



Parish Tidings



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St. Mary Magdalene



Mary Magdalene was a devoted friend of Jesus and was with him when he died. Days later her sorrow turned

to joy as she was the first person to see him rise from the dead.

Mary Magdalene lived in a small town by the Sea of Galilee. She suffered from a horrible illness. One day she was cured by Jesus when he visited her town. Immediately, she was baptized a Christian, and became a devoted follower. She was with Jesus at his crucifixion and stayed with him and his mother until the moment he died.

Two days later Mary Magdalene and some other women went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with perfumes and spices. When they got there, they found the tomb empty, with the huge stone that was blocking the entrance rolled away. She, heartbroken by the loss, sat weeping by the tomb.

Soon a man came up to comfort her. She thought he was just the gardener, but when he gently spoke her name, she realized it was Jesus! He told her to go and tell his disciples that he had risen from the dead. With her heart full of joy, Mary Magdalene ran to Jesus' friends to tell them the good news.

Nothing more is known about her life. One legend says she sailed west to present-day France, where she became a preacher; another says she traveled east with St. John and the Virgin Mary, Jesus' mother, to the ancient city of Ephesus, where she eventually died.

Mary Magdalene is the Patron Saint of Repentant sinners. Her Feast Day is July 22.

Newsletter Anniversary

This issue marks the sixth anniversary of our "Parish Tidings." A change to a bi-monthly format was started in January. We thank those

who have taken the time to share their stories with us. We would like to encourage more members to contribute in some way to continue with the success of the last six years

Mother's Day Breakfast



A delicious breakfast buffet sponsored by the YMS of R was served after mass on Mother's Day, May 13, 2018. The menu included eggs, bacon, hash browns, rolls, orange juice and coffee. The ladies of the parish each received a red rose. A special thanks to all the men who did a great job preparing this annual breakfast honoring the mothers of the parish.

Mary's altar was decorated with a lovely Mother's Day bouquet offered by Jerry and Dorothy Villa.

Father's Day Breakfast

The Father's Day Breakfast was served by the ladies of the ANS on June 17 after Mass. The menu included orange juice, waffles with strawberries and whipped cream along with breakfast sausages. Coffee was served with a variety of breakfast cakes and Danish. The men received a \$5.00 gift card for Dunkin Donuts as a little gift from the ANS.

Walter Poposki



On June 10, Nancy Poposki provided a cake to celebrate Walter's 60th birthday.



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Memorial Day



After Mass on May 27, 2018, U.S. Navy retired Chief Petty Officer Hank Kudzik shared some memories of his service in the Pacific during World War II.

July at a Glance

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

July 4 – Independence Day – No Bingo

July 20 & 21 – Tentative Pierogi Making

July 22 – Blessing of Cars

August at a Glance

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

August 8 – No Bingo – Musikfest

August 10 & 11 Tentative Pierogi Making

August 12 – Coopersburg organizational meeting

August 15, 22 & 29 – No Bingo

August 19 to 27 – Trip to Poland

Congratulations



On Sunday April 29, 2018, Jenna DeVivo graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a BS in chemistry. Her proud parents Dan and Tara Broczkowski were thrilled to hear the magic words "I have a job" but not so pleased to learn Jenna would be moving to the west coast. Tara and Jenna drove

cross country in six days stopping along the way in Chicago, Sioux Falls, The Badlands, Yellowstone National Park and Spokane before arriving in Portland, Oregon for Jenna to start her new job at Lumencor, Inc.

. Best Wishes Jenna!

New Additions to the Family

Ashley and Evan Weller are happy to announce the arrival of their first-born son, Zolton Cruz Weller, on June 1, 2018 at 3:07 AM, weighing 7 lbs 15 oz.

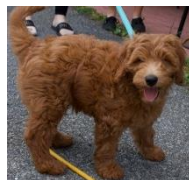
Bob and Cindi Weller are the proud grandparents.



Jackie and Ron Bayak are pleased to announce the arrival of their third great-grandchild, Helena Khuu born on June 20, 2018 at 7:31 am, weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz.

Congratulations to all.

Father Bogdan is, no longer the only male in the Yurchishin household. Toffee, a 12-week-old Goldendoodle puppy was recently added to the family.



Around the Parish

• Peyton Sutton, daughter of Sara and Brent Sutton and granddaughter of Fran and Rane Anthony loves helping her grandmother cook. I think we have a future kitchen worker.



• Marilyn Kovacs, her daughter Valerie Kovacs Gary and grandson Landon traveled to Iowa to visit her brother Steve Kocielek who is recuperating from heart surgery.

• Members of the ANS gathered for lunch and the play, "A Second Helping, The Church Basement Ladies," at the Pines Dinner Theatre on May 3, 2018. It was a humorous and touching production, portraying the lives of those ladies dedicated to the church, much like the ladies of our parish who do the cooking and baking for the many events within the parish.

The ANS Appreciation Luncheon was held Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at the Prime Steak Restaurant.

Those in attendance enjoyed an afternoon of good food, fun and sisterhood.

- Please pray for the safe return of all who are traveling to Poland.

Fundraisers

- Again, this year Our Lord's Ascension PNCC will have a booth selling pierogi, haluski, kielbasa sandwiches, hot dogs, baked goods and crafts at Coopersburg Community Day on Saturday, September 15, 2018. Our organization must supply one or more volunteers to help Coopersburg Community Day, or the cost of our exhibit space will increase.

Volunteer help is needed

- Prior to the event
- Day of event,
- Immediately following event.

Anyone wishing to give two hours of their time to help, saving our church \$105 in registration fees notify Andrea Gritman or Walter Poposki.

An organizational meeting will be held on Sunday, August 12 and a sign-up sheet for those who can donate their time or supplies will be posted on the easel in the narthex of the church by mid-August.

- The ANS is again participating in Boscov's FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS on Tuesday, October 16, 2018. A 25% discount shopping pass may be purchased from any member of the ANS for \$5.00 (the entire donation benefits our church).

Time and Eternity

A man was taking it easy, lying on the grass and looking up at the clouds. He was identifying shapes when he decided to talk to God. "God," he said "how long is a million years?"

God answered, "In my frame of reference, it is about a minute."

The man asked, "God, how much is a million dollars?"

God answered, "To Me, it's a penny."

The man then asked, "God can I have a penny?"

God said, "In a minute."

Slow Cooker Chicken Tacos

Ingredients

2-3 boneless skinless chicken breasts

1Tbsp. chili powder

2 tsp. cumin

½ tsp. salt

¼ tsp. onion powder

¼ tsp. garlic powder

1/2 cup chicken broth

Instructions

1. Place chicken breasts in the bottom of the slow cooker
2. Add all the other ingredients on top
3. Cook on high for 4 hours or low for 8 hours
4. Shred with forks
5. Serve in soft or hard taco shells
6. Add your favorite toppings

Ridiculously easy and sure to become your go-to lifesaver!

