



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Third Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022

"...it may bear fruit in the future."

LUKE 13:9



Reading I: Exodus 3: 1-8a

Moses receives God's call to lead the Israelites out of Egypt and slavery to freedom in a new land. At the burning bush on the mountaintop he asks God for His name, and he is told the mysterious "I am who I am." It is a name that points to "free choice and unhindered power."

Reading II: I Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

St. Paul warns his Corinthian converts not to be overconfident in themselves. They too can be as vacillating as the Israelites in the matter of living as God wants.

The Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9

This passage, unique to Luke, teaches us that God is truly compassionate but not indecisive. Everyone must do penance for sin. The fig tree parable is meant to energize all procrastinators to wake up and do penance as a matter of urgency.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

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

Daily, Monday to Friday: 7:00AM, 9:00AM

*Special Schedules for Holy Days

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday: 2:00PM, 7:00PM

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—5:00PM

Friday - 9:00 AM - 4:00PM

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.

Mass Intentions

Sunday March 20, 2022

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

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

9:30AM Lauren Nicole Young (The Young Family)

**11:30AM Margaret and Joseph Queenan Sr.
(Mary Crawford)**

6:00PM Edward Lalor (Jennifer Morello)

Monday March 21, 2022

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

**7:00AM Laura and Bernard Matulis
(The McGovern Family)**

9:00AM Silvio Lippolis (The Scotti Family)

Tuesday March 22, 2022

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

7:00AM Sr. MaryAnn Potenza (The McGovern Family)

9:00AM William Lennon (Emil and Najat Abinader)

Wednesday March 23, 2022

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**7:00AM Charles and Erne Hofelder
(Raymond Hofelder)**

9:00AM Deacon Mark Meinzer (Christopher Meinzer)

Thursday March 24, 2022

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

7:00AM Arcangelo Risoldi (Bob and Sue Mrazik)

9:00AM Josephine Lawlor (Tara and David Charles)

Friday March 25, 2022

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

7:00AM Teresa Donadieu (The Baker Family)

9:00AM Eleanor Thompson (Pat Campanelli)

Saturday March 26, 2022

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

5:15PM Stephen Ehret (Jane Ehret)

Sunday March 27, 2022

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 Carolyn Rupprecht (The Baker Family)

9:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

**11:30AM William and Helen Yorkus
(Joe and Sue Bednarski)**

6:00PM Marianne Ruthrauff (John Corra)

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The church sanctuary candle burns for Brother Mark McBride T.O.R. requested by Loretta and Bill Amerine and Family.



St. Oscar Romero Feast Day March 24th

The night before he was murdered while celebrating Mass, Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador said on the radio: "I would like to appeal in a special way to the men of the army, and in particular to the troops of the National Guard, the police, and the garrisons. Brothers, you belong to our own people. You kill your own brother peasants; and in the face of an order to kill that is given by a man, the law of God that says 'Do not kill!' should prevail.

"No soldier is obliged to obey an order counter to the law of God. No one has to comply with an immoral law. It is the time now that you recover your conscience and obey its dictates rather than the command of sin. . . . Therefore, in the name of God, and in the name of this long-suffering people, whose laments rise to heaven every day more tumultuous, I beseech you, I beg you, I command you! In the name of God: 'Cease the repression!'"

Simultaneously, Romero had eloquently upheld the gospel and effectively signed his own death warrant.

When he was appointed archbishop of San Salvador in 1977, Bishop Romero was considered a very "safe" choice. He had served as auxiliary bishop there for four years before his three years as bishop of Santiago de Maria.

Oscar's father wanted him to be a carpenter—a trade for which he demonstrated some talent. Seminary classes in El Salvador preceded his studies at Rome's Gregorian University and his ordination in 1942. After earning a doctorate in ascetical theology, he returned home and became a parish priest and later rector of an interdiocesan seminary.

Three weeks after his appointment as archbishop, Romero was shaken by the murder of his good friend Jesuit Father Rutilio Grande, a vigorous defender of the rights of the poor. Five more priests were assassinated in the Archdiocese of San Salvador during Romero's years as its shepherd.

When a military junta seized control of the national government in 1979, Archbishop Romero publicly criticized the US government for backing the junta. His weekly radio sermons, broadcast throughout the country, were regarded by many as the most trustworthy source of news available.

Romero's funeral was celebrated in the plaza outside the cathedral and drew an estimated 250,000 mourners.

On February 3, 2015, Pope Francis authorized a decree recognizing Oscar Romero as a martyr for the faith. His beatification took place in San Salvador on May 23, 2015, and he was canonized on October 14, 2018.

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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.

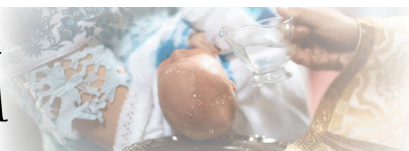


We pray for our beloved deceased especially, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.

