

St. Ignatius of Antioch

May 10, 2015 Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Mission Statement:

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

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Eucharist Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8 am & 10 am
Mon., Wed., Fri: 8 am Holy Eucharist
Tue., Thru: 8 am Liturgy of the Word
And Holy Communion

Holy Days: 8 am & 7:30 pm

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

Faith Formation Office (925) 778-1631

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

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



Sixth Sunday of Easter Love One Another May 10, 2015

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.

— John 15:16

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.”

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend Offering for April 25-26

Weekend Goal	\$12,500.00
Weekend Plate	\$7,546.00
EFT	\$445.00
Mail	\$485.00
Total for week	\$8,476.00
Short	(\$4,024.00)

Parking Lot Loan

Required Monthly Principle Payment	\$5,000.00
Payments/Donations this week	\$50.00

New Building Fund

Payments/Donations this week	\$793.00
Building Fund Balance	\$738,796.96

Drought Continues To Affect Our Grounds

The City of Antioch is a retail customer of the Contra Costa Water District (CCWD). The CCWD will comply with the mandatory State of California order for 25% statewide reduction in water use. Beginning April 15, the CCWD Board of Directors adopted the conservation requirement of 25% compared to 2013 (not 2014). Under the state's rules, outdoor irrigation will be limited to two days a week.

The parish implemented significant water conservation practices last summer and we were able to achieve savings of nearly 30%. You may recall that most of the lawn area turned brown but we were able to preserve our investment in the trees and perennial shrubbery. This remains our goal for 2015 as well.

We have also requested that CCWD visit the parish in the near future to conduct an on-site water usage survey.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, May 10

- 6th Sunday of Easter
- 8 am and 10 am Liturgies
- Mother's Day Blessing - during both Liturgies
- Rose Lafferty 100th Birthday Reception - following the 10 am Liturgy
- RCIA meets after 10 am Liturgy - Office
- The Mary Project Collection - during both Liturgies
- Relay for Life Dinner Ticket Sales after 8 am and 10 am Liturgies
- Special Second Collection - Nepal Earthquake Relief

Monday, May 11

- Eucharist - 8 am

Tuesday, May 12

- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Pastoral Council Meets 7:30 - 9 pm- Parish Hall

Wednesday, May 13

- Eucharist - 8 am and Novena following
- Adult Faith Formation - 'What Catholics Really Believe' - 6:15 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Baptism Class Meets 7:30 - 9 pm - Parish Office

Thursday, May 14

- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Bible Sharing - 9:30 to 11 am - Parish Hall
- Choir Practice - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, May 15

- Eucharist - 8 am

Saturday, May 16

- *Armed Forces Day*
- Vigil Liturgy - 5 pm
- Relay for Life Dinner after 5 pm Liturgy - Event Tent

Sunday, May 17

- *Ascension of the Lord*
- RCIA meets after 10 am Liturgy - Office
- SPRED Liturgy -10 am - Reception to follow
- Second Collection - Catholic Charities

Pray for the Sick

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

Joshua Baquera	Frank Griego	Diane Schlueter
Archbishop Brunett	Amiel Laxamana Jr	Donna Schmidt
Gavin Cano	Helen Merkle	Paul Syliangco
Jackie Carvalho	Elyza Morauda	Marilyn Syliangco
Melanie Castillo	Lilia Morauda	Patricia Tapia
Antonio Cayaban	Karen Narberes	Claire Tryon
Sylvia Flores	John Padua	Idonna Tryon
Nathan Galli	Jack Pyne	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	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

Lay Ministers—Week of May 16-17th

5 pm: **Lectors**-Steven Rojek, Corrine Bielejeski; **Head Cup**-Pam Confetti; **Head Host**-Clem Bushman; **Host**-Marla Plurkowski, Bernice Campbell, Mary Angelica Cayaban, Rowena Cayaban; **Cup**-Melodye Costanza, Mary France, Ron France, M.J. Nagtalon, Mary Ng; **Server**-Pdraig Tionson

8 am: **Lectors**-Peter Degl' Innocenti, Matthew Bajet; **Head Cup**-Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host**-Catherine North; **Host**-Jeanne Reilly, Diane Hack, Vianney Mendoza, Nick Suarez; **Cup**-Jenawati Kwa, Peggy Lennon, Pat Dunleavy, Jeannine Ford, Mary Kendrick **Server**-Isaiah Laxamana, Antonio Alvarez

10:00 am: **Lectors**-Cecille Mirano, Sofie Zimmerman.; **Head Cup**-Dilcia Aparicio; **Head Host**-Lesley Eubanks; **Host**-Bobby Zabroski, Helga Boardman, Ed Cissell , Yvette Young; **Cup**-Steven Andreatta, Romae-Anne Aquino, Sharon Cissell, Cynthia Enrique, Harlan Young; **Server** Zachary DeBuhr, Zoe DeBuhr

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Mother's Day Novena
Sun. 8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Sun. 10:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Mon. 8:00 am	John Reilly, III †
Tues. 8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Wed. 8:00 am	John Fraga †
Thur. 8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Fri. 8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of Robert Loux, Nicholas Mendoza, John Kain and Loy Loquinario. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is now requesting the following food items:

- 1 lb. bag of white rice
- 15 oz can of Pork & Beans
- 5 oz can of Tuna

The Mary Project

The Mary Project is happening once again! This Mother's Day weekend remember to bring your new or gently used baby items for donation to the Brentwood Birth Right. Donations will be taken at all Liturgies the weekend of May 9th and 10th. For more information or questions please contact Kathleen Clarke at 209-373-8707 or kstuhfreyer@yahoo.com.

