St. Ignatius of Antioch

April 10, 2016 - Third Sunday of Easter

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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

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Deacon Gary HackPermanent Deacon

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Director of Music, Organist, Artist-in-Residence

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Director of Faith Formation

Peter Degl'Innocenti Pastoral Associate

Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.
Pastoral Associate

Maryann Peddicord Pastoral Secretary Estrella Rusk

Financial Secretary

Rich Confetti

Facilities Manager

Yvette Young

Administrative Asst.

Eucharist Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5 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, 3:45 to 4:30 pm

Faith Formation Office (925) 778-1631

Sacraments: Contact Parish (925) 778-0768

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

For Ministries, Activities & Outreaches in Parish; see

Parish handbook, available in the Office.



April 10, 2016 Third Sunday of Easter

Worthy is the lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing.

— Revelation 5:12

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

Our goal for weekly plate collections is: \$12,500.00.

Weekend Offering for March 26-27

Weekend Offering	.\$20,271.00
Holy ThursdayGood Friday (Holy Land)	

New Building Fund

Payments/Donations this week	\$1,320.00
New Building Fund Balance	\$854,058.10

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April 12: Antioch Women's Shelter presentation to the City Council. See page 7 for details.

<u>April 16-17</u>: Garden Ministry plant sale after all weekend liturgies. Proceeds used to offset the irrigation costs to the parish.

April 17: Annual Antioch/Pittsburg CROP Hunger Walk takes place. See page 7 for more information.

<u>April 18</u>: ACS Relay for Life BUNCO night. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. See page 7 for more information.

April 29: Community concert at St. Ignatius of

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beginning at 8:00 pm. See page 6 for details.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, April 10 - Third Sunday of Easter

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Relay for Life Bunco Tickets on sale Gathering Plaza

Monday, April 11

- Rosary and Divine Mercy 7:25 am Church
- Eucharist 8 am
- SPRED Total Community 6 pm to 8 pm Parish Hall

Tuesday, April 12

- Rosary and Divine Mercy 7:25 am Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion 8 am
- Faith Formation Grades 1-5 4:30 to 5:45 pm and 6 to 7:15 pm Church and Parish Hall

Wednesday, April 13

- Rosary and Divine Mercy 7:25 am Church
- Eucharist 8 am Novena following
- Faith Formation Grades 2,4 and 6-8 6:00 to 7:15 pm Church and Parish Hall

Thursday, April 14

- Rosary and Divine Mercy 7:25 am Church
- 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
- "What Catholics Really Believe" series parish office
- Choir Rehearsal 7:30 to 9 pm Church

Friday, April 15

- Rosary and Divine Mercy 7:25 am Church
- Eucharist 8 am

Saturday, April 16

- Vigil Liturgy 5 pm
- Gardening Ministry Sales following Liturgy Plaza
- St. Peter Martyr Distributing School Information & Applications - Gathering Plaza
- Relay for Life Bunco Ticket sales Gathering Plaza

Sunday, April 17 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Confirmation I & II attending 8 am Liturgy
- Gardening Ministry Sales following both Liturgies Plaza
- St. Peter Martyr Distributing School Information & Applications following both Liturgies Gathering Plaza
- Relay for Life Bunco Ticket sales Gathering Plaza

Pray for the Sick

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

Joshua Baquera	David Lopez	Paul Syliangco
Rocco Battaglia	Karen Narberes	Marilyn Syliangco
Archbishop Brunett	Al Perez	Peter Villalpando
Pam Gage	Brian Smith	

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 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday	Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Lay Ministers—Week of Apr 16th& Apr 17th

<u>5 pm:</u> Lectors— Therese Kain, Steven Rojek; Head Cup—Melodye Costanza; Head Host— Pam Confetti; Host-Marla Plurkowski, Bernice Campbell, Mary Angelica Cayaban, Nancy DiMaggio; Cup-Rowena Cayaban, Mary Ng, Clem Bushman, Kevin Daley, M.J. Nagtalon; Server-Padraig Tiongson

8 am: Lectors-Youth Lector, Youth Lector; Head Cup-Frank Kauer; Head Host-Pat Dunleavy; Host—MaryJo Keister, Peggy Lennan, Ruth Beck, Diane Hack; Cup-Nick Suarez, Monika Kauer, Mary Kendrick, Jenawati Kwa, Crispina Malonosan; Servers- Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

