



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018



MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz, Pastor

Deacon Robert J. Skawinski, Retired

Deacon Michael Cibenko

Mary Ann DiTommaso, School Principal

Annmarie C. Flanagan, Director of Religious Education

Gregory Lucidi, Business Manager

Maria L. LaMantia, Parish Secretary

Lee F. Milhous, Music Director

Trevor Dooley, Junior High Youth Minister

Emily Rogers, High School Youth Minister

Salvatore LaMantia, High School Youth Minister

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday—CLOSED

Monday—Friday 9am—4pm

Saturday—CLOSED

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: 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.

Confessions will also be heard upon request. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

New to the parish? Please call the rectory to register.

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday December 2, 2018

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

7:30AM The Lanzoni Family
(Ernest Pellegrino)

9:30AM Wayne Thomas
(Tom and Debbie Parsons)

11:30AM Joseph Noto
(RoseAnn and Tom LaFisca)

6:00PM John—Wario Jimenez
(The Young Family)

Monday December 3, 2018

Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

9:00AM Mary Fazzalore
(Loretta and Bill Amerine)

Tuesday December 4, 2018

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

9:00AM Margaret Rattie
(Bill and Katie Pasko)

Wednesday December 5, 2018

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

9:00AM Helen and Albert Barber
(The Charles Family)

Thursday December 6, 2018

Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

9:00AM Helen and Donald Stewart
(James and Monica Walsh)

Friday December 7, 2018

Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

9:00AM Richard F. Pierce
(Bill and Katie Pasko)

Saturday December 8, 2018

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

8:30AM Franco Esposito
(The Primola Family)

5:15PM Meryl Jacobson
(Loretta and Bill Amerine)

Sunday December 9, 2018

Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

7:30AM All Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

9:30AM Michael Septer (The Septer Family)

11:30AM Cliff C. Crawford
(Mary C. Crawford)

6:00PM Giuseppe Covello
(The Covello Family)

ADORATION CHAPEL—Did you know?

Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is a great source of peace and comfort. It also increases our desire for prayer. Won't you spend some time at our Chapel? You can visit anytime day or night. If you would like to spend an hour each week, please consider one of the following open hours: Sunday 4pm, 5pm, Monday 10am, 11am. Saturday 4pm and 8am (the last 2 Saturdays of each month. Kindly call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152 if you would like more information.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK—Parishioners

are encouraged to let the rectory know when they are in the hospital, nursing home, or other medical care facility. Please contact the rectory if you or anyone you know might be ill, a shut in or unable to attend Mass on a weekly basis. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.

BAPTISMS—The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45PM Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class or for a Baptism.

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.

RCIA—Information is available for those who are considering becoming a member of the Catholic Faith. 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. The rosary is also recited at the following times: 4:45pm Saturday Nights, 7:30PM First Friday (Church), 8:00am First Saturday (Church), 6pm Wednesdays in our Blessed Mother's Meeting Room (#2D Antioch Meeting Center), 10am Tuesdays Rosary for Healing (Chapel), 3pm Fridays Sacred Heart Rosary (Chapel)

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

FISCAL CORNER

2018-2019 Annual Parish Appeal

As of our eighth full week of the Parish appeal, 226 families have contributed \$90,075 toward our goal of \$160,000. We are at 56.30% of this year's goal. Thank you for your generosity!

This critical parish financial appeal will run from October through the end of January. This is one of our largest sources of income, aside from our normal Sunday collections, and is greatly needed for the daily operation of our parish. You should have received our appeals materials in the mail. If you have not, there are appeal envelopes located in the entrances of the church. Please return your donation by placing this year's appeal envelope in the collection basket at Mass. You may also mail your contribution or drop it off directly to the rectory.

Our Door Replacement project is now underway! We now have 6 doors sold! There are only 2 doors left on the front of the Church, so if you would like to sponsor a door, please give us a call at the rectory! If you would like more information, brochures about our door replacement projects are now available in the church and on the parish website.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

	November 26, 2017	November 25, 2018
Sunday Offering	\$ 15,439.00 361 env.	\$16,665.00 308 env.
Online Parish Giving	\$ 4,053.00	\$ 4,072.04
Total Weekly	\$ 19,492.00	\$20,737.04

Thanksgiving—AFF	\$ 1,248.00	\$1,779.00
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	November 19, 2017	November 18, 2019
Sunday Offering	\$ 14,017.00 385 env.	\$16,375.00 407 env.
Online Parish Giving	\$ 3,553.49	\$ 3,660.32
Total Weekly	\$ 17,570.49	\$20,035.32

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!

AID FOR FRIENDS

Aid for Friends provides free meals for the elderly, ill and homebound in the greater Philadelphia area. Our next meeting to assemble meals will be held on Thursday, December 13th from 9 am – noon in the church auditorium kitchen. *We are truly blessed, but more helping hands are always needed and welcome.* Our annual Christmas potluck will be held immediately after our meeting. Please bring food to share as we all reconnect and take a few moments to enjoy each other's company. Your gifts and talents are always appreciated. If you would like additional information on how you can help, please call Kathy, 215-321-0116 or Jayne, 215-321-5739. See you on December 13th!

