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NEWSLETTER

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*It is the LORD your God who goes with you;
he will not fail you or forsake you.*

Does God take vacation?

Summertime is traditionally thought of as vacation time. This has a lot to do with the academic year. There are a lot of reasons kids get summer off while working adults spend the better part of June, July, and August toiling away as usual, with maybe a couple weeks of vacation in August.

The school year is typically 180 days long. This academic calendar didn't get that way until the early 20th century. Urban schools used to be open year-round. In 1842, Detroit's kids went to school for 260 days, New York's 245, and Chicago's 240. Meanwhile, schools outside cities had much shorter calendars. In the 19th century, rural kids spent just five or six months in school—two to three months in summer and the same in winter—and the rest of the year they labored on farms.

Some of the reasons for shortening the school year included low attendance in summer months -

why keep schools open if only a few children were there. Reformers warned that dedicated students might burn out. Physicians felt that students were too frail for so many days at their desk. Finally wealthy folks vacationed during the summer, and middle-class school administrators wanted the same.

Some of these reasons are silly in retrospect, and some educators are pushing for school year-round.

When we reflect on our days, our work, and our vacations we should include some reflection on God's words, *I will not fail you or forsake you.*

God doesn't take vacations, and His life with us is never-ending. He is constant - and we in turn need to be constant. He wants us with Him year-round. Our daily life may follow varied calendars. Let's make sure our calendar starts with time for God every day - and at the start of every week, Sunday's summer, fall, winter, and spring.

Milestones to Celebrate:

July Birthdays

2 Gayle Clas
3 Genevieve Binkowski, Jaime Bylina, John Clas, Kimberly Maliszewski, Richard Okonsky Jr.
4 Ken Brown
5 Wayne Wienclawski
7 Eva Kubinska
8 Michael Ruchalski
9 Tammy Dominy
12 Stanley Podkulski
16 Lawrence Panfil Jr.
19 Jason Lennon
22 Matthew Zebrowski
27 Sebesany Rios, Kathleen Maliszewski
29 Ronald O'Connor

July Anniversaries

7 John White IV & Kathy Dominy-White
14 Chad & Amber Smith
20 Edward & Claudia Bertasso
27 Zachary Prusky & Kristen Smith

August Birthdays

1 Wendy Williams
5 Christine D'Amico
7 Karen Cimmino
10 Matthew Hines
12 Ginny Dinsmore
15 Roger Jarosz
19 Joanne Hernick
20 George Houser
21 Ruth Collins
29 Megan DonVito, Tyme LaPorte Smith, John Kaminski
31 Teresa Mazzone

August Anniversaries

7 Jack & Joan Kaminski

Wishing you all many years! Sto Lat!

Valley Cats Game Anyone?

The Tri-City ValleyCats minor league baseball team in Troy will be hosting a Faith & Family Night on Sunday, July 28th. This is a great opportunity to bring our parish family and friends out to the ball park for some affordable entertainment and of course, baseball!

We would need a group of 20 or more to attend at special premium box seating prices of \$9.50 a ticket or reserved box seating at \$7.50 a ticket.

Let Deacon Jim know if you and your family want in on this event and if we get enough to go, we'll have a great time.

With Thanks

To all who continue to pray, sacrifice, and serve in Christian love and charity on behalf of our parish.

To the members of our Parish Committee for their hard work and sacrifice.

To our wonderful altar servers, our organist and choir director Liz Battaglia, and to Ed Bertasso for his ministry of hospitality.

To every parishioner, visitor, and member -- you are a blessing and a treasure.

God bless you and reward you! Bóg zapłać! Thank you!!!

Look around the parish

Two rotted trees in the backyard of the rectory have been removed.

The tree at the corner of Pearl and Main St. has been trimmed.

The sidewalk on the Main St. side of the parish has been cleaned up. The overgrown grass has been removed. We will also be replacing several sections of the sidewalk that have heaved up.

Our grounds look great and we are being good neighbors to those around us. Continue to hold our community up in prayer, that God bless our neighborhood with peace and mutual love.

