



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2026



O woman, **great is your faith!**
Let it be done for you as you wish.

MATTHEW 15:28

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The **WORD** of **GOD**

Reading I: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

The Lord's salvation will not be restricted to the deliverance of the Jewish exiles from Babylon. All will be called to a "house of prayer."

Reading II: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

Like the Old Testament prophets, Paul believes the spiritual recovery of Israel will experience a national resurrection.

The Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

The Canaanite woman represents repentant souls who are able to boast and contrite sinners who lean wholly on God's mercy.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, and 11:30AM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM

***Special Schedule for Holy Days**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—4:00PM

Friday - CLOSED

Saturday—CLOSED

ROSARY

The rosary is said Monday - Friday after the 9AM

Daily Mass and Saturdays before the 5:15PM

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

Adoration Hours : Monday, 10 AM until Wednesday 9 PM, Thursday 9am until 12 midnight, Friday 10 AM until 8 PM, Saturday, 10 AM until 4 PM. 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.



Saturday 5:15PM	August 15, 2026 Ellen and Frank Lyons (Jim and Barbara Frawley)
Sunday 7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	August 16, 2026 Parishioners of St. Ignatius Anne L. "Nancy" Catalano (The Amerine and Septer Families) Deacon Myron Moskowitz (Mary Moskowitz)
Monday 9:00AM	August 17, 2026 Bob Wilson (Wife and Children)
Tuesday 9:00AM	August 18, 2026 Ann McKittrick (The McKittrick Family)
Wednesday 9:00AM	August 19, 2026 John Warrio Jimenez (The Young Family)
Thursday 9:00AM	August 20, 2026 Holy Souls in Purgatory (Ed and Susan Russell)
Friday 9:00AM	August 21, 2026 Edmund Mizerek (The Mizerek and Kearns Family)
Saturday 5:15PM	August 22, 2026 Dan McGovern (Loretta and Buill Amerine)
Sunday 7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	August 23, 2026 Ronald Wolverton (Linda Chamberlain) Jack Chamberlain (Glenn Chamberlain) Parishioners of St. Ignatius



Church Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God, and for Amelia and Luigi DeGregorio requested by Lisa Perry.



Sunday Is 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28

Monday Ez 24:15-23 Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Ez 28:1-10 Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday Ez 34:1-11 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Ez 36:23-28 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 22:1-14

Friday Ez 37:1-14 Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 22:34-40

Saturday Ez 43:1-7ab Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mt 23:1-12

Sunday Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

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Weekly Collection

Counting our Blessings	8/10/25	Env	8/9/26	Env
Sunday Offering	\$9,321.00	197	\$12,546.00	195
Online Parish Giving	\$11,378.82	229	\$15,337.54	272
Total Weekly Contribution	\$20,699.82	426	\$27,883.54	467

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WELCOME

We are glad you are here

Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass for years, we welcome you to join our parish! Please scan the QR code or contact the rectory to register. We will mail you a welcome packet once your registration is processed.

We welcome the Adden family who has recently joined our faith community.



BAPTISM



The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on most 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.

We congratulate Lena Quinn Henderson who was recently baptized into our Roman Catholic Faith.

WEDDINGS



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

We also welcome those couples who are civilly married and desire to receive the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact the parish office to arrange for a sacramental convalidation of your marriage.



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

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Pray For The Sick



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

Jeff Bacon, Joe Bednarski, John Bednarski, Ruthann Carroll, Patricia Catalano Lynda Collins, Jake Falkenstein, Shannon Friel, Joe Foley, Jim Gannon, Sandy Johnson, Jack Kerper, Kathy Kintsch, Abelardo Leonardo, Domenic Licastro, Diane Mangini, Susan Mockenhaupt, Anna Monastero, Betty-Jo Prince, Stanley Raykovitz, Joe Robinson, Angie Rodak, Gabe Rosales, Jean Rosales, Maria Scotti, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.

Please email Maria at mlamantia@stignatius.church or call 215-493-3377 ext. 211 if you would like to add a name to the sick list. Be sure to specify if you would like a name added to the bulletin list and/or the oral intentions to be announced at Masses. All requests will be removed after four weeks.



“Woman, great is your faith!” (Matthew 15:28)
In discerning a vocation, we are called to courage and perseverance, trusting God’s plan for our lives. Whether called to priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, answering His call requires faith that He will guide and sustain us every step of the way. Reach out to Fr. Brownholtz or to the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or vocationdirector@archphila.org

God our Father, Thank you for calling JD McEwing, Juan Builes, Matthew Pace, Jacob Sanz, Jonathan Amgott, Pasquelge Don Sandun Tharuka, Camilo Abedrop-Escobosa and Alexander Cunningham 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>



**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.

The Adoration Chapel is open: Monday, 10 AM until Wednesday 9 PM, Thursday 9am until 12 midnight, Friday 10 AM until 8 PM, Saturday, 10 AM until 4 PM.

