

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

May 15, 2016 - Pentecost Sunday

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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 15, 2016  
Pentecost  
Sunday**

*[I]n one Spirit we were all  
baptized into one body.*

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a

**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 30-May 1**

**Weekend Offering.....\$10,519.50**

**Second Collection - Parking Lot.....\$3,707.00**

**New Building Fund**

**Payments/Donations this week.....\$1,236.90**

**New Building Fund Balance..... \$876,232.18**

**Schedule of Events**

**Sunday, May 15 - Pentecost Sunday**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Silver & Gold A's Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Relay for Life Pasta Dinner Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Second Collection - Catholic Charities

**Monday, May 16**

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- “An Evening of Welcome & Discovery” (answering the Red Box questions) - 7 pm - Church & Parish Hall

**Tuesday, May 17**

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Building Committee Meeting - 7 pm - Office

**Wednesday, May 18**

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

**Thursday, May 19**

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Finance Council Meets - 11 am to 12 Noon - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

**Friday, May 20**

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

**Saturday, May 21**

- Vigil Liturgy - 5 pm
- Silver & Gold A's Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Memorial Day Bingo Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Relay for Life Pasta Dinner - after 5 pm Liturgy - Parish Hall
- Second Collection - St. Vincent de Paul

**Sunday, May 22 - The Most Holy Trinity**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Silver & Gold A's Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Memorial Day Bingo Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Second Collection - St. Vincent de Paul

**Looking Ahead**



**May 21:** 2 pm - El Campanil - the Diamonds. A Silver and Gold activity. For details, contact Deacon Gary at 757-1385.

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

**May 30:** Memorial Day BINGO sponsored by our Faith Formation Ministry. See page 6 for more details.

**June 16:** A's vs. Texas Rangers - A Silver and Gold field trip to the baseball game. For more information, please contact Bill Stuhlreyer at 757-4794.

***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***

<b>Monday</b>	Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
<b>Thursday</b>	Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
<b>Friday</b>	Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
<b>Saturday</b>	Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
<b>Sunday</b>	Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

***Lay Ministers—Week of May 21st & May 22nd***

**5 pm: Lectors**— Frances Rojek, Steve Rojek; **Head Cup**—Pam Confetti; **Head Host**— Clem Bushman; **Host**—Bernice Campbell, Nancy DiMaggio, Danielle Herrera, Rhoda Herrera; **Cup**—Marla Plurkowski, Forrest Towe, Melody Costanza, Kevin Daley, M.J. Nagtalon; **Server**—Padraig Tiongson

**8 am: Lectors**—Matthew Bajet, Terese M. Stanek; **Head Cup**—Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host**—Pat Dunleavy; **Host**— Stan Stanek, Diane Hack, Kathleen Hayakawa, Frank Kauer; **Cup**—Monika Kauer, Jenawati Kwa, Peggy Lennan, Ruth Beck, Jeannine Ford; **Servers**— Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

**10:00 am: Lectors**— Gary Milano, Lee Oliver.; **Head Cup**—Cory Cook; **Head Host**—Jane Sharpe; **Host**—Denise Moss, Lesley Eubanks, Steven Andreatta, Amante Asuncion; **Cup**—Dilcia Aparicio, Gloria Asuncion, Al Necor, Cynthia Enrique, Samantha Peralto; **Servers**—Ryan Sims, Jean Paul Fortez

Fr. Robert Presiding & Preaching

***Mass Intentions for the Week***

<b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>	Joann Russo †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Regina Donnely †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Joel Rusk †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	Fara Costanza †
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	Salvador Castellanos †
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	Donne & Norma Melindo †
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	Cynthia Solorzano †
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family

***Rest in Peace***

Please pray for the souls of **Fred Lietz, Karen Bagarozzo and Lottie Hocking**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

***Calling All Altar Servers!*****Altar Server Appreciation Pizza Dinner**

All altar servers and their families are invited to the annual appreciation dinner of pizza, soft drinks and recognition. This year's dinner will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Please contact Peter Degl'Innocenti with your reservation of how many family members will be attending. Leave your full name, phone number, Liturgy you serve at (i.e., 5:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m.) and number attending. Special awards will be presented. RSVP to Peter at (925) 756-6172 no later than Sunday, May 29th. Mark your calendars for an evening of fun!!

***Marriage Preparation Programs***

"A Program to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage." The Marriage Preparation Registration for the Spring/Summer 2016 Sessions are as follows:

Saturday, June 4th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.  
Saturday, June 25th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Location: St. Vincent's Marinwood - 1 Saint Vincents Drive  
San Rafael, CA

The cost is \$325.00 per couple. For more information, call (415) 699-8348.

## *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 . . \$25,883**  
**Percent of Goal: 83%**  
**Participating families . . . 382**

## *Important Message from the Diocese*

Ministering to children and young people is the heart of what Jesus calls His people to do. The mission of the Safe Environment office is to assist the Church in creating a safe haven for children, young people and vulnerable adults. The risk of child abuse is greatly reduced by breaking the silence about abuse, especially sexual abuse. Breaking the silence is a critical first step to begin the process of education, prevention and healing.