Summer Coffee Hour Break

We are taking a break from our weekly coffee hours for the summer months. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and God bless you for your ministry of hospitality in providing for this time to gather after services every week. You truly help to build the family of God as we gather for physical substance on Sunday morning.

Parish Youth Attend Kurs

Three parish youth attended the annual Kurs encampment at the Bishop Hodur Retreat & Recreation Center in Waymart, PA.

We thank Adam, Victoria, and Christina for participating in this event which included great faith

formation, fun, a few pranks, good food, and lots of new friendships.

We thank our parents for allowing their children's participation, and for encouraging their growth in faith.

The friendships that begin here last a lifetime. Our Church's youth are dedicated and energetic. If I could capture one Facebook posting that says it all - it is a group of our young ladies standing in front of the retreat center and labeling themselves the "Hodur sisters forever."

First Communion - July 21st

Two youth will be making their First Confession on July 20th and their First Holy Communion on July 21st, Christina Supinski and Nick Badovinac.

Poetry for the Month

What If (God Took a Vacation)
(c) Carla Null

*Life becomes so busy that
sometimes we loose sight
of, He who protects us through the
darkness of night.*

*He is our shelter, our beacon in the
storm,
the rays of sunshine that keep our
body warm.*

*How many times, do you forget to
pray
What if God, decided to leave for a
day.*

*Would we have protection from
darkness of night,*

*with no guidance, would we do
whats right.*

*If you got in trouble, who would you
call on quick*

*Who would give you comfort, if you
got sick.*

*If you need a friend, He wouldn't be
at your side*

*Without his shield, where would you
hide.*

*The next time you decide that God
is the blame,
bow your head and have the
decency, to feel shame.*

*He has never deserted His throne up
above*

*Every day He showers us with
endless love.*

*It wouldn't hurt a bit, to praise the
one,
who made the ultimate sacrifice, of
his only son.*

A Prayer for our country

In honor of the 237th birthday of
our country

*We thank Thee, Lord, for America,
our home. We bless Thee for the
liberty, the opportunity, and the
abundance we share. But above all
we praise Thee for the traditions
which have made our country great,
and for patriots who have laid the
foundations through faith, courage,
and self-sacrifice. Teach us in our
own day the meaning of citizenship,
and help us to be faithful stewards
of the responsibility which Thou
entrusted to us. Through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

A Prayer for our Country from A
Book of Devotions and Prayers
According to the Use of the Polish
National Catholic Church.

SOCL News and Confirmation

We have a wonderful group of
students who have begun
preparations for their confirmation.
Class remains open to others who
have not yet made their
confirmation. To make ones'
confirmation, a student must be at
least 14 years old and of sufficient
maturity to grasp the adult
commitment needed.

We will have class time available for
younger students again during the
next school year.

Planning For:

- July 4: Independence Day -
Celebration at Spójnia Farm in
Waymart, PA 11am to 8pm.
- July 6: Commemoration of John
Hus, Priest and Martyr
- July 7: 14th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
- July 14: 15th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
- July 20: First Confession
- July 21: 16th Sunday in Ordinary
Time, First Communion
- July 25: Feast of St. James the
Greater, Apostle
- July 26: Commemoration of Ss.
Joachim & Ann, Parents of the
B.V.M.

- July 24-26, National United Choirs convention and conference, Parma, Ohio
- July 28: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Possible Valley Cats game.
- August 3: Feast – Finding of the Body of St. Stephen
- August 4: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- August 6: Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord
- August 11: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- August 15: Solemnity - Dormition of the B.V.M.
- August 18: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- August 24: Feast - St. Bartholomew, Apostle
- August 25: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Youth Sunday
- August 26: Solemnity - Our lady of Czestochowa
- August 29: Solemnity - Beheading of St. John the Baptist

- August 31: Annual YMSofR Track Meet, Minooka/Scranton, PA

Parish Organizations and Ministries

Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? God calls us to work together for the good of our community, in support of each other, and for the needs of the Church. Want gto help or join in? Please see Deacon Jim.

The Polish National Union offers You...

