



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 15, 2023



IN HIS PRESENCE

Forty Hours of Adoration

*“Let Jesus lead
the way”*

Forty Hours Begins Sunday, October 15th
Guest Speaker: Father Anthony Albanese
Evening Prayer at 7PM each day

*Eucharistic Adoration will begin after the 11:30AM Mass
and end after Evening Prayer on Sunday, October 15th*

*Evening prayer will conclude our days
on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at 7:00PM*

*Eucharistic Adoration will begin after the 9:00AM Mass on
Monday and Tuesday and end with Evening Prayer at 7:00PM.*

*Our solemn closing of the Forty Hours on Tuesday, October 17th
will include a candlelight procession outside of the church
ending with a reception outside the blue canopy
entrance of the school .*

**Theme : Jesus offers us virtues: generosity, humility,
charity. Will we say yes?**

Father Anthony Albanese was ordained a priest of Jesus Christ on May 20, 2023 and is currently stationed at St. Laurence Parish in Upper Darby, PA. He spent time at St. Ignatius as a seminarian a number of years ago.

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.**





Sunday *October 15, 2023*
7:30AM *The LaMantia Family/ living*
9:30AM *Lauren Nicole Young*
(The Young Family)
11:30AM *Lori Worachek*
(The Falkenstein Family)
6:00PM *All Living and Deceased Parishioners*

Monday *October 16, 2023*
9:00AM *Matthew DiGiacomo (Parents)*

Tuesday *October 17, 2023*
9:00AM *Donald Rodgers Sr.*
(Ann and Family)

Wednesday *October 18, 2023*
9:00AM *Dolores Moruzzi (Lee Joy)*

Thursday *October 19, 2023*
9:00AM *Robert Frusteri*
(Paul and Virginia Martin)

Friday *October 20, 2023*
9:00AM *Deceased Members of the Scaringi*
Family (Frances and Nick Tarallo)

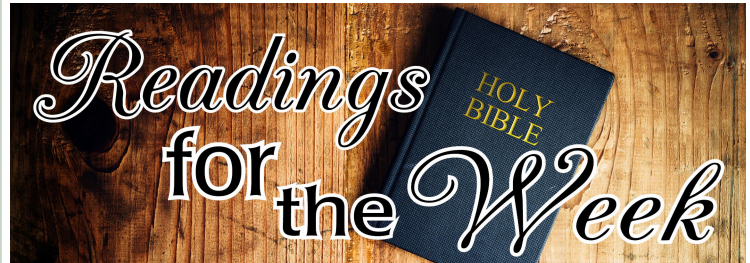
Saturday *October 21, 2023*
5:15PM *Ann and Bob Edwards (Carol Foley)*

Sunday *October 22, 2023*
7:30AM *Rev. Vernon A. Holtz O.S.B.*
(The Lantzy Family)
9:30AM *The Gever Family (Christiana)*
11:30AM *Helen and Stephen Arcade*
(Joanne Russo)
6:00PM *Kathleen Long (Raymond Hofelder)*



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The church sanctuary candle burns in memory of all living and deceased parishioners.



Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

We will be holding a Protecting God's Children training class here at St. Ignatius on October 26, 2023 starting at 6:30 pm in the church. We encourage all volunteers who interact with our children to attend this training. They can register for the training here: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=0

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Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass for years, we welcome you to join our parish. Please contact the rectory to register. Or scan the QR code below:



We pray for our beloved deceased especially JoAnn Chase, 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.*



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

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.



PARISH APPEAL

Our 2023-2024 Annual Parish Appeal is underway! This critical parish financial appeal will run from October through the end of January. 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. You should have received our appeals materials in the mail. If you have not, there are appeal envelopes located in the entrances of the church. Please return your donation by placing this year's appeal envelope in the collection basket at Mass. You may also mail your contribution or drop it off directly to the rectory. As of week #2 of the Parish appeal, 76 families have contributed \$18,125 toward our goal of \$175,000. We are at 10.36% of this year's goal. Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Collection

Counting our Blessings	10/9/22	Env	10/8/23	Env
Sunday Offering	\$12,967.00	247	\$11,119.00	234
Online Parish Giving	\$9,854.88		\$11,638.72	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$22,821.88		\$22,757.72	

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



THANK YOU!

