



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024



The WORD of GOD

Reading I: 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23

A reflection on the evil of not paying attention to God's prophets compels the Israelites to endure a 70 year exile in Babylon.

Reading II: Ephesians 2: 4-10

St. Paul tells Christians that they can be identified with Christ in that they too will be enthroned with Him in heaven.

The Gospel: John 3: 14-21

The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus continues with a discussion about God sending His only Son to earth to bring light and love to the world.

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 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.

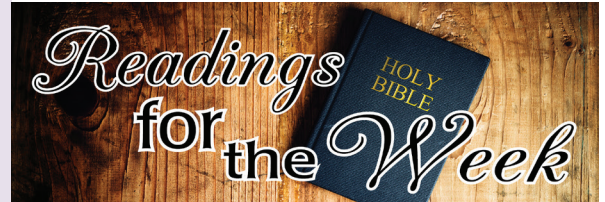
CARE OF THE SICK

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



Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns for Bob Gervasio requested by Carol Gervasio



Sunday March 10, 2024
7:30AM Roger Rossi (Rich and Kathy Moore)
9:30AM Walter and Dorothy Miller (The Miller Family)
11:30AM Luke Dorozala (Bozena Neptun and Krystyna Kanschewski)
6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

Monday March 11, 2024
7:00AM Bob Gervasio (Carol Gervasio)
9:00AM Deceased and Living Members of the Scotti Family (The Scotti Family)

Tuesday March 12, 2024
7:00AM Desmond O'Leary (Mary and Jack King)
9:00AM The Brignola Family (Genevieve Petrucco)

Wednesday March 13, 2024
7:00AM Living and Deceased Members of the Cardone Family (Sheila Cardone)
9:00AM Robert Dalton (The Costa Family)

Thursday March 14, 2024
7:00AM Robert Francis Kelley (The Costa Family)
9:00AM Nora Moore (Rich and Kathy Moore)

Friday March 15, 2024
7:00AM Marianne Pope (The Tarallo Family)
9:00AM Frank Moore (Rich and Kathy Moore)

Saturday March 16, 2024
5:15PM The Humphrey and Keefe Families (Tom and Lorraine Humphrey)

Sunday March 17, 2024
7:30AM Deceased Members of the Frawley / Naughton Families (Jim and Barbara Frawley)
9:30AM Patrick Joy (The Joy Family)
11:30AM John - Warrio Jimenez (The Young Family)
6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

Sunday 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21

Monday Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47

Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33



Correction:

In last weeks bulletin, the Adoration Flyer made an error in referencing Fr. Schmitz's YouTube Video. The flyer should have read "Fr. Mike Schmitz's YouTube Video. Many apologies for any confusion

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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 following QR code:



We pray for our beloved deceased especially Richard Linde, 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.

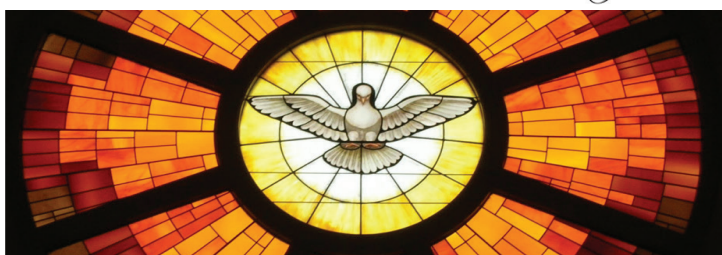
Parish Giving

In the spirit of embracing modern technology to foster a sense of community and ease in giving, St. Ignatius of Antioch utilizes E-Giving, a digital platform designed to streamline the process of making donations and supporting the parish's missions and operations. This innovative approach to stewardship not only simplifies the act of giving for parishioners, allowing for contributions to be made anytime and from anywhere, but also ensures a consistent flow of support for the church's many vital programs. E-Giving offers a secure, flexible, and efficient way for members of the community to uphold their commitment to the church, enhancing our ability to carry out charitable works, maintain our facilities, and expand our outreach initiatives. By adopting E-Giving, St. Ignatius of Antioch takes a significant step forward in ensuring the sustainability and growth of our beloved parish, fostering a culture of generosity and accessibility for all. Please visit our parish website to sign up or to get more information on this program.

