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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 31, 2019



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, 9:00 AM

*Special Schedules for Holy Days

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Open 24 Hours, 7 Days a Week, 365 Days a Year

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.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday—CLOSED

Monday- Friday 9am—4pm

Saturday—CLOSED

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday *March 31, 2019*

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

7:30AM Thomas F. O'Brien

(Carol and Richard McCune)

9:30AM Albert Bennet (The Joy Family)

11:30AM Jan Wolodzko (Marirose Wolodzko)

6:00PM Patrick Walsh (Tori and Pat Schaeffer)

Monday April 1, 2019

Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b; Jn 4:43-54

7:00AM James and Marie Pryor (Joe and Lesia Pryor)

9:00AM Ella Begley (Michele Callan)

Tuesday April 2, 2019

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

7:00AM Bob Conlon (Stacy Frankil)

9:00AM Francis LaRoche (Rich and Kathy Moore)

Wednesday April 3, 2019

Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

7:00AM John Murphy (Dennis and Michele Jones)

9:00AM Angelo Falsone (Michele Callan)

Thursday April 4, 2019

Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47

7:00AM James J. McCarthy (The May Family)

9:00AM Adele Justin (Loretta and Alfred Halas)

Friday April 5, 2019

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

7:00AM John Murphy (The Sims Family)

9:00AM Elizabeth Hay (James and Monica Walsh)

Saturday April 6, 2019

Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53

5:15PM Ann and Rick Malloy (Jack Dempsey)

Sunday April 7, 2019

Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

7:30AM Jim and Barbara Frawley / living

(Children and Grandchildren)

9:30AM Katelyn Raiguel (The Nemceff Family)

11:30AM Kathryn and Joseph Queenan

(Mary C. Crawford)

6:00PM Herbert Nyberg (Mary Lou Henderson)

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 31, 2019

First Reading: Josiah 5:9a, 10-12

"Reproach of Egypt" may refer to circumcision. The people celebrate the Passover, here an older version that did not include the sacrifice of the lamb.

Second Reading: II Corinthians 5:17-21

Paul tells his readers that not only has God reconciled humanity to Himself, but He has also entrusted the reconciling mission of Christ to us.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

This is perhaps Our Lord's greatest parable. It illustrates several lessons, above all the forgiveness of the father for his younger son's waywardness and his older son's self-righteousness.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Adele Juston requested by Loretta and Al Halas.



St. Vincent Ferrer
Pray for Us
Feast Day
April 5th

"The Lord sends us tribulations and infirmities to give us the means of paying the immense debts we have contracted with Him. Therefore, those who have good sense receive them joyfully, for they think more of the good which they may derive from them than of the pain which they experience on account of them."

~Saint Vincent Ferrer

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BECOMING A PARISHIONER

Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass here for years, we welcome you to join our parish. Please contact the rectory to register.

We welcome the following families into our parish community:

Szymanik, Baranauska, Eckman, and Botti

BAPTISM

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 7:00 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.



St. Ignatius of Antioch

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.

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.

WEDDINGS

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

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.

FISCAL CORNER

As we leave behind old man winter and move towards spring and summer, we would like to remind you about our online giving program. As many of you know, during the months after school lets out for the summer, we do see a drop in our Sunday contributions. Those summer months are when we see the biggest challenge with our cash flow. We would ask that you consider our online parish giving program as a way to ensure your weekly contribution is made to the parish. Those participating in online giving have found the program to be more convenient and allows them to maintain full control over their account. Parish Giving also allows you to generate a giving report, contribute to Christmas and Easter as well as all other special collections, in addition to allowing you to change the method and/or timing of the funds transfer.

Our online giving program is a great success and our hope is that more parishioners will enroll. You may do so by going to the St. Ignatius of Antioch website at http://www.stignatius.church and clicking on the Parish Giving logo. For those participating in our Parish Giving program, you may print a participation receipt from the parish giving website to place in the weekly collection basket. Thank you all for your generosity towards our parish with your Sunday Gifts!

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Sunday Offering	3/25/2018 \$ 19,065.00	3/24/2019 \$15,921.00	372 env.
Online Parish Giving Total Weekly Contribution	\$ 3,783.55 \$ 22,848.55	\$ 4,770.22 \$ 20,691.22	

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!

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 wheel-chairs, 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.

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, Tuesday 8am, Thursday 7pm, Friday 7pm Saturday 4pm and 6am. Kindly call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152 if you would like more information.

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.