Five, Ten, or Twenty-Pay Life

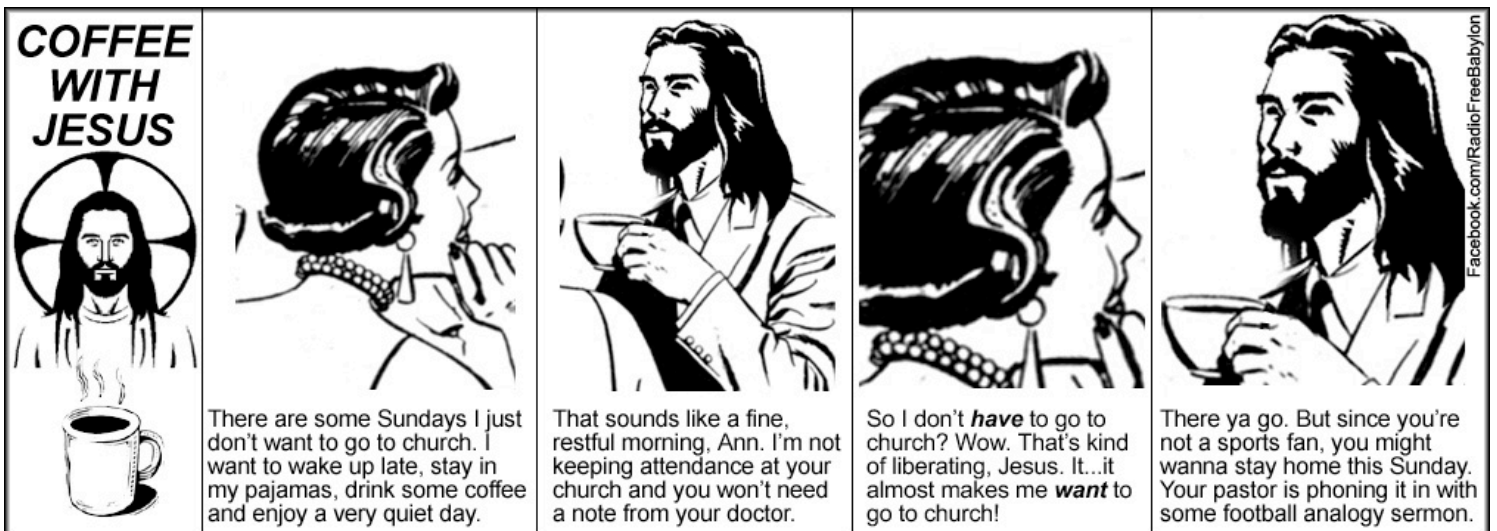
Single Premium Life

Paid-Up at Age 85 Life

Twenty-Year Endowment

Tax Deferred Annuities

For more information call the offices of the PNUA at 800-724-6352.



July 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 KURS 2012 Waymart, PA	2 Solemnity – Visitation of the B.V.M. KURS 2012 Waymart, PA	3 Independence Day KURS 2012 Waymart, PA	4 KURS 2012 Waymart, PA	5 KURS 2012 Waymart, PA	6 Commemoration of John Hus, Priest and Martyr KURS 2012 Ends Waymart, PA
7 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Mass, 9:30am Lector: Larry Panfil	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, First Communion Holy Mass, 9am Lector: Claudia Bertasso	22	23	24 National United Choirs convention and conference, Parma, OH	25 National United Choirs convention and conference, Parma, OH Feast of St. James the Greater, Apostle	26 National United Choirs convention and conference, Parma, OH Commemoration of Ss. Joachim & Ann, Parents of the B.V.M.	27
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August Upcoming

3rd – Feast, Finding of the Body of St.
Stephen

- 6th – Solemnity of the
Transfiguration

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11 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala	12	13	14	15 Solemnity of the Dormition/Assumption of the BVM	16	17
18 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala	19	20	21	22	23	24 Feast – St. Bartholomew, Apostle
25 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Youth Sunday, Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Larry Panfil	26 Solemnity of Our Lady of Czestochowa	27	28	29 Solemnity- Beheading of St. John the Baptist	30	31 YMSofR Track & Field Meet, Minooka/Scranton, PA

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September Upcoming

- 2nd – Labor Day

- 8th – Solemnity of Brotherly Love
- 15th – Back to Church Sunday