

St. Ignatius Of Antioch Church

January 10, 2016

The Baptism of the Lord

MINISTERIAL STAFF

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

5:15 PM Vigil Mass

Saturday: Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30, and 6:00 PM Children's Liturgy of the Word: at 9:30 Mass Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM Saturday: 8:00 AM. Holy Day Schedule: 7:00PM Vigil Mass, 7:00AM, 9:00AM, and 7:00PM. Special Schedules for Christmas, New Years & Easter

> E-mail: contact@siparish.org Website: http://www.siparish.org

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. Eves of First Fridays: 7:00 to 7:30 P.M. Eves of Holy Days: 6:30 P.M. Confessions will also be heard at any reasonable time on request.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

For those who would like to inquire about the Catholic Faith, information is available. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Annmarie Flanagan, at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701

BAPTISMS:

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 12:45 P.M. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. An appointment should be made with one of the parish priests. Available dates cannot be given, nor can weddings be scheduled, rescheduled, postponed or cancelled over the phone.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please call the rectory if someone is sick. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

New to the parish? Please call the rectory for an appointment to register.

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:

24 Hours a day in Adoration Chapel



LET REALITY IN

St. Matthew's Gospel has God the Father speaking to the people standing around, saying "This is my Beloved Son." But St. Luke has God the Father speaking directly to Jesus, saying "You are my Beloved Son." In this scene, God is directly, personally confronting Jesus with the reality of who Jesus is and who God is. Although Jesus is the Son of God, even He must wait for God the Father to act before He responds.

We modern people do not like to wait for anyone - even God. We are self-starters, we get things done, we are in charge. Our science and technology have taken over much of God's work in the world...which God doesn't mind. God was doing it for us only until we got the hang of it. But scientific knowledge and technical know-how do not translate into human interactions. There we must wait on the other. There we must be passive, receptive.

Love, for instance....we accept the theory that God is Love and therefore all love comes from God. But in the practice of love, it seems that we are the instigators. We decide who and when to love. And if that power ultimately comes from God, that unseen lover seems to make no practical difference, any more than it matters where electricity comes from - we are the ones who turn it off and on.

However, love is not a separate thing in itself; it is relational. Love is not some force aimed at someone. It is a response to someone. Originally and especially, love is our response to God's love.

We do not make something true - we accept it as true, recognize it as true, agree with it. Two plus two is four even without our consent. DNA was there before we discovered it. Reality possesses its own truth independently of our knowledge or ignorance of it.

When we are receptive to reality, our lives are enlarged. Once we dethrone the tyrant of our ego, stop controlling things, start letting whatever is enveloping us, then strange things happen.

Such radical change is not likely for most of us, because we are not receptive enough, passive enough, patient enough. But we can practice. We can be less aggressive, less active, less determined....and, as we become more open, more vulnerable, our life can be more true, our viewpoint, more beautiful, our actions more loving.

The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2016 He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. ~ *Titus 3:5* Mass Intentions Monday 9:00 Father Joseph Brandt/living (Tara and David Charles) Tuesday 9:00 All Living & Deceased Members of the Parish Wednesday 9:00 James Costa (The Costa Family) Thursday 9:00 Ann Pustay (The LaMorte Family) Friday 9:00 Lorenzina Tarallo (Frances and Nick Tarallo) Saturday 8:00 Kaitlin Nicole Abel (Victor and Margaret Tunis) 5:15pm James and Marie Pryor (Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Pryor) **January 17, 2016** Sunday Neil Arnold (The Ponento Family) 7:30 9.30 The Deceased Members of the Guarnieri and Amerine Families (Bill & Loretta Amerine) 11:30 Sr. Margaret Rsarii, S.S.J. (Mary C. Crawford) 6:00pm John Backus (Deacon Michael and Anna Cibenko)

RESPECT LIFE: ROSE INTENTION

January 9th and January 10th: For an end to abortion!

SANCTUARY LIGHT



The Sanctuary Light was lit the weekend of January 10th in memory of Diane Mays. (Requested by The Mays Family)

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a statement of your 2015 parish contributions, please call the rectory, 215-493-3377, ext. 207, Monday through Wednesday between 9am and noon, or email your request to <u>contact@siparish.org</u>.

