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# Highlights from St. Joseph's

Our Mission

Commitment to God, Family, Parish, and Community

September 2017

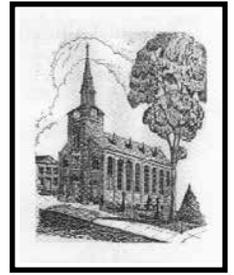
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Dear People and Friends of Saint Joseph's,

**Intentional Discipleship** has appeared regularly in my homilies, as well as my bulletin letters and this newsletter for the last year and a half. It has, not as an effective gimmick or marketing ploy or even as a sophisticated theological concept, but rather because Intentional Discipleship expresses well what it means to be a Christian. Indeed, there are other inspiring and meaningful ways to describe the Christian life that Baptism opens up to us, but being an Intentional Disciple recaptures an element that many present-day Catholics overlook or do not understand.

When a Catholic dies, how often the individual is described as a 'good person,' a person who loved and was devoted to their family,' or a 'person who was a faithful Catholic—meaning the person came to Mass each Sunday, gave to the collection and received the Sacraments.' These, of course, are wonderful qualities, and much, much better than their opposites. Yet, notice something essential in the Christian life is missing from these descriptions—any reference to and love for Jesus Christ, who is the center, impetus, and Way to the fullness of life now and for eternity. Modern, American Catholics can easily fall into the trap or be backed into the corner of our pluralistic society to think that being a good Catholic is the same as being a good person. After all, didn't Jesus command us to love our neighbor as ourselves? In fact, we heard several Sundays ago Saint Paul's own words to the Romans, "*love is the fulfillment of the law.*"



Yet, that same Saint Paul travelled far and wide throughout the Mediterranean, not preaching just love, but the love we have in Christ Jesus crucified and risen. This same Jesus clarified the summation of the commands by placing at the head of them to "*love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind*" and the second was elevated to "*love one another as I have loved you.*" The heart of Christianity is our RELATIONSHIP with God through **JESUS CHRIST**, and only in Jesus Christ can we truly love others and be good people. The great saints of the Church proclaimed Jesus Christ to the world by their words and made him known by their heroic, missionary lives. When was the last time that a Catholic died and you heard someone say, "He/she really loved the Lord and shared him with whomever would listen." Of course, underlying every good, active Catholic's life is Jesus Christ, but we have grown so accustomed to assuming this that in our extremely secular society no one recognizes the basis for our Catholic lives and decisions— who is Jesus Christ crucified and risen.

**Intentional Disciples** understand and act upon the conviction and commission by the Lord to "go and make disciples of all the nations." This commission is not just for the Pope, bishops and priests, but for ALL the baptized to share Jesus with others. This may not sound '*Catholic*,' but it was Catholics over two millennia that brought Jesus to all of the world, including Cabbage Hill. Many Catholics respond to this mandate in the context of being Catholic parents, but even then are we helping our children to know, to love and to follow the Lord, or simply know about him and what we must do to be good people?

As we begin a new school year and parish life ramps up to its normal level activity, consider how you are growing and progressing in your own relationship with Jesus Christ and because of that relationship how you are sharing him with others. This is what it means to be an Intentional Disciple; this is what it means to be a baptized Christian; and this is what it means to be a good Catholic. Please consider several ways to nurture your relationship and to share Jesus: attend the inspiring **Alpha Program** and bring your spouse, a friend or a co-worker; begin attending Mass also during the week to hear more of God's Word and to strengthen your communion with Jesus; consider participating in one of our Small Faith Sharing Groups; commit yourself to an hour timeslot in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel.

In the Knowledge, Love and Service of Christ,

*Fr. Allan J. Wolfe*

# Parish Picnic

August 27, 2017

(photos by JoAnn Fuir and Lydia Zimmerman)



The Chefs!



