

St. Ignatius of Antioch

May 1, 2016 - 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

Fr. Robert K. Rien

Parochial Administrator

Fr. George Griener, S.J.

Assisting Clergy

Deacon Gary Hack

Permanent Deacon

Don Pearson

Director of Music, Organist,
Artist-in-Residence

Frances Rojek

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.



May 1, 2016
Sixth Sunday
of Easter

May the peoples praise you,
O God; may all the peoples
praise you!
—— Psalm 67:6

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.”

Stewardship of Treasure

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

Weekend Offering for April 16-17

Weekend Offering.....\$8,350.00

New Building Fund

Payments/Donations this week.....\$343.00

New Building Fund Balance..... \$867,721.93

Schedule of Events

Sunday, May 1 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Faith Formation First Eucharist - at both Liturgies
- Hospitality Sunday - Sponsored by YLI - after both Liturgies - Gathering Plaza
- Second Collection for Parking Lot

Monday, May 2

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED - Catechist Prep - 5 to 6:30 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA meets - 7:00 pm - Office

Tuesday, May 3

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Art & Environment Committee Meets - 10 am - Parish Hall
- Liturgy Committee Meets - 11 am - Parish Hall

Wednesday, May 4

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am - Novena following
- Family to Family Meets - 6:30 to 7:30 pm - Office

Thursday, May 5 - The Ascension of the Lord

- 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
- Deanery Pilgrimage Planning Meets - 7 pm - Parish Hall
- “What Catholics Really Believe” Series - 7:30 pm - Office
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, May 6

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 8:30 to 12 noon
- Knights of Columbus Meets - 6:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Saturday, May 7

- Vigil Liturgy - 5 pm
- Student’s Confirmation at Cathedral - 10 am
- Second Collection Catholic Communications
- Silver & Gold A’s Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

Sunday, May 8 - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Mothers Day

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Second Collection Catholic Communications
- Silver & Gold A’s Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

Looking Ahead



May 5: Two Adult Formation Opportunities. 8:45 am in the Parish Hall: **GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER (GIFT)**. 7:30 pm in the Parish Office: **WHAT CATHOLICS REALLY BELIEVE**.

May 7-8: Mary Project weekend. See page 6 for more details about this annual parish community outreach.

May 14: Community Garage Sale sponsored by our Confirmation Class. See page 7.

May 14: Knights of Columbus “Surf & Turf” Dinner. 6:30 pm. Ticket on sale now. See page 7 for details.

May 21: ACS Relay for Life Pasta Dinner. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. See page 6 for more details.

Pray for the Sick

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

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

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	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53
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 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

Lay Ministers—Week of May 7th & May 8th

5 pm: Lectors– Therese Kain, Steven Rojek; **Head Cup**– Melodye Costanza; **Head Host**– Pam Confetti; **Host**– Nancy DiMaggio, Carol Fanfa, Danielle Herrera, Bernice Campbell; **Cup**–Rhoda Herrera, Forrest Towe, Kevin Daley, M.J. Nagtalon, Mary Ng; **Server**–Pdraig Tionson

8 am: Lectors–Kathleen Clarke, Peter Degl’Innocenti; **Head Cup**–Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host**–Pat Dunleavy; **Host**–Kathleen Hayakawa, Mary Kendrick, Peggy Lennan, Jeanne Reilly; **Cup**–Jeannine Ford, Ruth Beck, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Jenawati Kwa; **Servers**– Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

10:00 am: Lectors– Alicia Solano, Robert Solano; **Head Cup**–Steven Andreatta; **Head Host**–Amante Asuncion; **Host**–Bobby Zabroski, Dilcia Aparicio, Gloria Asuncion, Angelina Guieb-Alphonso; **Cup**–Nancy Santos, Al Necor, Denise Moss, Gloria Olvera, Samantha Peralto; **Servers**–Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano,

Fr. Robert Presiding & Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	All First Communion Children
Sun. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †
Sun. 10:00 am	Felipe C. Mecate †
Mon. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Tues. 8:00 am	All Care Givers
Wed. 8:00 am	Hanny Reingold
Thur. 8:00 am	Vince Iacona †
Fri. 8:00 am	All Military Men & Women

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Carolyn Bartlett, Kevin Sellards, Lucy Rinetti and Irene Joyal**. 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, 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.

Knights Support Mary’s Project

The **Mary Project** is coming up Mother’s Day weekend. Over the years, our parishioners have been very generous in their support of this wonderful outreach. This year our Knights are adding an incentive: all parishioners who donate baby articles on Mother’s day weekend (May 7-8) receive a raffle ticket for each package of baby items. The winning prize is dinner for 4 to be redeemed during the 2017 Lenten Fish Fry. The winning number of the raffle will be posted in the Sunday bulletin.