2023 Coat and Sweater Drive

A big thank you to our parishioners and volunteers for another successful Coat and Sweater Drive. Despite a threatening weather forecast, 1,500 coats and sweaters were collected, benefiting nine charities in the Bucks, Trenton and Philadelphia communities. On behalf of the charities and the Social Action Committee, our heartfelt gratitude to all those who contributed to the Drive.



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

Emil Abinader, Cleo Allen, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Ronald Ardeni, Nicholas Bolton, Marie Brady, Patricia Broderick, Alan Brutus, Lorraine C., William Cain, Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Paul Clark, Brynn Clare Connor, Ebby Conway, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., Andrea Derassouyan, Jerry Dennell, Mary DiMattia, Tom Duess, John Flahive, Mary Fucich, Pat Furst, Mary Giacobbi, Cindy L. Golden, Margaret Golden, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Kevin Horn, Joanne Hutchins, Charles Jacobson, Mary Kelly, Olivia Kraemer, Michael Kotwicki, Dick Linde, Tina Lippolis, Sandy Lockhart, Amanda Loveman, James Malley, Isabella Mannino, Sean Marriott, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, John McGowan, Dorothy McMullen, Katherine McSorley, Kathy Merlo, Janet Miller, Walter Miller, Connie Moredich, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Rita Off, Nancy Paravecchia, Joseph Pittore, James Perry, Anne Proctor, Paul Anthony Roppa, Sharon Schaeffer, Irene Scotti, Marco Scotti, Joyce Spera, Sister Agnes St. Joseph, Cheryl Stabile, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantara, Frances Tarallo, Kathleen Tollen, Baby Tollen, Catherine Torres, Edward Torres, Shelby Wagner, Lora Warner, Mary Wilcox, Howard Wildey, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Rittenhouse Village.



PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, JD McEwing, Juan Builes, Jude Opara, 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 DeTample, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, James Limer, 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.



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 Thursday from 7:00-8:30PM in the auditorium. For more information, please contact our spiritual prayer group director: Deacon Bob Skawinski at rjcs1219@verizon.net.



Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

In response to God's call to holiness, our faith and life as adult disciples are grounded in developing a personal relationship with Jesus, "the Holy One of God" (Jn 6:69, Mk 1:24). Accordingly, "'at the heart of catechesis we find, in essence, a Person, the Person of Jesus of Nazareth. . . .' Catechesis aims at putting 'people . . . in communion . . . with Jesus Christ.'"

As its first goal, faith formation helps adults "to acquire an attitude of conversion to the Lord." This attitude fosters a baptismal spirituality for adults. It leads them to recognize and repent of sin in their hearts and lives, to seek reconciliation through the sacraments, and to embrace the invitation and challenge of an ever-deepening faith in Jesus. It means putting on the mind of Christ, trusting in the Father's love, obeying God's will, seeking holiness of life, and growing in love for others. Deepening personal prayer is a significant means toward growth in holiness in daily life. As adult believers, we learn and live our faith as active members of the Church. Our response to God's call to community "cannot remain abstract and unincarnated," but rather, "reveals itself concretely by a visible entry into a community of believers . . . a community which itself is a sign of transformation, a sign of newness of life: it is the Church, the visible sacrament of salvation." People find this community of faith in the parish and diocese, as well as in their families, small church communities, personal relationships, faith-based associations, and in the communion of saints of all times and places.

Accordingly, faith formation helps adults make "a conscious and firm decision to live the gift and choice of faith through membership in the Christian community," accepting "co-responsibility for the community's mission and internal life." Adults not only receive the ministries of the Christian community, they also contribute to its life and mission through the generous stewardship of their gifts. Why not join us? We are community here at St. Ignatius and perhaps God is calling you to ministry. If interested contact Helene LaRosa or MM Phinney at stignatiusadultfaith@gmail.com or come to one of our meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM in the Antioch Center, second floor.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



"Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

Other resources for support of women in need who find themselves with child, like Mary, that are unplanned are residential homes for pregnant women. There are three in our area. Cradle of Hope in Glenside which has opened a second residence and is in need of financial help and resources and supplies. Guiding Star as a residence monitored by the ProLife Union and managed by Catholic Social Services personnel. Mother Castello home in Bensalem. All of these homes are worthy of support and prayers as they house these moms in a home-like atmosphere with full support throughout the 9 months of pregnancy and for 9 months after their children are born. We have been truly blessed with many such homes and staff in our area.

