



# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

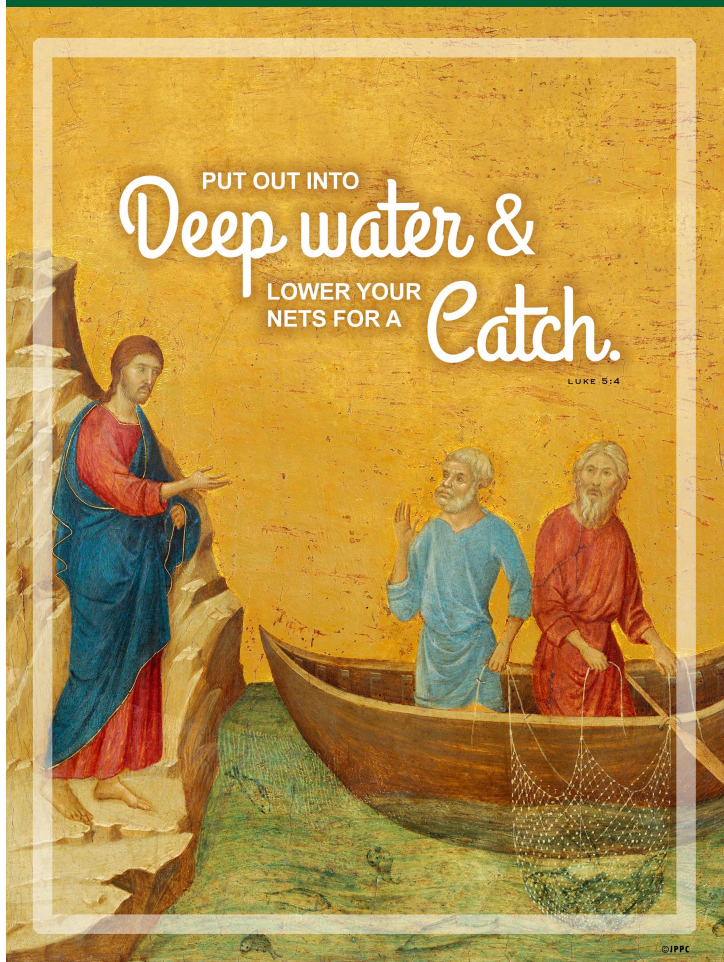
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*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*February 6, 2022*



## Reading I: Isaiah 6: 1-2a, 3-8

The call narrative here underlines the prophet's authenticity and justifies his teaching. That teaching may prove to be unpopular or even seditious.

## Reading II: I Corinthians 15: 1-11, or 15: 3-8, 11

Paul gives us here the very creed of the Church, meant as the authentication of himself as an apostle of the risen Lord Jesus.

## The Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11

Jesus' Kingdom teaching receives a positive response from Peter, James and John among others. Astonishment won the day and the three followed Jesus right away.

### 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 Schedules for Holy Days

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—5:00PM

Friday - 9:00 AM - 4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

### 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. 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.



**Sunday February 6, 2022**

*Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11*

**7:30AM Fred Rossi (Richard and Kathryn Moore)**

**9:30AM Walter and Dorothy Miller (The Miller Family)**

**11:30AM Harry and Jenny Bowman (Mary and Tim)**

**6:00PM Rev. George Aschenbrenner S.J.  
(The LaMantia Family)**

**Monday February 7, 2021**

*1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56*

**9:00AM Romuald Dobosz and Maria Dobosz  
(Elizabeth and Timothy Patton)**

**Tuesday February 8, 2021**

*1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5, 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13*

