

St. Ignatius of Antioch

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Mission Statement:

United in Faith, Ignited by the Spirit, We Reflect the Light of the Living Christ

Fr. Robert K. Rien

Parochial Administrator

Brian McCoy

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Fr. George Griener, S.J.

Assisting Clergy

Deacon Gary Hack

Permanent Deacon

Peter Degl'Innocenti

Pastoral Associate

Frances Rojek

Director of Faith Formation

Don Pearson

Director of Music, Organist,
Artist-in-Residence

Maryann Peddicord

Pastoral Secretary

Beverly Iacona

Financial Secretary

Rich Confetti

Facilities Maintenance

Eucharist Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Weekdays: 8:00 am

Holy Days: 8:00 am, 7:30 am

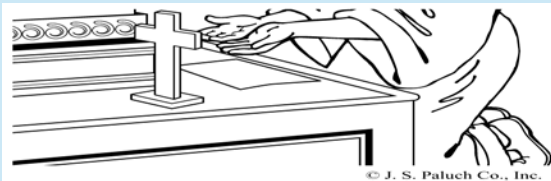
Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:45 to 4:30 pm

Faith Formation Office (925) 778-1631

Sacraments: Contact Parish (925) 778-0768

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

For Ministries, Activities & Outreaches in Parish; see Parish handbook, available in the Office.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 1, 2015

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

— Psalm 95:6

Stewardship

Thank you for the gift of your Time, your Talent and your Treasure to St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish.

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be.”

Weekly Offerings

Weekend Offering for January 17-18

Weekly Goal	\$12,500.00
Weekend Plate	6,695.00
EFT	445.00
Mail In	<u>1,069.00</u>
Total	\$8,209.00
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$4,291.00)

Parking Lot Loan...Payment/Interest

Monthly Goal.....\$5,000.00

Second Collection—Seminary.....\$1,795.15

Any shortfall in Parking Lot Funds is covered from Parish Operating Funds

New Education Center Campaign

Payments/Donations this week.....\$1,502.00

New Education Center Fund Balance.....\$714,272.21

Many thanks for your continued support.



Men's Retreat

Join us for the 2015 St. Bonaventure Men's Retreat on **Mature Discipleship—Finding Joy and Fulfillment in the Spiritual Struggles of the Second Half of Life**

Weekend of March 6-8
San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville

Our retreat master will be Fr. Richard Mangini, pastor of St. Bonaventure Parish in Concord.

For more information, please call Peter Nixon at 363-5884 or Matt Remington at 672-4006 or register on line at: <http://www.stbonaventure.net/parish-ministries/adult-faith/mens-spiritual-network>

Schedule of Events

Sunday—February 1

- World Day for Consecrated Life
- Birthday Blessing—8 am and 10 am Liturgies
- Second Collection—Parking Lot Loan

Monday—February 2

- Presentation of the Lord\
- Candlemas Day—Blessing of Candles
- Recitation of the Rosary—7:25 am—Church
- SPRED/Catechist—5-6:30 pm—Parish Hall—Call Vicki at 778-4092

Tuesday - February 3

- Recitation of the Rosary
- Feast of St. Blaise—Blessing of Throats—8 am Liturgy
- Environment Committee Meets—10 am—Parish Hall
- Liturgy Committee Meets—11 am—Parish Hall
- Faith Formation Grades 1-5 Meet—6-7:15 pm
- Bring dried palms to create ashes for Ash Wednesday

Wednesday—February 4

- Recitation of the Rosary—7:25 am—Church
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mass & Novena—8 am Liturgy—Church
- Faith Formation Grades 1-5 Meet—4:30-7:15 pm
- Faith Formation Grades 6,7,8 Meet—6-7:15 pm—Parish Hall
- Adult Formation—Deep River Series/Phase II—*From Birth to Ashes*—9-11 am—Parish Hall—Carolyn Krantz/Facilitator

Thursday - February 5

- Recitation of the Rosary—7:25 am—Church
- Bible Sharing Class—9:30-11 am—Parish Hall—Call Rose at 754-3425
- Choir Rehearsal—7:30-9 pm—Church

Friday - February 6

- Recitation of the Rosary—7:25 am—Church
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—8:30 am-Noon—Church

Saturday - February 7

- 11 am Liturgy - Holy Cross Cemetery—Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish/presides
- Liturgy at 5 pm
- Knight of Columbus (K of C) - Crab Feed—6:30 pm—Parish Hall

Sunday, February 8

- Liturgies at 8 am & 10 am
- RCIA dismissed during 10 am Liturgy

Pray for the Sick

Remember in your prayers all those who are sick or suffering in any way, especially:

Joshua Baquera	Helen Merkle	Paul Syliangeo
Archbishop Brunett	Lilia Morauda	Patricia Tapia
Gavin Cano	John Padua	Claire Tryon
Jackie Carvalho	Diane Schlueter	Idonna Tryon
Amiel Laxamana Jr	Donna Schmidt	Peter Villalpando

Members of our Parish Family who are in the Military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all those who have no one to pray for them

Readings for the Week

Monday	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Tuesday	Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

Blessed Are The Sorrowing

Sutter Delta Medical Center in Antioch is offering another *eight-week Widow and Widower Support Group* at no charge on **Thursdays, beginning January 8th**. The sessions take place at **2:30 in the afternoon** in the Edna Fallman Educational Center.

