





Our Lord's Ascension Parish

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### "Winning the Gold Medal Challenge"

Our "team" of dedicated and giving parish members reached the goal of 200 pounds of donated Gold Medal Flour set by the Fund Raising Committee. We actually exceeded the goal by 120 pounds for an incredible total of 320 pounds for the "Fall Fund Raising" activities. We also received cash donations totaling \$50.00 to buy other ingredients. Thanks to those who donate items throughout the vear such as eggs, onions, salt, cream Crisco. sour and butter/margarine. Team work is essential for success and we thank all who joined the team and participated in our successful challenge.

## Hello to Old Friends

We extend warm greetings to past parishioners, Anthony and Caroline Lapinski and their daughters, Toni and Susan, and their families. They were members of our parish before moving to the state of Washington.

Their niece, Roni DeGarmo informs us that she sends a copy of "Parish Tidings" to them each month and they enjoy reading about old friends and our parish events. We wish them well and encourage them to write to us about their life in Washington. We would love to hear from them.

### "How to Keep Your Memory Healthy"



On Sunday, September 14, 2014 during the coffee hour after mass, Kira Mohr delivered an enlightening and informative talk on

Alzheimer's disease. Kira, our organist, is a certified social worker who works closely with Alzheimer patients. She explained that dementia and Alzheimer's are not the same, but both are a result of inadequate brain function caused by many different factors.

She stressed that although there is no cure at this point, research is quickly moving toward this end. We can try to prevent or slow down the effects of Alzheimer's disease by new drugs and life style. This can be done through proper diet, exercisina the bodv. and exercising the mind. Problem solving skills used in completing word puzzles and card games such as bridge are excellent ways to practice math skills, strategy and concentration. Maintaining an active social life is also important. Kira gave the example that when we parishioners get together to make pierogies this activity covers several of these steps. Father Bogdan jokingly suggested, "Let's make pierogies more often!"

We thank Kira for her professional insights and wish her luck in her research working with patients that have Alzheimer's disease.

## Do You Have a Favorite Hvmn?

A signup sheet is posted on the easel for anyone wishing to hear their desired hymns at a future service.



Braelyn Rose Persinko daughter of Brad Persinko and Nicole D'Ambrosio received the Holy Sacrament of Baptism during mass on Sunday September 7, 2014.

## Ornament Donation



Sandy Collier, descendent of past parishioners, has donated Christmas tree

ornaments from Poland. These ornaments will be placed on a tree during the holiday season.

Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge Proverbs 23:12

#### October at a Glance

Mass at 9 AM Coffee Social after Mass SOCL after Mass Bingo every Wednesday at 7 PM

# October 4 – 10am - Blessing of Animals

October 5 – ANS meeting October 10 & 11 – Pierogie making October 13 - Roll baking October 21 – Boscov's Friends Helping Friends October 23 to 31 – Bazaar Preparations Committee Meeting – To be announced

November 1 – Fall Bazaar

### Annual Fall Bazaar

It is once again time for the Annual Fall Bazaar which will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2013. Please remember to pick up your donation form, fill it out and return this form as soon as possible to Nancy Poposki, Andrea Gritman, or place in the Bazaar Box in the Narthex.

Baskets, bows and cellophane paper are available for anyone wishing to contribute a basket for the Chinese Auction. White Elephant items may be brought to the church any time before October 19.

Tentative preparation schedule for fall bazaar: October 10 & 11 – Pierogie making October 13 – Roll Baking October 23 & 24 - White Elephant Setup October 27 – Table & white elephant setup October 28 – Setup (if necessary) October 29 – 1 pm – Kiffle Baking October 30 – Baking of Apple Squares October 31 – Halupki making & final preparations November 1 – Fall Bazaar – doors open for workers at 8 AM

# Coopersburg Community Day



For the fourth consecutive year teamwork made our church booth at Coopersburg Community Day a huge success. The day started out overcast but sunny skies prevailed and brought out many customers. We sold out of the following: 100 dozen pierogies, two roasting pans of cabbage and noodles and 17 dozen kiffles. In addition baked goods, hot dogs, our church Polish Cookbook and craft articles were also popular items. Many customers indicated they previously purchased food from our booth and stated "The word is out, your pierogies are the best around." Two exchange students from Alaska enjoyed their first taste of haluski and pierogies. A pamphlet, "Welcome to our Home," prepared by Father Bogdan was available to anyone interested in learning about our church.

Thanks to everyone who made monetary contributions or donated their time, food, crafts and supplies making the fun-filled day a profitable one. The net profit was \$2,285.25, an increase of \$718.75 over last year.

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#### Taxi Driver in Heaven



A priest and a taxi driver both died and went to heaven. St. Peter was at the Pearly gates waiting for them.

"Come with me," said St Peter to the taxi driver. The taxi driver did as he was told and followed St Peter to a mansion. It had everything you could imagine from a bowling alley to an Olympic pool.

"Wow, thank you," said the taxi driver. Next St Peter led the priest to a rugged old shack with a bunk bed and an old television set.

"Wait, I think you are a little mixed up," said the priest. "Shouldn't I be the one who gets the mansion? After all, I was a priest, went to church every day, and preached God's word."

"Yes, that is true. But during your sermons people were sleeping. When the taxi driver was driving, everyone prayed!"

### 2015 Lottery Calendar



For the past several years our church has sold lottery calendars as a fund raiser. The winning number is determined by the

number drawn each evening for the Pennsylvania daily number. Different amounts are awarded each month for holidays and special events. You can support the church by selling to your friends or relatives and buying a lottery calendar. See Joe Jurnock for your 2015 Lottery Calendar. Remember you can play the evening daily number every day for just \$25.00. A Lottery Calendar makes a great Christmas present for the "hard to shop for person" on your gift list.

#### Double Layer Pumpkin Cheesecake

- 2 (8oz.) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 pinch ground nutmeg

2 eggs

1/2 cup whipped cream or whipped topping

- 1 (9 in.) prepared graham cracker crust
- 1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F.
- In a large bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Blend in eggs one at a time. Remove 1 cup of batter and spread into bottom of crust; set aside.
- Add pumpkin, cinnamon, and nutmeg to the remaining batter and stir gently until well blended. Carefully spread over the batter in the crust.
- Bake in preheated oven 35 to 40 minutes, or until center is almost set. Allow to cool, refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight. Cover with whipped cream before serving.

If you have something to share, a story, anecdote, recipe, or up-coming event in your life, please submit it to Jo Ann Schaffer, Lynn Wunderler or Andrea Gritman.

