



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2022



Reading I: Isaiah 9:1-6

The prophet speaks after a crisis and the death of King Ahaz, to whom the promise of a dynasty was made. The new ruler will restore the peaceful heritage of David. The ultimate reference here is Jesus Christ.

Titus 2: 11-14

God's saving action enables us to live "temperately, justly and devoutly" as we await Christ's second coming in glory.

The Gospel: Luke 2: 1-14

After providing us the historical setting, Luke tells us of the meaning of the angels' proclamation about the meaning of the savior's birth.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM (Children's Liturgy),
11:30AM, 6:00PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM

*Special Schedule for Holy Days

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—5:00PM

Friday - 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

ROSARY

The rosary is said Monday - Friday after the 9AM Daily Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00PM

Confessions will also be heard upon request.

Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Exposition is held in the chapel Monday - Friday from 10AM to 8PM and Saturday 10AM - 3PM.

For information on chapel closings/openings, please call 215-550-5638 and listen to the message.

CARE OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is homebound, and would like to receive the Sacraments, please contact the rectory to arrange for a visit.



Mass Intentions

Sunday December 25, 2022

Vigil: *Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25. Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14*
Dawn: *Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20. Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14*

7:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

9:30AM John O'Rourke (Alice O'Rourke)

11:30AM Katherine Trigg - Schmidt
(The Trigg Family)

Monday December 26, 2022

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

9:00AM Elinore & Ernest J. Aiello
(The Koerner Family)

Tuesday December 27, 2022

1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

9:00AM Alice and Richard Whitney
(James and Monica Walsh)

Wednesday December 28, 2022

1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

9:00AM Krystel Adem (Najat and Emil Abinader)

Thursday December 29, 2022

1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

9:00AM Joseph Donadieu (The Baker Family)

Friday December 30, 2022

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

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

Saturday December 31, 2022

1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18

5:15PM Herb Baker (The Baker Family)

Sunday January 1, 2022

Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

7:30AM Bob Gervasio (Carol Gervasio)

9:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

11:30AM Nicole Machek (The Falkenstein Family)



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The church sanctuary candle burns for Dan and Marie Perini requested by Larry and Laretta Perini.



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

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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 in person or visit:
<http://www.siforms.org/npregister.html> to register online.

*We welcome the following families that recently joined our faith community:
Andrews, Buck, Campbell, Connor, DeFranco,
Jenkins, Kenny, Loveman, McGerty, McPhillips,
Poplawski, Tamburo, Wolfe*



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

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*



We congratulate the following children who have recently been baptized into our Catholic Faith:

*Isla Rose Gruber, Molly Louise Foufas, Nathan James Napolitan,
Nicholas John Tomeo, Alaina Margaret Harris,
Amelia Grace Ross, Nicholas Martin Vecchiolla,
Alexander Thatcher Sayers, Cameron Miles Smith,
Brynlee Carter McAteer, Ryan Philip Lazowski,
Michael Bogatov, Quinn Michael Cousart,
William Henry Dawson, Avery Josephine McDonald,
Ellie Mac Tamburo, Brooke Shannon O'Brien,
Grant Elias Mercer, Lucy Juniper Anne Hergott,
Noelle Marie Wolfe, Jacob Thomas Kenny, Robin Francis Lertch*



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



FISCAL CORNER

As you know, we are using Parish Giving for our online e-giving program. They are 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.

Those participating in online giving have found the program to be more convenient and allows them to maintain full control over their account. As a reminder, you can generate a giving report from the Parish Giving website to view all of your online contributions.

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!

Weekly Collection

Due to the Christmas Holy Day, last weekend's collection will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC

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

Emil Abinader, Ernest Aiello, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Carmelinda Belliza, Nicholas Bolton, Patricia Broderick, Alan Brutus, Lorraine C., William Cain, Ruthann Carroll, Paul Clark, Brynn Clare Connor, Ebby Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., Jerry Dennell, John Flahive, Pat Furst, Cindy L. Golden, Tommy Golden III, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Joanne Hutchins, Charles Jacobson, Mary Kelly, Charlie Koerner, Michael Kotwicki, Dick Linde, Sandy Lockhart, Amanda Loveman, James Malley, Sean Marriott, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, Dorothy McMullen, Katherine McSorley, Kathy Merlo, Connie Moredich, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Rita Off, Nancy Paravecchia, Joseph Pittore, James Perry, Anne Proctor, Eric Rhineheimer, Paul Anthony Roppa, Sister Agnes St. Joseph, Cheryl Stabile, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantala, Frances Tarallo, Catherine Torres, Edward Torres, Brendan Weisinger, Howard Wildey, and all the residents of Sunrise and Rittenhouse Village.



PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Anthony Albanese, Juan Builes, Jacob Sanz, Luke Trombetta, and Pasquelge Don Sandun Tharuka to prepare for the 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/>



Brian Basheda, 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 DeTemple, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, James Limer, Matthew Listner, John Loveman, Michael Lowe, W. Kyle Magrisi, Joseph Marchand, Greg Marolo, Aidan Maxwell, Matthew McGurk, Phil Melandez, Chris Merrick, David Morgan, David James Moruzzi II, Kevin Nash, Stephen Neder, Fred Olivari, John O'Rourke, John Parente, J.C. Peabody, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, Brett Ryan, Luke Stapleton, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

SERVANTS OF MARY



Do you have a devotion to Our Lady? We are a rosary-centered healing ministry that actively supports our parishioners and our pastor. We meet weekly in the Antioch Center, 2nd. Fl.(Reading Ave. side) on Wednesday evenings from 6-7PM.

The Flame of Love Rosary will be recited on Monday nights at 6PM. For more information on the Flame of Love visit: <https://flameoflove.us/>

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.



Are you or a loved one in need of prayer? Please call our charismatic prayer ministry at 267-357-5008. We would love to spend time and pray with you.

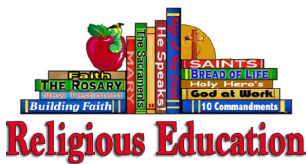


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St. Ignatius of Antioch School, a National Blue Ribbon School Awardee in 2021, is a small private Catholic school founded by the Sisters of St. Francis in 1958. As part of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, we provide an academically rigorous, core curriculum, faith-based education to the families of St. Ignatius of Antioch parish and the surrounding area. We emphasize academics, and the latest in classroom technology including SMART boards in all the classrooms. We achieve a close family environment where students are committed to Christian values, high academic skills and a desire to serve others.

At this time we have limited availability in our National Blue Ribbon School. Tours are being given by appointment only. Please call the school at 215-493-3867 or email Mrs. Helene Crozier at hcrozier@sischool.org for more information.



From the Religious Education Office ---- The PREP Office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. The office number is 215-493-5204, or you can call my cell at 215-370-5701. My email address is aflanagan@stignatius.church. If you need information or want to register your child(ren), please stop in the Religious Education Office, which is in the school building through the blue doors under the canopy. Classes are held on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings.

PREP Classes – The next class for the Summer Weeklong Plus Program takes place on January 8, 2023. These Sunday classes are NOT OPTIONAL for these students.

Students in grades 8 to 11 are invited to participate in a video and group discussion program, Decision Point, on Tuesdays, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. (Fee is \$50 per student).

If you are not presently on our PREP email list, and you would like information about Religious Education for any age group, please email Annmarie Flanagan at the address listed above or call 215-493-5204.

INFORMATION ABOUT SACRAMENTS: Penance/Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation: Parents, please stop in the PREP office for the information packet(s) if you didn't pick it up yet. All Confirmation Candidates must bring in the completed Confirmation packet by January 12. This includes the sponsor's eligibility letter.

SACRAMENT DATES: First Penance is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m. Bishop Michael Fitzgerald will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, March 25, at 10:00 a.m. We will celebrate First Communion on April 29 at 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon.



Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Happy birthday Jesus. Thank you, Mary. Thank you, Joseph. Thank you, God, for sending your only begotten Son to us to show us how to live and how to pray and how to love and how to give and how to die. What great gifts HE gave us on HIS birthday. How opposite of what we usually practice and know. The one who is being celebrated giving gifts to those who come to celebrate HIM! What kind of gift are you giving Jesus today? What would you deem worthy to give to the Son of God? Fr. Henri Nouwen tells us in his book 'With Burning Hearts' that we are to live a Eucharistic life, a life of thanksgiving to He who has given us life. We are to see in others the Christ in them; we are to bring the Christ in us to others. We are to be like those disciples on the road to Emmaus listening to Jesus recount all that the Scriptures have brought us and have our hearts burning with fire, even though the disciples didn't recognize Jesus until the breaking of the bread. We all get to 'recognize Jesus' at the consecration of the Mass, we get to share a meal with Him and receive Him and like the disciples on the road, we are to 'run back with burning hearts' out to others to tell them that Jesus is risen and is with us!!! THAT is the message of the Mass, the Eucharist and our communion with Jesus. Let us today have burning hearts on fire with the love of Jesus and then go out and tell others how we were 'touched' and 'saw Him' in the breaking of the bread!