**9:00AM Mary Joy (The Joy Family)**

**Wednesday February 9, 2021**

*1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23*

**9:00AM Maroun and Eugenie Adem  
(Najat and Emil Abinader)**

**Thursday February 10, 2021**

*1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37, 40; Mk 7:24-30*

**9:00AM Barbara Wagner (Joan Nemeth)**

**Friday February 11, 2021**

*1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37*

**9:00AM Marion of the RE Consecration Ladies  
(RE Consecration Ladies)**

**Saturday February 12, 2022**

*1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10*

**5:15PM Deceased Members of Humphrey and  
Keefe Families (Tom and Lorraine Humphrey)**

**Sunday February 13, 2022**

*Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26*

**7:30AM Marge Lantzy (Her children)**

**9:30AM Patricia Ann Trigg (Robert H. Trigg)**

**11:30AM Michael J. Downs Jr. and Michael J. Downs Sr.  
(Lorraine Downs)**

**6:00PM All Living and Deceased Parishioners**

## SANCTUARY CANDLE

The church sanctuary candle burns for Denise Correnti requested by Barbara and Jurgen Scherer.



### St. Josephine Bakhita

#### Feast Day: February 8th

Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita, which means fortunate. She was resold several times, finally in 1883 to Callisto Legnani, Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan.

Two years later, he took Josephine to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While Mimmina was being instructed, Josephine felt drawn to the Catholic Church. She was baptized and confirmed in 1890, taking the name Josephine.

When the Michielis returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, the future saint refused to go. During the ensuing court case, the Canossian Sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf. The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885.

Josephine entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later. In 1902, she was transferred to the city of Schio (northeast of Verona), where she assisted her religious community through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and welcoming visitors at the door. She soon became well loved by the children attending the sisters' school and the local citizens. She once said, "Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God!"

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-josephine-bakhita>



### *Ministerial Staff*

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| <b>Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz, Pastor</b>           | <b>215-493-3377</b> |
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| <b>Annmarie C. Flanagan, Dir. of Religious Ed.</b> | <b>215-493-5204</b> |
| <b>Gregory Lucidi, Business Manager</b>            | <b>215-493-3377</b> |
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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 who have recently registered in our parish community:

*Alexander, Andres, Cassidy, Curtis, Dos Santos, Fernandes, Flail, Gaskill, Heinz, Hogan, Kobol, Mallon, Miller, Moretti, Morin, Murphy, Presel, Ramsayer, Russell, Sheehan, Wagner, and Welsh.*

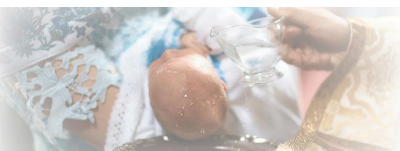


We pray for our beloved deceased especially Peter Deacon, Frank Yannett, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## 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.

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

*Grayson Kai Olivera, Haylee Virginia Wilson, Cecilia Popielis Escandon, and Grace Michele Little*



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

### 2021-2022 Annual Parish Appeal

As of 1/31/22, 355 families have contributed \$150,125 toward our goal of \$150,000. With your help and generous contributions, we have surpassed this year's goal! 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 have not yet contributed to this year's appeal, we are always grateful for additional contributions. Thank you for your generosity!

### Weekly Collection

|                                  | <u>01/31/2021</u>   |            | <u>01/30/2022</u>   |            |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| <b>Sunday Offering</b>           | <b>\$ 11,630.00</b> | <b>174</b> | <b>\$ 8,420.00</b>  | <b>158</b> |
| <b>Online Parish Giving</b>      | <b>\$ 8,811.11</b>  |            | <b>\$ 9,643.66</b>  |            |
| <b>Total Weekly Contribution</b> | <b>\$ 20,441.11</b> |            | <b>\$ 18,063.66</b> |            |

*We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC*



LOOKING FOR A WORTHY CHARITY FOR THE NEW YEAR? PLEASE CONSIDER CARING FOR FRIENDS...

Caring for Friends provides free meals for the elderly, ill, poor and/or homebound in the greater Philadelphia area. Only one day per month of your time is required and you will be helping so many needy people! Our next meeting to assemble meals will be held on Thursday, February 10th from 9 am – noon in the church auditorium kitchen. We are truly blessed, but more helping hands are always needed and welcome. If you can't stay to help assemble the meals, a main dish or starch can be delivered on the morning of the meeting or a donation can be given to help us buy supplies. 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. Hope to see you on February 10th!

