

St. Ignatius of Antioch

July 24, 2016 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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
Pastor

Fr. George Griener, S.J.
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Deacon Gary Hack
Permanent Deacon

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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.



**July 24, 2016
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You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.
— Colossians 2:12

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 July 9-10

Weekend Offering.....\$12,056.00

New Building Fund

Donations This Week.....\$2,102.00

New Building Fund Balance.....\$900,684.93

Schedule of Events

Sunday, July 24

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Breakfast Ticket Sales Sponsored by YMI - Gathering Plaza
- Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul

Monday, July 25

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

Tuesday, July 26

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Knights of Columbus Meets - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, July 27

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am - Novena following
- Quimet Sponsored Blood Drive - 11 am to 5 pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, July 28

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - 8 am
- Gift - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, July 29

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

Saturday, July 30

- Vigil Liturgy - 5 pm
- Second Collection - Mission Co-Op Appeal

Sunday, July 31

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- YMI Breakfast - following 8 am and 10 am liturgies
- Second Collection - Mission Co-Op Appeal

Looking Ahead



July 27: American Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by Team Matthew - 11 am - 5 pm.

July 31: Breakfast in the parish hall sponsored by the YMI after the 8 and 10 am liturgies.

August 6-7: Annual Grand Raffle kickoff weekend.

August 6-7: Eighth annual backpack drive in support of St. Peter Martyr School. **School supplies list is included in this week’s bulletin or available from the parish office.**

August 20: Hot August Night 60’s Style sponsored by our Social Events Committee. Put this on your calendar now and watch for ticket sales to begin soon.

Pray for the Sick

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

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

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	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Tuesday	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53 or Lk 10:38-42
Saturday	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Lay Ministers—Week of July 30th & July 31st

5 pm: Lectors— Frances Rojek, Steve Rojek; **Head Cup**— Pam Confetti; **Head Host**— Melodye Costanza; **Host**— Nancy DiMaggio, Carol Fanfa, Danielle Herrera, Forrest Towe; **Cup**— Marla Plurkowski, Rhoda Herrera, Mary Ng, Kevin Daley, M.J. Nagtalon; **Server**— Pdraig Tionsgon

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

10:00 am: Lectors— William Necor, Rose Necor; **Head Cup**— Gloria Asuncion; **Head Host**— Steven Andreatta; **Host**— Estrella Rusk, Nancy Santos, Bobby Zabroski, Ed Cissell; **Cup**— Samantha Peralto, Amante Asuncion, Sharon Cissell, Yvette Young, Harlan Young; **Servers**— Jean Paul Fortez, Ryan Sims

Fr. Robert Presiding & Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Maria de Jesus & Al Erikson †
Sun. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †
Sun. 10:00 am	Baltazar B. Mecate †
Mon. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Tues. 8:00 am	Alan Young †
Wed. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Thur. 8:00 am	Mary Richardson †
Fri. 8:00 am	Fara Costanza †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of the five Dallas Police Officers: **Brent Thompson, Lorne Ahrens, Patrick Zamarrupa, Michael Smith and Michall Kroll**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Silver & Gold

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. Watch the bulletin for upcoming events.

Garden Ministry Help Wanted

- Like to work in the dirt?
- Like to garden?

Our garden ministry is looking for parishioners to spend a couple of hours tending the parish community garden. The produce from the garden is transported to St. Vincent de Paul along with the canned and dry goods donated at our weekend liturgies. Over the years, many hundreds of pounds have been donated to families in need. For more information, please contact the parish office.



People Organized to Welcome Refugees is a CCEB project.

Project Starfish Update

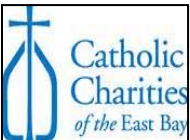
Members of the Aljanabi family were present at last Sunday's 10:00 am liturgy. They wanted to express their gratitude for the outpouring of hospitality that they have received from our community. Included in this week's bulletin is a message of thanks in both Arabic and English addressed to the St. Ignatius of Antioch community.

