

St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067

April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday



REJOICE AND BE GLAD

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118:24). Let us remember that these words of today's responsorial psalm are not only sung from the hearts of those gathered in our parish. They are also sung by the poor in tiny barrios throughout Central and South America. They are sung by those denied religious freedom in our world; these Christians lift their voices in clandestine places of worship. These words are sung by people who have lost loved ones to acts of terrorism and war around the globe. Even in the midst of conflict and division, Christians still come together to declare that poverty, loneliness, violence, and division will never, ever have as much power as the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Indeed, let us rejoice this day and be glad!

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NEW PARISHIONERS

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

WEDDINGS

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please call the rectory to make an appointment with one of the parish priests.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Saturday: 5:15 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM, 6:00PM
Children's Liturgy of the Word: at 9:30 Mass
Daily, Monday to Friday: 7:00AM (during Lent)
9:00 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM
Holy Day Schedule: 7:00PM Vigil Mass, 7:00AM,
9:00AM, and 7:00PM.
Special Schedules for Christmas, New Years & Easter

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

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

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45P.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.



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SUNDAY SOCIALS



Join on May 7th after the 7:30AM, 9:30AM and 11:30AM Masses in a festive atmosphere as we share stories with one another while enjoying fresh brewed coffee, delicious donuts, and a healthy selection of fruit and juices. We look forward to seeing everyone!



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.

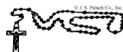
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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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.

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.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).
 Psalm -- This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).
 (1) Second Reading -- All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or
 (2) Second Reading -- Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).
 Gospel -- Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or
 Matthew 28:1-10 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
 Mt 28:8-15
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
 Jn 20:11-18
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27;
 Jn 21:1-14
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
 Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31



Mass Intentions for the Week

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Monday

9:00AM All Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

Tuesday

9:00AM Adele and Dean Fletcher (Jim Fletcher)

Wednesday

9:00AM Adrian and Jaclyn Burka/living (Joseph W. and Lesia Pryor)

Thursday

9:00AM John Hagan (David and Wana Petrucco)

Friday

9:00AM Christina and Fred Hynoski (Mikie (Mom) Chris and Candice Hynoski)

Saturday

8:30AM Richard Gentile (Maria Gentile and Family)

5:15PM Frank and Florence Sperrazza (Phyllis Atkins)

Sunday

7:30AM Helen and Paul McGrory (Tom and Debbie Parsons)

9:30AM Don Grogan (Knights of Columbus Fr. McCafferty Council)

11:30AM Jacqueline Morello (Jennifer Morello)

6:00PM Vincent Paglione (The DiRienzo Family)

April 23, 2017

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Won't you join us for Divine Mercy devotion? On Sunday, April 23 at 3pm, we will gather to chant the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, pray the Rosary, hear the Gospel and end with Benediction. Father Kennedy will lead the devotions and be our Homilist for this special hour. Immediately following, we will gather in the School Cafeteria for light refreshments and faith sharing. All are welcome! If you have never participated, please come and see why we do this every year! Kindly bring a cold appetizer or dessert if you are able. We hope you will join us. God bless you!

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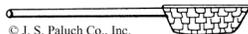
In an effort to modernize our giving program while reducing fees and saving time, we have decided to switch our electronic giving processing to Parish Giving. Parish Giving is a leading provider of secure, user-friendly online giving systems specializing in religious and charitable organizations.

We are hoping that you will find that using the Parish Giving program will be more convenient. Importantly, you maintain full control over your account so that you can change your offering as needed. You will be able to generate a giving report, contribute to Christmas and other special collections, and change the method and/or timing of the funds transfer. In addition, unless you specifically request them, you will no longer receive church envelopes.

Our hope is that you enroll as soon as possible by going to the St. Ignatius of Antioch website at <http://www.stignatius.church> and clicking on the Parish Giving logo. For your convenience, we will continue to process our current in-house ACH contributions for anyone who cannot enroll in the Parish Giving system up until April 30th, 2017. This will be the last time we will process from the old method. At that time we will make an effort to contact anyone who has not enrolled to answer any questions or help in the enrollment process. You can also call the toll free number on the Parish Giving website if you have any questions or would like to enroll over the phone. For those participating in our Parish Giving program, we have placed participation cards in the Narthex of the church. Please take one before mass and place in the collection basket to help us with our Sunday counts. Thank you all for your generosity towards our parish with your Sunday Gifts!