*"For it is in giving that we receive." –St. Francis of Assisi*

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, Patricia Broderick, Lorraine C., William Cain, Ruthann Carroll, Brynn Clare Connor, Ebby Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., John Flahive, Rose Ann Grall, John Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Charles Jacobson, Sheila Christy Kelly, Nathan Kilgore, Charlie Koerner, Michael Kotwicki, James Malley, Isabella Mannino, Sean Marriott, Toni McConnell, Dorothy McMullen, Katherine McSorley, Kathy Merlo, Connie Moredich, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Nancy Parravecchia, Joseph Pittore, James Perry, Anne Proctor, Gregory Rossi, Mary Claire Rossi, Barbara Stettner, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, Frances Tarallo, Catherine Torres, and Edward Torres.

## 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](mailto:rjcs1219@verizon.net).



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 DeTample, 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, 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.

## 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.

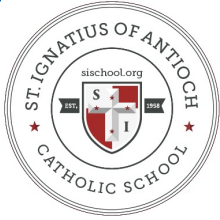


## PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Andrew Lane, Philip Cheung, Erik Reyes, Anthony Albanese, Juan Builes, and Jacob Sanz, 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/>



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**Mr. John Schrenk, Principal - [mrschrenk@sischool.org](mailto:mrschrenk@sischool.org)**  
**Mr. Jake Wild, Assistant Principal - [mrwild@sischool.org](mailto:mrwild@sischool.org)**

*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.*

*We have started to look ahead to the 2022-2023 school year. At this time we have limited availability in our National Blue Ribbon School. Tours are being given by appointment only during December after school hours. Please call the school at 215-493-3867 or email Mrs. Helene Crozier at [hcrozier@sischool.org](mailto:hcrozier@sischool.org) for more information.*

## LENTEN FAITH SHARING GROUPS

Registration for Lenten Faith Sharing is starting . We invite you to join us in the Community of Disciples small group discussion program, exploring the Sunday Lenten readings in preparation for Easter. The various weekly sessions, held both in homes and on parish grounds, are scheduled to accommodate the particular needs of the participants of each group.

Register by Friday, February 25th at [www.stignatius.church/spirit.html#s6](http://www.stignatius.church/spirit.html#s6) or return the registration form below in the collection basket or to:

**St. Ignatius Rectory / Attn: Lenten Programs**

**999 Reading Avenue, Yardley, PA 19067.**

**For questions, contact Anna Matteoda(215-321-1674) or [ANNAMATTEO@MSN.COM](mailto:ANNAMATTEO@MSN.COM)**

Community of Disciples Faith Sharing

Registration

(6 meetings in Lent, starting the week of Feb.27th)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

NEW Participant - (fill in below)

Preferred Meeting Day(s):

\_\_\_M \_\_\_T \_\_\_W \_\_\_Th \_\_\_F \_\_\_Sa \_\_\_Su

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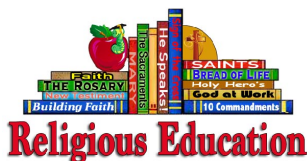
\_\_\_Be a group Leader

\_\_\_Host a group

\_\_\_Rotate Hosting with others in the group

Preferred Meeting Time: \_\_\_Morn \_\_\_Aft \_\_\_Eve

\_\_\_Returning Group



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](mailto:aflanagan@stignatius.church).

**PREP CLASSES:** PREP Classes run from September to May; however, if you missed registration or decided recently to begin PREP classes for your child(ren), please don't hesitate to contact Annmarie Flanagan, the Director of Religious Education, at the number listed above. I am sure we can work out a plan for your child.

