men who did a great job preparing this annual breakfast honoring the mothers of the parish.

## Less- Known Saints

We begin our series of less- known saints with Saint Aaron for two reasons. Alphabetically he would be first on any list of saints and his feast day is June 21st.

### Saint Aaron

Aaron was brought up in a Christian family in the mid-sixth century. He decided one day to move by himself to a deserted, tiny island close to his home in France. Saint Aaron believed that a life cut off from the outside world would be the best way to devote his life to God. Aaron actually succeeded in living his secluded lifestyle for a period of time, until people in France began to hear of his ways and became interested and wanted to join him. Saint Malo was the first person to go see Aaron and ultimately became his student. Soon after great numbers of men came to join Aaron and Malo which led to the building of a monastery. Not long after the building of the monastery, Aaron died. The island bore his name for a long time after he passed away as a tribute to him. Aaron was canonized "pre-congregation." This means that Aaron was made a saint before the time of the present day church and its setup for sainthood.

Saint Aaron is the patron saint of anybody who lives a passionate and steadfast life. Therefore, a Saint Aaron medal is a traditional communion or confirmation gift.

## June at a Glance

- Sunday Mass at 9 AM**
- SOCL after Mass
- Coffee Social after Mass**
- Bingo every Wednesday at 7 PM
- June 5 – ANS Meeting
- June 19 – Father's Day Breakfast
- June 20 – First Day of Summer
- June 28 – Ladies Night Out
- Pierogi Making – to be announced

## A Special Prayer for Fathers



God, bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children.

Help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. Amen.

### Condolences

With deepest sorrow we announce the passing of long time member Frances Doling.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her daughter Leslie Zavar and her family.

### Around the Parish

- All tickets for the Friday, August 12, 2016, 7:05 PM Iron Pigs game against the Indianapolis Indians have been sold. Payments for this fun outing should be made to Joe Jurnock before June 26.
- Volunteers are needed to lend a hand at bingo on Wednesday nights.
- Our Parish will once again have a booth at the Coopersburg Community Day on Saturday, September 17, 2016. Any suggestions or new ideas are welcome.
- Have you noticed the new energy saving LED lights in the church? Thanks to Walter Poposki, Evan Weller, Dan Broczkowski and John Wunderler for their work on this project. The lightbulbs that were removed and are in working condition are available on the table in the narthex for anyone to take home.
- Congratulations to Nancy Poposki who received a Specialized Diploma as a Medical Billing Specialist from LCCC on May 18, 2016.
- Congratulations to Anna Yurchishin who received an Associate in Applied Science degree from Northampton Community College on May 26, 2016.
- We wish to welcome new member Maria (Mia) Fernandes to our church family.
- Please keep Jenna DeVivo in your prayers as she undertakes her cross country bike trip for Habitat for Humanity. For updates on their progress visit the group blog at <https://SC2SC16.wordpress.com> Pedaling for Affordable Housing.
- The ANS is sponsoring a "Ladies Night Out" at Prime Steak House on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 6:00 PM. We hope to see all the women of the parish there for a night of fun, great food, and fellowship.

### ANS Convention



On May 7, 2016 the Central Diocese's ANS Convention was held at Transfiguration of our Lord Parish in Wallington, NJ. Jackie Bayak and Beverly Wunderlich were among the 25 delegates, 8 guest speakers and 5 priests including Prime Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Anthony Mikovsky, and our Diocesan Bishop, Rt. Rev.

Bernard Nowicki. All participated in the making of Prayer Blankets to give to those who need God's Love and Comfort. Our ANS president, Jackie Bayak presented the blanket to Jenna DeVivo who is off on a cross-country bike trip this summer to raise awareness for Habitat for Humanity.

## Newsletter Anniversary



This issue marks the fourth anniversary of our "Parish Tidings." We have looked fondly at our history and heritage and the parish events that have brought our church family closer together.

We thank those who have taken the time to share their past and their present with us. We would like to encourage more members to contribute in some way to continue with the success of the last four years. All comments and suggestions are welcome.

### The Vocabulary of a Father

- Dumbwaiter: One who asks if the children would care to order a dessert.
- Feedback: The inevitable result when the baby doesn't appreciate the strained carrots.
- Full Name: What you call your child when you're angry with him.
- Grandparents: The people who think your children are wonderful even though they're sure you're not raising them right.
- Independent: How we want our children to be for as long as they do everything we say.
- Puddle: A small body of water that draws other small bodies wearing dry shoes into.
- Show Off: A child who is more talented than yours.
- Whodunit: None of the children who live in your house.
- Bottle-feeding: An opportunity for Daddy to get up at 2 am.

### Lazy Dazy Cake

#### Ingredients

- 4 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup scalded milk
- 2 tablespoons butter



#### Topping

- ¾ cup brown sugar
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 4 tablespoons milk
- 1 cup coconut

Beat eggs until light, add sugar, flour and baking powder. Boil milk and butter: add to batter.

Pour into a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan. Bake at 350° for 25-30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean.

#### Topping

- Mix all ingredients in saucepan and spread on hot cake.
- Broil 2 to 3 minutes or until brown.

*This quick, unique and easy to make cake recipe provided by Sonia Kotch.*