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Christian Giving



	April 3, 2016	April 2, 2017
Sunday	\$ 14,002.00 335 Env.	\$ 14,428.00 451 Env.
ACH Giving—March	\$ 5,487.00	\$ 8,656.00

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!

Due to the need for early transmission of the Easter Sunday bulletin, the collection amount for Sunday, April 9, 2017 will appear in the April 23rd Sunday bulletin.

YOUR PARISH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN ACTION



Did you know that the Knights of our support our parishioners by serving as Ushers, Lectors, Eucharist Ministers, Counters and private Adoration Hours in our Adoration Chapel.

The Knights set up the parish Nativity Scene in front of the Church each year

The Knights contribute to the Fund along with many other Councils to have 15 TO 20 Electronic Advertising signs along Interstate 95, and the Schuylkill Expressway each year with the Message "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS"

The Knight conduct a clean-up of the parish grounds twice a year (Spring and Fall) Isn't it time that you as a Catholic Gentleman join the Knights and support their activities?

For information on joining our Council contact Bruce Wright 215-431-9620

Pray For

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WE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY that they return to the comfort of good health: Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Ruthann Carroll, Brynn Clare Connor, Mary C. Crawford, Olga Fleming, David Fry, Rose Ann Grall, Madeline Guarnieri, Meryl Jacobson, Andrew Kelly, Jake Lindahl, Ellen Masterson, Donna McCarthy, Christine Miller, Eileen Murphy, Lily Murphy, Christine Nassar, Daniel O'Brien, James O'Brien, Francisco Pepito, Thelma Pisano, Madison Ritter, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres, Jane Wallace, Donald Weston, Sabrina Wooding, Barbara Zeno. **(Please call the rectory to submit prayer requests for the sick, and also to remove a name from the list. Names will be removed after a month, unless you request otherwise.)**

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

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY :

Cameron Armstrong, 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, 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, John Worman.



**GOD ANSWERS
OUR PRAYERS**

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GROTTO BRICKS

The best way to remember our departed friends and relatives may be to dedicate a visible monument in their memory. We are currently taking orders for personally inscribed bricks that will be permanently installed on the walkway to the parish grotto. The donation is \$100 per brick with personal messages allowed up to 15 letters on each of three lines. Orders will be taken until May 31th for summer installation. To place an order or for further information, contact Bill Murphy at 215-736-0628 or Jim Walsh at 215-321-3288.

An Adoration Celebration Thank you!

A huge THANK YOU to all who helped to make our Anniversary celebration so enjoyable. To Father Brownholtz for allowing us to take on this endeavor and for joining us for the evening. Thanks also to Father Kennedy and Father Taglianetti for coming back and celebrating with us! Thanks to Father Anthony for being our principal celebrant. The event was made possible by the generosity of our Knights of Columbus (food, tableware and wine) and our committee who generously donated the decorations, flowers, beer, prayer cards, Mass program, and testimonial booklet. All your work and dedication is most appreciated. Thanks also to all who set up everything so beautifully and to all who chipped in for the clean up! Thanks to all who brought a dessert, we had quite an array. Thanks also to Deacon Mike for being our wonderful mc. Thank you also to those who so touchingly offered testimonies of their love for Adoration. Thank you Adorers for your faithfulness, we would have never had 20 years if it were not for you! Thank you KOC for packaging up the leftovers for our shut-ins. Lastly, thank you Jesus for staying with us always in the Most Blessed Sacrament!



PRAYER REQUESTS

The receptacle for prayer requests has returned to the church. It is now a wooden box located on the wall under the First Station of the Cross. All are welcome to place prayer requests in the box. A member of the parish prayer group will intercede for your request for 7 days.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



If you ask most Catholics/Christians what is the most important Holy day Christians celebrate, many will respond Christmas- the birth of our Lord. However, we must reflect on the Easter Triduum- Holy Week and the Crucifixion and Resurrection. Yes, we needed Christ to become human so that He may show us how to live as humans, suffer and die. But, we needed His willingness to die for us, love us, and be raised from the dead to restore us to life, both now and in the hereafter, and we could not do that ourselves. So let us reflect on these mysteries. Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and for that reflection we are proud to offer "Oceans of Mercy" on Saturday, April 22 at 9 AM in the Rel Ed center.