The Diocesan office of Victim's Assistance offers a variety of avenues for victims and family members to report their experiences to our Office of Victim Assistance and to be welcomed, to receive pastoral care, and to learn about and access much-needed services. Diocesan staff serving in the Office of Victim Assistance believe that individuals and communities are best served through a prompt response to requests for help, respectful listening, attention to their needs, and services to help them in the healing process. If you, or someone you know would like to report or seek help with an allegation of sexual misconduct by clergy or diocesan employees, please contact the following.

**Office of Victim's Assistance**  
**Fr. Robert M. Herbst, OFM Conv**  
**Victim's Assistance Coordinator**  
**(510)267-8373    rherbst@oakdiocese.org**

## *Mary Project Winner!*

The Knights of Columbus of St. Ignatius of Antioch would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Parishioners and Brother Knights who brought Baby Items in support of the Mary Project. The lucky winner of the 4 free fish dinners is the person holding the ticket with the following number:

**796908**

Thank you everyone for your generous support.  
 Chairperson, Deputy Grand Knight, David K. Simpson

## *Worldwide Marriage Encounter*

Today we celebrate the feast of Pentecost — the sending of the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, the Comforter to come and dwell in us, God's children. Open your heart wide and invite the Holy Spirit to dive even deeper in your relationship with God and your Spouse.

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.

## *Mobile Mall News*

**Sorting** - June 25th at 9:00 am - Holy Rosary Dominican Hall

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

## *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

Please bring your donations to weekend liturgies or place them in the donation barrel in the Narthex. Please NO OPENED or EXPIRED packages.

## *Free Family Concert*

There will be a FREE Family Concert held at Holy Rosary Parish on Sunday, May 22nd at 7:00 p.m. Internationally-known recording artist Amanda Vernon will be sharing her original music and give the faith-filled stories behind the songs. It is a free event that is open to everyone.

For more information, please contact Lizette Suarez at Holy Rosary Parish by calling 757-4020.

*Justice Corner*

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

## Comfort the Sorrowful

In the Catholic Voice from April 11, 2016, Fr. Ron Rolheiser stated, "Goodness continues to resurrect from every sort of grave." This is a pivotal sentence for those who comfort the sorrowful. The sorrows of this world can overwhelm us. We get lost in the emotional trauma and are often unable to step back and witness to these experiences. We need someone there for us who can walk with us through these experiences. The gift of understanding of the mystery of suffering and death can make us open to listening to the sorrows of others. These mysteries can lead us to goodness.

No one escapes these difficult experiences. We can avoid them, put them off for a while, but unprocessed sorrows lead to breakdown and disintegration of the human psyche. That is why the Church affirms the spiritual work of mercy to comfort the sorrowful. Christ promises healing and wholeness to his followers. He went through death to resurrection. Those who practice this work of mercy become Christ for those that are burdened and overwhelmed. This is what mother's do for their children.

Walking with someone in sorrow takes time. One does not process the deep experiences of life overnight. The loss of a parent, a spouse or a child provide much grief to the psyche. The loss of a job, moving to a new place, losing a home, finding out that one is seriously ill, all take time. One feels uprooted, unstable, lost. That is where the person who stands for Christ comes in. We can listen. We can ask significant questions, we can hold the hand of those in sorrow. We can come back the next day to see how the person is doing.

A person who recently had a hip operation told me that many people said to her, "Let me know if I can do anything." But the person who was most helpful said, "I'll come over every Tuesday for two hours to do whatever you need." That person's presence was most helpful to her healing. No matter what sort of grave we are in, another's loving presence helps us to resurrect.

An article by Jim Neafsey, a local spiritual director and retreat master states, "Mystery manifests through 'hitting bottom' in the experience of failure, loss, conflict, disillusionment, darkness and pain. As our normal belief systems are stripped away or found empty or inadequate in the face of the harsh realities of life and death, we discover a Sustaining Ground that remained unnoticed while all was functioning well on the surface...we awaken to the steady quiet awareness of Mystery as 'already there'..the Presence of God shining through simple things..sunlight pouring through a window or the faithfulness of a friend." When we take on this spiritual work of mercy, we decide to be that friend for those in sorrow. We know that with Jesus, there is no grave from which we cannot resurrect.

One of the most important parts of getting through sorrow is to stand in it and not try to avoid it. Facing the difficulty, feeling the emotions, and experiencing the pain of it is the way through. Jesus had his agony in the garden, but in the end He stated, "Into Your hand I commend my spirit." He opened His arms on the cross to receive all the suffering the world had to give him. And if we have the courage, we can do likewise for ourselves and for others.