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



"The infant Christ 'came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph' (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come... Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us." *Excerpts from *Patris corde*

Can you be like Joseph? Could you find out your 'fiancé' has become pregnant and stay? Could you support both mother and child throughout their lives? Could you nurture and care and protect them with your very life? Could you love them? Could you love the child as your 'own'? Could you be open to receive a message from 'on high' as to how to proceed? Are we receiving those very angelic messages now? Are we being called to 'come let us adore Him' and show Him reverence and give gifts of our time, talent and treasure? Are we being led/called? Today we celebrate God becoming a human being to save us and show us how to live, how to love and how to die and how to be gift. Let us all give of ourselves as His gift, of ourselves to our spouses, family, friends and neighbors and let us all do a better job in the coming days, weeks and months to make this a more loving and giving world. Blessed feast of the Nativity and Incarnation to all. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For all Christians: May the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ awaken in our hearts wonder at the precious gift of every child; We pray to the Lord

Rose of Life Intention: For all children, may they be loved and given care by "Josephs".

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS

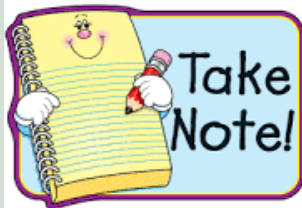
If you might be interested, come in and talk with Annmarie. Anytime is a great time for a new beginning!

*This is a program for those who -----
are considering becoming a Catholic OR
are not sure if they want to be a Catholic but have questions OR*

*feel as if something is missing in their life OR
are not sure if they want to be a Catholic but don't
know what questions to ask OR*

*just want to know what Catholicism is all about OR
have questions but don't want to feel stupid OR
have no idea why anyone would want "religion" at
all.*

Want to take the plunge? Call Annmarie at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701.



RECTORY OFFICE
HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Monday, 12/26 - Closed
Monday, 1/2 - Closed

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Handbag



Save the
Date!
February
3rd, 2023



Come on out and show your skills! The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest will take place on Saturday, January 14th, from 11:00 to 3:00 in the Church Auditorium! The Contest is open to all girls and boys from 9 to 14 years old.

JOIN BOY SCOUTS TROOP 230
TODAY

CALLING ALL 11-17 YEAR OLDS

Meeting are held weekly at St. Ignatius Auditorium Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm



UPCOMING RECRUITING EVENTS

Tuesday, February 21st 7-8:30 pm Annual Pancake Flip held at St. Ignatius Auditorium



Lots of fun adventures planned throughout the year such as hiking, camping, snow skiing/boarding, fishing, zip lining, canoeing, summer camp, Klondike derby



*Instruct them to do good,
to be rich in good works,
be generous and ready to share*

1 Timothy 6:18

The Catholic Women of Bucks (CWoB) Giving Circle is an initiative which funds local organizations in our area that reflect our Catholic faith and assist the community. Members of the Circle give monetary donations, which are collectively given to local organizations. Not only does the giving circle enhance individual donations, by combining resources for maximum impact, it provides opportunities to learn about and get involved in our community. Organizations requesting funding attend the meetings, speak about their work, needs, and volunteer opportunities.

The giving circle provides the opportunity for Catholic women to gather, engage in the local community and grow stronger in our faith!

Please join us for our next meeting:

Tuesday, February 7th at 7 p.m.
St. John the Evangelist School Cafeteria
728 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA

Our featured speakers will be from
Advocates for the Homeless and Those in Need

AHTN helps the homeless in lower Bucks County

www.ahtn.org

Refreshments Will be Served



Please RSVP to Jen Sullivan at (609) 947-6480

or cwobgc@gmail.com

<https://cwobgc.wixsite.com/catholic-women-of-bu>



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via email and text!



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