



# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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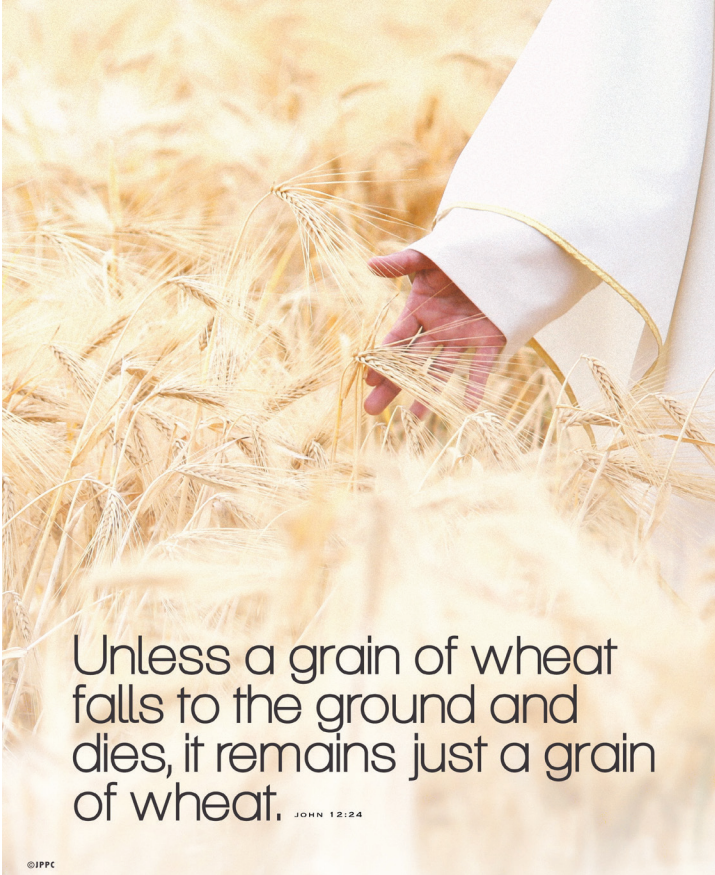
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The Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024



Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. JOHN 12:24

## The WORD of GOD

### Reading I: Jeremiah 31:31-34

This short oracle has been called “one of the most profound and moving passages in the entire Bible.” Note the use of the words “new Covenant.” It is the only time they are used in the entire Old Testament.

### Reading II: Hebrews 5:7-9

The author considers Jesus’ ability to sympathize with sinners arises from the fact that He knew temptation. His obedience led to His priestly consecration.

### The Gospel: John 12: 20-33

Some Greeks come to see Jesus. He tells Andrew and Philip that “when a grain of wheat dies it produces much fruit.” This is a direct reference to His upcoming passion and death.

### 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.



Mass



Intentions

## Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns for Francesco Figlia requested by The Figlia Family.

**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**

**Monday March 18, 2024**  
**7:00AM John Brennan (Jack and Mary King)**  
**9:00AM Georges Abinader (Emil and Najat Abinader)**

**Tuesday March 19, 2024**  
**7:00AM Martin McNeela (Charlie and Ellie Koerner)**  
**9:00AM Linda Cesario (Charlie and Ellie Koerner)**

**Wednesday March 20, 2024**  
**7:00AM Irene Coyle (The Sowa Family)**  
**9:00AM Theresa Coyne (Ed and Eileen Borger )**

**Thursday March 21, 2024**  
**7:00AM Kathleen McElhatton (The Baker Family)**  
**9:00AM Silvio Lippolis (The Scotti Family)**

**Friday March 22, 2024**  
**7:00AM The Deceased Members of the Costa and Dalton Families (Tom and Dillon Costa)**  
**9:00AM Tom Stiver (Wife)**

**Saturday March 23, 2024**  
**5:15PM Ed Torres (Kay Werner)**

**Sunday March 17, 2024**  
**7:30AM Roger Rossi (Lanora Rossi)**  
**9:30AM Lukasz Dorozala (Wife and Children)**  
**11:30AM Charles and Erne Hofelder (Raymond Hofelder)**  
**6:00PM Amy Nalli Roach Margulies**



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

**Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Jn 8:1-11**

**Tuesday 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a**

**Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Jn 8:31-42**

**Thursday Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 8:51-59**

**Friday Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 Jn 10:31-42**

**Saturday Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 Jn 11:45-56**

**Sunday Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 and Mk 14:1-15:47 or Mk 15:1-39**

## Ministerial Staff

Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz, Pastor	215-493-3377
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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 Linda Collison, 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.

