

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

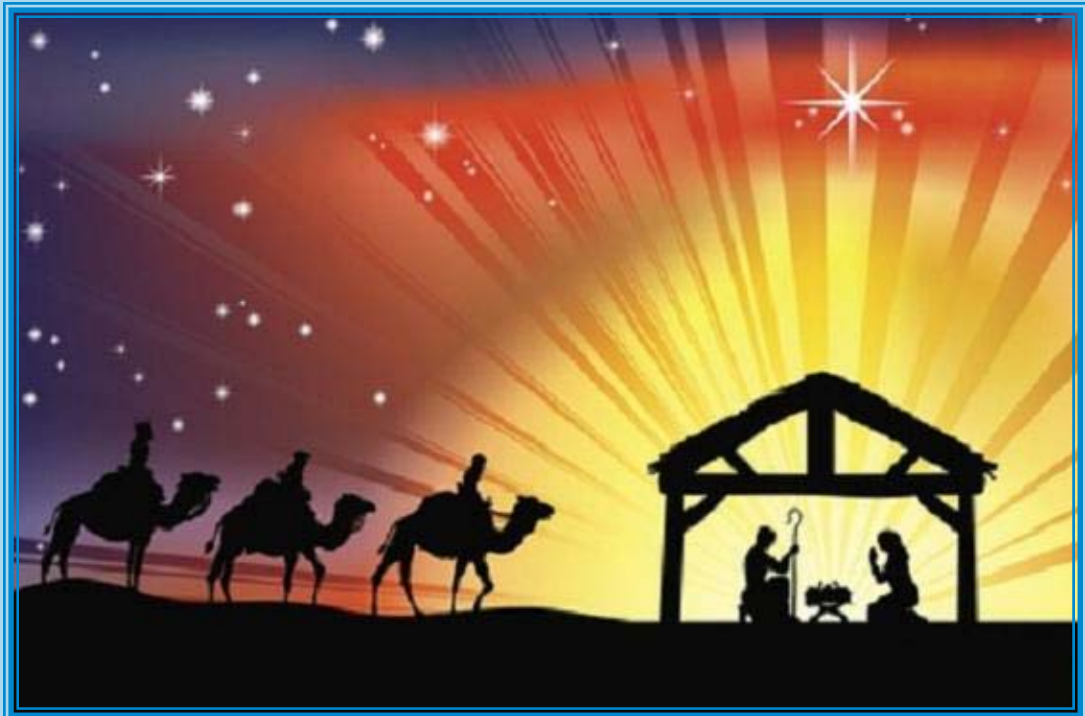
January 3, 2016 - The Epiphany of the Lord

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## Eucharist Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4 pm  
Sunday: 8 am & 10 am  
Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8 am Holy Eucharist  
Tue., Thur.: 8 am Liturgy of the Word  
and Holy Communion  
**Holy Days:** 8 am & 7:30 pm  
**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 2:45 to 3:30 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.



## *The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2016*

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!  
Your light has come, the glory  
of the Lord shines upon you.  
— Isaiah 60:1

### *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*

*Due to Bulletin print deadlines, plate collection totals are not reported. Reporting will resume next week.*

## **Looking Ahead**



**January 16** - St. Ignatius of Antioch Knights of Columbus recruiting dinner. Watch for details in next week's bulletin.

**January 17** - Retirement reception for Beverly Iacona after the 10 am liturgy.

**January 23 - 24** - Presentation by St. Peter Martyr School at all weekend liturgies.

**January 30** - Football Fantasy sponsored by our Social Events Committee. 6:30 - 10:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Watch the bulletin for more details.

**January 31** - 5th Sunday Rosary sponsored by our Knights of Columbus. 7:30 am in the grotto.

**February 10** - Ash Wednesday. Lent begins.

**February 12** - Friday fish fries begin. Other dates February 19, February 26, March 4, March 11 and March 18.

**March 24 - March 26** - Triduum

**March 27** - Easter.

### *Schedule of Events*

#### **Sunday, January 3 - Epiphany of the Lord**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection - Parking Lot Loan

#### **Monday, January 4**

- Eucharist – 8 am
- SPRED Catechist Prep - 5 to 6:30 pm - Parish Hall

#### **Tuesday, January 5**

- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Art & Environment Meet - 10:00 am - Parish Hall
- Liturgy Committee Meets - 11:00 am - Parish Hall
- Faith Formation - Grades 1-5 - 4:30 to 5:45 pm and 6 to 7:15 pm - Church and Parish Hall
- Adult Confirmation Class-7:30 pm-Office