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

Next Sunday we will collect our usual items for Mary's Pantry. Please bring your canned and boxed items, paper goods and baby needs to Mass and place them in the designated places.



ST. IGNATIUS CEMETERY

Our parish cemetery on River Road will be cleared of all Christmas decorations on Friday, January 15, 2016.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS		
Dec	ember 21, 2014	<u>December 20, 2015</u>
Sunday	\$19,495.50	\$14, 414.50
Youth Ministry	1,145.00	560.00
Dec	<u>ember 25, 2014</u>	December 25, 2015
Christmas	\$95,249.50	\$70,411.00
Christmas Flowe	ers 3,654.00	3,369.00
Dec	ember 28, 2014	December 27, 2015
Sunday	\$12,985.83	\$16, 362.83
	10,076.00	2,690.00
Youth Ministry	37.00	15.00
<u>Ja</u>	<u>nuary 4, 2015</u>	<u>January 3, 2016</u>
Sunday	\$21,980.00	\$19, 592.00
Christmas	4,000.00	2,630.00
Christmas Flowe		25.00
Sol. of Mary	5,456.00	4,978.00
Music Ministry Monthly ACH	1,187.00	2,492.00 5,627.00
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We are very grateful for the support of our parish.

PAPER RETRIEVER RECYCLING PROGRAM

As you may have already noticed, we have placed a recycling bin next to the Thrifty Irishman clothing bin in the parking lot. This recycling program is a community-based initiative to help raise money for our Parish.

The following are accepted: newspapers, magazines, shopping catalogs, junk mail, office and school papers, white envelopes and most paper that isn't laminated.

Please do not place cereal/soda cartons, food wrap/containers, tissue products, plastic or glass into the bin.

ROSARY

All are invited to recite the rosary after the 9:00am Mass. For those who can stay longer, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is also recited.

CLOTHING DONATIONS

You can donate wearable, used clothing at the Thrifty Irishman clothing bin in our parking lot. Your donations are greatly appreciated!



ST. IGNATIUS PARISH APPEAL ~ 2015-2016 UPDATE

Our annual parish appeal is underway and will run through January 31, 2016. Thank you to all who have responded to this year's appeal. For those who have not yet made their gift, there is still plenty of time. You should have received a letter from Monsignor Shoemaker about this effort. If you have not received the appeal materials, please contact the rectory office at 215-493-3377, ext. 211. Appeal envelopes are also available at each of the exit areas of the church.

As of our <u>13th</u> week of the Parish appeal, <u>375</u> families have contributed <u>\$114,989.00</u> toward our goal of \$175,000.00.

You may place your completed appeal envelope containing your gift in the regular Sunday collection basket. You may also mail your gift to the Parish office or drop it off there anytime during our appeal, or as soon as your means allow.

Thank you for your generosity!

COLDS AND FLU AND THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRED LITURGY People feeling ill should avoid receiving Communion from the cup at all Masses.

Thank you for your cooperation!

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALE

Girl Scout cookies are on sale during the weekends of January 16th through February 7th after the 5:15 pm, 9:30 am and 11:30 am, and 6 pm Masses. The cookies are \$4.00 a box.

Thank You for Your Support!



POOR BOX

Next weekend all monies placed in the Poor Box will assist the poor and needy at **Catholic Social Services** in Levittown.



From the Religious Education Office... The Religious Education Office is open Sunday through Thursday. <u>Note that the office is closed on Friday</u>.

Parents of students in Grade 7 - 12: Please encourage your sons and daughters to continue with PREP classes. **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO COME AND JOIN US!**

We remind all parents of <u>Confirmation Candidates</u> that the forms in the packet plus the robe envelopes <u>WERE</u> <u>due on Tuesday</u>, <u>December 15</u>.