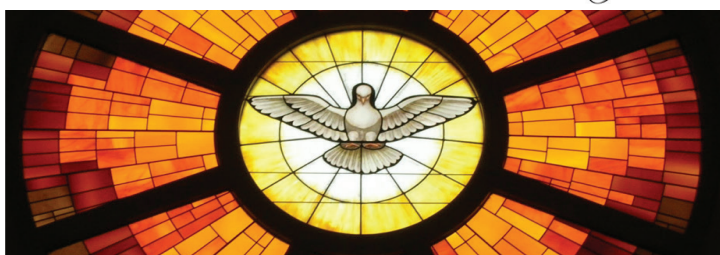
## Parish Giving

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	3/12/23	Env	3/10/24	Env
Sunday Offering	\$13,772.00	207	\$11,712.00	210
Online Parish Giving	\$9,468.56		\$11,297.79	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$23,240.56		\$23,009.79	
Social Action Committee	\$2,601.00		\$8,224.00	

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

#### SEASONS OF HOPE FINDING COMFORT IN YOUR GRIEF BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Whether your loss is relatively new, or further along, we invite you to join with others for comfort, courage and direction. We will meet every Thursday from 10:00AM - 11:30 AM in Room 1C in the Antioch Meeting Center.

Please call Mary Moskowitz to Register at 267-566-1435.

# 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, 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:

3/22 2PM and 7PM

**Praise and Worship NIGHT**

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  
 Yardley Pa 19067  
 Free registration info  
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 267-357-5008





## Faith Formation

St. Joseph- feast day March 19- 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. 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.



"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).

God could have created new human life in any way He desired; His desire was to love us so much that HE bestowed upon us as humans the ability to 'co-create' new life through His Spirit- 'the Lord and Giver of life'- so, 'male and female He created them' so that the 'two become one flesh'. The very first commandment God gave to Adam and Eve was to 'be fruitful and multiply and have dominion...over all other forms of life'...making man and woman the pinnacle of His creations, all created out of love, by love, through love, for love to be in love and to that end result new life comes into being in the presence of the Holy Spirit. We need to 'see' things according to God's plan for salvation; we, like Paul, need to let the 'scales fall from our eyes' to see the meaning and blessing of life more clearly and spread the message far and wide. And, when confronted, we need to defend, explain and profess and pray. We know who wins in the end. We know the ending of the 'book' of the Bible- we know who 'wins' in this spiritual warfare with Satan, who wants to destroy us. We need to rise up and through Michael the Archangel, defeat Satan through Christ, the Sacraments, grace and prayer and our participation in the very Gospel of life! Please contribute to Legacy of Life Foundation; their annual 'bottle/envelope' drive will be held the first weekend in April right here at St. Ignatius, please consider a generous donation. Thank you. 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: For all who support crisis pregnancy centers.



**St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School**  
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**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.



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

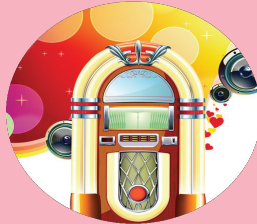
# Doo Wop Night

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



# 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.



## St. Ignatius Parish Egg Hunt

*Presented by the St. Ignatius Social Action Committee*

**Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm**

**St. Ignatius Playground**

(Rain Date: March 24<sup>th</sup> 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.



*Instruct them to do good,  
 to be rich in good works,  
 be generous and ready to share  
 1 Timothy 6:18*

*The Catholic Women of Bucks giving circle provides the opportunity for Catholic women to gather, engage in the local community and grow stronger in our faith!*

Please join us for our next meeting:

Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church (Auditorium)  
 999 Reading Avenue, Yardley, PA

*Our featured speakers will be from Bucks for Kids, a local organization supporting foster children in our community.*

<https://bucksforkids.org>

Refreshments Will be Served

RSVP to [cwobgc@gmail.com](mailto:cwobgc@gmail.com) or Jen Sullivan at (609) 947-6480





## Book 'n Bean

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](mailto: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



## 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/>



## PALM SUNDAY

**Vigil of Palm Sunday: 5:15PM**  
**Palm Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM (Palms are blessed at all Masses.)**



**PARISH LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE**  
**Tuesday, March 26th, 7:00PM**



**HOLY THURSDAY**  
**7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper and Procession to the Repository**



**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**9:00 AM Celebration of Morning Prayer**  
**3:00 PM Solemn Liturgical Service including Holy Communion**



**HOLY SATURDAY**  
**1:00 PM Mid-day Prayer**  
**7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection**

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES**  
**7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM**  
**(There will not be a 6PM Mass on Easter Sunday)**

**FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE — The PREP Office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. The office number is 215-493-5204, or you can call my cell at 215-370-5701. My email address is [aflanagan@stignatius.church](mailto:aflanagan@stignatius.church). 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.



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.