As of this writing, locating permanent housing remains the number one challenge. They are working with the team, attempting to locate suitable housing..

If you have contacts with property owners who may be willing to assist, please contact Brian in the parish office. The family has relatives living in Martinez and so the cities of Concord or Martinez are preferred

Please keep our family in your prayers; **Mohammed, Miaaad, Hasan, Hanan, and Noor.**

Catholic Social Services Directory



**Know someone in need?
Not sure how to help?**

Check out **FAITH IN ACTION**, the a Catholic Social Services Directory
Web address: FAITHINACTIONOAKDIOCESE.ORG

Prayer for Peace

Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow charity;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is error, the truth;
Where there is doubt, the faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light; and
Where there is sadness, joy.
O, Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying to ourselves that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus tells us that all we have to do is ask and we will receive, seek and we will find, knock and the door will be open to us. Discover the amazing plan God has for you and your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is 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

Distribution - July 27 - Ambrose Community Center (3105 Willow Pass Rd., Bay Point. Helpers needed at 8 am, shopping begins at 10 am

The donation barrel for gently used clothes, towels and sheets is located in the Narthex. For more information about this ministry, please call 757-4020.

Project Homeless Connect East County

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday October 13, 2016

Antioch County Fairgrounds; 1201 W 10 st. Antioch

Help is needed for a one-day, one-stop shop that offers a variety of services to people experiencing homelessness, connecting them with benefits, medical care, substance abuse and mental health counseling, services, housing and shelter. Volunteers are needed to greet and route people, provide transportation and serve food.

To volunteer, visit cchealth.org/homeless or contact Contra Costa County Health Services Homeless Program at 925.313.7700 or email:

projecthomelessconnect@hsd.cccounty.us

St. Vincent de Paul

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

Mac & Cheese - 7oz. box **Tuna** - 5 oz can
Sliced Peaches - 15 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.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

Our hearts are suffering with the continued violence that affects so many people. Orlando, Nice, Minneapolis, Dallas, Baton Rouge, Turkey-it seems the whole world is experiencing continued attacks. We feel insecure and unsafe. In our own area we have gang related shootings on Highway 4, murders, domestic abuse and many increasing signs that things are not right. When these events happen in a short time period, we are overcome with sadness and feel helpless. Certainly these attacks are not the way of the Gospel. How can we make a difference?

The last century had two World Wars and many skirmishes in foreign places like Korea, Vietnam, Laos, etc. Since 9/11, Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria and other smaller wars have affected us and challenged us to deal with the politics of fear. Soldiers coming back with physical and psychological injuries have strained family life. We live with violence at home and abroad. So how can we bring the presence of Jesus to our torn world?

We can be overcome by the immensity of it all, OR we can pick one or two ways to make change. People become violent when they are exposed to trauma, shame, neglect and other experiences lacking love. Let us look at our own families and neighborhoods. Are we making sure that the people around us feel safe, cared about and connected? That they have a healthy, realistic sense of self esteem and self-worth? Can we help relatives and friends to channel anger into something positive? Can we encourage compassion and empathy?

Let devise a plan to make our part of the world less violent. Start a neighborhood watch group. Work with a local school to channel the energies of youth into sports or other activities. Work with the Park District to increase youth programs. Help clean up the neighborhood. Encourage teens to always observe "safety in numbers". Send a letter or email of support to those you know in cities that have been affected by recent events. Pray for the families who have lost someone through violence.

How did Jesus deal with violence? He challenged those who had developed systems that oppress people. "Woe to you Scribes and Pharisees". He overturned the money changers. He spoke truth to power. He had compassion for the outcast and oppressed. But then he submitted to cruel and unjust punishment so that he could suffer with the oppressed. How are we called to suffer with those experiencing violence? This is the "church of the streets" that Pope Francis talks about.

Someone once said to me, "Don't feel sad, get angry."

Don't be overwhelmed, channel your anger into something that will show compassion to those who need love. Just maybe you can change their choices from a violent response to a positive contribution. "Be rich in what matters to God."