10:00 am: Lectors— William Necor, Lee Oliver; Head Cup-Harlan Young; Head Host-Cory Cook; Host-Nancy Santos, Estrella Rusk, Bobby Zabroski, Ed Cissell; Cup-Sharon Cissell, Yvette Young, Cynthia Enrique, Cecelia Kennedy, Jane Sharpe; Servers-Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Joann Russo †	
Sun. 8:00 am	Bong Yea Park †	
Sun. 10:00 am	Alfred Radovan †	
Mon. 8:00 am	The Umatoy Family †	
Tues. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family	
Wed. 8:00 am	Hanny Reingold	
Thur. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons	
Fri. 8:00 am	All Military Men & Women	

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Penny Pendola, Ed.D., Skip Ipsen, Patricia O'Brien and Jim Gentile.** May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Marriage Preparation Programs

This Marriage Preparation program fulfills the requirement for Catholic Couples preparing for marriage in Northern California. Sessions fill up so early registration is recommended. These one-day sessions are held at:

St. Vincent's Marinwood 1 Saint Vincent Drive San Rafael, CA

- Saturday, April 16; 8:45 am 5:15 pm
- Saturday, May 14; 8:45 am 5:15 pm
- Saturday, June 4, 8:45 am 5:15 pm

Important: visit www.sffamilylife.com for current session availability or call (415) 699-8348.

Can You Help the SVdP Thrift Store?

The St. Vincent de Paul thrift store in Pittsburg is looking for some volunteers to help sort donated clothes and arrange items in the store. If you can donate a few hours to help out, please call Anita Hernandez, (925) 439-5060.

Mobile Mall News

Sorting - May 6th from 3:30 to 7 pm Holy Rosary Dominican Hall.

The next **Distribution** - May 14th at 10 am Lone Tree Elementary School, 1931 Mokelumne Drive in Antioch.

The donation barrel for gently used clothes, towels and sheets is located in the Narthex. **Tall kitchen trash bags needed.**

Bishop's Appeal



Thank you to everyone who responded to the 2016 Bishop's Appeal. Donations are still welcome and can be dropped in the weekend plate collection. Please use a

Bishop's Appeal envelope or place it in a separate envelope marked "Bishop's Appeal."

2016 Goal . . \$31,145 Rec'd to date . . . \$21,183

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Think of how tired, discouraged and frustrated the apostles must have been in the Gospel reading today. Then Jesus shows up and tells them to try one more time. Because they were willing and obedient, Jesus blessed them abundantly. It works the same way in our own lives today; if we trust in Jesus and do what He tells us to do we will receive His abundant blessings! Allow the grace of God to strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage relationship.

The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is August 5-7 or November 18-20. Early registration 4 to 6 weeks ahead is highly recommended. Contact Mike & Jeanne @ 925-672-2016 or Joe & Sue @ 925-680-7767 or go to oaklandwwme.org.

Day of Reflection at IHM

Join Fr. Jim Sullivan for a **Day of Reflection: "The Messiah of Mercy"** on Saturday April 23rd from 9:30 am to 3 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Halls A, B, and C, 500 Fairview Ave., Brentwood. Coffee social at 9:30 am with the presentation starting at 10:00. Lunch is provided. Bring your Bible and rosary. Please RSVP by April 20th to Lisa at 925-785-1969 or lfisher7544@comcast.net.

A Spring Hat Salad Luncheon

Court St. Mary Margaret extends an invitation to "A Spring Hat Salad Luncheon" on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 2 pm at Church of the Good Shepherd (3200 Harbor St., Pittsburg. Cost: Adult \$20—children under 10: \$10

For more information, call Josie Torres (925.432.2265)

A Prize for the Best Hat

Silver & Gold April Activities

Silver and Gold is a ministry for our 55+ parishioners. This ministry includes an ongoing number of experiences and activities in 4 areas; educational, physical, theological and social. Here are our April activities.

- Tuesday, April 12th 10am tour the El Campanil (optional) lunch at Riverview or Rick's on Second.
- Wednesday, April 20th 9 am Breakfast for Birthdays and Anniversaries.

For more information, call Deacon Gary at 757-1385.

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 Tuna - 5 oz can Pork & Beans - 15 oz can

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose

Do you think about being a religious sister? Do you wonder what sisters are like? Come and find out! For Single Catholic Women (ages 18 to 40).

Saturday, April 23, 2016 (10am- 4pm; lunch provided) 43326 Mission Circle, Fremont, CA 94539 (enter on Mission Tierra from Mission Blvd.)