Our Adult Faith Formation committee has been active for over 20 years in our parish. We have put on hundreds of programs. We recently sent out a Survey Monkey, and, on the basis of those results we will be bringing some very exciting changes to our offerings for the Fall of 2017 and Winter of 2018. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Antioch Meeting Center and welcome any new members as well as new ideas. Further, the program FORMED will be continued through next year thanks to an anonymous donor. Please go online by accessing through our parish website.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

ROSE OF LIFE INTENTION: For all who are suffering, either physical or emotional pain.



The Respect Life committee is fully committed to helping St. Ignatius be a prolife parish. We pray. We donate. We have several prolife activities throughout the year. We also need your prayers. We need your help for ideas that you would like to see our committee evolve. We are present in the bulletin each week of the year with a prolife message. Our committee has changed our meetings to just 6 months of the year. Our next meeting will be Monday April 3 at 8 PM in the Antioch meeting center. Please join us. If not, stop in the Adoration chapel and pray for life and an end to our culture of death. On Mother's day, in addition to the prayer for mothers, we will have the St. Gianna relics after each mass. "Even among terminally ill patients, a request to die is nearly always a cry for help ... [and] is often associated with a potentially treatable mental disorder such as depression or anxiety." Usually, the request is from family for extreme pain and suffering due to a chronic illness. Pope St. JP II showed us how to suffer; Jesus showed us how to suffer- he was so distressed that He was sweating blood. St. JP II gave us his writing Salvific Doloris (free online at Vatican website). We need to emulate Jesus and respect life no matter what. The reward for the Crucifixion is the Resurrection. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. Intercessory Prayer: For those who struggle to find meaning in life: Through the grace of the Resurrection, may Christ fill them with hope and the assurance their lives are worth living; We pray to the Lord:

SAVE THE DATE

Trivia night is back!

Saturday April 22nd in the Church Auditorium.

Doors open at 7pm. Trivia starts at 7:30pm.

Teams can consist of up to 10 players.

Cash prize for the winning team.

All proceeds go to the Father McCafferty Scholarship Fund

Look for an insert with more information !

Questions call Rob Sims at 267-391-8623 or email robertgsims@aol.com



GET FORMED

AN INVITATION TO OUR SATURDAY ROSARY

"And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?" Luke 1:43

The words of her cousin, Elizabeth, echo within our own hearts, as well. Pondering the mysteries of the Rosary unites us with Mary, "...as she reflected upon these things in her heart." Luke 2:51

Planning to attend Saturday Confessions or the 5:15 Mass? Stop by and join us in reciting the Rosary. We begin at 4:45 PM in the Church.

"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary." Pope St. Pius X

We are always looking for individuals and families to lead us each week. Interested? Email Maria at contact@stignatius.church or call her at 215-493-3377.



Take courage; get up, he is calling you.
Mk 10:49

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DID JESUS
REALLY RISE
FROM THE
DEAD?



Video Documentary – Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?

If Christ has not been raised, said the Apostle Paul, Christian faith is in vain. "Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?" carefully scrutinizes the historical evidence and critically examines alternative explanations. Watch this fascinating, fast-paced exploration of Jesus fate and how His Resurrection has consequences for every one of us.

ST. IGNATIUS SERVANTS OF MARY

OFFER WAYS TO GROW IN THE LOVE OF MARY & CLOSER TO JESUS DURING 2017 - THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATIMA

11:00AM FIRST SATURDAY MORNING FATIMA MATINEE
(Auditorium)

A family morning out, with movie perfect for the whole family! Learn and experience the love of our Blessed Mother © Refreshments (next showing: 5/20/17: The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima)

12:30pm FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY MAKING (Auditorium) Opportunity to learn the beautiful and fine art of Rosary making. Bring your own beads or use those provided. Adapted for any skill level. (next:5/20/2017)



ADORATION CHAPEL

Come let us Adore Him

A big thank you to everyone who has signed up for Adoration an hour each week. Our new open hours are: Friday 1am and Saturday 1am. We also have 1 slot where Adorers alternate weeks and commit to 2 hours monthly. The time is Saturday at 6am. For more information about Perpetual adoration kindly fill out one of our new cards found in the pews and place it in the collection basket. You can also call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152. We hope you will consider this enriching spiritual practice. God Bless you!

***Please call 215-493-6245 and press option 4, to check for chapel closings during inclement weather.

BOOK n' BEAN

Our group is growing and we are always adding new members. How about joining us on the last Tuesday night of each month beginning in September (except December and summers) to discuss our selected book of the month? We meet in the Religious Education Office across from the School Cafeteria from 7:30 - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own beverage.