#### **SACRAMENT INFORMATION:**

**CONFIRMATION** is scheduled with Archbishop Edward Adams for Saturday, March 19, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Sponsors and Candidates should be in Church at 9:30 a.m.

**ALL CONFIRMATION PAPERWORK**, including Sponsor's Letter of Eligibility and Confirmation Fee, is past due. Please submit ASAP.

**REHEARSAL** for all candidates and sponsors is on Wednesday, March 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT** is scheduled for March 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Candidates will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance at the retreat.

**FIRST PENANCE** will be on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The children should sit with their parents until they are called to form a line for Confession. Families are invited to go to Confession as well.

**FIRST COMMUNION** is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2022. St. Ignatius School students and Sunday PREP students will be at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Monday and Wednesday PREP students and those who are Homeschooled will be at the 12:00 noon Mass.

**REHEARSAL** for 9:30 Mass is on Tuesday, April 26, 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. **REHEARSAL** for the 12:00 noon Mass is on Thursday, April 28, 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. **FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT** is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

#### **MARRIAGES OF GRACE ENRICHMENT DAY**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022 9AM - 5PM**

Come with your Spouse or Fiancé to enrich and strengthen your Marriage in Jesus Christ. Listen to dynamic married couples speak on relevant topics, share a delicious lunch, meet new couples, and celebrate Mass with Bishop McIntyre.

Location: Cardinal O'Hara High School

More Info: / Sign Up: <https://phi.marriagesofgrace.org/events>

(Please note that this website is currently under construction and will very soon include site to register and pay for event)







*Faith Formation*  
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Our Adult Faith Formation Committee meets monthly about 6-7 x per year to review/plan and evaluate programs that are offered, along with refreshments, throughout the year for the ongoing formation of faith and faith life in our adult members of our parish. We welcome your ideas and input; we certainly welcome your attendance. We are very aware of the tentative nature of attendance at group functions because of the pandemic. We usually only have 20 or so attendees even in non-pandemic times. Last year, we offered Zoom only programs for the safety of all. This year, we have re-instituted our 'live/in-person' programs. We now have our men's program ongoing every Wednesday evening at 7 PM in the Antioch Center in the 'upper room' with about 10-12 men enjoying Fr. Larry Richard's "Be a Man: Becoming the Man you were Created to Be" on DVD followed by discussion. Men can join in any week without registration, just show up. We recently previewed our annual movie presentation of Roe v. Wade, the Movie on Saturday, Jan. 22, the 49th anniversary of the passage of Roe v. Wade by the Supreme Court. As a follow up, the Dobb's decision will be this June...place this in prayer. We will be planning our Lenten retreat (our Advent retreat this past November had over 60 people enjoy presentations by Megan Murphy on "Mary, the Source of our Joy" along with great refreshments and no Covid outbreak following. Our retreat for Lent will be offered by Msgr. George Majores from the Archdiocese of Phila. Mercy and Forgiveness and will be on Sat. 2/26/2022 beginning with 8:30 AM mass followed by a continental breakfast in the church auditorium and two talks by Msgr. Majores a priest of the Missionaries of Mercy. Join us and register at [stignatiusadultfaith@gmail.com](mailto:stignatiusadultfaith@gmail.com).  
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## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



"When parents say 'yes' to life for their child, they are saying 'yes' to the most loving and healing path for all involved. When God invites us to draw close to him by following his commandments (Jn 14:15), he does so because he wants what is best for us. By saying 'yes' to life for their child, which is morally good and right, parents are placing their trust in God and embracing their child and the life their child has been given for as long as it is given." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities)

A child is the 'supreme gift of a marriage'; some children are conceived outside of a marital covenant but the 'means' does not negate the gift! God has a plan for creation and salvation. From Jeremiah 1:5 we are told: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations". A prophet is 'a person regarded as an inspired teacher or proclaimer of the Will of God'. We are all called to evangelize and each and every child ever conceived, whether in a marital covenant or rape or incest or fornication or adultery is still part of God's plan, as God can bring good from evil and those children conceived have a 'mission' in the proclamation of the Kingdom of God! As Jesus said in His dying words on the cross, 'Forgive them Father, for they know not what they do'. We killed Him; today we are killing His children, His prophets and thereby interfering with His plan for salvation.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: May all expectant parents joyfully welcome their children as gifts from God, as Mary and Joseph welcomed the Christ Child; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For liberty and justice of all, born and unborn.



