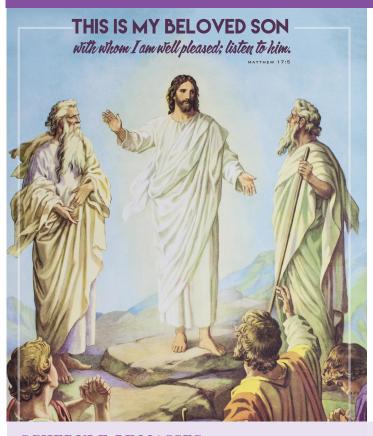


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Second Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2023





Reading I: Genesis 12: 1-4a

Abram gets a direct order from Yahweh to leave his native land, which he obeyed. Thus does Abram (later Abraham) become a blessing for all peoples and "our Father in Faith."

Reading II: 2 Timothy 1: 8b-10

God's salvation of us leads to a new holiness of life, "according to His design." As our Savior, Jesus has destroyed death and restored life.

The Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

Peter, James and John witness Jesus' complete transfiguration, as He becomes a being of light. This frightens and enchants the trio, and Peter recovers enough to say "It is good to be here." Jesus' touch overcomes their fear.

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, on Saturdays before the 5:15PM Mass and, on Sundays before the 6:00PM 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 - 4PM. 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays at 2PM and 7PM during Lent.



Sunday March 5, 2023 7:30AM Tom Stiver (Wife)

9:30AM Edwin Davies (Jackie Hillgrube)
11:30AM John O'Rourke (Alice O'Rourke)
6:00PM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

Monday March 6, 2023

7:00AM Gregory Castelli (Carol and Paul Oleyar)

9:00AM Martin McNeela (Sharon Dacey)

Tuesday March 7, 2023

7:00AM Dorothy Wolverton (Linda Chamberlain) 9:00AM Special Intention (Tara and David Charles)

Wednesday March 8, 2023

7:00AM Jillian Goodwin (Najat and Emil Abinader) 9:00AM James R. Murphy and Joseph M. Murphy

(Kathryn Murphy)

Thursday March 9, 2023

7:00AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory (Bill and Colleen Fucich)

9:00AM John Tweedie (The Harman Family)

Friday March 10, 2023

7:00AM Jillian Goodwin (Mommy) 9:00AM Denise Hiel (Peter Hiel)

Saturday March 11, 2023

5:15PM Bob Gervasio (Carol Gervasio)

Sunday March 12, 2023

7:30AM Joseph Kobol (Mary Ann Kobol) 9:30AM Robert Murphy (The Murphy Family)

11:30AM John - Warrio Jimenez

(The Young Family)

6:00PM James Skelly (The Young Family)



SANCTUARYCANDLE

The church sanctuary candle burns for Robert C. Ferry requested by Fran Ferry.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tm

1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt

20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 16:19-

31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17,

18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,

11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2,

5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



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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, Florence Clifford, 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 Father Brownholtz.



E-GIVING

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!



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Sunday Offering	\$12,965.00	211	\$9,841.00	238
Online Parish Giving	\$8,335.22		\$7,913.90	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$21,300.22		\$17,754.90	
Social Action Committee	\$2,325.00		\$2,171.00	

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THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.



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

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

Brian Basheda, Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, remember to Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Sara Brill, Mark FOR OUR Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, ITTOOPSEvan 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.

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/



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

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

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.



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School 995 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067 215-493-3867



Mr. George Meade, Principal mrmeade@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.

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 from 10:35 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. and on Monday

evenings, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

<u>PREP Classes</u> – The next class for the Summer Weeklong Plus Program takes place next week on Sunday, March 12, 2023, at 10:35 a.m. until 12:25 p.m. The Monthly 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.

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: Bishop Michael Fitzgerald will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for our seventh grade students on Saturday, March 25, at 10:00 a.m.

First Penance and Reconciliation is scheduled for this Tuesday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m. for our students in second grade, and older, and their families.

We will celebrate **First Communion** on Saturday, April 29, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass and at the 12:00 noon Mass.



Our programs are winding down for this year. Our next and final program will be NEXT Saturday, March 11, 2023 (change of date) in the Antioch Center at 9 AM with a great DVD on "Nine Proven Apologetics Techniques Anyone can Master" presented by well-known Catholic An-

swers host Patrick Madrid. Do you know what 'apologetics' is? Have you ever been confronted with questions or opposing views about your Catholic faith? Do you have family members or friends who don't agree with you on matters of faith and morals? How about in the work place, or the public square? Do you know what to say or do you just remain silent? "Apologetics are reasoned arguments or writings in justification of something, typically a theory or religious doctrine" as the definition goes. In Christianity, it is quite literally the defense of faith since the Greek word 'apologia' means 'defense' as a lawyer gives at trial. In every generation, people face challenges, questions, and concerns of the Gospel message of the Christian faith. Many older adults have not been 'catechized' since they were in school, if at all! Our programs are intended to inform, instruct, inspire and motivate 'defenders of the faith' and 'spreaders of the Gospel' through thought, word, deed and action. Why not join us? Why not send us your preferences for types of programs? Don't allow this ministry to dwindle or disappear. The current leaders are stepping down after 25 years to make room for new blood, new ideas, new energy and new insights. If you are interested in joining the committee or even heading the committee (you will not be alone) contact Les Ruppersberger at lruppersberger@gmail.com or call him at 215-680-0141.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