Legacy of Life Foundation offers free one-hour tours at their facility on the first Tuesday and third Thursday of each month or by appointment. If you ever have an hour free and would like to see what we do, how we do it and where we do it call 215-826-9269 or go to legacyoflifefoundation.org. The March for Life in PA is TOMORROW- go to marchforlife.org for more info. St. Andrew's will be hosting a bus.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: That the life of every person, from conception to natural death, will be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For life and love; for babies and bonding.



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School
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Mr. George Meade, Principal
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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.

The Summer PREP Classes will meet again today, Sunday, October 15, beginning at 10:35 a.m. and ending at 12:30 p.m.

The weekly Sunday PREP Classes begin at 10:35 a.m. and end at 11:50 a.m.

Monday PREP Classes begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 7:45 p.m.

NOTE: It is very important that all students register for PREP classes. This includes those who home-school their children. Contact Annmarie if you need a registration form or download the form from the Parish Website under PREP.

**** If your child is older than 2nd grade age and has not received his/her First Penance or First Communion, please contact Annmarie as soon as possible.**

***** If you are a St. Ignatius Parish Homeschool Parent and your child is entering grade 2 or grade 7 in September, please contact Annmarie (215-493-5204) to let her be aware that your child will be part of the First Penance and First Communion Class of 2024 or the Confirmation Class of 2024.**

Our First Communion/Penance Parent Meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium under the Church. All parents are expected to come to the meeting.

Our Confirmation Parent Meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium under the Church. All parents are expected to come to the meeting.

RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Teens and Adults) is now called OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation for Teens and Adults). If you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a Catholic or has not received all the Sacraments, please give them my phone number so we can talk. They can call me even if they are not 100% sure yet.

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



EUCCHARISTIC *Adoration*

**Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
Our Greatest Gift
The Adoration Chapel is open. Come, spend
quiet time with Our Lord Jesus.**

"Christians must be distinguished above all by the art of prayer. Spend time in spiritual discourse, in silent adoration, in heartfelt love before Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament".

(St. John Paul the Great)

As you strive to deepen your relationship with Jesus, consider making time to be present to Him, the One who loves you the most.

Exposition Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 8pm
Saturday 10am to 4pm

The Eucharist remains in the chapel tabernacle at all other times.

Please call Marianne (267-346-0152) or Rosemary (267-799-3951) for chapel information.



On the third Sunday of each month, our parish will provide prayer teams in the Adoration Chapel after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. They will be there to pray with individual parishioners. Whether you're going through a challenging time, a crisis in faith, interceding for a special intention, or experiencing any form of need, we would be privileged to pray with you for God's grace. There is nothing like the power of prayer to bring peace.

All members of our prayer teams have been prepared to participate in this new ministry, and anything shared is strictly confidential. No prior reservation is needed.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them" (Matt 18:20). Please note: Diocesan guidelines require that children under 18 years of age be accompanied by an adult.

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

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

A Memorial Mass of Remembrance and Healing will be celebrated by the faith community of St. Ignatius for all parents who have experienced the death of a child. This Liturgy will be celebrated at our church on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00pm. Parishioners of St. Ignatius and our surrounding parishes are invited to attend. If you can join us, please call our rectory: 215-493-3377 by October 31st and provide your contact information, your child's name and his/her date deceased. We hope you will join us for sharing & light refreshments following the mass.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

The Social Action Committee is grateful for our parish's continued commitment to Mary's Cupboard. While any donations of non-perishable food, household items and personal hygiene projects are always appreciated, the Cupboard is currently low in canned pastas, like Spaghetti O's, and oral care products, especially toothpaste. We thank you for your generosity!

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITY



During this year of Eucharistic Revival, our parish would like to purchase six processional candles for special celebrations such as 40 Hours, Confirmation, Christmas Eve, and the Easter Vigil.

These candles will help to highlight the importance of showing reverence to our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. The cost is \$500.00 each. An engraved plate can be added to the processional candle stand to memorialize your loved one.

The WORD of GOD

Reading I: Isaiah 25: 6-10a

The banquet image is a favorite way to describe God's kingdom and the times to come of His reign of joy in heaven.

Reading II: Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20

St. Paul acknowledges the community's gift to him. Yet he also cites the source of his energy when challenges come his way: from the loving God whose strength on which he relies.

The Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14, or 22: 1-10

Jesus depicts God's kingdom as a wedding banquet, which some of the invitees ignored and others refused. Only then does the king turn to all who were not officially invited, which included the good and the bad.

ST. IGNATIUS CYO PRESENTS..... A NIGHT OF COMEDY WITH JOE CONKLIN



Saturday, November 4th
6:30 pm to 10:30 pm
(doors open at 6pm)

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING FILLED WITH LAUGHTER AS WE PRESENT A SPECIAL COMEDY PERFORMANCE BY THE RENOWNED JOE CONKLIN. EVENT WILL BE HELD IN THE CHURCH AUDITORIUM AND WILL INCLUDE DINNER- EVENT IS BYOB! ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ST. IGNATIUS CYO PROGRAM. PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORTING THIS GREAT CAUSE

Event Highlights:

- Hilarious Stand-Up Comedy (Show starts at 8pm)
- Raffle and Auction
- BYOB
- Dinner Included (6:30pm)

Tickets:

- General Admission: \$60 per ticket -All tickets must be purchased in advance.

For ticket purchase please visit: joeconklin.com and select the "Buy Tickets" link for the 11/4 show at St. Ignatius.



The Women at the Cross &
The Knights of Columbus
invite you to kick up your heels at this year's

LINE DANCING

When: Sat., Oct. 21, 2023 @ 7-10 PM (doors open-6:30)
Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch Church Auditorium
999 Reading Ave., Yardley, PA 19067
Cost: \$15 per person in advance / \$20 at the door

- Popular DJ & Line Dance Instructor, Jeremy, will lead the evening
- Light Snacks & Water Provided
- BYOF (Bring Your Own Food) Welcome!
- 50/50 Raffle & Baskets



Proceeds benefit Caring For Friends – Caring Bag Experience Program for the food insecure

(Checks payable to Knights of Columbus Council #11013. Please note "Line Dance" on check & include note w/ number of tickets & email address. Checks can be sent to: St. Ignatius Church - Attention: WATC Question???? - email watc@yardleyknights.com



CYO Basketball



It's that time of year again! CYO Basketball registration is currently open. Please visit <https://stignatiuscyo.sportngin.com> to register. St Ignatius CYO basketball is available to all registered members of the parish.

The following programs are offered:

Men's League (Over 30) - Starts late November (Plays Monday Nights)

High School (Boys/Girls 9/10 and 11/12) - Starts early November

Travel (Boys 3/4, 5/6, 7/8) - Starts early November

Travel (Girls 3/4, 5/6, 7/8) - Starts early November

PeeWee (boys/girls PreK/K, 1st /2nd grade) - Runs Mid November till end of February (Sunday Afternoons)

Tryouts for Region travel (5/6 and 7/8 boys and girls) will be held the first week of November. We will publish actual times as we get closer.

If you are interested in a coach or volunteer position, please reach out to Brendan Zaba, Athletic Director, at brzaba@gmail.com. You will need to complete the various trainings before the season starts in November. There will be a coaching meeting held in mid-October with additional information. Please send an email if you are interested in participating



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/>

Come visit us!



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Brownholtz and our seminarian Jude Opera will hold an altar server training session on Thursday, November 9th from 4pm-5pm for any child interested in becoming an altar server as well as anyone who would like a refresher course. The training will take place in the church and will include a tour of the church and sacristy, a lesson on all the items used in Mass, and step by step instructions on how to serve a Mass. Please send in the attached application with your child when they attend the training. RSVP for the training to Maria Lamantia at mlamantia@stignatius.church.



LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR HOLY FAMILY HOME

In 1869 Archbishop Wood of Philadelphia invited the Little Sisters of the Poor from France to come and assist in caring for the vast numbers of elderly poor in the city. The charism of their foundress, St. Jeanne Jugan serving the poorest in simplicity, humility and trust in Divine Providence (begging), imbued them with the gift of fortitude for 150 years in Philadelphia through faithfully observing their vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and hospitality while personally assisting the dying with firm belief - "It is Jesus Himself whom you are serving in the Poor." JJ.

They will be visiting us the weekend of October 28th/29th, appealing for your financial assistance to support their work. Your support is GREATLY APPRECIATED and is God's tangible providential assistance to the poor