Lord hear our prayer for the sick in our community that they return to the comfort of good health:

Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Sharon Brann, Bob Borges, Pat Brodowski, Ruthann Carroll, Daniel Castillo, Brynn Clare Connor, Cliff Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Jessica DiRienzo, Frank Fazzalore, Olga Fleming, David Fry, Cindy Golden, Sherry Golden, Tina Golden, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathan Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, 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, Irene Schuka, Darwin Stout, Elaine Tabackin, Catherine Torres, Charles Weber

Proposition Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Proposition Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Proposition O'Brien Blaydon, Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Milion Delay, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten De Tample, 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.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, 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

VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE DIOCESAN PRIESTHOCD

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

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED especially Robert T. McCarthy, William M. DiSisto, Mark Hileman, Maurice W. Mahoney, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.

DEDICATE THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Rectory. The cost of the candle is \$10.00. It will burn for one week. The memorial will be published in the Bulletin.

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. For more information, please contact our spiritual prayer group director, Deacon Bob Skawinski, at rjcs1219@verizon.net.

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!



Though prayer is one of the essentials of a thriving faith, we often feel as if we're talking to ourselves—or, worse, as if we're talking to no one at all. How can something so vital to the Faith be so elusive?

Now, with the clear teaching and artistry of the Augustine Institute's Lectio series, Dr. Tim Gray masterfully uses the discipline of Lectio Divina to show you how to make prayer an effective effort of love and intimacy. In six video sessions, Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love.

"UNPLANNED" MOVIE SHOWING APRIL 4TH

Thanks to Charlie Adcock for donating a showing of the movie "UN-PLANNED" at the Newtown Theater on Thursday April 4th at 7:30pm.

This movie is based on a true story of a young woman(Abby Johnson) who believed that she was helping woman make good choices for their lives by working at Planned Parenthood. She was recruited by Planned Parenthood while she was in college assisting woman as an escort and several years later she became a clinic director. Her convictions were shaken through a series of events that changed her life.

Prior to the movie there will be a gathering at LaStalla from 6:00-7:00. Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres will be provided. (Cash Bar).

For those of you who know little about Planned Parenthood this movie is very informative. Please share to anyone you think would be interested.

Draw closer to the Lord, this Lent

Daily Mass Schedule 7:00am, 9:00am

Lenten Confession Schedule Saturdays 4:00pm—5:00pm April 6th, 13th

Stations of the Cross Fridays 2:00 pm & 7:00pm April 5th

Palm Sunday Mass April 14th 5:15pm Vigil 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am 6:00pm

Lenten Penance Service April 16th 7:00pm

Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 18th
7:00pm

Good Friday
Celebration of Morning Prayer
9:00am
Solemn Liturgical Service
3:00pm

Holy Saturday Mid-day Prayer 1:00pm Easter Vigil 7:30pm

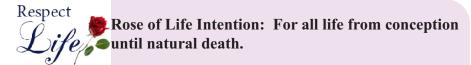
Easter Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM



We are now 4 weeks into Lent. How is your Lenten fast going? This is a great time to renew your commitment to fast/abstain/pray/read Scripture/sacrifice and doing an 'extra' spiritual or corporal work

of mercy. If you haven't been to confession recently, NOW is the time. Jesus is there. IF you haven't been to mass recently, NOW is the time, Jesus is there. If you haven't visited the Adoration chapel recently, or ever, Jesus is there waiting for you ... the door code is 521... it is open 24/7. Jesus loves you. Jesus wants you. Jesus has the answers to your questions, problems, issues and needs. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. He is the reason we remember. He came to show us how to live. He came to show us how to die. He came to give us life and call us back Home. Just answer. He is calling you!

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us. Thanks to all who attend our programs Looking forward to seeing you in September.



"Because life is our first and most basic gift from an infinitely loving God, it deserves our utmost respect and protection. Direct attacks on innocent human life are always gravely wrong."

While the discussion on abortion and euthanasia has been ongoing for over 45 years, we seem to have lost the most significant aspect of all the debates of 'choice', 'my body', 'reproductive health' and other such aphorisms to the meaning of the body- 'male and female He created them', 'in our image and likeness' he created them, 'be fruitful and multiply...' He commanded them; 'the two shall become one'; so, all life is created by God through the Holy Spirit, 'the Lord and Giver of life' and only God has the right to Lord over life from conception until natural death. He died for us and gave HIS Body so we may live. We need to pray as we prepare for the Easter Triduum for there is not Resurrection without Suffering as He showed us. Let us cherish life, it is our greatest gift and one which our Constitution guarantees.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer; For civic leaders: That by their words and actions, they might work to preserve respect for the life of every human being; We pray to the Lord:

MONDAY MORNING MADNESS

Congratulations to our March 25th, \$500 Monday Morning Madness Raffle winner, The Men's Basketball Group – Ticket # 2403 – Thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser. With your help, we raised \$2,610 from this year's fundraiser!