#### **Wednesday, January 6**

- Eucharist - 8 am and Novena following
- Faith Formation - Grades 2,4 and 6-8 - 6:00 to 7:15 pm - Church and Parish Hall

#### **Thursday, January 7**

- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- G.I.F.T. - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Bible Sharing - 9:30 to 11 am - Church
- Confirmation I & II - 6 to 7:15 pm-Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church
- Adult Confirmation Class - 7:30 pm - Office

#### **Friday, January 8**

- Eucharist – 8 am

#### **Saturday, January 9**

- Vigil Liturgy - 4 pm (*note New Time*)

#### **Sunday, January 10 - Baptism of the Lord**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies

**Pray for the Sick**

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

Joshua Baquera	Pam Gage	Paul Syliangco
Rocco Battaglia	Karen Narberes	Marilyn Syliangco
Archbishop Brunett	Al Perez	Peter Villalpando
Melanie Castillo	Jack Pyne	
Susan Fleming	Philip Silangil	

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**

<b>Monday</b>	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
<b>Friday</b>	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Lay Ministers—Week of Jan. 9th & Jan 10th**

**4 pm: Lectors**— Frances Rojek, Steve Rojek; **Head Cup**— Clem Bushman; **Head Host**— Pam Confetti; **Host**— Bill Barbanica, Fran Barbanica, Mary Angelica Cayaban, Rowena Cayaban; **Cup**—Melodye Costanza, Kevin Daley, MJ Nagtalon, Mary Ng, Forrest Towe; **Server**—Padraig Tiongson

**8 am: Lectors**—Matthew Bajet, Terese M. Stanek; **Head Cup**—Pat Dunleavy; **Head Host**—Sue Howell; **Host**— Stan Stanek, Rick Howell, Jeanne Reilly, Nick Suarez; **Cup**—Peggy Lennan, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Ruth Beck, Jeannine Ford; **Servers**—Isaiah Laxamana, Antonio Alvarez

**10:00 am: Lectors**— Cory Cook, Rey Dollete, Sr.; **Head Cup**—Jane Sharpe; **Head Host**—Carol Dollete; **Host**—Bobby Zabroski, Danielle Herrera, Rhoda Herrera, Denise Moss; **Cup**—Amante Asuncion, Gloria Asuncion, Cecil Jemera, Shirley Jemera, Cecelia Kennedy; **Servers**—Alessandra Necor, Lorenzo Necor

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

<b>Sat. 4:00 pm</b>	Joann Russo †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Bryan Hewitt †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	All Care Givers
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	John Fraga †
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	All Military Men & Women
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	Lino Macedo †

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of all our beloved deceased family members. 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 requesting the following food items:



- Macaroni & Cheese - 7oz. box
- Canned Peaches - 15 oz can
- 5 oz. can of Tuna
- Pork & Beans - 15oz can

Donations may be dropped off at all weekend liturgies. Thank you for your continued support of this important outreach project.

**Stand in Solidarity with Syrian Refugees**



In the wake of the tragic events in Paris on November 12, 2015, Catholic Charities of the East Bay urges the community to stand in solidarity with the hundreds of thousands of Syrians and others displaced by the violence in their homeland.

While this is a complex issue, we urge our community to avoid the impulse to blame all refugees for the actions of terrorist organizations. They, too, are victims of violence and persecution and seek a place of safety and freedom. Instead, let us stand firm and serve the marginalized, just as we pray for continued healing and safety in our communities.

We urge you to take action TODAY! Call Steve Mullin at (510) 768-3165 or email [smullin@cceb.org](mailto:smullin@cceb.org). You can also visit the website at: <http://www.cceb.org/2015/11/take-action-stand-in-solidarity-with-syrian-refugees/>.

## *Christmas Season Liturgy Schedule*

### **January 9, 2016, The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**

- **4:00 pm** Vigil Mass – Renewal of Baptismal Promises and Sprinkling Rite

### **January 10, 2016, The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**

- **8:00 am** and **10:00 am** – Procession, Renewal of Baptismal Promises and Sprinkling Rite – The Parish Choir, Cantors, and Organ

## *Worldwide Marriage Encounter*

May your marriage experience the blessings and joy that Christmas promises. Strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is February 26-28, 2016. Early registration is recommended. Contact Mike & Jeanne @925-672-2016 or Joe & Sue @925-680-7767 or go to oaklandwwme.org.