The loss of a spouse sets off a painful journey called grief. There is no right or wrong way to grieve as long as your feelings are dealt with in an honest way. Come and share your experience with others who are going through the same loss.

If you have any questions, please call Al Fleischer at 513-0978 or 783-7157.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	George & Betty Bolton †
Sun. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †
Sun. 10:00 am	Librada Gutierrez-Oyos †
Mon. 8:00 am	Adeline Pinard †
Tues. 8:00 am	Henaro Canoto Pelipe Agapito †
Wed. 8:00 am	Fr. Salvador Quiroz
Thur. 10:00 am	Fr. Arthur Lenti, SDB
Fri. 8:00 am	George & Betty Bolton †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of **Henry Pruyn**. May his soul and the souls of all of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Second Collection

The second collection this weekend is for our **Parking Lot**. As usual, your offerings will enable us to make our required monthly loan payment to the Diocese.

Silver and Gold

Thank you for stopping by and visiting the table after our liturgies last weekend. If you need additional information about any of the upcoming events, please call Deacon Gary at 757-1385.

Mobile Mall Ministry

The next distribution date is:

Saturday, March 28th, 10 am-12 Noon
Turner School, Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch

Come and shop at no cost to you. Large selection of clothing, shoes, blankets, table linens, coats, jackets, etc. are all available.

Everyone is welcome and everything is free. For more information, call Barbara at 706-2802.

Diocesan Capital Campaign Corner



Diocesan Campaign Status: January 2, 2015

Campaign Goal.....\$651,679.00
Total Pledges to Date.....\$344,314.00
Percentage of Goal.....53%

Active Households.....563
Household Pledges.....227
Percentage of Households.....40%

A Special Thank You from Lorraine

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

I am honored to have had the opportunity to serve this wonderful community for twenty-five years as Pastoral Secretary. Working with Fr. Robert and eight other priests, working with the Pastoral Staff, the Pastoral Council, the Finance Council, the Social Events Committee, the Knights of Columbus, our Filipino Community and all members of this wonderful parish, has been a real blessing and I will always be grateful for everyone's love, kindness and support.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to **everyone who helped in any way to make my retirement celebration so special and memorable.** The array of food and drinks, the number of parishioners who attended and the lovely decorations **proved to be over the top and the best ever!** I am also deeply grateful for all of your gifts which included: two lovely clocks, two inspirational plaques, several heartwarming cards, gift certificates, monetary gifts including a money tree, flavored teas, popcorn, puzzles, a liturgical desk calendar, an arm rest organizer, an azalea plant, scented soaps/lotions/scrubs and candles, eye-catching jewelry, delicious baked goods, donations to our New Educational Center, a beautiful album filled with photo memories of the celebration and a designated space in our parking lot for my car.

I will continue to be part of this vibrant community by volunteering whenever the need occurs. My years with you have been very rewarding and I will always feel blessed, honored and grateful for being part of this welcoming community of St. Ignatius of Antioch.

Take care and God bless,
Lorraine

NAMI Contra Costa's Free Family To Family Education Course

This is a free educational course and support group in mental illness which will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish. The Monday evening courses will start at 7 to 9:30 pm beginning on February 2nd and ending on April 27, 2015. For further information, contact Sandy Heinisch at (925) 513-3412.

Deep River...Phase II

This series is called **From Birth to Ashes** and will use the readings of the season and other spiritual selections to increase our understanding of what God calls us to in the various seasons of life.

The sessions will run for **five Wednesday mornings from January 14th to February 11th.** They will be held in our parish hall from **9:00 to 11:00 am** and be facilitated by Carolyn Krantz, MS in ED and M.Div.

Come grow together in the Lord. Newcomers are always welcome. A free will offering is requested to aid with the cost of the reception.

Stewardship Thought

When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple, they offered a sacrificial gift "in accord with the dictate in the law of the Lord." An offering of a specific size or kind is not "dictated" when we bring our gifts to the altar at Liturgy. Is my gift reflective of the many blessings I have received?

World Day of the Sick

Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, S.J. extends an invitation to one and all to the annual celebration of the World Day of the Sick on Saturday, February 7th beginning at 11 am at the Cathedral of Christ the Light.

Your Dried Palms Are Needed

Please bring your dried palms to the church beginning next Tuesday morning, and for the next week, so that the palms may be burned to create the ashes for Ash Wednesday. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 778-0768. Thank you, in advance, for your help with this request.

Experience the Healing

If you or someone you love is hurting after abortion, the Diocese of Oakland will be supporting a number of healing opportunities in February.

On February 20-22, the Diocese is hosting a Rachel's Vineyard Post Abortion Healing Retreat at the Angela Retreat Center in Santa Rosa. The retreat offers a loving and supportive environment where women and men can reconcile painful emotions and begin the process of renewal and healing.