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

May they rest in peace. Amen.

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.



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

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.

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

Counting our Blessings	3/14/21		3/13/22	
Sunday Offering	\$9,908.00	203	\$11,515.00	190
Online Parish Giving	\$9,287.52		\$10,723.78	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$19,195.52		\$22,238.78	

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 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, Carolyn Flynn, Rose Ann Grall, John Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Joanne Hutchins, Charles Jacobson, Sheila Christy Kelly, Nathan Kilgore, Charlie Koerner, Michael Kotwicki, James Malley, Isabella Mannino, Sean Marriott, Kevin McBeth, 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, Maria Scotti, Barbara Stettner, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, Frances Tarallo, Catherine Torres, and Edward Torres.

To submit a prayer request, please contact the rectory. All requests will be removed after 4 weeks.

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.



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, 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.

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.

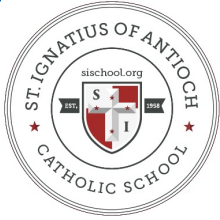


PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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/>



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School
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Mr. John Schrenk, Principal - mrschrenk@sischool.org
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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.

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 after school hours. Please call the school at 215-493-3867 or email Mrs. Helene Crozier at hcrozier@sischool.org for more information.

Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser March 19 - April 2

Nearly 1000 women walk through our doors every year seeking an abortion because they feel abandoned and hopeless. These women feel that there is no other choice but abortion. YOU can help us show them a better way! Through your generous giving, St. Ignatius parish has provided tremendous support in helping to save over 3,000 babies! Our centers provide free counseling to include abortion education, parenting, and adoption. Free ultrasound exams so women can hear the baby's heartbeat and see those fingers and toes, and free life enrichment programs for 3 years after the baby is born! Please join us in walking with these moms in need and give today to help transform not only their life but their baby's life too. Donation Envelopes will be at each entrance with the Legacy of Life Foundation display.

Checks should be made payable to the Legacy of Life Foundation

THANK YOU for your prayerful and generous support!

~ www.legacyoflifefoundation.org ~

"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise" - St. Mother Teresa

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY

We are excited to share with you that our parish is going to participate in a parish survey conducted by Catholic Leadership Institute! The Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey allows parishioners to reflect on their own spiritual growth and discipleship and identify the ways in which the parish effectively supports that growth.

The web-based survey will be accessible online at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y0dc63> and in paper form from March 2nd to April 4th . It will take about 10- 15 minutes to complete and Catholic Leadership Institute recommends that only individuals 18 years of age and older complete the survey.

At the completion of the survey, our parish will receive an aggregate report of the results. We will NOT have access to individual survey responses. This survey offers us a unique and important opportunity to learn about issues of importance to families in a confidential and professional way. We will use these results to 1) look at opportunities to support parishioner growth in discipleship and 2) create goals and action plans to achieve that growth. Please take some time to fill out the survey before April 2nd.



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.

PREP CLASSES for the 2022 – 2023 school year: Registration Forms will be available soon, and there will be an evening for early registrations soon. Class size will be limited, especially in the Summer Week. There will be 3 sessions:

- 1) Weeklong Summer PREP from July 11 – 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, followed by one Sunday a month (10:35 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) from September to first week in May.
- 2) Sunday weekly from September to first week in May (10:35 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.)
- 3) Monday weekly from September to first week in May (6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.)

SACRAMENT INFORMATION:

CONFIRMATION – Confirmation takes place this weekend. Let's pray that our parish kids always remain faithful to God by listening to the Holy Spirit.

FIRST PENANCE – Parents of students who were unable to come to First Penance on Tuesday evening, March 8, should contact Annmarie (215-493-5204) to plan another time to receive the Sacrament.

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.

FIRST COMMUNION 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.

VBS – We can have Vacation Bible School this summer during the last week of June (6/27 to 7/1), from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, but we cannot do it without adult volunteers. Please think about helping us out, and let Annmarie know you are available ASAP.

Book 'n Bean

We welcome newcomers to join us as we discuss our selected book of the month. If you would like to join our meetings, please email Linda Stewart (dremom@verizon.net) so we can send you the Zoom link which we will be using each month until further notice. Our schedule for the academic year is:

Tuesday, Mar. 29	<i>Caste - Isabel Wilkerson</i>
Tuesday, April 26	<i>Eternal - Linda Scottolini</i>
Tuesday, May 24	<i>Peril ~</i> <i>Bob Woodward/Robert Costa</i>

Our meetings will be held virtually. If you have questions, call Annmarie Flanagan at 215-493-5204 or e-mail Linda Stewart: dremom@verizon.net



Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

St. Joseph is known to all as the foster father of Jesus and although he has no recorded speaking parts in the Bible, he ‘spoke’ through his actions of caring for the Holy Family and working hard to support them and risking his life and reputation to follow the directions of God through messenger angels. He

is the patron saint of the Universal church and families, fathers, travelers, immigrants, house sellers and buyers, craftsmen and engineers and working people. Symbols associated with him are a carpenter’s square and lily symbolizing his trade and his purity. We just finished a year long celebration dedicated to St. Joseph. He is descended from loyal lineage in the family line of King David. Friday, March 25 is the feast of the Annunciation of Our Lord; it is one of the twelve great feasts of the church year. The day is 9 months prior to the birthday of Jesus; this day represents the feast of the conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary through the Holy Spirit upon the announcing to her of her being chosen to be the Mother of Jesus. Pope St. JP II established this date as the International Day of the Unborn Child in commemoration of the conception of Jesus. This is truly a day of commemoration and celebration. We should give thanks to Mary for her yes, thanks to the Holy Spirit for His facilitating the Incarnation and to Jesus for His becoming a human person to show us the way, tell us the Truth and be the light of the world.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



“To celebrate the Gospel of life means to celebrate the God of life, the God who gives life... In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God’s glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ” (The Gospel of Life 84). When you look at others, do you see Christ? Do you see the very image in which they were created? Or, do you see some worldly ‘feature’ whether good or bad, and, is that how you may approach or think about them, and choose to love them or not? We are in this world, but we are called to be not OF this world. We were created by God so we could share in His overflowing love. We are the only of His creation created in His image and likeness and given physical bodies. Our bodies are a sacramental reflecting the image of God; they make visible what is invisible and we were created for relationship or communion. The man/woman creation and how they were created and the meaning of the marital embrace is all about unity and procreation. We are called to ‘co-create’ and bring new life into the world through marital unity and these aspects of ‘communion’ between the husband and the wife are reflections and tastes of communion with the Trinity. All of these elements are explained in Pope St. JP II’s “Theology of the Body”- 129 talks given on the meaning of the body and the meaning of human sexuality in his first 5 years of papacy and meant to explode in this century to combat all of the evils of diminution of the human person (body and spirit) through abortion, contraception, transgender ideology, physician assisted suicide/ personal suicide and other ills of our time. We need to become aware of these teachings, teach our children and know that upon the Second Coming, we will ALL get our resurrected bodies back for all of eternity to either dwell in communion with the Trinity or in the absence of God (hell) and the suffering that goes with that absence.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: May all who suffer from the wounds of abortion be filled with the hope that does not disappoint, and be healed by Christ; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: That all may become aware of Theology of the Body

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ANNUAL ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
PASSION PLAY – APRIL 8, 2022



Advertise your business or support your favorite cast member by placing an advertisement in the Passion Play program book:

\$25 PER QUARTER PAGE AD (5x2" horizontal or 2.5 x4" vertical)

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OR

Send your favorite cast member a message in the program book:

\$5 per ten word CAST MESSAGE (e.g. 11-20 words \$10, etc.)

- **Send ads and/or cast messages to Lucy Fronheiser by March 24, 2022 :**
 - E-mail actual message/scan business card or artwork for ad, etc. to:
lucy.donnellan@gmail.com
 - Send cash or check made out to St. Ignatius to the rectory at 999 Reading Ave. Yardley, PA 19067 or
 - Send ad/message through school mail c/o Margaret Fronheiser, 8th grade



Little Sisters of the Poor

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Dear Father Brownholtz,

What a gift and a joy to return to your Parish Community and Family and experience the presence of gratitude and warmth of faith lived in action. Thank you for receiving us once again and allowing us to share the gift of our vocation and life of the Little Sisters of the Poor serving the Elderly of Philadelphia!

The total of checks received combined with the parish check brings the appeal total to \$7,347 for 2021. Your Family of faith is truly generous!

Be assured of our daily grateful prayers both of the Sisters and the elderly residents, Father. We remember you especially, Father, for the gift of your priesthood, thank you!

I ask you to remember us also, Father, in your prayers as we are undertaking a major work in rebuilding Holy Family Home over the next 3-5 years! Blessed Be God!!!

Sincerely in the Heart of Christ,

Sr. Veronica Susan, Lsp.
Sr. Veronica Susan, Lsp
Collecting Sister



SAVE THE DATE !

**The Social Action Committee
is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt
for our St. Ignatius Parish children
on Saturday, April 9th
beginning at 11 AM**

**Please look in next week's bulletin
as well as our parish website
and social media outlets
for registration information.**



Please join us for the next **Catholic Women of Bucks Giving Circle** meeting, supporting organizations whose mission reflect our Catholic faith and assist the local community:

Thursday, April 21st at 7 p.m.
St. John the Evangelist Church, School Cafeteria
752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA

***You will hear from our featured speaker Marie Joseph from the Legacy of Life Foundation,
about how her organization serves our local community and how you can help***

Refreshments Will be Served

RSVP to Jen Sullivan at (609)947-6480 or jenny_sullivan414@yahoo.com

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