"To change the world we must be good to those who cannot repay us." --Pope Francis



Prayer List

FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

that they return to the comfort of good health:
Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Pat Brodowski, Ruthann Carroll, Daniel Castillo, Brynn Clare Connor, Cliff Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Jessica DiRienzo, Olga Fleming, David Fry, Cindy Golden, Sherry Golden, Tina Golden, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathan Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, Denise Hiel, Charles Jacobson, Ryan Law, Chuck Kane, Andrew Kelly, Betsy Keys, Edmund Liwoch, Jane Liwoch, Sean Marriott, Scott McDowell, Dorothy McMullen, Eileen Murphy, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, James O'Brien, Janet Sassaman, Lenore Shrift, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres

FOR OUR BELOVED

DECEASED, especially Dolores A. Wornczyk, 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.

FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY :

Daniel Basheda, 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, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Matthew Listner, 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, J.C. Peabody, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

Monday Morning Madness Raffle

Tickets are now on sale for our weekly drawing, called the "Monday Morning Madness II" raffle. Each Monday we will draw a lucky ticket for a fixed cash prize. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the rectory or through the school. We will make them available after masses soon! Tickets will be available through the end of December. The first drawing will take place on Monday January 7th, 2019 with additional drawings every Monday through March. Prizes will be \$100 on each Monday, and \$500 on the last Monday of the month.



If you have attended the March for Life for many years, or you've always felt convicted to go, we hope you'll join us on Friday, January 18, 2019 for the March for Life. Together, our voices are stronger"....From Why the March for Life Matters... because ALL LIVES MATTER!

- St. Ignatius will again be providing a comfortable tour bus to DC, free of charge. The bus departs St. Ignatius parking lot at 8 AM and arrives back at St. Ignatius at approximately 8 PM.
- Prior to departure, there will be Mass at 7:15 AM. Bus leaves 8 AM SHARP! Dress warm. Bring lunch/beverages.
- Refreshments will be available. Need registration to control volume. Email either cicvi17@verizon.net or lruppersberger@gmail.com

In the event, that you want to attend but feel that you cannot march, arrangement can be made to drop you off and pick you up at the beautiful Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in DC where you may pray. In addition, there is a cafeteria at the Shrine as well as a gift shop. You will be picked up on the way back! Bus returns around 8 PM.

ADULT Faith FORMATION

The work of evangelization always begins at "home." This means first the "home" of our own hearts and then the "home" of our parish. The first stage of evangelization, then, is always

one's own being evangelized, through a personal commitment to a life of continual conversion in Christ through the life of the Church. This work that takes place in the "inner man" (Eph 3:16) spills over into a call to conversion in the parish, where those who are actively practicing their faith must hear and accept the invitation to an ever-deeper life of intimacy with Christ. This is the very heart of evangelization—the stage without which our outreach to inactive Catholics and those who do not know God cannot bear fruit. Our AFF committee strives to bring programs of interest and education and inspiration. We strive to choose days and times convenient for most. We provide refreshments, social interaction and discussion. If you would like input, come to one of our committee meetings on the first Wed of every month or email us at stignatiusadult-faith@gmail.com.

Our next program will be next weekend, Dec. 8, with one of our most popular presenters, Dr. Peter Kreeft (DVD) discussing on becoming a saint. Join us at 9:45 AM (note later time because of Holy Day).

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others." At the beginning of this new Advent, let us ponder for a few moments each day, in prayer or meditation, what the meaning of this new life coming into

the world really is. We are all created in HIS image and likeness. If we wish to encounter Jesus, we need to think about Him, pray to Him, spend some time with Him, enter into Communion with Him (Eucharist), talk to Him (confession) and basically get to know who He is and how much He loves each and every one of us. Further, we can get to know Him by knowing our neighbor who also is created in His image and likeness. This 'created-ness' begins in the womb. Can you imagine if Mary, a 14 year old unmarried Jewish girl who found herself pregnant, decided to abort THAT baby (Jesus)? Then where would we be? Since Jesus was part of God's plan for salvation from the beginning of time, so is every other conceived child! Regardless of circumstance! Let us respect all life. Let us prepare for Jesus.

If interested in going on March for Life Bus trip on Jan. 18, see the bulletin for details to sign up for free.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.



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Catholic Cemetery
& Columbarium

Our Outdoor Columbarium Niches, located in the memorial circle in the center of our cemetery, are now available for sale. Double granite front niches are intended to be used by the cremated remains of two persons behind a marble shutter. If you have any questions, or are interested in purchasing a niche, please visit our parish website at www.stignatius.church or call the Rectory at 215-493-3377.

GET FORMED



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

Simply Visit:
www.stignatius.formed.org
Register yourself and enjoy the content
available to you and your family!

SAVE THE DATE St. Ignatius Parish Auction Night

After a huge success last Spring, we will be holding another parish auction night on Friday, March 1st at Rose Bank Winery. Tickets for full tables of 10 (\$750) will go on sale in December, followed by individual tickets (\$85) in January.