For more information about the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, contact Gloria Maldonado at (510) 384-6875.

Parish Volunteer Opportunity

The parish has a dedicated group of volunteers who provide invaluable service to St. Ignatius of Antioch by assisting in the parish office. Volunteers provide coverage at the reception desk, answer incoming telephone calls and provide general office assistance. We are looking to expand our group of office volunteers to help cover absences, vacations, and to ensure coverage during office hours Monday-Friday 8:30 am-12:30 pm. Interested parishioners contact the office, training

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

In today's second reading, St. Paul talks about the fact that married couples have to deal with the anxieties of the world. Sometimes those stresses can really have a negative impact on our marriages. Get away from all those worldly anxieties and take time to focus on God and each other.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **February 20-22 or August 7-9**. Early registration, four to six weeks out is highly recommended.

For additional information contact Greg & Mary at 754-1284 or Joe and Sue at 680-7767 or visit oaklandwwme.org

Ruby Slippers: You are invited to the Contra Costa Interfaith Housing's Annual Gala, **Ruby Slippers**, on **Saturday, January 31st, 6:00-11 pm**, at the Round Hill Country Club in Alamo. Proceeds from this fun and exciting event directly helps end poverty and homelessness in local communities.

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Elba at elba@ccinterfaithhousing.org. If you would like to buy tickets or volunteer visit <https://ccinterfaithhousing.ejoinme.org/ruby-slippers> to learn more.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

"Let the little children come to me, for to such as these belongs the kingdom of heaven". When Jesus said that, we can understand the Father-like quality the Son has. Jesus loves children as a father.

Children are adorable and in many ways they keep us young and balanced in a world that slowly wipes the memory of our own youth away with the passage of time. Children often remind us of the great purity that humanity once had, and of the hope we have to re-obtain our innocence through Christ. Sometimes God sets children before us to delight our hearts with fleeting views of the simple and humble nature children can offer us.

A couple of Sundays ago one such delightful moment occurred at the 8 am Liturgy during the children's collection. Little Corey Webster armed with a dollar bill in each hand was sent by his parents, Mark and Jennifer, to deposit said bills into the basket Fr. Robert was holding. He marched around the pews and headed toward Fr. Robert. For some reason he decided that the bills should be deposited on the foliage of the poinsettias that surrounded the ambo. Bam! Bam! His two little arms swung in wide arcs that made an impressive throw-down as the bills settled on the plants. Satisfied, Corey made a smart about-face and marched back to his parents, mission accomplished (at least that's what he thought). Fr. Robert caught sight of one of the bills and made a quick recovery but missed the second (it was well camouflaged among the off-white leaves). Mark sent Corey's older brother Bode to retrieve the second bill but it seemed that Bode couldn't find it either. Naturally the shyness of youth sent Bode scurrying back to the safe refuge of the family pew (mission aborted!). In a wonderful father-son moment Mark took Corey by the hand, escorted him to the ambo, withdrew the dollar from the National Poinsettia Bank and Trust, walked Corey over to Fr. Robert, and let Corey drop the bill into its proper repository (mission fulfilled!).

There is no doubt that Bode and Corey are the delight of Mark and Jennifer's life, and we thank God for the moments when they are the delight of the whole Church. They show us that the plans we make or the decisions we make, no matter how unexpected or off-course they may appear to be; (when our lives end up lost in the bushes) are all made right by the guidance of our heavenly Father. God bless the children.

The **Life in the Spirit Seminar** is commonly used by Catholic groups in the context of renewal in the Roman Catholic Church. It is an instrument for bringing people into a deeper experience of the work of the Holy Spirit. The Seminar offers the basic presentation of the Gospel and the basic teaching about what the Lord is willing to do for all who come to Him.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

Do you want a CLOSER WALK with Jesus?

Is there SOMETHING MISSING from your spiritual life?

Do you DESIRE JOY in your life?

Do you want to KNOW MORE about the Holy Spirit?

THEN COME TO THE...

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR!

January 13 – February 24, 2015

Tuesday Evenings 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Each night will be taught by dynamic teachers including

Fr. Bill Adams CSsR, Deacon Steve Greco, Julie Figueroa, Deacon Ed Spano, and others.

Church of Good Shepherd

3200 Harbor St., Pittsburg, CA

Contact: Fr. Carl Arcosa, 925-432-6404

fr_carl@goodshepherdpittsburg.org

Date, Topic

January 13, God's Love

January 20, Salvation

January 27, New Life

February 3, Receiving God's Gift

February 10, Praying for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit

February 17, Growth

February 24, Transformation in Christ

3rd Annual Knights of Columbus
Crab Feed



Saturday February 7, 2015
6:30 PM

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

All You Can Eat:

Appetizers

Dungeness Crab

Salad – Bread – Pasta – Dessert

No-Host Bar

Raffles

\$50 per person

Tickets available after all Masses
Or call Steve Rojek at 925-642-2329
(No tickets sold at the door)