



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020



Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations, and say continually "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart has trusted in Him and I am helped. He is not only with me but in me and I in Him."

~St. Francis de Sales



Sunday March 22, 2020

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

7:30AM James Murphy (Marion Murphy)

9:30AM Patrick Joy (Lee and Kevin Joy)

**11:30AM Charles and Erne Hofelder
(Raymond Hofelder)**

6:00PM Lauren Nicole Young (The Young Family)

Monday March 23, 2020

7:00AM Mary Frances Fazzalore (Frank Fazzalore)

9:00AM Kathleen Preston (Ebby Conway)

Tuesday March 24, 2020

7:00AM George Abinader (The Abinader Family)

**9:00AM Maria and George Sangiorgio
(Carolyn Kuhlman)**

Wednesday March 25, 2020

**7:00AM Angie MacMillan
(Pat and Richard Boehme)**

**9:00AM Angela Frusteri
(Virginia and Paul Martin)**

Thursday March 26, 2020

7:00AM Edith Maiorino (The Schlaepfer Family)

**9:00AM Francis LaRoche
(Kathy and Richard Moore)**

Friday March 27, 2020

7:00AM Kevin McCormick (Donald Hay)

**9:00AM Deborah Brockaway / living
(Kathleen Monaghan)**

Saturday March 28, 2020

5:15PM Diane Mays (The Mays Family)

Sunday March 29, 2020

*Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45*

7:30AM Harry O'Toole (Patty and Joan O'Toole)

**9:30AM Salvatore and DeStefano Families
(Ann and Nick Salvatore)**

**11:30AM Sr. Margaret Rosarii SSJ
(Mary Crawford)**

6:00PM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Patrick Joy requested by Lee and Kevin Joy.



IMPORTANT CORONAVIRUS UPDATE:

Effective immediately, all St. Ignatius activities, including daily and weekend masses will be cancelled until further notice.

Stations of the Cross have also been cancelled until further notice.

Access to all buildings, which includes the School, Antioch Center, Church Auditorium and Rectory will be restricted to essential personnel only. The Chapel will remain open and sanitized daily, however the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed to the tabernacle. The Rectory office will also be closed. For emergencies requiring a priest, please dial 215-493-3377 and dial 9. For all other important matters that cannot wait until this shutdown is over, dial 215-493-3377 and dial extension 224. Please keep an eye on this website for updates. Thank you.

Today, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia announced that Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez has suspended all public Masses in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia effective at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18th and until further notice. Last week, the Archbishop dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Both decisions were made in response to the growing concern over the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the directives provided by government and health department officials at the local, state, and national levels. These measures will be re-evaluated pending future developments. Click here to find a news release that has been distributed to the media as well as liturgical directives that have been shared with all clergy in the Archdiocese.

PARISH MISSION CANCELLED

Our Parish Mission scheduled for March 30th to April 1st has been cancelled. A new date will be set in the coming weeks...

MINISTERIAL STAFF

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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.

BAPTISM



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 7:00PM 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 for 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.



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.

From the Parish Business Office

Due to the cancelation of Masses by the Archbishop under these unfortunate circumstances, we will see a significant reduction in our Sunday contributions total due to the nationwide health emergency we are facing. We do count on your weekly support and ask that you please continue your weekly contributions if you are able. We are asking for your help to get us through this difficult time. Aside from mailing in or dropping off your gift, one method is to contribute on-line. St. Ignatius participates in an E-Giving program called Parish Giving. Parish Giving is the leading provider of secure, user-friendly online giving systems specializing in religious and charitable organizations. St. Ignatius has been very fortunate to have so many parishioners participating in the program. You can make a one-time contribution without having to sign up for a reoccurring donation to help us through this financially difficult time. Please visit our parish website at <http://www.stignatius.church> and click on the Parish Giving logo to make your donation. Click on the "Sign in or Create a new account" link and select "Pay Now" to make your one-time contribution. If you have any specific questions or concerns about the program, you can call Parish Giving directly at 1-866-307-7140. Thank you all for your generosity towards our parish with your Sunday Gifts!