**THE ST. IGNATIUS ADULT FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE  
IS PLEASED TO PRESENT:**

**LENTEN MINI-RETREAT  
OFFERED BY MSGR. GEORGE A. MAJOROS  
PASTOR AND PAPAL MISSIONARY OF MERCY**



*"I COME THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY" (JOHN 10:10)*

***Talk 1: How did we get into this mess call Sin?***

***Talk 2: In the end, it really DOES matter!***

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022**

**8:30 AM MASS; 9:30 AM REFRESHMENTS in Auditorium**

**Two Great Presentations-Over by Noon**

**BRING A FRIEND- PREPARE FOR THE GREATEST CELEBRATION**



**RSVP: [stignatiusadultfaith@gmail.com](mailto:stignatiusadultfaith@gmail.com) to register-no fee**

## A Knight's Notes

How many times have you heard or read someone's response to this question: **"Who in history would you pay big money to share a private meeting with"?** I must admit that in my younger years, long before I fell in love with my wife, I would have answered, **"GRACE KELLY, who starred in one of my favorite movies, 'Rear Window'. In other years I may have chosen Harry Truman, Jonas Salk, Charles Dickens, or Joan of Ark. **Now it's your turn. Whom would you enjoy some private time with from your world of wishes?****

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A few weeks before Christmas, the officers of the St. Ignatius Knights of Columbus gathered in the upper room of our Yardley Rosa Bianca for a joyful Christmas dinner. Laughter and good stories were abundant. During that fun evening, in planning for the new year, the topic of the pandemic and our Adoration Chapel crept into the discussion. Certainly no tongues of fire appeared over anyone's head, **but at one point I definitely felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in the room.**

One of our younger Knights, a fun guy, a husband and father, whom I should not name here, urged others to consider signing up for a personal hour of adoration as our parish hopes to renew the 24/7 coverage in our chapel. I felt the shivers in my spine as I realized that his words were being inspired by the Holy Spirit. He may not have realized himself that his voice took on a chilling shift in tone. He forcefully began a recount of his experiences there. In a most heartfelt manner he told how he visits with Jesus and sometimes walks around the chapel and converses out loud in the silence of the night. He guaranteed us that NEVER, NEVER does he leave that hour without special peaceful blessings. .... Then he resumed his jovial banter with the group..

Everyone there felt his inspirational honesty, and it obviously inspired another knight, seated to my immediate right, to reveal his own heartfelt memory of miraculous moments he personally witnessed there and a few stories that others have shared with him of their hour with Jesus.

Thinking uniquely Catholic, we must know that the **“Divine Presence”** in our Eucharist, is a Catholic doctrine not shared by all Christians. And we must know that this Divine Presence of Christ in the Eucharist can supply us with an opportunity of a lifetime, anytime we seek it. I have decided that in this new year of 2022, I can choose to spend a private hour with the living Son of God, the second person of the Trinity, and my savior. This can become my source of countless blessings unimagined.

You should schedule some time to visit the Adoption Chapel,. Can you find an hour once a week to set aside for a personal meeting with Jesus? That joy awaits you right in our parish. You can spend some time speaking personally and privately with the real live Jesus --n person. And ..... it may become pleasantly addictive. it won't hurt to give it a shot. A visit anytime can help even for less than an hour. Enjoy some friendly chats with Jesus, for a happier new year,.

Now, you may alter your answer at the top of this page. And, enjoy s happy St. Valentine's Day.

Tom Humphrey member of the K of C.