For more info contact Sister Mary Yun, OP at mary@msjdominicans.org or 213-760-3085; RSVP and Register online at www.bit.ly/discernRLife or/www.msjdominicans.org/.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

There were four churches from East County attending the CCISCO visioning session on the evening of March 28. We were asked what kind of change we would like to see in our area. Being people of social justice hearts, we wanted to see changes in mindset and changes in policy and leadership for East County. How do we gather folks with the mindset of "Yes, we can" change East County for the betterment of all its people? The participants remembered what happened to the economy in 2008. They remembered a time when our elected listened to the needs of all. They remembered being shut out of the decision making in Washington. They agreed we need to work locally to make change.

We agreed that we need short term actions to become visible as an organization. We agreed that we need more people to deal with our many issues: affordable housing, homelessness, trafficking, gun violence and the three vacant seats on the Antioch School Board. What does it say about our community when no one steps up to be a leader for Antioch Schools? CCISCO leaders need to be visible to our elected. We need to fight the sheriff who is still pushing that we build more jails. We need to build a bigger base of people who understand the issues and are willing to stand up. We need training on the issues and in organizing. We need more CCISCO staff.

CCISCO will have a new director soon. We will meet again when this person is on board to share with him/her what we need in East County. If you would like to attend this next meeting, contact me and I will let you know the date and time.

Yuritzy Gomez, CCISCO Staff, told a story from Richmond about a woman whose son was about to be found guilty for a crime he did not commit. She was calling agencies asking for help. While the staff gave her referrals, they did not seem to help. Then the prayer group at St. Marks adopted her and assigned people to call daily to just listen to her frustration. They prayed mightily that the Lord would come to her rescue. And He did. Her son was not convicted nor sent to prison. Yuritzi asked how we can create spaces of compassion that show that we are loving and listening to one another. How can we encourage one another to be super-rooted in love for our fellow human beings?

I would encourage those that can to attend the Saturday trainings listed below to be informed about the issues and to come to the <u>Candidates</u> 'Forum on the evening of May 12th at our church to see where those running for Supervisors stand on these issues.

The Faith Rooted Equity Trainings on Saturdays from 2-5 PM at Holy Rosary Parish Center. Be prepared for the upcoming election with significant information. Learn about:

- a. Displacement and Housing-April 23
- b. Wages, Work and Equity-April 30
- c. Systemic Barriers to Inequity-May 7

The Faith Rooted equity Trainings are sponsored by the Faiths Program of the San Francisco Foundation, CCISCO, the Interfaith Council and The Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity. *Register at faithand equitytrainings@gmail.com*

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Who Do You Trust?

Last Sunday was the Divine Mercy Celebration. The whole saga of the origin of the image of divine mercy, the veneration of the image, and the celebration of God's divine mercy as a feast day is an intriguing real life story wrapped around a young Polish girl who would become a saint

In 1925, Helen Kowalska had barely two years of schooling when she entered the convent of The Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy and took the name of Sister Mary Faustina, a name that would inspire Catholics around the world. Being poorly educated, her duties at the convent were generalized around the kitchen, garden, and door keeper. That was the outward appearance of Sr. Faustina. Inwardly, and known to the Mother General and her confessor priest, Faustina was receiving visions and messages from Jesus. She went through torments of doubts. She agonized over the need for prayers for souls in purgatory, and shared in the pain of Christ's passion. All this brought about the vision of Christ as he wanted to be represented and venerated as a merciful yet suffering servant. A rendition of the image is the theme of one of our icons that hangs in our church on the far left side of the front wall. Sr. Faustina died in 1938. With the guidance and urging of a young bishop (who would eventually become Pope John-Paul II) those who favored the mission, message, and devotion of the Divine Mercy would see her canonized as Saint Faustina by that same pope.

What does this mean for us here, today? It is a natural progression and outgrowth of the crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus gave this message to us through St. Faustina to visually show us his sacrifice on the cross (the two "rays" of red blood and white water that emanate from his pierced heart) is the greatest act of mercy possible. The greatest act of mercy is for all sins for all people who simply put their trust in Jesus.

Jesus is our Easter, pascal, sacrifice. It is a sacrifice we venerate every time a Liturgy is celebrated. Jesus gives us a visual representation of that sacrifice and a specific Feast Day to celebrate the mercy that comes from, and out of, that sacrifice. The signature line Jesus asked St. Faustina to add to the bottom of the image is "Jesus, I Trust In You." That is the price we pay for his mercy, to trust in him. God paid the price of his only son for our redemption. Jesus paid with his life. We have to pay only with the sincerity of our hearts, our trust.



rril in Paris

St. Ignatius of Antioch presents:

An evening of joyful French music featuring Mr. Don Pearson on the Roger's Trillium Pipe

Friday April 29 at 8:00 pm.