## *Catholic Divorced, Widowed & Separated*

The Catholic Divorced, Widowed and Separated (CDWS) is a group for Catholics and those of any faith in the Oakland Diocese. Their goal is to grow together and individually, in a spirit of love and laughter as they journey through the trials of emotional, psychological and spiritual growth.

The support ministry is open to anyone. The diocesan apostolate to widowed, divorced and separated/single is largely a peer ministry including peer counseling and varied social activities.

The Support Group meets in Walnut Creek at St. Mary Church on the third Thursday of the month from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. They encourage all who are struggling from a loss due to separation, divorce, death of a loved one or loneliness and depression to participate in these peer group meetings. You are not alone. The meetings are free and all are welcome.

If further information is needed, please call Joan S. at (925) 939-1007.

## *5th Sunday Rosary*



Join our Knights of Columbus for a 5th Sunday Rosary in the grotto on Sunday, January 31 at 7:30 am. The purpose of this effort is to help bring our parishioners together in a spiritual activity and promote devotion to Mary.

The Knights of Columbus lead the Rosary before the 8 am Mass every time a 5th Sunday occurs during a month. In 2016, the 5th Sundays occur on January 31 and May 29.



## *Mobile Mall News and Dates*

January 9, 2016—**Sorting**—9 am to 12 pm  
Holy Rosary Dominican Hall

February 5, 2016—**Sorting**—3:30 to 7 pm  
Holy Rosary Dominican Hall

February 20, 2016—**Distribution**—10 am  
Marsh Elementary School  
2304 G Street in Antioch

Thank you very much for your kind and generous support of this outreach ministry.

## *John Muir Health—Senior Services*

**Educational Opportunities:** There is no charge to attend the health education events unless otherwise noted. Registration is required and class size is limited, so please register early:

**Get Leaner and Stronger**—Kathy Napoli, MA, RD  
January 7 - 9:30 to 11 am - John Muir Medical Center, Concord

**Alternatives to Pain Management**—Alan Brast, Ph.D., C.C.H.T., CSA  
January 8 - 9:30 to 11 am - Outpatient Center, Tice Valley/Rossmoor

**Understanding and Preventing Stroke**—Ray Stephens, MD  
January 19 - 9:30 to 11 am - Outpatient Center, Walnut Creek

You can register online at: [johnmuirhealth.com](http://johnmuirhealth.com) or call (925) 941-7900 and select option 1.

## *Help With Homeless Census*

At the end of every January, communities across the United States conduct an annual census (Point in Time Count) of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness. This snapshot provides important data that can inform programming, resource distribution, and housing inventory needs. This year our count will be conducted over a two-day period (Thursday January 28 and Friday January 29). Volunteers are needed to help conduct the census. Visit <http://cchealth.org/homeless/council/point-in-time.php> for more information or to volunteer. Contact [jaime.jenett@hsd.cccounty.us](mailto:jaime.jenett@hsd.cccounty.us) with any questions.

## *Act of Mercy for Year of Mercy*

The Diocese of Oakland, in partnership with Catholic Charities of the East Bay and the Alameda District Attorney's Office, will partner to open a Safe House for minors (ages 11-17) who have been sexually trafficked. The Bay Area is a nationwide hub for Human Trafficking, and these children are the most victimized and vulnerable. Together, we can bring healing, hope and dignity to their lives. In conjunction with the opening of the Safe House, Catholic Charities of the East Bay and the Office of Life and Justice will coordinate a campaign to build awareness and mobilize action in all 84 parishes. If you would like to assist with this work please contact:

Steve Mullin at [smullun@cceb.org](mailto:smullun@cceb.org) or  
Cristina Hernández at [chernandez@oakdiocese.org](mailto:chernandez@oakdiocese.org).

## *Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose*



You're invited to the following event coming in January 2016 sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Study Center located at 43326 Mission Blvd., Fremont, CA 94539.

Thomas Merton: Spirituality for Today, Complete Day of Prayer.