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:

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)

SONS OF ITALY

The Piazza Nuova Lodge, Order of Sons of Italy in America, holds their monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday evening of each month at 6:30 p.m. (except July and August). All people of Italian descent and their spouses are welcome. Visit piazzanuovalodge.org for more information. For further information, call 215-493-4120.



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





As our Lenten journey continues we pray: "Heavenly Father, thank you for running to me with open arms whenever I turn back to you."

Once again our students make us proud. Congratulations to the following students for their great accomplishments:

Holy Ghost Math Competition – Meredith Czyz – Second place among all participating 6th grade girls Isabelle Glunz – 3rd place among 6th grade girls

Middle School Reading Olympics Competition —Our team tied for first place

IHM Math Competition – Andrew Nash and Sophia de Jesus placed in the top 100 out of 732 seventh graders to go on to the final round

Coming Events:

Tuesday, April 2 – Open House – 9:00-11:00 and 6:00-8:00pm Wednesday, April 3 – Reading Olympics Competition for Elementary Teams

Friday, April 5 - 9:00 Mass - 2:00 Stations

Registration for the coming school year is now in progress. Provide a faith-based education for your child register at St. Ignatius School. We offer a flexible Pre K Program, Full Day Kindergarten and classes for grades 1 through 8. Do not let tuition stop you. Come talk to us. We can help you. Call 215-493-3867 for more information.

OPEN HOUSE! Tuesday, April 2 – 9:00-11:00 and 6:00-8:00pm

2019 PASSION PLAY

All are welcome to join us for the 2019 performance of the Passion Play being presented by our school's 7th and 8th grade students on Friday, April 12 at 7:00 pm. This performance is a beautiful reenactment of our Lord's Passion, death and Resurrection and a wonderful way to begin Holy Week. Please join us. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased after Mass or at the door on the night of the performance.

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, 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)

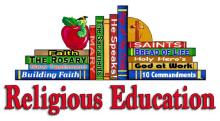
HAVE FURNITURE TO DONATE?

Contact:

Goodwill Industries 215-822-2708 x 320 Attn: Patty Sunday Breakfast Rescue Mission 215-741-1010 Habitat for Humanity Re-Store 215-716-5006

JOIN US FOR OUR SUNDAY SOCIALS

Join us next weekend 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!



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

PREP SERVICE PROJECT: This month, we are collecting non-perishable food items for Catholic Social Services. CSS is asking for personal care items as well as food. Suggestions from CSS are the following: bars of soap, deodorant, shampoo, toilet paper, soups with flip top lids, tuna with flip top lids, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, peanut butter crackers, saltines, breakfast bars, instant oatmeal cereal, cans of fruit with flip top lids, etc. The drive ends on April 1.

PREP REGISTRATION: PREP Registration for the 2019 – 2020 school year will take place on Tuesday, April 2, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., by the blue canopy entrance.

Parents of students who will be in grade 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.

SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST:

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT DAY: For both PREP and St. Ignatius School students the day is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, from 12:15 to 2:55. All schools will be notified of their students who will be coming to our retreat afternoon. Students should eat lunch before they come. All Parents who volunteered to help must have all clearances (Fingerprints if you have not lived in PA for the last 10 years, Child Abuse, and Criminal Record Check) up to date and in our system BEFORE the retreat day. FIRST COMMUNION DAY: The date is Saturday, May 4, 2019. Sunday and Monday PREP students will attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass, and St. Ignatius School and Wednesday PREP will attend the 11:30 a.m. Mass

LEGACY OF LIFE

Jessica found herself with an unplanned pregnancy and threatened with being kicked out of her grandparents' home if she keeps the baby. Faced with homelessness, Jessica has nowhere to turn. Her family is pressuring her to terminate the pregnancy and telling her that her life would be far better without another child. They told her: "We don't need any more grandkids". Jessica needs a safe place to stay and take care of herself and the child in her womb.

Thank you to St. Ignatius Parish for giving women like Jessica that find themselves in darkness a real choice – a choice for love! Your prayers and action show them they are not alone. To learn more about how to get involved with this life-saving ministry, please call 215-788-4051 or e-mail Peter@legacyoflifefoundation.org. You can visit our website for more stories and more information at legacyoflifefoundation.org. God bless you for your generosity!

St. Ignatius of Antioch School

invites you to attend the 36th Anniversary production of

The Passion Play



Where: St. Ignatius Church Auditorium

When: April 12, 2019

Time: 7:00 PM

Tickets: \$ 5.00 at the door