*Parish Perspective*

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

*Lo Siento*

The Big Red Box of Questions has done its job. For several weeks we have had the box in the narthex, wrapped in red paper, liberally decorated with question marks, and accompanied with paper and pencils to receive your questions about the Catholic Church, its teachings, and what we believe. We garnered some 20 questions (some multiple part questions) ranging from doctrinal issues, Catholic social teaching, technical questions, and questions about the parish. These questions will be answered on Monday night, the 16<sup>th</sup> of May at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Some of the questions were deemed rudimentary enough to be answered here in the bulletin and under this column.

- Why don't we have a Liturgy in Spanish?

There are several reasons why we don't celebrate a Liturgy in Spanish. Central to all of them is the fact that we have only one priest. Fr. Robert is singularly unique in his enthusiasm, vision, loyalty, and energy output for this parish. Several top professors at MIT and the Mayo Clinic are baffled by his abilities to remain so energetic. The Church's Canon Law did not have men like Fr. Robert in mind when it limited the number of Liturgies a priest may celebrate on a given day or weekend (the Saturday evening liturgy and Sunday liturgies combined). Two Liturgies may be celebrated and in extreme circumstances three may be celebrated for "Pastoral Necessity." Yes, every weekend we have extreme circumstances and when we had a 12 o'clock Liturgy, years ago, we were breaking canon law (oops!). Even if we were to ignore the law again, Fr. Robert doesn't speak Spanish. You can't have a Spanish speaking Liturgy without speaking Spanish. Who would speak? Who would interpret? How long would the homily take if every few moments an interpreter had to translate what was being said? Lastly, how could such a Liturgy be supported financially? It wouldn't be fair for the Spanish speaking community of our parish to bare the entire burden of supporting another complete Liturgy. Even with many "sleepy head" parishioners attending a later (12 o'clock again?) Liturgy, that demographic proved itself unable to financially support that Liturgy even after many pleadings and cutbacks to the service.

So, in a nutshell, we have: 1.) With one priest Canon Law prohibits it; 2.) The priest we do have doesn't speak Spanish; and 3.) It would be cruel to ask for more money from any or all of our parishioners. I wish the circumstances were different, but for our little parish, it is not to be.



**Scattered Sites**

Scattered Site Supportive Housing (SSSHP) launched in June 2015 to provide permanent, affordable housing and support services for formerly chronically homeless residents living with disabilities. Apartments are scattered throughout Contra Costa County and a mobile service team of case managers work in partnership with residents to set goals related to sustaining independence and becoming responsible tenants. SSSHP is a cost-effective resource that prevents high cost emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and incarceration.

Contra Costa Interfaith Housing has a wave of new individuals moving into the Scattered Site program and many will be located in the Pittsburg area.

Here are some of the furnishing items needed for the Scattered Site Program:

- 3-5 futons and/or metal bed frames (Mattresses are generally not accepted unless they are new or nearly new.)
- 3-5 dressers/chest of drawers
- 3 loveseats
- 4-5 living room chairs
- Full or queen-size sheets
- Towels
- Pillows (new)

PLEASE NOTE: NO STAINED OR DAMAGED ITEMS



The use of a small box truck or pickup would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any of the above items or would like more information about Scattered Sites, please contact

Gloria Bertolozzi,  
Volunteer/Outreach Manager  
925-448-2004



**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 tickets.



**BINGO**

**Monday, May 30th**


**St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall**

Doors Open 11:30 AM - Lunch at Noon  
Games Begin 12:45 PM

10 Regular Games - \$100 Payout Each  
Specials

\$25 per person includes  
10 Games and Lunch  
Daubers - \$1 each

Tickets available after Masses beginning May 21/22 or by calling Steve at 925-642-2329

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



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.**



### St. Peter Martyr School

is now accepting applications for Preschool, Prekindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-8 for the 2016-2017 school year.

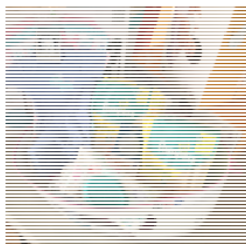
In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals and values. Extended Care and extra curricular programs are also available.

Applications are available at the school and on the school's 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.

## The Mary Project Weekend

### A tremendous success!



Some early donations

**Thank You to everyone who brought items in support of all the mothers of Birthright in Brentwood**



## Silver & Gold Event

**Saturday, May 21  
2:00 pm**

The Diamonds at the El Campanil Theater in downtown Antioch

They're back to share their great music from "the past" with us once again.  
Sing along . . . Dance in the Aisles

Last year, a large group from St. Ignatius of Antioch thoroughly enjoyed this event. If you would like to join us, contact Nancy at 757.8555 for tickets.



Overnight Trip to Reno

### St. Ignatius of Antioch Faith Formation Fundraiser

**Depart:** Sunday, June 5, 9 am  
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parking Lot

**Return:** Monday June 6, 3 pm  
Leave Silver Legacy

**Fare:** \$115 (includes transportation, double occupancy room, continental breakfast, \$20 free slot play, \$20 food voucher, light lunch on return trip, bell service and driver gratuity.)

More Info: Frances Rojek 925.778.1631



### 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