Weekly Collection

| | <u>3/17/2019</u> | <u>3/15/2020</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Sunday Offering | \$14,642.00 371 | \$ 8,717.00 134 |
| Online Parish Giving | \$ 5,494.29 | \$ 5,821.06 |
| Total Weekly Contribution | \$20,136.29 | \$14,538.06 |
| Churches in Latin America | \$ 927.00 | \$ 611.00 |

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



Join us!

2020 Events

40 Hours Celebration

10/11/2020-10/13/2020

7:00PM each night

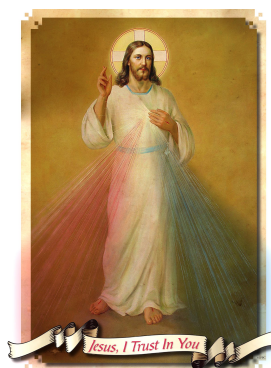
Closing Mass

Concelebrated with

Former Assistants

9/26/2020 at 4:00pm

Parish Picnic to follow



DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Won't you join us on Sunday, April 19th at 3pm for a Eucharistic procession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Gospel/ Homily, Rosary and Benediction. Deacon Mike Cibenko will preside.

Kindly, check the bulletin for Confession times as you are not required to confess on the Feast day. Confessing before the Feast day and receiving Holy Communion in the state of Grace on the Feast day fulfills Jesus' request.

Immediately following (approximately 4pm) you are invited for lite refreshments in our School Cafeteria. If you are able, please bring a lite snack or dessert to share. All are welcome.

FAMILY
& Faith
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Please
P R A Y
*for the sick of our parish and
 those that care for them*

**Lord hear our prayer for the
 sick in our community that they
 return to the comfort of good
 health:** Loretta Amerine, Sabrina

Amerine, Marie Brady, Baby Brianna, Patricia Broderick, Ruthann Carroll, Harris Carvel, Stephanie Carvel, Brynn Clare Connor, Cliff Conway, Evelyn Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Barry Deacon, Nancy Donnelly, David Fry, Colleen Gallagher, Sherry Golden, Tom Golden, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathan Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, Cathy Hammeke, Charles Jacobson, Ryan Law, Chuck Kane, Michael Katwicky, Andrew Kelly, Monica Kenney, John Kerper, Betsy Keys, George Kinsley, James Malley, Amy Margulies, Sean Marriott, Toni McConnell, Dorothy McMullen, Tracey Meaney, Kathleen Merlo, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Teresa O'Neill, Ernest Pellegrino, Ryan Rocha, Carolyn Rupperecht, Irene Schuka, Walter Shimp, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres, Edward Torres, Ann Warchol



Brian Basheda, Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Erik Bresnahan, 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, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, 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, Luke Stapleton, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

JOURNEY
 OF
Faith

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Andrew Lane, Michael Lewis, Philip Cheung, and Erik Reyes 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/>



VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE
 DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD
 ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA
HEED THE CALL



Pray for our beloved deceased especially, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.



Seasons change and so do our open adoration hours! The following hours are now open: Sunday 1am, and 2 p.m., Monday 1am, Tuesday 3 a.m. 9a.m. , 11a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesday 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

If you are interested in becoming a substitute or adoring during one of our open hours weekly, kindly call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152.

To sign up for the school's hour (Saturday 4pm - 5pm), please sign up at :

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/10c0f45a4af2fa6fb6-holy>.

A friendly reminder to call the chapel hotline at 215-493-6245 extension 221 before you travel for your hour if weather becomes an issue. Thank you!



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 of Antioch School
"A Community of Faith,
Academics and Service"



ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

REGISTER NOW!