Weekly Collection

Counting our Blessings	3/5/23	Env	3/3/24	Env
Sunday Offering	\$13,522.00	263	\$12,460.00	262
Online Parish Giving	\$11,770.51		\$11,523.42	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$25,292.51		\$23,983.42	

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



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.



Men over 18, become a Knight in order to combat spiritual darkness. K of C - charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Call (215) 493-6141.

Pray FOR THE SICK ©JPPC

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

Baby Kayden Hledik, Emil Abinader, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Lorraine C., Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Linda Collison, Brynn Clare Connor, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, Rebekah Fiori, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Loretta Halas, Charles Jacobson, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Janet Miller, , Walter Miller, Phong Thi Ngoc, Nancy Paravecchia, Mary Claire Rossi, Sister Agnes St. Joseph, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, Donna Swangler, AJ Tantala, Catherine Torres, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Mary Wilcox, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.

PRAY for vocations

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>



Justin Kumor



Our schedule for Stations of the Cross is as follows:

3/15 2PM only. Our Passion Play will be at 7PM.

3/22 2PM and 7PM

Music by
Encounter Ministry
 Upper Room
 God's Word with
Father Joseph Ita Sam

ALL ARE WELCOME

Speaker
Kathleen McCarthy



**Friday April 12th
 7:00 PM**

St Ignatius of Antioch
 999 Reading Ave
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 Free registration
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 267-357-5008





Faith Formation

There are many saints feast days to celebrate during the month of March. St. Katharine Drexel on 3/3; Sts. Perpetua and Felicity on 3/7; St. Frances of Rome on 3/9; St. Patrick on 3/17; St. Joseph on 3/19; the Annunciation of the Lord on 3/25. St. Katharine Drexel was an American heiress, philanthropist, religious sister and educator. She was the second person born in the U.S. to be canonized as a saint and the first one born as a U.S. citizen. Her shrine is in the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul in center city Philadelphia. She is the patron saint of racial justice and philanthropists. She founded the order of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and used her fortune to create new schools for Native Americans and African Americans across the U.S. Sts. Perpetua and Felicity were Christian martyrs of the 3rd century. Perpetua was a recently married well- educated noblewoman said to have been 22 yrs. old at the time of her death and mother of an infant she was nursing. Felicity was a slave imprisoned with her and pregnant at the time and was martyred with her. They were put to death along with others at Carthage in the Roman province of Africa. They are the patron saints of expectant mothers/ranchers/butchers.. They are both commemorated in the Canon of the Mass. Finally, St. Patrick is well known and the patron saint of Ireland; he was a 5th century Romano-British Christian missionary known as the Apostle of Ireland. He is responsible for bringing Christianity to Ireland and one of the patron saints along with St. Brigit of Kildare and Columba.

If you have any requests for programs for next year, let us know.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life.’ We find ourselves not only ‘faced with’ but necessarily ‘in the midst of’ this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life” (The Gospel of Life 28). Many of us really and honestly don’t think we need to ‘engage’ in any way this debate over life and death – this beginning of life/end of life debate. Everyone who currently lives has a body created in the image and likeness of God, whether they realize or admit so. They would NOT be here if they did not receive the ‘gift of life.’ The real question is what are WE doing with THIS gift? How do you treat a gift? Do you abuse it/destroy it/throw it away/give it away/dishonor it? why have over 63 million surgical abortions have occurred since 1973? How about medical abortions from the abortion pill or hormonal contraceptives or IUD’s- all of which have abortifacient effects- meaning can end a pregnancy by preventing implantation or killing an already implanted baby! Why do we have laws legalizing ‘physician-assisted suicide’? On the one hand, we are concerned about suicide rates and mental illness, especially among our young, but, on the other hand many states are legalizing the killing of anyone who ‘wants’ to end their life?! Yes, there IS free will, and there has always been since the original sin- but no one is taking away anyone’s free will, just trying to inform how to exercise that will in choices between good and evil, between life and death. The battle will always be with us, but many need to stand up and join the forces of life and good to oppose the evils of death and destruction

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For those nearing the end of life; May they be given the grace to persevere in faith and place their trust in God as they prepare in hope for eternity with Christ; We pray to the Lord

Rose of Life Intention: For all who are suffering, that they may be comforted.



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School
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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.