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 . . \$25,290
Percent of Goal: 81%
Participating families . . . 364

St. Peter Martyr School Now Enrolling



St. Peter Martyr School is now accepting applications for Preschool, Prekindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-8 for 2016-2017. In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals and values. Extended Care and extra curricular programs are also available. Applications are available at the school and on the St. Peter Martyr website:

<http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org>

The school is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg and is fully accredited. For more information, call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit the website.

Catholic Divorced, Widowed & Separated

CDWS (Catholic Divorced, Widowed & Separated of Contra Costa) holds support group meetings in Walnut Creek at St. Mary's Church on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 7 to 9 pm. The meetings are free and all are welcome. For more information, please contact Joan S. at (925) 939-1007.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus tells us not to let our hearts be troubled because he has given us His peace; the peace that passes all understanding. We also have the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us and our marriage.

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.

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.

- Saturday, May 7th - 9 am - Dow Wetlands
- Saturday, May 21st - 2 pm - El Campanil - the Diamonds

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

Office Volunteer Helper Needed

The church office needs your help! We are looking for someone who would be willing and able to come in on Thursday mornings from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm to help with phones and basic administrative work. Training for this position will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Yvette or Maryann in the office at: (925) 778-0768, or stop by the office window after daily liturgy to inquire.

Justice Corner**By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate**

This column provides some thoughts and comments about two works of mercy: To bury the dead and to pray for the living and the dead.

Almost everyone has been to a funeral. We hope to maintain the dignity of the deceased by honoring grieving family and friends. In years gone by, the family cleaned and wrapped the body in preparation for burial. Those closest to the deceased sat in vigil during the night. Now we give that task to the funeral home and bring the body to church for the funeral ritual.

The old Testament Book of Tobit says that he got up from dinner to bury the dead (12:13). So we know that this is an honorable occupation. In the New Testament we know that Christ was buried in the tomb for three days and that He promised that the bodies of the dead would be resurrected on the Last Day. It is right that we honor the body as the temple of the Holy Spirit. The Catholic Catechism says that the funeral ritual honors the children of God who are temples of the Holy Spirit (#2300). I have spoken before in this column about being with those who are dying and accompanying those with one foot here and one foot in heaven. It is a holy task to be present to this process.

The days after someone passes are a special time to remember and give thanks for the life of grace that has been present in the deceased. We recall the joys and sorrows of that person's life. We laugh with our remembrances of the good times and lament the times of sorrow. It is a time to begin the process of understanding that our relationship with the deceased has changed. As the spirit of the deceased moves into the realm of the risen Christ, it is our time to understand the mystery of death and resurrection that is the foundation of our faith.

As life moves forward and we resume our daily tasks, we remember "to pray for the living and the dead." Sometimes we prepare a picture board of those who have died and put it in the place where we pray. It calls us to remember the influence of relatives and friends and to offer our prayers for the eternal rest. Many saints offered their sufferings for those who had died but had not yet attained their place with Christ, the place of peace and rest from their struggles.

Then there are the living. One does not have to look far to find people and situations to pray for. We pray for those in our immediate circle and then expand outward to pray for the suffering of those in our world. We pray for those who have not yet found Christ. We pray for those struggling with temptation. We stand with Christ in prayer to the Father for all who need strength to get through this day. This is our obligation and our privilege as followers of the Lord. It is up to us to "pray without ceasing."

Parish Perspective**By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate***Centerfield*

Summer has finally come our way and the Big Leaguers are playing double headers on the baseball diamonds. With parish personnel coming and going for vacations and family excursions the "line-up" of who does what and when changes. Thus, I find myself doing my first summer "double header" of teaching Baptism classes for parents and godparents. The usual routine is to trade-off each month with Deacon Gary. This is the first time this year that I'll be doing two months in a row. Don't get me wrong, I dearly love teaching the baptism classes; this is just one of the signs of summer I've grown accustomed to recognizing.

There something special about baptism and the classes that sets my excitement dials to maximum. The sacrament itself is monumental in its significance. To me, it is right up there with the consecration of the hosts at Liturgy. "How can that be?" you ask. Well, just as profound and earth-shaking as heaven and earth meeting and the real presence of Christ being given to us in the Eucharist, so also is the universe changed by the baptismal signing of a new soul belonging to Christ. We can all marvel at the thought that one more soul is baptized as belonging to Christ and that nothing can snatch it out of his hands. Score one more for "our" side. Though the waters of baptism are not magical, the promise of Christ is true and unshakeable. We are His!