**FLEXIBLE
PRE K 3 PROGRAM**

PreK 3 - 8th Grade

215-493-3867

sischool.org

PLEASE VOTE FOR MARY'S CUPBOARD

McHales donates \$1,000 each month to a deserving charity and Mary's Cupboard is one of three charities selected for March. The charity with the most votes at the end of March will win \$1,000. To vote, go to McHalesCares.com and scroll until you see VOTE BELOW, click on Mary's Cupboard, enter your email address and then CONFIRM your vote. You can vote once a day from March 2 until March 31.



PASSION PLAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020

Advertise your business or support your favorite cast member by placing an Advertisement or Cast Message in the Passion Play program, please contact:

Nancy Patrick
patrickfamily96@gmail.com | 904-535-4869

ADULT Faith FORMATION

This week we celebrate the feast of the Annunciation where the angel Gabriel was sent as a messenger to address Mary, a Jewish teenager dedicated to the Temple as a Virgin, with the message that she was 'holy' and when she inquired as to this address and she was informed that she would be the Mother of Jesus, Son of God, she said yes despite not knowing how this would be...through the Holy Spirit... that she agreed. How does that reflect with dilemmas with which we are confronted in daily life? Do we say yes to God? Do we pray to discern what is God's plan and why 'this is happening to me?' If we just look at the abortion industry in the U.S. with almost 1 million surgical abortions every year and over 61 million since abortion was legalized in 1973, I think we would see and hear many 'nos' and now that 9 states and the District of Columbia have legalized physician assisted suicide. So, instead of trusting in God and His plan, we humans 'relativize' the truth to justify our bad behaviors and the outcomes of these 'nos' are reflected in our culture with our families falling apart, our religious service attendance being down, suicide rates, divorce rates, STD rates and on and on... all as a result of our no! Let us pray to Mary and look to Mary and how Joseph supported her along with family and friends and move in the direction of saying 'yes' every day to whatever trials confront us every day. St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

Respect



"There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those 'brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves'... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life" (The Gospel of Life 86). In addition, it is time for fathers to step up to their responsibilities. Fathers seem to be missing from many homes. Fathers are leaders of families, along the sides of mothers. Children need both parents- a mother and a father. Just look at the Holy Family and follow their example; while Mary gave birth to Jesus at great personal sacrifice; so, Joseph also stepped up to take them in, protect them and lead them to safety. We are all called to be heroes for life; pray one Hail Mary daily, if not a decade or even a full rosary, for life. Mary will hear us and go to her Son in our behalf.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: As we prepare to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's encyclical, the Gospel of Life, may we recommit ourselves to protecting human life in all stages and circumstances;

We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life: For all life; that we honor and revere as part of God's plan for salvation.



**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
PLEASE CHECK OUR
WEBSITE FOR UPDATES**

A NIGHT OF HEALING FORGIVENESS Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 7th, 7:00 PM

HOLY WEEK



Vigil 5:15PM

Palm Sunday:
7:30AM, 9:30 AM,
11:30AM, 6:00 PM

Palms are blessed at all Masses.



**Mass of the
Lord's Supper**
7:00PM



9:00 AM Celebration of
Morning Prayer

3:00 PM Solemn Liturgical Service
including Holy Communion



HOLY SATURDAY

1:00 PM Mid-day Prayer

7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass of the
Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

(There will not be a 6PM Mass on
Easter Sunday)



Religious Education

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

FIRST COMMUNION:

First Communion Day is Saturday, April 25. The 9:30 a.m. Mass is for St. Ignatius School and Wednesday PREP children. The 12:00 noon Mass is for

Sunday and Monday PREP children.

CONFIRMATION: The Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the auditorium. All schools have already been notified of this event. Lunch will be provided during the retreat day.

Bishop Joseph F. Martino will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 2, 2020, at a 10:00 a.m. Mass.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CAMP: Our VBS program this year is Rocky Railway – Jesus' power pulls us through. Our school and PREP children have received registration brochures. The fee is \$50 per child, and the children receive a snack every day, a music CD, Bible Buddies, etc. This year, our Vacation Bible School Camp is scheduled for June 22 to June 26, 2020 for those children who will be entering Grades K to 5. We need some volunteers – adults and kids from age 12 and up – to help us out. Please consider volunteering. It is a great week!

