



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 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
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
Special Schedules for Holy Days, 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 23, 2018
7:30AM Le My Chung (The Pham Family)
9:30AM Patrick Mahle
 (Loretta and Bill Amerine)
11:30AM All Living and Deceased Members of
 the Parish
6:00PM Michael J. Downs Sr. and Michael J.
 Downs Jr. (Lorraine Downs)

Monday December 24, 2018
9:00AM Ellen Lyons (The Frawley Family)
4:00PM James Ward Reynolds (Jeri Ulrich)
4:05PM The Kloc Family/ living
 (Susan Russell)
8:00PM Richard Petrucco (Gail Hagan)

Tuesday December 25, 2018
12:00AM Rev. Richard Humphrey M. AFR.
 (Tom and Lorraine Humphrey)
7:30AM Ed Russell (Joe Cardone)
9:30AM Rosemary Overberger/ living
 (The Gerding Family)
11:30AM Marianne Kloc / living
 (Susan Russell)

Wednesday December 26, 2018
9:00AM John J. O'Rourke (Alice O'Rourke)

Thursday December 27, 2018
9:00AM Katherine Trigg (Robert Trigg)

Friday December 28, 2018
9:00AM Frank Lyons (The Frawley Family)

Saturday December 29, 2018
8:30AM Mary Dolores "Boots" Wright
 (Bill and Katie Pasko)
5:15PM Patrick Joy
 (Paul and Virginia Martin)

Sunday December 30, 2018
7:30AM Patrick Joy (The Baker Family)
9:30AM Kathryn Marsegia
 (The Marsegia Family)
11:30AM Harold "Buzz" Taylor (Joan Taylor)
6:00PM All Living and Deceased Members of
 the Parish

SUNDAY SOCIAL COORDINATORS NEEDED

Are you looking to volunteer a few hours each month? We are looking for a few social coordinators that would oversee the ministry team in making sure there is a transition and clean up from one Mass to the next. Please call the rectory for more information.

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

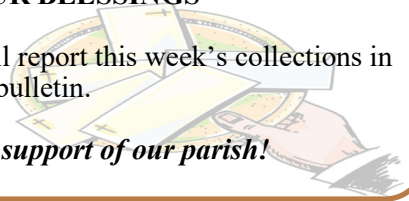
If you have not yet contributed to our 2018-2019 parish appeal, there is only 1 week left for your donation to count in 2018. Right now we are at 62.97% of this year goal and can only reach our goal of \$160,000 with your help! This critical parish financial appeal will run through the end of January. 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. If you need an appeal envelope, they are 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. Thank you for your generosity!

Our Door Replacement project is progressing! We now have 9 doors sold! There is only one door on the back of the church, as well as the 4 side doors available. If you would like to sponsor a door, please give us a call at the rectory! For more information, brochures about our door replacement projects are available in the church and on the parish website.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Due to the Christmas Holy Day we will report this week's collections in next week's bulletin.

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!



A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

May this Christmas season bring you and your families happiness and joy. As we celebrate the birthday of our Savior, may this moment in time reassure us of God's love for each of us. On behalf of our deacons and staff, I wish you a Holy Christmas and a new year filled with joy, happiness, and peace.

Father Brownholtz

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULES

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE: December 18th 7:00PM

CHRISTMAS EVE: 4:00 PM (Children's Liturgy), 8:00 PM, and 12:00 Midnight (Once the church is full at the 4:00 PM Mass, parishioners will be directed downstairs to the auditorium for an overflow Christmas Mass.)

CHRISTMAS DAY: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

NEW YEAR'S EVE: 5:15 PM Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY: 9:00AM



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, Tracey Meaney, Eileen Murphy, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Janet Sassaman, Lenore Shrift, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres

FOR OUR BELOVED

DECEASED, 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.

H.O.P.E.



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 Regina Lertch at 267-397-0453.

MARCH FOR LIFE

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 lruppers-berger@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.



Rose of Life Intention: For the gift of life, may we cherish it always.

"Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: the Virgin will be with child and will give birth to a Son, and will call Him Immanuel." The name

'Immanuel' means 'God is with us'. And, He will be with us until the end of time. He desires us to spend all of eternity with Him in Heavenly joy and peace and love. We humans were 'messing it up' and couldn't get our act together for thousands of years. So... God sent His only Son, Jesus, to become one of us humans to show us how to be born, how to live, how to die and gifted us with a 'second chance'. In two days, we celebrate that coming. Let us rejoice and be glad. We have all received the greatest of all gifts- loved into being, i.e. LIFE!. Let us return this, our most precious gift, by giving our lives back to Him and turning our wills over to His. After all, He is the way, the truth and the life!

March for Life bus trip is free to all who wish to join us on Jan. 18. See bulletin for details.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer; For couples longing for a child: May God strengthen and comfort them as they strive to follow his plan; We pray to the Lord:



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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!

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 **new and 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.



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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome Timothy James McCarthy, Delaney Anne Ockford, Leah Jean Mohan, Vienna Lynn Bucci, Charlotte Rae Howard, Sophia Rose Petrucelli, Hadley Joanne Crea, Matthew Dean Matlack, Brennan Taylor Scott, Anakin Joseph Hilbert, Mackenzie Sofia Mugavero, Alayna Marie Roach, Andor Charles Jakab, Samuel Kenneth Mancuso, Madeline Elizabeth Eshleman, Dominic Giovanni Fantano, Jaycee Rose McGinty, Jayden Robert DiBattista, Elizabeth Theresa Bavaro, and Hannah Ray White. These children were recently baptized into our Catholic Faith.

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Family Ministry Dinner—Saturday, January 12th After 5:15 Mass

Join us for a delicious FREE dinner full of food variety, kids activities, and good friends. Food contributions are sincerely welcome and appreciated. At this dinner our activity will be decorating posters for the group attending the upcoming March for Life! All craft supplies will be covered.

To RSVP email or look up Caitlin.Fanelli@gmail.com on SignupGenius by Jan 9.

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.

RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Monday 12/24—Closed
Tuesday 12/25 – Closed
Friday 12/28—Closed
Monday 12/31 Closed
Tuesday 1/1— Closed



FOOD COLLECTION— We will collect our usual items for Mary's Pantry on the second Sunday of each month. Please bring your canned and boxed items, paper goods and baby needs to Mass and place them in the designated places

ST. IGNATIUS Designer

Handbag



Join us for a fun filled evening of bingo, basket raffles, 50/50 and door prizes!

When: Friday, January 11, 2019 (snow date Fri., Jan. 18th)
Doors open at 6:30pm | Bingo starts at 7:30pm

Where: St. Ignatius Church Auditorium

Why: Benefits St. Ignatius School 8th Grade Graduation

Suggested donations: \$30.00 in advance | \$35.00 at the door

For tickets email or call: sishandbagbingo@gmail.com
or 215-584-3459



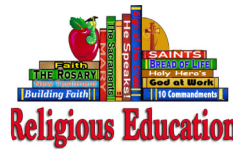
SUNDAY SOCIALS

Our next Sunday Social will be January 6th, 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!

Book 'n Bean

Do you wish you had more time to read great books? How about one per month? Our discussion group always welcomes new members so please join us on the dates listed below to review our selected book of the month. We meet in the Religious Ed Office across from the School Cafeteria from 7:30pm - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own beverage. If you have questions, contact Linda Stewart at: dremom@verizon.net or call 215-968-3577. Our schedule for the 2018-2019 academic year is:

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| Tues. Jan. 29 | Everyone Brave is Forgiven (Chris Cleave) |
| Tues. Feb. 26 | The Screwtape Letters (C. S. Lewis) |
| Tues. Mar. 26 | It's Not Necessarily So (Fr. Richard G. Rento) |
| Tues. Apr. 30 | Before We Were Yours (Lisa Wingate) |
| Tues. May 28 | A Piece of the World (Christina Baker Kline) |



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

CATECHETICAL AWARDS: Each year the Archdiocese of Philadelphia awards Catechists who have volunteered to teach about God and the Faith to our children in PREP. This year we have 7 award winners. We congratulate:

Marianne Kloc for 25 years of service

Margaret Mary Phinney for 20 years of service

Amy Gogoj for 10 years of service

Gregory Schwind for 10 years of service

Deborah Greco for 10 years of service

Roberta (Bobbi) Cimochoowski for 5 years of service

Staci Szymanski for 5 years of service

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.

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.

Parents of students who are in grades 7-8:

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.