In addition to the kingdom building nature of the sacrament, baptism is rich in theology about the nature of God, the fall of Adam and Eve, God's plan of salvation, what baptism does for us as individuals and as a community, why a sinless Jesus was baptized, and what the Holy Spirit has to do with all that's going on. There is so much that happens all at once, it's like trying to keep track of all the individual sparkles you see when dazzling fireworks explode in the night sky on the 4th of July! At times, I become the very dictionary definition of the word "giddy." Some of these elements of baptism that you may never have heard of or thought of before might become lesson points in a series of new adult faith formation classes the parish is trying to initiate on a once-a-month basis.

In the warmth of the summer sun think about your baptism; how you are baptized priest, prophet, and king. You are also baptized into Christ's life, death and resurrection. Through baptism we are born to eternal life, so the words from the baseball song *Centerfield* may not be that far off... "We're born again, there's new grass on the field!" Yeh, I can hit one out of the park!

COMING NEXT WEEKEND - AN OUTREACH TRADITION AT
ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH:

The Mary Project

On Mother's Day weekend bring your new and gently used baby items to
our weekend liturgies for donation to



Brentwood Birthright.



Donation suggestions:

Baby clothes, (up to size 2T)

Baby wipes

Baby food or baby cereal

Baby wash and lotion

Diapers and more diapers

Bottles and bottle brushes

Bibs and burp cloths

Pacifiers

Receiving blankets

New layette items so *BABY* has something
new to wear home from the hospital.

Thank you!!

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.

Saturday: 2- 5 pm; May 7th

Holy Rosary Church Parish Ministry Building
1313 A Street, Antioch CA 94509

To register, email:
faithandequity.eventbrite.com

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



Relay for Life

Pasta Dinner hosted by the
St. Ignatius of Antioch
Relay for Life Team

When: Saturday, May 21 @ 6:30 pm

Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch
Parish Hall

Cost: \$15 per person

Gifts / Prizes / Raffle

Music by the Nite Notes with
guest singer Alicia Perez

Call Alicia (925.757.3354) or Maryann (925.778.0768)
for more info or early bird tickets.



Is God calling you to ministry in this Jubilee Year of Mercy?

Our Family to Family Ministry might be just what you're looking for!

The parish is looking to form a new Family to Family team. Please see Father Robert's Insert in this week's bulletin for more details or call Rick Howell (925.430.9225)

We promise this ministry will touch your hearts.



**TEAM MATTHEW PROJECT
OXALOSIS &
HYPEROXALURIA
FOUNDATION**

**5K WALK / RUN
FOR KIDNEYS**

**SATURDAY, MAY 7 - 8AM TO NOON
HEATHER FARMS PARK IN WALNUT CREEK**

RAFFLE & AUCTION TOO!

**SEE THE TABLE IN THE GATHERING PLAZA
AFTER ALL LITURGIES THIS WEEKEND**

Call Kristi Ouimet if you would like to donate items for the silent auction and raffle (925-595-4086)



Adult Faith Formation
Video Series

**WHAT CATHOLICS REALLY
BELIEVE**

An insightful, illuminating and entertaining dialogue between Dr. Ray Guarendi and Reverend Kevin Fete that explores common misunderstandings of Catholicism. Join us on Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Parish Office. For more info, contact Frances- 925-778-1631.

Topics Include: Jesus The Bible Eucharist
Baptism Morality Confession
The Papacy & more.

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

**Tickets on sale after weekend Liturgies
or call (925) 642-2329**

\$35 per person

Space is limited. Don't miss out!

St. Ignatius of Antioch Confirmation Class
Invites you to the 5th Annual

Community Garage Sale

Saturday, May 14, 2016—8 am to 12 Noon
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parking Lot
3351 Contra Loma Blvd., Antioch

Come discover unexpected treasures from our
many vendors!

Vendor spaces available!

Only \$35 for 2 parking spaces or \$50 for 4 spaces.
You keep all your profits.

Call Steve at (925) 642-2329 for details

We're also accepting donated items
for the church to sell.



**Antioch Y.L.I. #101
Young Ladies Institute**

YLI is a Catholic Women's Organization dedicated to the Christian Principles of Charity and Love. We reflect sisterly love and care for each other and those in need. We are now accepting applications for membership. Please contact Jeannine Ford, Committee Chairperson at (925) 757-9650