As many of you know, St. Ignatius of Antioch parish is currently seeking a Director of Religious Education. If you would like to apply, or know of someone who would be interested, please forward that information to Jayne Marcinkowski, hr@stignatius.church. The complete job description can be found at <https://archphila.applicantpro.com/jobs/>. Please pray for our retiring DRE, Ms. Annmarie Flanagan, as she prepares for her retirement journey! Thank you for your assistance and prayers.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration ... One Day at a Time ...

“I will be with you always.” - Matthew 28:20

As recently as 2020, parishioners spent an hour each week praying in our Adoration chapel. Every hour of each day there was an individual praying. This commitment by our community of believers allowed us to have 24/7 Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, a practice that had been in place for nearly 25 years!

Sadly, when the pandemic hit, it was temporarily stopped. Shortly after, we resumed each Monday through Friday from 10 AM until 8 PM. Recently, we began to extend those hours. Now we are beginning an effort to start 24/7 Perpetual Adoration one day at a time. The first 24 hour period we would like to start is from 10 AM Monday until 9 AM Tuesday. These are the hours in need of Adorers: Mondays 9pm, 11pm, Tuesdays 12am(midnight), 1am, 2am, 3am, 6am, 7am and 9am.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact

Marianne Kloc 267-346-0152 or Rosemary Overberger 267-799-3951



View Fr. Mike Schmitz's YouTube Video, "What Really Happens in Eucharistic Adoration" →



See back for Adorer Testimonials! →



The Knights of Columbus
 Father McCafferty Council No. 11013
 invite you to

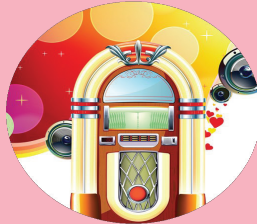
Doo Wop Night

Proceeds benefit
 Local Special Olympics Bucks County



When: Sat., April 6, 2024 @ 7PM -10 (doors open-6:30)
 Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch Church Auditorium
 999 Reading Ave. Yardley, PA 19067
 Cost: \$15 / per person - \$20 at the door

- ◆ Entertainment: Sounds of Doo Wop (Gary & Joanna)
- ◆ Water & Snacks will be provided
- ◆ You are welcome to bring your own food and refreshments!
- ◆ 50/50 & Raffle Baskets



Checks payable to Knights of Columbus Council #11013
 Please note "Doo Wop" on check
 Checks can be sent to: St. Ignatius Church ****Attention: Doo Wop
 Please include a note with your name, phone no., email, & number of tickets
 Attendees must be 21 years of age. *** Venue is not wheelchair accessible
 If you have any questions, please email doowopnight@gmail.com



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.

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Book 'n Bean

This year we are meeting in person except for January and February when we will meet via Zoom. Newcomers are welcomed to join us on the indicated Tuesday evening of each month in the ground floor meeting room of the Antioch Center at 7:30pm. We will be discussing books which we have chosen for the coming year (2023-2024.) All are invited to come whenever you can. For more information and the Zoom link, please email Linda Stewart at: dremom@verizon.net
Our reading schedule is:

Tuesday, Mar. 26
Ordinary Grace - William Krueger
Tuesday, April 30 The Tobacco Wives - Adele Myers
Tuesday, May 21 Horse - Geraldine Brooks



St. Ignatius Parish Egg Hunt

Presented by the St. Ignatius Social Action Committee

Saturday, March 23rd at 3pm

St. Ignatius Playground

(Rain Date: March 24th at 3pm)

SCAN OR [CLICK HERE TO RSVP:](#)

Special
Appearance by
the Easter
Bunny!



Bring your
baskets!

Find a
GOLDEN EGG,
win a prize!

Please help our collection for Mary's Cupboard food pantry by bringing a non-perishable food item.



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.



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/>

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.

Registration for the Summer PREP Plus Program for the 2024 - 2025 school year will take place in April. More information will be coming soon. Check your emails.

NOTE: 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 presently in grade 2 or grade 7, 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.

RCIA (OCIA now) - (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.



The Social Action Committee thanks our generous parish for its continued contributions to Mary's Cupboard. While all donations of non-perishable food and household items are greatly appreciated, the Cupboard is currently in need of condiments, cooking oils, shelf-stable milk and juice boxes. Our efforts directly impact the lives of Lower Bucks families; your support is a blessing.



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 14th 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 14th !

“For it is in giving that we receive.” –St. Francis of Assisi