At the 2:00p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 17, 2016, Archbishop Charles Chaput will recognize Parish Religious Education Programs throughout the Archdiocese and present awards to many generous Catechists and Aides who give their time and talent to PREP all year long. Here at St. Ignatius we have several Catechists and Aides who will be honored for their years of service to the young people of our parish.

WE CONGRATULATE:

Chris Altomare - 20 yrs. Lisa Pellegrino - 10 yrs. Jennifer Bedard - 5 yrs. Susan Carabello - 5 yrs. Elaine Kozlak - 5 yrs. Antoinette Reilly - 5 yrs. Theresa Revis - 5 yrs. Laura Riegler - 5 yrs. Kelli Twomey - 5 yrs. Kimberly Zisa - 5 yrs.

SAVE THE DATE GOLDEN JUBILLEE CELEBRATION OF 50 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD

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There will be a Mass of Celebration for Msgr. Shoemaker on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 10AM at St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish. Following the Mass, there will be a celebration at the Sheraton Bucks County Hotel in Langhorne, PA at 12:30PM with cocktails followed by lunch.

Invitations will be sent out in March, 2016. Seating at the Sheraton is limited to the first 350. A gift will be included in the ticket price.

LOWER MAKEFIELD TO LIVE AGAIN (TLA) A Social and Support Group for Widows and Widowers

> First Monday of Each Month Spaghetti Night at Vince's Pizza 25 South Main St., Yardley at 5:00PM *Ouestions?* Call Helen 215-579-5737

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH SCHOOL

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"High Achievement ~ Higher Purpose"

A Thought for the New Year:

Lord, let this year be filled with things that are truly good - with the comfort of warmth in our relationships, with strength to help those who need our help and humility and openness to accept help from others. With God's help and guidance, let us go forth with great hope that all things can be possible.

Coming Events:

Monday, January 11th: Annual Science Fair opens.

Success starts here! Come see the strong foundation in Faith, Service, and Academics that we offer to our students. "OPEN HOUSE" - Tuesday, January 12th - 9:00 to 11:00am and 6:00 to 8:00pm.

Registration for our Pre K, K, and Grade 1 for the school year 2016 - 2017 will begin on January 12th.

FATHER McCAFFERTY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A suggestion to our parishioners - see if the company you work for might consider a matching gift to your donation to our Scholarship Fund.

Monsignor Shoemaker is in need of several donations to the fund in order to assist needy families with school tuition.



The first day each week for Catholic Education in School and PREP begins on Saturday/ Sunday with attendance at Mass.



MARCH FOR LIFE TO WASHINGTON, DC IN 2016

The annual March for Life will occur in Washington, DC, on Friday, January 22, 2016. St. Ignatius of Antioch, through the Respect Life Committee, will be having a bus leave the parking lot at 8AM on Friday, Jan 22, 2016 and returning approximately 7PM that evening. There is no charge for the trip; snacks and refreshments will be available, but packing a lunch is advised. Please contact Nancy McNeela at <u>mmcneela@gmail.com</u> so we have a proper sized bus for seating. This is the 43rd anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Let us pray for an end to abortion.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

All are invited - as we sing God's praises and share in His Word and His Love in an intimate community of faith. We meet every Tuesday from 7:00-8:30PM in Room 2F in the Meeting Center. Deacon Bob Skawinski is our spiritual Prayer Group Director.



MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES Dr. Frank Klose ~ Music Minister Email: <u>fklose@siparish.org</u>

In a recent article in Slate Magazine, the benefits of singing were discussed:

"Music is awash with neurochemical rewards for working up the courage to sing. That rush, or "singer's high", comes in part through a surge of endorphins.

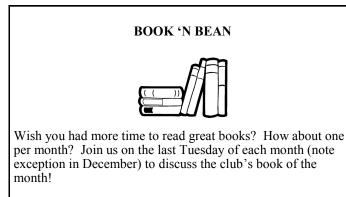
Beside one's own personal spiritual benefit, helping provide music ministry to others can help others pray as well.

We would love for you to consider joining our music ministry program in 2016, whether it be in the 9:30 First Light group, the parish choir, or in the youth band.

If you have any interest or any questions, please email Frank at the email address above, or leave a message at 215-333-1259.

MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH ACADEMY FOR GIRLS

The Mount, a Catholic College Preparatory School for Girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to register for the **Pre-HSPT** to be given on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 8:00am to 11:30am. The Pre-HSPT is a 7th grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applications. Registration is available *online only*. You will receive registration confirmation via email. Register at www.msjacad.org/practicetest.



Our group meets in the Religious Education Office (across from the school cafeteria) from 7:30 - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own refreshments. Contact Linda Stewart at <u>dremom@verizon.net</u> or call her at (215) 968-3577 with any questions. Our schedule for the 2015-2016 academic year is:

<u>January 26</u>: *All the Light We Cannot See* (Anthony Doerr) <u>February 23</u>: *Me Before You* (Jojo Moyes) <u>March 29</u>: *God Help the Child* (Toni Morrison) <u>April 26</u>: *The Light Between Oceans* (M. L. Stedman) <u>May 24</u>: *Black Diamonds* (Catherine Bailey)

T Youth Ministry

Maria Gdovin - Youth Minister Email: <u>ym@siparish.org</u> Phone: 267-391-7693

Wishing everyone a blessed New Year! Youth Ministry will pick up again on January 10th.

All are welcome to attend the Vatican Splendors on January 10th. This trip is free for all youth and only \$5 for adults. Space is limited; contact the youth ministry office for more information at the email or phone number above.

Starting in January, our middle school group will move to Thursday afternoons. We will meet on the SECOND and FOURTH Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:30pm. Youth are welcome to bring homework to complete before we begin our activities. Our January meetings will be on 1/14 and 1/28. Our high school group will continue to meet on Sunday evenings from 7 to 8:30pm and we'll start on 1/17.

We will be attending Steubenville Youth Conference on July 8th to 10th. A \$50 deposit and registration are due no later than January 20th. For more information, please contact the youth ministry office!



A Red Rose Can Be Placed By The Respect Life Altar

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no 373, designates January 22, as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. "In all Diocese of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person through acts of abortion."

9 Days for Life: Prayer, Penance, and Pilgrimage:

9 DAYS FOR LIFE is a focused period of prayer, penance, and pilgrimage marking the anniversary of Roe v. Wade (the Supreme Court case which legalized abortion during all 9 months of pregnancy). All are invited to participate by planning and/or taking part in local events and by praying with thousands across the country for a new intention each day. Download a free app or sign up for daily emails or text messages during the novena. Go to '9 Days for Life: Prayer, Penance, and Pilgrimage'. Jesus showed us the self-sacrificial nature of love when He laid down His life for us, and we are called to follow in His footsteps. We are called to be His hands and feet, caring for and loving others. This includes all unborn babies from the moment of conception - which IS the definition of life.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Join us on the March for Life Bus from St. Ignatius, leaving the parking lot at 8AM on Friday, January 22. Contact Nancy McNeela at <u>nmcneela@gmail.com</u>.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Jamie Drennen, Ronald Ernst, Kevin Frawley, Anthony Fuscarello, Joe Galle, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine Kawoczka Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Michael Lowe, W. Kyle Magrisi, Joseph Marchand, Greg Marolo, Matthew McGurk, Phil Melandez, Chris Merrick, David Morgan, Kevin Nash, Stephen Neder, Fred Olivari, John O'Rourke, John Parente, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, James Tams, Scott Toro, Sean Wolodzko, John Worman.

To add someone in the Armed Forces to our prayer list, call 215-493-3377, ext. 211.

SOLDIERS PRAYER

Dear Lord, there's a young man far from home, called to serve his nation in time of war; sent to defend our freedom on some distant foreign shore. We pray You keep him safe, we pray You keep him strong, we pray You send him safely home ... For he's been away too long.

There's a young woman far from home serving her nation with pride. Her step is strong, her step is sure. We pray you keep her strong. We prav vou send her safely home... For she's been away too long. Bless those who await their safe return. Bless those who mourn the lost. Bless those who serve this country well, No matter what the cost. God Bless America!



REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. If you are struggling in your marriage, attending a Retrouvaille program could be the best gift you give to you spouse and family this Christmas! Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage.



The next program begins on the weekend of February 12 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit our website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

ADORATION CHAPEL

You are invited to visit our Adoration Chapel located in the building next to the church where a sign is posted. Here at St. Ignatius, there is at least one person committed every hour (24/7) to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is welcome to visit and spend some quiet time. At present, we need committed adorers for the following hours: Sunday at 3pm; Monday at 10am, 6pm; Tuesday at 3am, 6pm; Friday at 6pm; Saturday at 12 noon, 1pm, 4pm.

A special "Thank You" to our new adorers who have committed to an hour over the past few months! Also, thank you to all those who persevere as dedicated adorers. Perhaps you can help by taking one of the open hours or by becoming a substitute. If you would like more information about Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA), kindly call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152. Lastly, a reminder as we approach the winter season, kindly call 215-493-3377, ext. 221 to find out if the chapel is open or closed.

God Bless You!

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY that they return to the comfort of good health: Monsignor Samuel Shoemaker, Elizabeth Alvino, Sabrina Amerine, Phyllis Atkins, Frances Barkocy, Mary Barrett, Mary Beck, Brian Benedict, Ethel Beres, William Bodnar, Theresa Bond, Anthony Bonanno, John Borges, Carolyn Bowers, Brian Bruder, Connie Buettler, Grace Burke, Jackelyne Carder, Ruthann Carroll, Florence Cebula, Anna Cibenko, Peggy Ciulla, Michele Coleman, Kathleen Ann Collins, Lynda Collins, Brynn Clare Connor, Josephine Consalvo, Cliff Conway, Terry Darby, Bill & Theresa Derisi, Helen Dillon, Louie DiTanna, Loretta & Sharon Douglas, Mary Ann Dougherty, Jenee Dwyer, Hannah Einwechter, Rosanne Ferrante, Grace Filak, Emilia Fina, Olga Fleming, Carol Foley, Casey Foley, Carol Fry, David Fry, Maureen Gallagher, Adam Gill, Sherry Golden, Liz Gomes, RoseAnn Grall, Jeff Greenly, Don Grogan, Doris Gross, Madeline Guarnieri, Lou Gunkel, Karl Hagermann, Jim Holmes, Craig Inducci, Charles Jacobson, Meryl Jacobson, Samia Jordens, Alex Kersha, Elizabeth Keys, Elizabeth Koch, Dolly Kratz, Barbara Lawless, Mary Ledwith, Jane Liwoch, Elvia Luna, Michael Martell, Genevieve Marvuglio, Ellen Masterson, Bettie Mayer, Bernadette McBeth, Jim McCarthy, John McConnell, Ed McDonough, Carol McDonnell, Regina McHugh, Betty McNichol, Laurence Meo, Elizabeth Merrick, Marybeth Meyer, George Monti, Phyllis Moser, Michael Murphy, Robert Murphy, Ursula Nieland, Daniel O'Brien, Tim O'Reilly, Mignon Parham, Nerissa Pepito, Alex Peters, Thelma Pisano, Mike Pompi, Susan Prager, Sara Puca, Joseph Queenan, Mary Ramsey, Ralph Repoli, Don Roth, Joseph Russo, Jen Shipp, Esperanza Sikorski, Ardene Smith, Joan Smoluk, Hanz Starkl, Jay Steiger, Ryder Sternagel, Rita Stine, Darwin Stout, Pat Straub, Olivia Sullivan, Eileen Sutton, Jonathan Sutton, Doris Tarquinio, Jeanne Tobin, Butch Torres, Catherine Torres, Bernadette Valko, Pat Van Dine, Melvin Vangilder, Jane Wallace, Jessica Walters, Natalie Ward, William Ward, Mark Wassum, Charlene Weaver, Donald Weston, Molly White, Marie Yorkus, Patricia Yorkus, Dorothy Young, Linda Zadnik, Barbara Zenno.

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED, all of the service personnel killed while serving our country, those who have no one to pray for them and the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

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