Enjoying the delicious food



Good friends & good conversation



## Games for the Children

water ballon toss



candy scramble



corn hole game



Father Wolfe and the Children



# Discipleship and Ministry Fair Displays

September 16-17, 2017

(photos by Linda DaSilva and Mary Ellen Gardner)



Adopt -A-Plot



The Cookie Sale



Legion of Mary



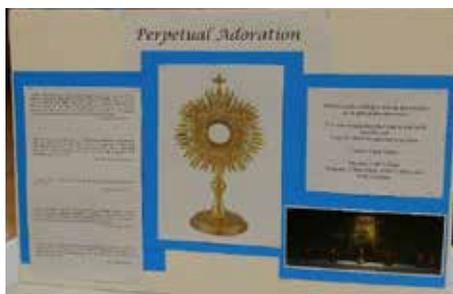
Caring Kitchen



St. Vincent de Paul Society



Stewardship - Small Faith Communities



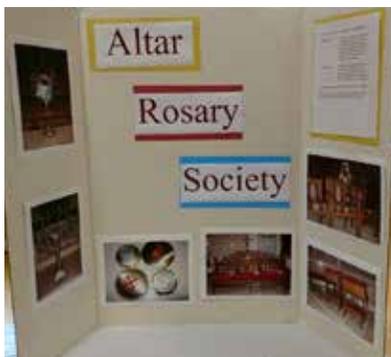
Perpetual Adoration



Funeral Luncheons



Mission Trip to Ghana



Altar Rosary Society



Scouts



Social Justice

# Testimonies of Winter-Spring 2017 Alpha Participants

## Alpha for Everyone!

Good evening, dear St. Joseph's Family!

My name is Marian West, and I am grateful to be able to share with you the joys of Alpha!

I joined Alpha last spring, with hesitation, because it was a weekly commitment, and my schedule was already packed. I am so very glad that I went for it!

Alpha is a faith gathering that meets every Wednesday night for 11 weeks. We start as a big group in the gym and enjoy a (free!) delicious dinner together, homemade with lots of love. Then we sing a few songs, hear a few jokes, and watch a DVD put out by the Alpha team. I was amazed at how well-done, beautiful, creative, relevant, uplifting, informative, and truly inspiring these videos are!!! Whether cradle Catholic, strongly practicing, or feeling far from faith of any kind, this program is designed for every heart. I appreciated how respectful, intelligent, and honoring of our freedom, these videos were. They appeal to the human heart, and offer food for thought that is truly nourishing and refreshing!

After the DVD, we break up into small groups. I was thankful to help lead the young adult group. We grew so close! Over 11 weeks, we shared honest experiences, questions, sorrows, joys, and a lot of love and laughter. We became like family, a little open community, where each voice and story is respected and encouraged. Our group is still getting together for dinner and faith sharing over the summer, just for fun! New, lasting friendships were forged, and together, our hearts opened a bit more deeply, our minds were stimulated to seek more, and our souls blossomed with fresh, alive faith.

At the end of the 11 weeks, we shared what we got out of Alpha, and here are some of the responses that came from our small group:

- “Jesus wants to marry us!”
- “Wow, the Holy Spirit is so powerful!”
- “Practical application of our faith, day to day.”
- “Personal relationship with Jesus and with one another.”
- “All is redeemable!”
- “I'm still curious. I like this church after all!”
- “The Holy Spirit draws alongside me.”

So, I gently encourage you, if you feel at all drawn, please come! Seek! Find! Come with your questions, your desires, your longings, your honest thoughts and feelings, come if you don't know much about our faith, come if you have attended church your whole life but want to encounter Jesus more personally, come if you want good food and friendship, come if you want to experience the joy of genuine, honest community in Christ! Come, one and all!

Alpha will begin again here at St. Joe's, on Wednesday, September 13th, and go through December 13th. Feel free to just come to the first meeting and check it out! Come and see. All are warmly welcome! Food for thought, heart, and tummy promised.

Thank you. Jesus loves you... He's crazy about you! And He has wonderful and particular gifts for you. God bless you!

Marian West

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## **Guided by the Holy Spirit**

In January I received a note from Fr. Wolfe on the introduction to the Alpha program at St. Joseph's and saying that if I wanted to learn more I should join others on January 25th at 7:00 pm to learn more. I had heard about Alpha a few years ago from friends in other parishes and was interested in finding out more. I thought this would be a nice way to grow my faith and at the same time journey thru Lent and Easter.