If anyone is interested in donating or sponsoring this event, please contact Samantha Fleming at nicholldance@msn.com

BOY SCOUTS CHRISTMAS WREATHS

The Boy Scouts of America Troop 230 will be selling Christmas Wreaths before and after Mass on Saturday nights and Sundays between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The wreaths are 22" wide fresh cut balsam branches and come with a red bow. The scouts will be stationed outside each entrance to the church. Cash or check made out to BSA Troop 230 for \$15 each will be accepted for payment.

WWP – St. Ignatius Yardley, PA CHILD CARE Substitute – Help Needed

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study offered in our parish with childcare available during our Tuesday morning sessions. To make our program more accessible to mothers at home with young children, we are praying for a woman to serve as a child care substitute. The substitute will be contacted when a member of our staff is unable to work. Responsibilities include helping our child care coordinator serve the young children of our program on Tuesday mornings from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. This is a paid position. For more information, please contact: wwp.ignatius@gmail.com

THANK YOU FROM THE SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

The Social Action Committee is very grateful to the parishioners of St. Ignatius for their support of our recent Turkey and Canned Goods Drive. Hundreds of bags of canned goods as well as 130 turkeys and \$2000 in gift cards were contributed and donated to local organizations in Hamilton and Trenton, New Jersey, and Yardley, Morrisville, Bristol, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Students from our parish representing many of our local schools including St. Ignatius assisted us with the collection and distribution of food items. Canned goods were also donated to a day school in Morrisville for food baskets they made for needy families in the area. Thank you to all who helped make this effort a success and especially to the anonymous donors who every year give us hundreds of dollars in gift cards which in turn are distributed to clients at Catholic Social Services. Your generosity makes such a difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

OUR SEMINARIAN



Prayer for our Seminarians

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer and Andrew Lane, and Michael Lewis to prepare for priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen

To learn more about our seminarians visit <http://heedthecall.org/poster/>

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Starting in January 2019, we will no longer have an 8:30 morning mass on Saturdays.

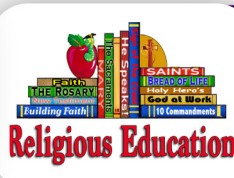
AID FOR FRIENDS GIFTS OF WARMTH

Gifts of Warmth are invaluable to our homebound friends during the cold, winter season. Please use the Aid for Friends donation boxes at any of the church entrances to leave your unwrapped gift. Some suggestions for donation include: Men's or Women's Robes and Pajamas, blankets, socks, sheets, sweat suits, toiletries, Ensure or Boost, etc. Thank you. Your kindness and generosity are always appreciated.





**St. Ignatius of Antioch
School**
*"A Community of Faith,
Academics and Service"*



*From the Religious Education
Office ... The PREP office is
open from Sundays through
Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. on.*



Advent is a time given to us to welcome the Lord who comes to meet us, to verify our desire for God, to look ahead and prepare ourselves for the return of Christ.

This week begins the many ways that we help our students prepare for the coming of the Infant:

Monday – Thursday – Santa Secret Shop
 Tuesday, Dec. 4 – 7:00pm – Advent Giving Mass
 Thursday, Dec. 6 – St. Nick Day
 Friday, Dec. 7 – 9:00 Mass

2:30 - Tree Blessing – cafeteria – All are welcome to join us for prayer and song
 7:30pm – 7-8th grade dance

Saturday, Dec. 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Holyday



*Sounds
of the
Season*

Get in the Christmas Spirit! Come hear our children as they sing some of your Christmas favorites. Our Annual Christmas Concert will take place on Monday, December 10th at



Please join us in decorating our church for Christmas on Sunday, December 16th at 12:45PM. This is a great opportunity for service hours! If you can help, please call the rectory, 215-493-3377 extension 211, and leave your name and phone number. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.



Open House and Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 9th – Open House and Christmas Concert: Please mark your calendars and plan to attend our annual Open House and Christmas Concert, featuring our seminarian choir.

PREP Registration: If you have thought about registering your child(ren) for PREP classes but never got around to it, never fear. It's never too late. Stop in the PREP Office to meet Annmarie, and we can get your child(ren) started.

ADVENT GIFT-GIVING MASS: On Tuesday, December 4, at 7:00 p.m., we will celebrate our annual Advent Gift-Giving Mass to help the children of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Chester and Sacred Heart Parish in Camden. Please bring an unwrapped child's gift to the Mass. The gifts can be toys, clothing, etc. for any child or teenager. If you are unable to attend the Mass, you can also leave your gifts in the Sacristy during the day. After Mass, we will have refreshments downstairs in the auditorium.

PREP CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: On Tuesday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m., we will have our annual Christmas Pageant. We will remember the real story of Christmas – Jesus, who is God, became like us so that we may be like him. Come and join us in the singing of the original Christmas Carols. We need your voices!

MONDAY MORNING MADNESS RAFFLE II: I will be selling the raffle tickets at PREP pickup time. The cost is \$10.00 a ticket (Who can buy just 1 ticket??), and the drawings begin in January. Last year, PREP families did great on these tickets. Let's have a repeat! Bring your money when you come to drop off or pick up your kids. Help your parish.

Parents of students who are in grades 7-8: Please encourage your son 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.