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Personnel Changes at the Kitchen

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In our last newsletter, we announced that Troy Garrard was our new 'Interim' Director of Parish Kitchen, but by the time it was mailed, Bishop Foys had named Troy as our new (permanent) Director. We are thrilled that Troy has accepted this challenge along with these new responsibilities and the blessings of serving as the hands and feet of Christ to all who come to Parish Kitchen for a meal. Troy is a man of faith, humility, energy, grace, leadership and hospitality. Troy is just the one to lead Parish Kitchen at this time. At the volunteer appreciation dinner on June 9, 2016, Troy shared his vision of striving to be a better neighbor to the other ministries and agencies in Covington, and to honor all the volunteers who make our ministry possible. Troy is a true servant leader, and we are blessed by his willingness to serve.



Troy with his wife, Claire and daughter, Rory



We also welcome Andrew ("Drew") Bamberger, who was named Assistant Manager of Parish Kitchen beginning June 1, 2016. Drew is a recent graduate of Northern Kentucky University with a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work. While at NKU, Drew devoted a significant amount of his free time to serving others, and he almost singlehandedly raised over \$94,000 to several deserving charities, including a unit at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Drew grew up at St. Pius parish in Edgewood, and he is a graduate of Covington Catholic High School. Drew has a strong faith, an eagerness to learn, and willingness to serve. Drew will be compassionate with our guests, and a creative resource to help our ministry flourish. Please introduce yourself and welcome Drew to Parish Kitchen.



Volunteer



Spotlight

## **First Ever Combined Appreciation Dinner**

This June, Parish Kitchen and Catholic Charities had the first ever Volunteer Appreciation Dinner for all of Catholic Charities' programs. In the past, Parish Kitchen had a dinner for those who prepare and serve the meals, and Catholic Charities had a separate event for the volunteers of all other programs. Great strides that have been made in 2016 to narrow the gap between Parish Kitchen and Catholic Charities, because Parish Kitchen is, after all, a ministry of Catholic Charities.

The event was a huge success! Volunteers were able to communicate to one another what they do in their respective ministries, as well as enjoy the fellowship of others choosing to serve the needs of our community being the hands and feet of Christ. Thank you to all who had a hand in putting the event together, as well as to those who came and enjoyed the night with us. A special thanks to Lesley Duggan, the Volunteer Coordinator at Catholic Charities, for all of her hard work in preparation of this first annual combined dinner.



# Favorite Recipe



### "Joyce's Ham & Cheese Sandwiches"

1 stick of butter, melted 1 T. poppy seed 1 onion, chopped 1/4 cup mustard 2 T. mayonnaise

Sauté onion in butter. Add other ingredients and heat through. Spread mix on bun bottom, add ham and a slice of cheese. Wrap in foil and bake at 350 for about 15 minutes.

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## Youth in Action



Ken Oleynick and the NKY Saints Donate Milk to the Parish Kitchen

Parish Kitchen was recently the recipient of the 3rd annual milk drive by the NKY Saints. The Saints, coached by Ken Oleynick, are a multi-school youth baseball team from the Crosstown Baseball League.

In 2014, the team donated 84 gallons of milk for Parish Kitchen, covering over a week's worth of milk. The following year they raised a total of 210 gallons. This year, they upped the ante again and raised a total of 262 gallons. The NKY Saints will cover almost an entire month of milk for Parish Kitchen.

Each year the team hand delivers the milk and has an opportunity to hear from the Director about the mission and recent news in the ministry. It is always encouraging when youth are given real-life examples of how to live out their faith, and then watch them grasp it and run with it. Thank you NKY Saints for your continued commitment to our ministry!

### **Charity Night Success**

On Saturday, March 19th, the Parish Kitchen was one of eight social service agencies chosen by the Yearlings for their "Charity Night at the Tables" event at Turfway Park.

evening, the "Got Milk" cow collected enough chips for Parish Kitchen to have the fourth choice of a horse running in the Spiral Stakes. Thanks to help from Denny Vieth and Chad Bilz, Parish Kitchen had Azar in the race. Azar finished second in the Spiral Stakes, but according to the Charity Night rules, Parish Kitchen won the first place prize because the long shot

winner wasn't represented by a charity. In total, Parish Kitchen received

guarantees us a spot in next year's event! Over the course of the

The Parish Kitchen came in third place for ticket sales, which



Troy Garrard at Charity Night at the Tables with the "Got Milk" cow



Parish Kitchen winnings at Charity Night at the Tables

Many thanks to Vicky Bauerle, Charlotte Boemker, Chad Bilz, and Dave Hatter for their involvement in this event, and all who attended and contributed to our "winnings"!

#### **Farewell to Jeff Mynatt**

\$7,500 from the event.

With great sadness, Parish Kitchen said good-bye to a long time staff member, Jeff Mynatt, on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jeff served Parish Kitchen faithfully as a weekend staff member for over fifteen years. Over the last year, Jeff had worked almost every weekend shift each month. His commitment, work ethic, and faithfulness will be missed by staff, volunteers, and guests. We wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors and we welcome his presence any time.



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## You are invited!



 What: Catholic Charities CaSSba 2016 fundraising event
When: Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, from 3-7 p.m.
Where: Drees Pavilion at Devou Memorial Overlook.

The event will feature our renowned hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. The silent auctions features traditional tuition certificates valued at \$500 to area Catholic high schools. Live auction will feature an African safari, a gas furnace, and much more. Tickets are \$60 per person presale and \$65 on the day of the event.

If you would like more information about the event, you can call Vicky Bauerle at 581-8974, or check out all the information at: www.covingtoncharities.org.