I attended some pre-training meetings and when asked to sign up I chose Food Prep as I had over 47 years in the food industry and I thought this is something I could easily do.

Little did I realize that the Holy Spirit had other plans and was working in another direction for me. I was informed that the food prep area had been filled and that the real need was for Team Host. So with encouragement from both Pat Hallock and Denise Ziegler I thought I would give it a try.

On February 22nd I set off on my journey with Session 1 "Is There More to Life Than This?" I came to see the meaning about this at about the half way point of the Alpha program. We had scheduled a Day Away at Our Mother of Perpetual Help in Ephrata, a mini retreat of sorts. I was asked to be on the Prayer Ministry team that day. I was reluctant at first and then with prayerful thought and invoking the Holy Spirit to guide, direct, and give me the words, I was so moved by the oldest prayer of the church, "COME HOLY SPIRIT COME," when I was asked to pray for others....WOW! Ministry in the broadest sense means serving others and Prayer Ministry means serving others through Payer. It is the activity of the Holy Spirit that transformed me. Come, join Alpha and be open to the Holy Spirit.!

Mike Huegel

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### **My Alpha Experience So Far**

When my wife Bernadette and I first heard, about a year ago, that our parish was doing Alpha, I thought, "Hey, isn't that some Protestant course in basic Christianity, like spiritual baby food?" But as I heard more, and thought and prayed a bit about it, I guessed, well, maybe I could use a refresher. And I liked the idea of getting to know fellow parishioners better, not to mention sitting down to a meal each time! It wasn't always easy or convenient to make it there, but it turned out to be well worth the effort.

As the course unfolded, we saw videos with compelling stories about transformed lives, and a variety of insights into basic questions like "Why are we here?" and "What does the Holy Spirit do for us?" We also listened to and sang some good hymns, and had a little quiet time for pondering all that we were hearing. In the small groups, we could tell each other how we had learned and were living out our faith, and share ideas on how to grow and help each other spiritually. There was no pressure to speak up, however, and it was fine if you just wanted to absorb what others were saying.

Over and over, I found myself wishing that various people I knew could be there: co-workers who were fallen-away Catholics, relatives who called themselves agnostics or vaguely spiritual, because we were hearing, over and over, fundamental and convincing truths about Jesus, the Bible, and the Church.

Both Protestants and Catholics in the videos were telling their stories, so there was actually a positive ecumenical spirit to the course. The words of Father Cantalamessa, preacher to the Pope, were especially inspiring. And there were some great stories of saints and other heroes of the faith.

This fall I plan to continue with the upcoming series, and invite some of the people who crossed my mind earlier. I hope that a lot of new people will try it out.

Tom Anderson

## Thank You Letters Received

The following are excerpts from letters received from the groups who benefitted from our annual Stewardship contributions.



Dear Father Wolfe,

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish for their contribution of \$550.00. We greatly appreciate the support!

Through your generosity, we are able to keep St. Anne's Retirement Community vibrant and strong. We are justifiably proud of the breadth and quality of the services that we offer. We are truly a CCRC...Continuing Care Retirement Community with all levels of care. We have both skilled and personal care memory support. Thank you for your continued kindness to St. Anne's.

On behalf of Mary Turnbaugh, President of St. Anne's Retirement Community, our administration and staff, we thank you. We are deeply grateful for your support.

Sincerely,  
Mary Jo Diffendall  
Development and Marketing Director  
St. Anne's Retirement Community

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Dear Father Wolfe,

The Peace of Christ be with you!

Your gift of \$350.00 to the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia to continue to provide for the needs of our brothers and sisters is gratefully appreciated.

Know that you will be remembered in prayer by our retired sisters at Assisi House in Aston, Pennsylvania and St. Ann's Convent in Tacoma Washington.

May the Lord bless you and all those dear to you. May you experience peace, joy and good health throughout the year.