Saturday, January 23, 2016  
10:30 am - 2:30 pm  
\$25 donation includes lunch.

RSVP by January 11 to:  
[blessings@msjdominicans.org](mailto: blessings@msjdominicans.org) or  
(510) 933-6360.

## *Parish Perspective*

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Last week, I wrote about girding my mind in preparation for attending the 5:00 am Liturgies of Simbang Gabi at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood. As I write this, the first morning Mass has been completed; so one down, eight to go!

This year I was a bit anxious to see if Morgan, the little altar server with the bouncy pony-tail would be there, and if she were, would her feet finally rest flat on the floor when she sat down. Well, she was there. I was glad for that as her parents said she may be letting that ministry go. When she sat down her feet remained about 4 to 5 inches suspended above the floor. No touchdown this year and it might be another ten years, at this rate, before they do. Somebody feed that kid some beans so she can grow!

Meanwhile back on the homestead, the faithful workers of our environment committee and the invaluable help from numerous volunteers have started transforming our worship space into a dazzling display of lights such as we have not seen before. The new "lights and stars" array hanging majestically above the altar is awe inspiring. It is a veritable cascade of shimmering light and fascination.

Then there is the Christmas Wreath occupying the central focal point of our attention just beyond the altar. Huge in size, bursting with color and brilliance, adorned with an eclectic bounty of fruits, it symbolizes the all-encompassing gift that Christ is to us when he was born that first Christmas night. It is truly a magnificent sight to see. It is done so well this year that I can even overlook the color of purple bananas. All the other fruits in bizarre colors don't bother me, it's just those darn purple bananas.

This season has been so fast paced that this may hit the bulletins after Christmas day (yet I write it nine days before Christmas). So if I seem to be writing in a time warp, you'll know it's just the lead time that the articles have to get to the publisher/printers in time to be in bulletins when everyone has the day off for the holiday. So, by the time you read this, I'm probably already neck-deep in New Year's stuff.



**GIFT Adult Formation Series Continues**

**GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER**

Have you ever thought that it is too late in life to begin or continue learning about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit?

Have you ever wanted to know more about the bible but weren't sure where to begin?

Want to learn some basics at a comfortable pace and ask questions as we go along?

**Join Us::**      Thursdays at 8:45 am  
 immediately following the  
 Communion Service

More details? Contact Frances Rojek at 778-1631



Knights of Columbus of St. Ignatius of Antioch  
**INVITE**

All Catholic men over the age of 18 to join us for a free spaghetti dinner and for a short presentation:

“Why you should become a Knight”.

If you are interested in:  
 helping those in need,  
 serving your parish and  
 supporting our priest and bishops,

then this is a great opportunity to learn what our core principles are and what the Knights stand for.

Date: Saturday, January 16, 2016  
 Time: 6:00 p.m. (following the 4:00 PM Mass)  
 Location: Parish Hall

R.S.V.P. is a must by January 11.  
 Call: Rick Howell                    925-439-9225 or  
 Bill Barbanica                    925-757-0606

Spouses and significant others are welcome.

**Retirement Reception for Beverly Iacona**

Sunday January 17, 2016 in the Parish Hall after the 10 am Liturgy.

Beverly is a charter member of St. Ignatius of Antioch parish and in that time she has served the parish in a number of positions including:

Parish Secretary  
 Faith Formation Director  
 Financial Secretary

Please join your fellow parishioners in thanking Beverly for her unselfish and dedicated service to our community.



St. Ignatius of Antioch

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Over 100 pages of recipes contributed by your fellow parishioners.

Don't Procrastinate!  
 Quantities are Limited.

All proceeds benefit our Building Fund



# Giving Thanks!

**As 2015 draws to a close, St. Ignatius of Antioch parish is taking time to reflect upon what we've accomplished this year and all that we have to look forward to in 2016.**

**Undoubtedly, we are a parish blessed with the love, prayers, and support of so many generous individuals.**

**Without the kindness and generosity of our parishioners, so much of what we accomplish in ministry and outreach would not be possible.**

**As you count your blessings this Christmas season, we ask that you prayerfully consider a special gift to St. Ignatius of Antioch.**

**Please know that every gift, no matter the amount, is both celebrated and appreciated!**

**Note: Gifts made in January 2016 will be reflected in your 2016 record of contributions mailed in January 2017.**