We are in need of adorers for the following times: Tuesday 3am and 9am.

Please call Marianne (267-346-0152) or Rosemary (267-799-3951) for chapel information. Thank you Adorer’s for your faithfulness!





St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School
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Mrs. Elisa Michel, 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.



St. Ignatius of Antioch PREP Program
215-493-5204
Connie Liebreich
Director of Religious Education
connie@stignatius.church

We are still in need of a few more volunteers in our Religious Ed program starting on September 13th. You do not need to have a child or grandchild in the program to volunteer! No prior experience is necessary. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your own faith and increase your joy as you share your faith with others.

Here are our needs:

Kindergarten PREP Teacher on Sundays
(10:30-11:45)

Aides to assist teachers on Sundays
(10:30-11:45)

To find out more information about volunteering as an aide, please contact Connie Liebreich at 215-493-5204 or email Connie@StIgnatius.church.

In addition, we are continuing to use Parish Giving's online registration for our Sunday weekly and Monday weekly PREP classes. Look for the link to register on the parish Website under PREP and register for classes by August 15th.

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WANT TO GROW
 Catholics who want to deepen their faith and learn more about the Church.

You
ARE WELCOME!

Join us beginning
September 16, 2026
 at 7:00 PM
 Antioch Center
 (door next to the chapel)

INTERESTED?
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 215-493-3377
ocia@siparish.org



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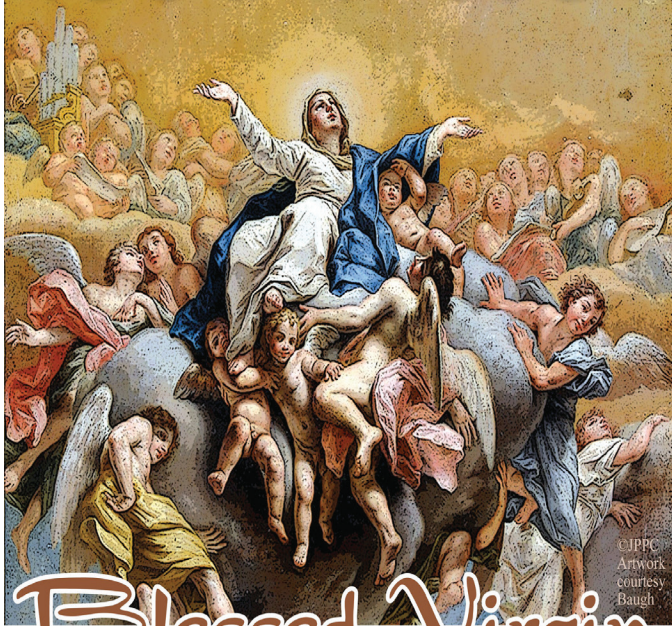


GROTTO BRICKS

One way to remember our departed friends and relatives may be to dedicate a visible monument to their memory. We are currently taking orders for personally inscribed bricks that will be permanently installed on the walkway to the parish grotto. The donation is \$100 per brick with personal messages allowed up to 15 letters on each of three lines. Please contact the rectory for more details.



Solemnity of ASSUMPTION



Blessed Virgin MARY



Our Seniors Ministry is getting together for lunch at JB Dawson's located in the Flowers Mill Shopping Ctr in Langhorne.

When: Thursday, Aug. 27th at 12 Noon.

Please join us for a fun afternoon!

RSVP to maryrosemoskowitz@gmail.com



Faith Formation

This past week we celebrated the feast of St. Maximillian Kolbe. Most know the story about how he offered himself for death over another prisoner with family and how he led those who were to die with him in prayer, song, and praise until death. He is the patron saint of drug addicts, prisoners, families, and the pro-life movement. He died Aug. 14, 1941. He is also known as the Apostle of Consecration to Mary as he was strongly influenced by a vision he had of the Virgin Mary when he was 12!. After his martyrdom his body was cremated on the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. We also celebrated the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. Many postulate that Mary never suffered the wages of sin, i.e. death, but was thought to be dead (actually, in a state of dormition) and when the Apostles went to prepare for her funeral her body and soul were 'assumed' into heaven. Since Mary was without sin, there was no reason for her to suffer death. Finally, we also celebrated the feast day of St. Stephen of Hungary. King St. Stephen was the first King of Hungary around 1000 AD. He worked throughout his Kingship to establish the Church in Hungary and his feast day is also a national holiday in that country.

While many of these saints have remarkable stories and are great examples to all of us, we are ALL called to be saints. So, what is a saint: 'a person acknowledged as holy or virtuous and typically regarded as being in heaven after death'. Are we 'working' toward sainthood? Are we holy or virtuous? Will we be in heaven after death? These are all questions that we should ask ourselves and then find out what it is that God is calling us to do for His Kingdom here on earth...and then 'just DO IT'!