Sincerely,  
Sister Deborah Krist, OSF  
Director of Mission Advancement  
Sisters of St. Francis Foundation





Dear Friend of Clare House, Inc.

On behalf of Clare House, Inc. I would like to thank you for your generous gift of \$350.00. Your commitment to helping homeless women & their children in our community weather the crises in their lives is appreciated by those who help them and, most importantly, by those who benefit from their services.

Since our inception in 1980, Clare House has helped over 4,000 women and children by providing a safe place to call home today while working on a better tomorrow. This is only possible because of thoughtful contributions from people like you.

Appreciatively,  
Evalina Dombrowski  
Executive Director



Dear Fr. Wolfe,

Thank you so much for your recent donation to Mom's House. We greatly appreciate your and your parishioners' kindness.

Mom's House is able to fulfill our mission and better the lives of 2 generations across Lancaster County because of YOU!

From the bottom of all our hearts at Mom's House - Thank you!!!

Sincerely,  
Sara Johns  
Executive Director



Dear Father Wolfe,

Thank you so much for your gift of \$350.00. We are grateful for your support.

A new season is dawning! We are pleased to let you know that we are merging with the Good Samaritan Shelter. Together we can provide a full continuum of the resources needed for families and individuals experiencing homelessness throughout both Lancaster and Chester counties.

Thank you again for your support. Be assured that the Bridge of Hope program model will continue to be implemented and that the work of Bridge of Hope will not diminish in either Lancaster or Chester counties.

Blessings,  
Francesca J. Crane  
Interim Director



Dear Fr. Wolfe,

Thank you for your congregation's support of our work at Milagro House through your donation of \$350.00.

The mothers who come through our doors have made a commitment to improve their family's lives through education. With your assistance they are able to focus their energies and hard work on their studies while living in a safe and supportive environment at Milagro House

These women are an inspiration to all of us based on their incredible tenacity and desire for a better future for themselves and their children. On behalf of all the mothers and children, thank you for your interest and commitment in our program. As an organization that does not accept any government money, our work would not be possible without your help.

Thank you again for your generous support fo Milagro House.

With Gratitude  
Christina C. Duncan  
Interim Executive Director

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## Guess Who?

Match these quotes with the saints who said them  
(Catechist Magazine September 2017)

1. He translated the Bible into Latin and said: "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."  
a. Jerome                                      b. John Paul II                                      c. Padre Pio                                      d. Thomas Aquinas
2. He marched around the walls of Jericho until they collapsed and said: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."  
a. Ignatius of Antioch                                      b. Samuel                                      c. Solomon                                      d. Joshua
3. This 16th century Spanish Carmelite nun said: "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, not feet on earth but yours."  
a. Joan of Arc                                      b. Elizabeth                                      c. Teresa of Avila                                      d. Ann
4. A lover of nature and animals, he sang: "Be praised, my Lord, for all your creatures, and first for brother sun, who makes the day bright and luminous."  
a. Jude                                      b. Francis of Assisi                                      c. Basil the Great                                      d. Philip
5. Converted on the road to Damascus, he wrote the most books in the New Testament. One of his most beloved verses is this: "Love is patient, love is kind" (1 Corinthians 13:4)  
a. James                                      b. John                                      c. Peter                                      d. Paul
6. St. Anthony of Padua coined the phrase "Actions speak louder than words."  
a. True                                      b. False