PREP REGISTRATION for the 2020 – 2021 school year is coming soon. Early PREP Registration Night will be in the PREP entrance lobby (by the blue doors), on a date to be determined. PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) is for children in Grades K to 8. There is no increase in tuition this coming year. There is a special discount for those families who register before June 30, 2020.

Special Needs: 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 call Annmarie at 215-493-5204.

Eighth Grade Students: Parents, please encourage your 8th graders to continue their study of God and his Church. Confirmation is not graduation from learning about God; that's a lifetime commitment.

GET FORMED

Simply Visit:

www.stignatius.formed.org

Register yourself and enjoy the content available to you and your family!



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

March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Reading I: I Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

God chooses David, Jesse's youngest son, to be His anointed one, and Samuel complies. This story also contains an element of fear of Saul.

Reading II: Ephesians 5: 8-14

There is a clear contrast made between Christian and pagan life, in terms of light and darkness.

The Gospel: John 9: 1-41

The essence of the "sixth sign" is not simply that a man's sight is restored, but that light is given to one who has never had it. The Pharisees ironically illustrate true blindness, not of the eyes but of the heart.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the parishioners that supported the Social Action Committee Food Collection on the weekend of March 7/8th. We collected 2 carloads full of food, baby needs and paper products totaling 400 lbs. plus \$160 in cash and grocery gift cards. We are grateful along with those at Mary's Food Cupboard at Catholic Social Services for the support of this monthly collection. Please consider donating to our collection on the second Sunday of each month. Our next collection will be April 11/12th.



Now available as a video series! **We Thirst: Christian Reflections on Addiction**

We Thirst (Christian Reflections on Addiction) is a popular inspirational series that educates about the topic of addiction from a Christian perspective. Due to popular demand at live events, the series has been recorded live and is now available for your church, community, or institution on video. The We Thirst program consists of FIVE COMPREHENSIVE SESSIONS that have proven useful for a wide variety of audiences. Each session includes: prayer, educational lectures, videos, music, suggested songs for reflection, summaries, and much more to create an educational and inspirational event for your parish or congregation that will leave attendees ready to spread the light of faith, hope, and love!

Visit : <https://www.wethirstseries.com/video-series-about>

BOOK 'N BEAN

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, our parish Book 'n Bean discussion group has cancelled its meetings until further notice. We hope to resume our meetings on Tuesday evening, May 26th, at 7:30 in the Religious Education Office. That night we will be discussing "Necessary Lies" by Diane Chamberlain and will finalize our Reading List for the 2020-2021 academic year. All are welcome. For more information, please call Linda Stewart at 215-968-3577.

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.

Seeking 100 Haikus or More

If you gather with any church group at meetings or workshops, try to get the group to experiment with the haiku format. Parents can excite all family members to submit one, and teachers can challenge their classes to do so, as well. And 20 years from now, you and new parishioners will look back and smile at the memories you shared at the time of our 100th birthday.

*Parishes had strict
Boundaries that in years past
Ruled our house hunting.*

*A family's church
Provides support and the source
of enduring Faith.*



SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH'S 1920S COCKTAIL PARTY FEBRUARY 21, 2020

Dear Friends and Parishioners,
Bradley Digital captured many special moments during the
"Roaring 1920s Cocktail Party" held at The Rose Bank Winery
on February 21st. These images are available to view and
purchase. Enjoy.

To view the **ONLINE PHOTO GALLERY**
and purchase photos, follow these steps:

- 1 – Visit: www.BradleyDigital.com
- 2 – Select: "Order Pictures"
- 4 – Select: Saint Ignatius of Antioch (Yardley, PA)
- 4 – Select: Log-in
- 5 – Enter Password: yellow
(Please note this is all lower case)