Note New Date

Reception in the Parish Hall

immediately following.



Free will offering requested.



Garden Ministry Plant Sale

April 16-17

After all weekend Liturgies Proceeds help offset the vegetable garden's irrigation costs to the parish.

Fresh produce from the garden supplements the canned and dry goods donated to St. Vincent de Paul each week.



Coming soon...

The Mary Project



On Mother's Day weekend, May 7 & 8, bring your new and gently used baby items to our weekend liturgies for donation to

Brentwood Birth Right.

Donation suggestions: New or gently used baby clothes, (up to size 2T) diapers, baby wipes, bottles, bottle brushes, baby food or baby cereal, bibs, burp cloths, baby wash and lotion, pacifiers, receiving blankets, new layette items so BABY has something new to wear home from the hospital.

Thank you!!



Turnaround Trip to Thunder Valley

to benefit our Faith Formation Program

Monday, May 9, 2016

DEPART: 8:30 am (St. Ignatius of Antioch parking lot)

RETURN: 3:30 pm (leave Thunder Valley)

FARE: \$40 (Includes transportation, continental

breakfast, snack on return trip, \$15 FREE Slot Play, \$12 Food Credit and gratuity for driver)

RESERVATIONS: call Frances Rojek – 925.778.1631 Make checks payable to St. Ignatius of Antioch

> Not responsible for parked vehicles – Fare non-refundable

> > East Contra Costa County

Faith and Equity Trainings

"Promote the welfare of the city . . . " - Jeremiah 29:7

Sharpening our tools as Faith Communities to combat how Housing, Low Wages and Barriers to Opportunity are affecting our community.

> Saturdays 2-5 pm April 23, 30 and May 7 **Holy Rosary Church Parish Ministry Building**

For more information, contact: FaithandEquity@gmail.com

1313 A Street, Antioch CA 94509

Co-sponsored by the FAITHS program of The San Francisco Foundation, Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity, Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County and CCISCO.

Antioch Shelter Project

This Tuesday, April 12 at 7 p.m.

Gary Kingsbury from the Antioch Shelter Project will be making a presentation at the Antioch City Council Our parish fully supports this effort to bring a shelter for women and children to our city. Join Father Robert and members of the parish leadership groups at the meeting to show support.

SPRED the WORD





Saturday, April 23, 5pm - 9pm St. Raymond's Catholic Church (11555 Shannon Ave. Dublin CA 94568)

Join our Friends and Catechists for a special SPRED Mass followed by our XXV "SPRED the Word" dinner dance and fundraiser.

For tickets, call 510.496.7228

More Details Coming Soon Oxalosis & Hyperoxaluria Foundation 5K Walk / Run For Kidneys Saturday, May 5—8am to noon Heather Farms Park in Walnut Creek

Surf & Turf Dinner



BBQ Tri-Tip & Deep Fried Calamari Pasta with meat sauce / Pasta with clam sauce / Salad / Bread / Dessert / & more

> Saturday, May 14, 2016 6:30 pm

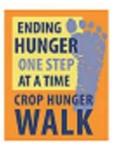
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

Ticket sales begin April 23 after weekend Liturgies or call (925) 642-2329 \$35 per person





CROP WALK



This year's Antioch/Pittsburg East County Hunger Walk takes place on Sunday, April 17, 2016. The event starts and ends at St. Andrews Lutheran Church (2507 San Jose Dr, Antioch). Registration is at 2:30 pm and the walk begins at 3 pm.

CROP Walks are held throughout the country to raise awareness of local and global hunger issues as well as funds for both local and international organizations fighting hunger. 75% of the money raised at the walk on April 17th will go to support the international poverty and hunger fighting ministries. Our St. Ignatius of Antioch local share is designated for the Holy Rosary St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference.

For more information or if you would like to join or donate to the St. Ignatius of Antioch team, just follow this link:

https://www.crophungerwalk.org/pittsburgca/SIOA



Join us for a night of BUNCO to benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Let's fight Cancer together!

Monday, April 18, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

Tickets \$15

(Available after weekend Liturgies beginning April 2-3)

Hors d'oeuvres and prizes

Games start after appetizers are served.

Don't know how to play? That's OK! We'll teach you.

For tickets or information call Alicia Perez at 783-8325 or Maryann Peddicord at 778-0768.