7. When told he would be crucified by the Romans, this saint said: "I am not worthy to die like my Lord." So he was crucified upside down.  
 a. Simon                                      b. Jude                                      c. Peter                                      d. Matthew
8. He rejected the Christian faith of his mother, St. Monica, and pursued everything the world had to offer. After converting he said: "There is no saint without a past and no sinner without a future."  
 a. Augustine                                      b. Linus                                      c. Cletus                                      d. Clement
9. St. Therese of Lisieux is known as the Little Flower because she said: "When I die, I will send down a shower of roses from the heavens."  
 a. True                                      b. False
10. A Church Father and bishop in Lyon, France, he taught that "the glory of God is man fully alive."  
 a. Mark                                      b. Irenaeus                                      c. Guiseppe Moscati                                      d. John Paul II
11. This 20th-century pope lowered the First Communion age from 12 to 7. He said: "Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to heaven."  
 a. Benedict                                      b. Catherine of Siena                                      c. Philip Neri                                      d. Pius X
12. This Italian Franciscan with the stigmata (the wounds of Christ) counseled: "Pray, hope and don't worry."  
 a. Nicholas                                      b. Ignatius of Loyola                                      c. Padre Pio                                      d. Kateri Tekakwitha
13. Host of a popular TV show in the 1950s-60s, this now venerable archbishop insisted: "There are not over 100 people in the U.S. that hate the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly believe to be the Catholic Church."  
 a. Fulton J. Sheen                                      b. Andrew Kim                                      c. Robert Bellarmine                                      d. Robert Barron
14. Known as the Angelic Doctor, this Dominican wrote the *Summa Theologica* - a summary of Catholic theology. He taught: "To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible."  
 a. Thomas Aquinas                                      b. Joseph Cupertino                                      c. Brother Andre                                      d. Albert the Great
15. St. John Paul II said: "Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought."  
 a. True                                      b. False
16. An uneducated laywoman, this saint of the Middle Ages was an adviser to popes and was later named a Doctor of the Church. She preached: "All the way to heaven is heaven."  
 a. Josephine                                      b. Cecilia                                      c. Priscilla                                      d. Catherine of Siena
17. Founder of the Jesuits and author of *The Spiritual Exercises*, this saint said: "Teach us to give and not to count the cost."  
 a. Bruno                                      b. Ignatius of Loyola                                      c. Norbert                                      d. Alphonsus Liguori
18. This young peasant girl died defending her purity from an attacker. She said: "Our Lord prefers to wait himself for the sinner for years rather than keep us waiting for an instant."  
 a. Maria Goretti                                      b. Margaret of Scotland                                      c. the Samaritan woman                                      d. Hildegard
19. This bishop of Milan helped convert St. Augustine. He said: "The rich man who gives to the poor does not bestow charity but pays a debt."  
 a. John                                      b. Joseph                                      c. Leo the Great                                      d. Ambrose
20. St. Augustine said: "Love God and do whatever you please."  
 a. True                                      b. False

Answers on page 16

# **Parish Family Update**

## **June 21, 2017 - September 17, 2017**

### **We welcome through Baptism these “newest” members of our parish family**

Angelo Asso-Witherspoon, Debrione Iyana Hargrove and Kassius Apollo Hargrove, children of Kireen Hargrove and Rose Asso  
Siahni Celeste Morales and Shanti Celestine Morales, children of Katrina Benard

### **We extend congratulations and best wishes to those recently married**

Marcus Hile & Maegan Maloney  
Paul Dunlap & Amy Strosser  
Matt Feldstein and Lauren Rosenberger  
Andrew Musselman & Rebecca Mohler  
Greg Scheuchenzuber & Danielle D’Agostino

### **We extend a warm welcome to those who have registered as new parishioners**

Mr. & Mrs, Gerard Deleissio  
Mrs. Anna Demme  
Mrs. Erla Farrell  
Miss Courtney K. Fox  
Mr. Timothy Gross  
Miss Danielle MacMurtrie  
Mr. Raymond Mang  
Mr. Patrick Morgan  
Mr. Philip Northington  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas L. Shaw

### **We extend farewells and best wishes to those who have moved from our parish**

Miss Nancy Bear  
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Buckwalter  
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Darrenkamp  
Mr. & Mrs. William A. Dohan  
Mr. Richard Pleger  
Miss Marysue A. Perry

### **We express our sympathy to the family and friends of those who have died Parishioners**

Jacqueline Carr  
Florence Hatfield  
Robert Henkel  
JoAnne Schreder Kubala  
Leo Liscosky  
Josephine McDonald