The Gospel of Life is "meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!" (The Gospel of Life 5). 'The Gospel of Life is at the heart of Jesus' message and is lovingly received day after day by the Church and is to be preached with dauntless fidelity as 'good news' to the people of every age and culture. 'This latter statement is from Evangelium Vitae (Gospel of Life) an encyclical from Pope St. JP II promulgated on March 25, 1995- the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. This encyclical 'explains' our Catholic Church teaching on the dignity of the human person; the creation of the human person in the image and likeness of God giving us a share in the 'divine nature'; the sacredness of life and the very significance of our bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit and thus deserving of 'treatment like a temple' and explains the many 'attacks' against the body and life and the response we should have in protecting and defending life from conception to natural death regardless of circumstance or difficulty. The message is that every threat to human dignity and life must necessarily be felt in the Church's very heart; it cannot but affect her at the core of her faith in the Redemptive Incarnation of the Son of God, and engage her in her mission or proclaiming the Gospel of life in all the world and to every creature. Hence, the ongoing and 'great' debate over life/abortion/ euthanasia/transgender and every other threat. We need to know the importance of our physical bodies as more than 'housing' for our souls/spirit and that it is holy and we get them back for all eternity.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For each expectant mother considering abortion: May the Lord provide for her needs and give her the grace and resolve to choose life for her child; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Prayer: For all abortion minded mothers.

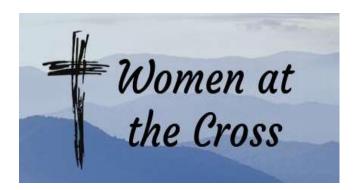


Legacy of Life Foundation Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser March 11-12

Legacy of Life Foundation funds two crisis pregnancy centers, one in Bucks County and one in Philadelphia. Nearly 1000 women walk through our doors every year seeking an abortion because they feel abandoned and hopeless. Through your generous giving, St. Ignatius parish has provided women the chance to see their baby on an ultrasound, countless pregnant women have been helped with finding a safe place to live, putting food on their table, and even getting their next job so they can provide for their children. Your generosity is changing lives!

Your financial gift will help women get the help they need!

- Free counseling abortion education, parenting, and adoption information
- Free ultrasound exams to hear the heartbeat and see those fingers and toes!
- Free programming to enrich their lives with life skills and loving family moments to cherish forever! Please join us in saving lives and give today to help transform not only a woman's life but her baby's life too. Donation Envelopes will be distributed at each entrance with the Legacy of Life Foundation display. Make your check payable to Legacy of Life Foundation and return to church next week.
- "Motherhood is the gift of God to women" St. Mother Teresa



The Women at the Cross would like to extend sincere thanks to our brothers in the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Brownholtz, Maria LaMantia, Joyce Bradley, and our St. Ignatius Parish family for a fun-filled Doo Wop Night! The Sounds of Doo Wop brought their A-Game, to an audience and dancing crowd of 165! The St. Ignatius Auditorium was hoppin' and jumpin'! All funds raised that evening benefit the Knights of Columbus local charities. Stay tuned for upcoming events and activities in support of our parish and community. The Women at the Cross is a Catholic women's ministry of faith and service. If you are a catholic woman 18 years or older and are interested in our organization, please email watc@yardleyknights.org for more information. We would love to hear from you!

CARING FOR FRIENDS LOOKING FOR A WORTHY, FUN 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, March 9th 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 March 9th!

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









CATHOLIC WOMEN OF BUCKS GIVING CIRCLE

Over 45 women from St. Ignatius, St. John's and St. Andrew's parishes came together to support The Advocate for the Homeless and Those in Need (AHTN). To date, the women have donated over \$6,200 to AHTN. We would like to thank all those who attended and donated. We couldn't do this without the support of these wonderful women! Our next meeting is Wed. June 14th at St. Ignatius. We welcome new members from any parish! You can join our group on Facebook: Catholic Women of Bucks Giving Circle or email us at cwobgc@gmail.com.

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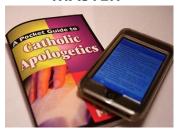
The Social Action Committee thanks our parish for their generous contributions to Mary's Cupboard. Last year, we donated 5,995 pounds of much appreciated food and household items. Right now, they are asking for specific donations of coffee, tea, shelf-stable milk and juice boxes. Collection baskets are located at the church's three main doors. We are grateful for your continued support!



Adult Faith Formation Committee Presents:

PATRICK MADRID, MA DOGMATIC THEOLOGY CATHOLIC AUTHOR AND RADIO HOST (DVD)

'NINE PROVEN APOLOGETICS TECHNIQUES THAT ANYONE CAN MASTER'



WHAT IS APOLOGETICS? WHY DO I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE?

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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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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 13, 2023 :
 - 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/money through school mail c/o Eloise Fronheiser, 7th grade

Theology of the Body

Spring Retreat for High School boys

March 31 – April 2, 2023 St. Mary of Providence Center 227 Isabella Rd, Elverson, PA

Retreat Leader: Brendan McCauley, Certified speaker for the Theology of the Body Institute With Peter DeMaio, President, Pennsylvanians for Human Life

Priests: Fr. David O'Brien, Campus Minister, Lansdale Catholic H.S.
Fr. Steve Delacy, Phila Archdiocese, Office of Faith Formation with Youth

Arrival time is Friday at 7:00 p.m. and ends Sunday at 1:00 pm Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner served Saturday & Breakfast & Lunch served Sunday Cost: \$200 Early Bird \$225 after February 28th (Scholarships available)

We will talk about what it means to be a young, dynamic, Catholic man in today's world. The overnight retreat will introduce you to John Paul II's Theology of the Body and what it means for your life! Tough cultural topics will be discussed in a safe format. Retreat will include talks, small groups, Mass, Adoration and time for confession.

Register at http://lifelovesexuality.com/

For more information contact: Tracy Phillips <u>tracymphillips@yahoo.com</u> or 610-220-4346

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