Mobile Mall Ministry

The next distribution date is:

Saturday, July 22nd, 10 am-12 Noon
Ambrose Community Center - Bay Point

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.

Please look for future dates and locations coming soon.

Silver and Gold May Activities

Saturday, May 9 at 10:00 am: A “Stretch and Stroll” around the reservoir in Contra Loma Regional Park just south of town...adjacent to the western edge of the Antioch Golf Course. A 2.5 mile loop (some paved; some trail) of “green”, blue water, birds and “varmint” will join us on our journey. We’ll meet at the entrance kiosk. (Questions: call Gary 757-1385).

Tuesday, May 12 at 9:00 am: Breakfast at Denny’s on Lone Tree. Good Food; good conversation; good companionship. After breakfast - those who so choose - will go to Food Max and buy groceries to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. RSVP Nancy (757-8555) so we’ll have enough reserved seats at the restaurant and/or if you want to donate \$\$\$ for the groceries to be donated.

Saturday, May 23 at 10:00 am: “Old Town Pittsburg Tour” starting at (and including) St. Peter Martyr Church with Fr. Chavez as our guide of historical downtown Pittsburg. Optional lunch at the “New Mecca” Restaurant. All are welcome on the tour...call Don (757-9529) for Mecca reservations.

Marriage Preparation Program

Marriage for Life is an approved marriage preparation program in the San Francisco Archdiocese and the San Jose, Santa Rosa and Oakland Dioceses. The format is one day, all day and tuition is \$200 per couple.

The web address is www.marriageforlife.com. Engaged couples can register on line or print the registration form and mail it in. The website has the complete schedule, resource information about engagement and marriage and details about the preparation sessions.

Mother’s Day Prayer

*Thank you, Lord,
for bringing my children
into my life.
Help me guide them and
teach them through example
to lead lives of wisdom
and strong, loving faith.
Please let them learn
to serve you always
in thought and deed.
And remind me, Lord,
to always be there
for my family
as you are always
there for me.
Amen.*

May Our Lord continue to grant you many Blessings. Have a Wonderful and Happy Mother’s Day!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



In the readings we are commanded to love one another. Jesus tells us in the Gospel that through living in love we will have complete joy! Attend a Marriage Encounter to gain the tools to truly love your spouse more and receive the joy that it can bring. Strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending the next Marriage Encounter weekend.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **May 15-17, August 7-9** and **November 20-22**. Early registration, four to six weeks out is highly recommended.

For additional information contact Greg and Mary at (925) 754-1284 or Joe and Sue at (925) 680-7767 or visit oaklandwwme.org.

Quo Vadis Days

The Office of Vocations and the Department of Faith Formation and Evangelization, will be hosting **Quo Vadis on July 12-15, 2015** at the Oakland Diocesan Youth Retreat House, Casa San Felipe in Lafayette.

Quo Vadis (Latin for Where are you going?) aims to assist young men (ages 13=18) to recognize and respond to their own vocation from our Lord and grow in their relationship with Christ. More information about registration will be forthcoming.

Utility Conservation Measures Continue

The latest PG&E electric bill dated April 22 shows that the parish continues to move in the right direction with respect to power consumption,

kWh per day this period last year:	259.40
kWh per day this year	199.33

This represents a 23% reduction over last year. Any savings in the Spring will help us meet our increased electricity costs during the upcoming hot weather.

Diocesan Medal of Merit

Our beloved Rose Lafferty has been awarded the prestigious Diocesan Medal of Merit by the Bishop for her many years of service in many capacities, including catechist for youth and adult Faith Formation. We are truly blessed to have Rose as a member of our parish community! Congratulations, Rose, from all of us!



*Ministry,
Organization and
Volunteer
Opportunities in our
Parish & Community*

GOD GIVES EACH OF US UNIQUE GIFTS AND NO ONE CAN TAKE YOUR PLACE IN THE PARISH. IF YOU DON'T STEP FORWARD, THEN WHO WILL? CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

Meals on Wheels: Volunteers are needed for the Contra Costa Meals on Wheels program. One hour of office training is provided along with two weeks of field training. Delivery routes are assigned which only take about two hours of your time. Volunteers are needed for all different schedules. For more information contact Meals On Wheels at 925/937-8607

A New Ministry of hospitality and support for grieving families is forming. Organizers are in the process of establishing a list of volunteers willing to help in the kitchen and/or provide food occasionally for upcoming **funeral receptions**. For more information, contact Mary at 757-8599, Nancy at 757-8555 or Lorraine at 754-2746.