### **Loved Ones of Parishioners**

Margaret Anderson, daughter-in-law of Helen Anderson  
Leo Caskey, brother of Pat Zeller and Janice Stork  
Bill Cunningham, father of Joseph Cunningham  
James C. Hennis, grandfather of Amanda Wong  
Donald Mohr, Jr., son of Gertrude Mohr  
Mary Ann Smith, sister of Judy Reese  
Genevieve Wilk, mother of Bernadette Anderson  
Clarence (Chuck) Yost, Jr., father of Mark Yost & Tina McComsey & brother of Edna Yost

### **Please also remember in prayer**

Father Kenneth F. Lawrence

**Saint Joseph Church**  
**Financial Operations Summary**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017**

This is the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Operating expenses exceeded the offerings collected resulting in a deficit of \$129,551. This is due to an unforeseen increase in expenditures in building repairs and maintenance. "Other Income", which is unanticipated income including rental fees, gifts & bequests, Lenten Appeal Refunds, etc., plus the "Non-Operating Income" resulted in \$116,181 in revenue. The total deficit for year-end is \$14,143. Please note that it is important for parishioners to remember the parish when preparing their wills and doing estate planning.

	<u>2016/2017 Actual</u>	<u>2016/2017 Total Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Offerings (1)	\$ 678,022	\$ 655,335	103.5%
Operating Expenses (2)	\$ (807,573)	\$ (815,763)	99.0%
<b>Excess (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (129,551)</b>	<b>\$ (160,428)</b>	80.8%
Other Income (3)	\$ 116,181	\$ 147,428	78.8%
Non-Operating Income (Expense) (4)	\$ (773)	\$ 13,000	-5.9%
<b>Revenue in Excess of Expenses</b>	<b>\$ (14,143)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	

(1) Weekly, holiday, and other collections

(2) See chart below

(3) Rentals, gifts and bequests, votives, fund raising

(4) Net withdrawals from/deposits to savings, Fund Receipts/Capital Expenditures

<b>Operating Expenses:</b>	<u>2016/2017 Actual</u>	<u>2016/2017 Total Budget</u>
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 289,409	\$ 340,424
Education Support	250,338	245,284
Utilities	50,440	48,430
Religious Supplies	31,394	30,425
Office/Other supplies	20,732	736
Insurance	59,436	59,272
Repairs & Maintenance	62,444	35,400
Taxes	6,387	6,635
Other Expenses	36,993	49,157
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 807,573</b>	<b>\$ 815,763</b>

\* Assessments for LCHS and Resurrection, & Financial Aid

**Cash and Reserves at June 30, 2017**

<b>ACCOUNT:</b>	<u>6/30/2017</u>	<u>6/30/2016</u>
Operating cash	\$50,675	\$61,728
Organ Fund*	2,369	2,333
Organ Memorial Fund*	151,883	148,559
Restoration Fund*	45,405	44,537
Stained Glass Window Fund (Msgr. Smith)*	13,576	13,032
Savings	640	630
Education Endowment*	2	760
<b>Total Cash and Reserves</b>	<b>\$264,550</b>	<b>\$271,579</b>

\* Denotes restricted funds

# Resurrection Catholic School

(submitted by Donna Walker)

## Resurrection Students Attend Spirit Night at Barnstormers' Game

Resurrection Catholic School students and their families met at Clipper Magazine Stadium July 8 for RCS Spirit Night when the Lancaster Barnstormers earned victory against the York Revolution.



Resurrection student Ben Tongel gets an autograph from Barnstormer infielder Vladimir Frias during Resurrection Catholic School Spirit Night.

Spirit Night gave students access to the field before the game. They met and interacted with the Barnstormers' mascot Cylo and then formed the high-five tunnel, stretching out their hands to greet players as they ran onto the field. They also participated in the Field of Dreams standing with their favorite players at their field positions during the singing of the National Anthem.



Resurrection students Marisol Mendez and Oliver Tongel meet Barnstormer catcher Tyler Clark at Clipper Magazine Stadium July 8 during Resurrection Catholic School Spirit Night.

“I had a lot of fun going onto the field and meeting three outfielders from the team during the (Field of Dreams) ... and getting players' autographs,” said Resurrection student Oliver Tongel who attended the game with his family.