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



"No sin, failure, humiliation or exclusion can diminish the profound value of a human life that God has willed and called into being. The fundamental dignity of each person, therefore, is neither acquired nor earned, nor does it need to be justified." Pope Leo XIV, Magnifica Humanitas © 2026.

Over the past 53 years or more (since the legalization of abortion) there has been a general loss of respect for the integrity of the human person/body, not just at the beginning of life, but even during life with an uptick in murders/suicides/bodily attacks and at the end of life with the legalization of "medial aid in dying (MAID)" or physician assisted suicide. The "commodification" of the human person/physical body has led to a disrespect for the human person. Additionally, as a result of this disrespect our culture has embarked on "being gods" (as promised in the Garden by Satan) and thinking they can "change" genders through non-medically indicated drugs (no scientific research on outcomes) and mutilating surgeries. We need to look at our Blessed Mother, Mary, who as a teenage Jewish virgin became pregnant through the Holy Spirit and gave her "yes" to life through her "Fiat" regardless of circumstance (could be stoned to death) and gave birth to our Lord and Savior, Jesus... so God DOES have a plan for all His children that He has deemed to create... all of whom He has known before they were knit in their mother's wombs as Jeremiah tells us.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

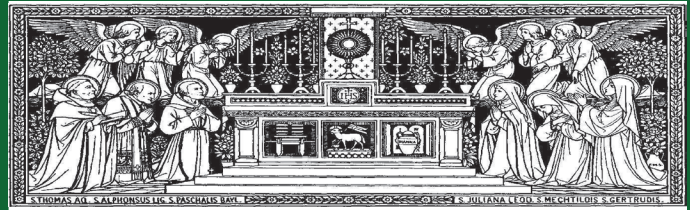
Intercessory Prayer: For all Catholics: That we may steadfastly proclaim and uphold the dignity of all human life, in all stages and circumstances; let us pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Prayer: For respect for all life from conception to natural death.



Fr. James J. McCaffety
Council #11013

Our council meets regularly the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Wise Meeting room in the Antioch Center. We begin with the rosary at 7 PM. We are looking for new members always. We have many activities and charities, fun gatherings and fellowship and events along with prayer and study. If interested in joining us contact Tom Kearney at thomasfkearney@verizon.net. Our General Membership meeting is at 7 PM in the Wise Meeting Room next Thursday August 27. Many thanks to our outgoing Grand Knight Dave Baker and welcome to our newly elected Grand Knight, Tom Kearney and new Deputy Grand Knight, Brian Flatley.



August 16th, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Where is the Liturgy Celebrated?

Liturgical celebrations are not tied to one specific place. As St. Peter says in his Epistle: "And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God, you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 2:4-5). We are united in the Church by Christ, through its liturgical celebrations. While Mass and the sacraments can be celebrated outside of a physical church building, the church building itself signifies and makes "visible the church in this place, the dwelling of God with men reconciled and unified in Christ" (CCC 1180). Not only is the church the place where sacraments are celebrated with a community, but it is also where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved.



We ♥ love
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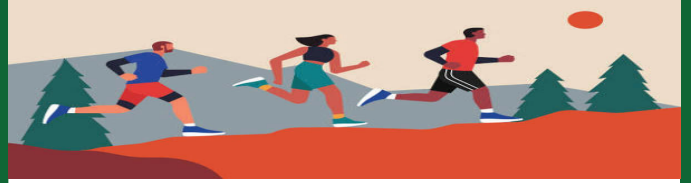


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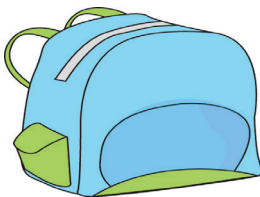
DONATIONS NEEDED

On behalf of Mary's Cupboard and Catholic Social Services in Levittown, the Social Action Committee thanks our generous parishioners for their continued support of those in need. This amazing organization serves the underprivileged of Lower Bucks County, providing much needed food and necessities. While all donations of non-perishables are always appreciated, the Cupboard is currently in need of shampoo, dish soap, condiments, instant mashed potatoes and coffee. If you feel called to give, collection baskets can be found at the 3 main entrances.



ST. IGNATIUS CROSS COUNTRY

The St. Ignatius Cross Country team will begin practices for the season starting the week of August 17th. To obtain a registration form and additional information on the team please reach out to Vince Twomey at vtwomey64@gmail.com. All K-8 parish member students with birth dates falling between September 1, 2011 through December 31, 2020 are eligible to compete.



Thank you!

Your support of the **2026 Tools for School Drive** this summer was amazing! We collected cash and needed items during VBS and parishwide Jul 17- Aug 3rd.

\$438 was donated and used to purchase items. As a parish community, you supplied 176 backpacks, 66 packs of socks, 87 sweatshirts/joggers/sweatpants, 121 t-shirts, 20 packs of underwear, and 15+ other clothing/shoe donations. All items were delivered to the Help Center in Levittown which help families receive needed support to outfit their children for the upcoming school year!