Looking for more opportunities getting involved?:



Catholic Relief Services has committed a

minimum of \$10 million to provide services to the earthquake victims in Nepal. For more information on CRS efforts in Nepal, visit:

[HTTP://WWW.CRS.ORG/](http://www.crs.org/)



In June 2004, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration and The

Catholic Legal Network Board of Directors resolved to make comprehensive immigration reform, with special emphasis on legalization, a major public policy priority within the Church, For more information on how to move this effort forward, visit:

[HTTP://JUSTICEFORIMMIGRANTS.ORG/](http://justiceforimmigrants.org/)

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti....Pastoral Associate

On the last Tuesday of the month of April, St. Ignatius of Antioch's valiant Knights of Columbus (Council 12587) began to filter through the rear doors to our church hall. Chairs and tables were moved about until the familiar and official arrangement was reached. The general seating area started to fill up in the usual Catholic way; all the chairs in the back row filled up first. Someone commented on why that was. "Habit from going into church" was the most popular response. "If you sit up front, people volunteer you for 'things' " got the most laughs. I chimed in with "It's a defense mechanism I learned in Junior High School so I won't get 'spit-balled' in the back of the head!" and everyone agreed with the last comment... "It's the shortest route to the beer after the meeting". The back row looked like a line-up of bobble-heads on the back dash of a '57 Chevy, all nodding "yes".

As the laughter subsided and the serious meat-and-potatoes business of the meeting got underway (as serious as we can force ourselves to be).

These meetings have always reminded me of going to monthly Cub Scout meetings at the school's multipurpose room when I was in grade school. It's hard not to have fun or chuckle when grown men act like boys again. Case in point: Grand Knight Bill Barbanica was speaking and the officials are not to talk. Steve Rojek, seated at the head table to Bill's right needed a set of keys from Howard Tank, seated at Bill's left. Bill gave an askance look at Steve as his whispers were overheard. Steve put on his "serious face" and Bill continued speaking. Steve then leaned back so Bill couldn't see him mouth the words "Throw them to me" to Howard. Howard leaned back and gave the keys a toss that landed the keys **loudly** about a foot short of Steve's reach. Steve, wearing his CYO Basketball T-shirt just rolled his eyes toward Heaven. God only knows what he was thinking; about such a simple thing gone so wrong. Steve's expression was priceless and most likely unrepeatable. It was all I could do to control myself and my muted spasms of laughter could have been mistaken for an epileptic seizure (another reason I sit in the back row). I'm glad no one called 911.

Serious point: At the Exemplification for the Fourth Degree held earlier in Sacramento, our Assembly and Council was awarded First Place for recruitment of new members! Is there any wonder why? Come and join the Knights and have a good fun-filled life. Now, it's Miller Time!



Special Collection This Weekend to Aid Those Affected by the Earthquake in Nepal

OVERVIEW

A 7.8-magnitude earthquake struck Nepal in the late morning of April 25 just 50 miles northwest of the capital, Kathmandu, toppling buildings and homes, causing widespread panic, and claiming more than 3,900 lives. The devastation and toll on human life is still becoming clear as rescue workers access the affected areas and populations.

The earthquake struck the Kathmandu valley, which is densely populated with nearly 2.5 million people. Kathmandu's streets and squares are covered in rubble and many are feared trapped in collapsed buildings. Many buildings, including historic sites, are destroyed or unsafe.



Tens of thousands of families are sleeping outside in Kathmandu and require shelter and protection from the cold and relentless rain, which has worsened conditions. Aftershocks continue—one reaching 6.7 magnitude and another 5.4 magnitude—increasing fear, causing further damage to buildings, and *people urgently need basic essentials*. Shelter, blankets, safe water, food, medical care, hygiene and counseling are priorities. Hygiene and sanitation are critical to preventing waterborne diseases.

CRS RESPONSE

CRS is providing 10,000 families (50,000 people) with emergency shelter materials, blankets, water treatment and hygiene kits. Given the scale of the disaster, we expect to expand relief activities to additional families. CRS is working with Caritas Nepal to identify the most pressing needs in the hardest hit districts between Kathmandu and Pokhara, and will scale our operations accordingly.

Highlights of CRS activities to Date:

- Deployed 15 CRS emergency specialists from India and elsewhere to Nepal immediately
- Transporting shelter kits, blankets, water purification kits and hygiene kits for 2,000 families
- Flying in 3,000 additional tarps from the hub in Dubai for immediate distribution
- Procuring critical supplies in neighboring Indian markets to meet urgent needs on the ground

A major focus of our efforts will be emergency shelter. CRS has committed an initial \$825,000 from private funds to this response, a figure that is expected to rise as needs become clearer.

Please be generous with your prayers and your treasure as we reach out to our sisters and brothers in need.

Bingo

Monday, May 25th

St. Ignatius of Antioch

Parish Hall

Doors Open @ 11:30 AM

Lunch at Noon

Games Begin @ 12:30 PM

B I N G O				
12	18	41	47	61
7	26	39	54	70
4	27		49	63
5	23	35	58	73
3	30	32	52	75

10 Regular Games - \$100 Payout Each Specials

\$25 per person includes
10 Games – Lunch – Dauber

Tickets available after Masses
May 16/17 & May 23/24
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