A portion of ticket sales went to Resurrection Catholic School if a fund-raising code was entered when purchasing tickets. Fireworks followed the Barnstormers' 5-4 victory, earned with the last play of the game, a walk-off home run by Trayvon Robinson.

## Resurrection Extends School Day

Resurrection Catholic School announces a change to the length of its school day beginning with the first day Aug. 28.

Students will attend from 8:00am to 3:00pm, a 30-minute extension. As always, doors open at 7:30am to provide supervision for those who arrive between 7:30 and 8:00am. The After School Program is available to all families and it will continue to provide supervision for students until 6:00pm.

“Adding Spanish to our curriculum last year took some time away from English Language Arts,” said Principal Brenda Weaver. “This is the most effective way to get that time back and to ensure our students get the best instruction possible in all areas.”

Core courses, including religion, language arts, math, science and social studies, are taught daily at Resurrection. Weekly classes include art, music, library, computer, physical education and Spanish supplement the curriculum, and field trips enhance the learning.

## **Eighth Grade Takes the Lead**

Taking the lead for the students at Resurrection Catholic School this year are, from left, treasurer Avery English, president Annalise Kauffman, vice-president Tony Cruz, secretary Shania Crespo and, kneeling in front, press secretary Avery Thompson.



The Leadership Team started the year strong by leading a fund drive for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. The collection, part of an effort to “Let Our Light Shine,” the school’s theme for the 2017-18 year, raised \$300.10 in three days. The leadership team also conducts fundraising projects throughout the year for their class field trip in May.



Eighth grade students Annalise Kauffman, left, and Caitlyn Nguyen stand near a poster announcing the collection for Hurricane Harvey relief at Back to School Night September 6.

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## **Now Serving the South West, Our Parish Neighborhood. Look for them!**

Thanks to the LHOP grant, the Bike Squad will now be servicing the Cabbage Hill neighborhood. The Lancaster City Alliance’s red-shirted Bike Squad members perform three important functions to enhance the quality of life for people who live, work and visit this area of the City. They are trained to serve as community ambassadors, aiding people with directions and pointing out local amenities. Squad members also routinely identify nuisance issues such as excessive trash, graffiti and city maintenance issues. Importantly, because of their visibility, the squad acts as additional ‘eyes and ears’ in the community, providing an enhanced sense of security, often providing support, such as traffic control, to emergency responders.





## St. Joseph Catholic Club Hillian Happenings

(submitted by John Bauer)



The spring sports program is concluded. Thanks go out to Alan Walsh (baseball) and Bill Souders (softball), the respective directors of our spring sports, for another great season. Thank you to all of the coaches and team parents for their assistance. Congratulations to all of the youth of the parish and community who participated, as well as, their parents, families and friends who provided support for these players.

At this time, sadly, we are announcing the resignation of Alan Walsh as the director of baseball. He has given an enormous amount of time and effort in overseeing and coaching in our baseball program. He has recruited many coaches and support staff for the program. Along with Bill Souders, he has given our spring sports countless hours of dedicated service to the youth of the parish and community. Thank you Alan and God bless you in your future endeavors.

As a result of this decision, we are looking for a new baseball director. If you or someone you know would be interested in this position, please contact Mark Legenstein at 717-872-8849 or Bill Souders at 717-917-3755. We are in need of someone with knowledge of baseball, an ability to oversee the activities of the coaches in our program, time to attend our board meetings, as well as, league meetings and clinic, and most of all a person who would be qualified to nurture the love of baseball in our community.

We also invite anyone in our parish to become members of our Board of Directors. Please contact any board member or the rectory.

Reminder: The Clubroom is available for your next family event. Please contact Mark Legenstein, president, at 717-872-8849 or [Mark@certifiedcarpet.com](mailto:Mark@certifiedcarpet.com) for rental information.

Please keep St. Joseph Catholic Club and the youth of our parish and community in your prayers.