Contact Linda Stewart at: dremom@verizon.net or call me at 215-968-3577 with questions. Our schedule is:

Tuesday, April 25 Black Flags: The Rise of Isis (Joby Warrick)

Tuesday, May 23 Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet ~ Jamie Ford

Tuesday, September 26—Nightingale (Kristen Hannah)

H.O.P.E.

(Helping Other People Everyday)



H.O.P.E. is a group of concerned parishioners who are willing to help anyone in the geographical boundaries of our parish.

What we do: Visit shut-ins; prepare meals in a crisis situation; grocery shop or run errands for shut-ins; take others to the grocery store; take people to Mass one day a month; drive to medical appointments, bank, post office, etc.

What we CANNOT do: Transport people in wheelchairs, be called as an emergency ride, do personal care (feeding, bathing, toileting, house cleaning, or respite care), respond on short notice. (If possible, please give us 2 weeks notice).

To volunteer for H.O.P.E. or to use H.O.P.E., call Pat Furst at 215-801-0820.

Clothing Collection

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

Youth and Young Adult



ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH SCHOOL
"A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence"
"A Community of Faith, Academics and Service"

Celebrate the glory of the Resurrection and share the joyful news of the Risen Christ!

Happy Easter from the St. Ignatius School Community!

Coming Events:

Wednesday, April 19 – School resumes

Thursday, April 20 – Middle School teams compete in Reading Olympics Competition

Friday, April 21 – Class trips for grades 5, 6, and 7
Grade 8 to Chastity Day Rally

Saturday, April 22 – Trivia Night

Coming in May – Open House

When: Wednesday, May 17th

Time: 9:00-11:00 AM and 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Share the news with family, friends and neighbors.

TRADITION CONFERENCE: A CELEBRATION OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday, June 19, 2017 - 8am-5:30pm

Join with clergy, teachers, catechists and other ministry leaders as we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Speakers: Jeff Cavins (Keynote), Scott Hahn, Mother Assumpta Long, O.P., Matthew Bunsen, Deborah Savage, Jonathan Reyes

More info: View the Save the Date at <http://www.phillyevang.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/June-19-Tradition-Save-the-Date.pdf>

FAMILY MINISTRY

Playful kids and wonderful volunteers made our 1st Family Dinner a blast. See you again May 20th! Help create more family activities- email caitlin.fanelli@gmail.com
Facebook group: St. Ignatius Yardley Family Ministry

"The joy of love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church." -Pope Francis

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. We are in need of several donations to the fund in order to assist needy families with school tuition.

From the Religious Education Office ...

The Religious Education Office opens on Sunday at 7:00 a.m. and from Monday through Thursday at 9:30 a.m. The office is closed on Friday, but I do check phone and email messages.



SACRAMENT INFORMATION:

CONFIRMATION: With Bishop Michael Fitzgerald, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, April 29, at 10:00 a.m. Three adults and 97 children will receive the Sacrament. Rehearsal for all candidates and their sponsors will be on Thursday, April 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

FIRST COMMUNION: We will celebrate our students who will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday, May 6, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass (Sunday and Monday PREP) and at the 1:00 p.m. Mass (St. I. School and Wednesday PREP). Rehearsal for the 10:00 a.m. Mass is on Tuesday, May 2, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Rehearsal for the 1:00 p.m. Mass is on Thursday, May 4, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP: Our annual Vacation Bible Camp will take place during the week of June 26 – 30, 2017. The theme is Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose. All PREP and school children in grades Pre-K 4 to 4th grade have received the VBS Registration Forms by now. Please return the registration form and fee as soon as possible so we have time to order needed supplies. Adult Volunteers are needed. Thanks.

REGISTRATION FOR 2017 – 2018 PREP YEAR

All PREP families will soon receive registration materials. Please bring the completed registration form (1 per child) and tuition fee to the PREP Office.

If you are new to the parish or will have children entering kindergarten or grade 1 in the fall, please stop in our office for information and registration materials or call 215-493-5204. We will also need a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate unless he/she was baptized here at St. Ignatius Church.

Parents of students who will be entering grades 7-12 in the fall: Please encourage your sons and daughters to continue their Religious Education after Confirmation. Confirmation is a beginning, not an end. Don't deprive your older kids the chance to learn more about who God is and what he is all about. We all know how much we need God in our lives.

"Special Needs" PREP class: Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? This class meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please give Annmarie a call at 215-493-5204.