Thank you.  
The Board of Directors  
St. Joseph Catholic Club  
[www.stjosephcatholicclub.com](http://www.stjosephcatholicclub.com)

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## News from the Pews



Parishioner Patricia Wisniewski, a resident of Country Meadows Retirement Communities, brought chocolate chip cookies and read a book entitled *“The Unforgettable Adventures of Grandma’s Cape: Understanding the Forgetting Disease: Dementia”* to the children at the Lancaster Family YMCA as a part of their Superheroes Week in July.

## Oliver's Legacy

In November 2016, faithful parishioner and devoted Adorer, Oliver Ogden passed from this life into eternal life. Oliver was a person with a wide range of interests, which is evident from his extensive collection of books (over 5,000) on various subjects. His private library included many volumes on religion (Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Old Order), history (Civil War, World War I and II, Submarines, Transportation), natural history (animals, butterflies, nature), state history (Pennsylvania, Indiana, New York), C S Lewis, and Trivia, to name a few.



As a way to honor Oliver's legacy, his wife Sharon is looking to find "good homes" for his collection. There is a master catalogue and no reasonable offers will be refused. Sharon may be contacted at 717-560-2873 or by email at seojogden2@aol.com for further information.

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## Legion of Mary

Active and Auxiliary Members - Please mark your calendars for the Legion of Mary Lancaster Curia's Day of Recollection to be held at St. Joseph Church on Saturday, November 4, 2017 from 9:00am - 2:30pm. More details to follow.

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## Lenten Appeal Update

To date we have received \$75,356.18 towards our goal of \$82,500. We encourage everyone to be faithful to their pledge and invite those who have not pledged to contribute to the appeal. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed and to the workers who have helped us in any way,

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## Troop and Pack News

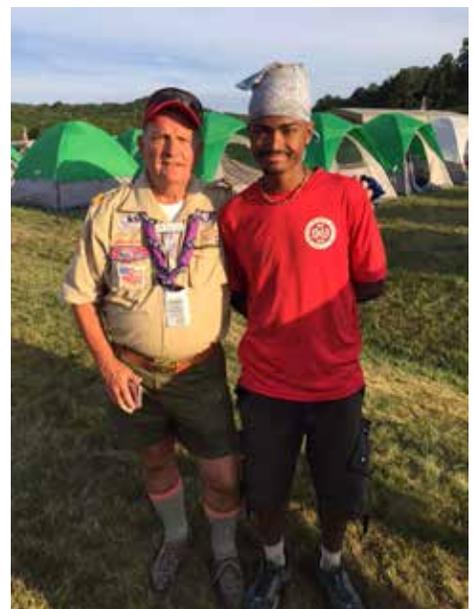
(submitted by Matt Stewart)



The Boy Scouts had a great time again at summer camp. The weather this year was pretty good and didn't impact any of the programs. The boys kept busy with the usual stuff, boating, swimming, rifle, and so on. The Troop, under the guidance of our Senior Patrol Leader, earned the Troop award of excellence while at camp and earned the cleanest campsite award for that week. The patrols did their part and earned the Baden Powell patrol award. The leaders did their part and walked around a lot! We did enter the Scoutmaster cook-off competition and had a great dish of stir-fried ramen noodles, with shrimp, onions, garlic, spices, and other stuff.



The Boy Scouts had their National Jamboree this year, and one of our own scouts, Zarius, was able to attend thanks to some support from Mr. John Pyfer. Mr. Pyfer was there as a staff member and stopped by to see Zarius.



In August the local scout camp had an open house camping weekend where anyone can go camp and enjoy the programs there. The rifle and archery range were open, as well as the lake and pool for boating and swimming, and the trading post to buy goodies.



Join Scouts! The scouts are looking for boys and families who would like to become Scouts. Cub Scout age boys are 1st to 5th grade, while Boy Scout ages are 11 to 17. The Cub Scouts is a family based program where parents become engaged with their child. The Cubs are also looking for Den leaders, as most of them move along with their child into Boy Scouts.

For any Boy Scout questions contact Matt Stewart 717-587-8409. For Cub Scouts contact Chris Smucker 717-381-8744

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