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

"Quo Vadis" is Latin, and in English means "Where (are you) going". Biblically it refers to the mystical encounter that St. Peter has with Jesus as Peter is leaving Rome. Peter encounters Jesus on the outskirts of the city and asks our Lord "Quo Vadis? Where are you going?". Jesus' response to Peter is a poignant "To Rome, to be crucified again". The message comes in loud and clear to Peter; If you don't stay in Rome to do what I sent you here to do, then I will have to suffer, as on my cross, again. With that, Peter turns around and returns to Rome to fulfill his destiny and God's will.

Quo Vadis is also the name of the diocese-wide program, held a few weeks ago, designed to inform, educate, and help those young men who have a sense of being called to the priesthood. The program centers around a long weekend retreat at the Youth Center in Lafayette, Ca. The well designed retreat has video presentations, prayer sessions, question and answer sessions, and a host of other activities to help these young men discern whether or not they are on the right path to doing God's will. The retreat is facilitated by deacons, seminarians and priests trained in this area. Our own adopted seminarian, Mario Rizzo, was one of the able facilitators present. Additionally, several of the Knights of Columbus from our own St. Ignatius of Antioch council ventured out on Tuesday to help prepare and serve lunch and dinner meals for the retreatants and facilitators. Our gallant crew consisted of Bill Barbanica, Dave Simpson, Chip Sharpe, Rick Howell, Clem Bushman, Philip Rios, and yours truly. The work was easy, but fast and furious at peak meal times. "Down time" between meals was very relaxing and tranquil in the tree covered foothills of Mt. Diablo. For lunch the Knights made fresh cold cut sandwiches serves-up with mounds of potato salad, corn puffs, sodas, lemonade, and cookies. The dinner menu featured piping hot oven baked lasagna, hand tossed spring salad, oven toasted garlic bread, and for dessert; ice-cream with chocolate syrup and whipped cream. The young men were most appreciative of the work of the knights and it was refreshing to see people with such healthy appetites. We recalled our own appetites when we were that age as well as the youthful energy displayed by the retreat goers.

In all it was a refreshing look into what the diocese is doing to further the call of vocations to the priesthood. Are there any young men that you know of who have thought, even a little, about the priesthood? Are there any young men who **haven't** thought about it because no one mentioned it to them as a viable course in life? Quo Vadis shows that religious vocation is a normal healthy way to live. As one presenter said "It is the greatest thing I could do with my life" Therefore I ask you "Quo Vadis?".



Jubilee Year of Mercy Delta Deanery Pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Christ the Light Saturday, August 27, 2016



On Saturday, August 27, the parishes of the Delta Deanery will join together in a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Christ the Light. We will worship together in a 10:00 AM Liturgy after processing up the Pilgrim's Path and entering through the Holy Door.

The parish will charter 2 buses for our parishioners. The cost is \$20 and pre-paid reservations are required. Reservations can be made by contacting the parish office at 778-0768. Space is limited.

Schedule

8:00 AM	Buses will depart St. Ignatius of Antioch parking lot.
9:30 AM	Begin procession up the Pilgrim's Path and through the Holy Door.
10:00 AM	Celebration of Holy Eucharist.
12:00 PM	Buses depart from Cathedral for return trip

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Have you ever asked yourself:

HOW CAN I HELP OUR VETERANS?

Here's a suggestion that's right here in Antioch!

Volunteer some of your time at the
**EAST COUNTY VETERAN'S
THRIFT STORE**

on 2nd and G Streets in downtown Antioch.

Opportunities include:

- preparing packages for veterans overseas,
- sorting and cleaning donations,
- dock collections,
- and keeping the store tidy.

For more information call please call
Gail Bugarino 777-1106.

New Orleans?

Venice? Rio?

Some choices are really difficult.
Then again . . .
wouldn't you like to be in the position
of having to make such a choice?



The Grand Raffle is
just around the
corner.



American Red Cross

Donate Blood in Honor of
Matthew Ouimet and
Brandon Burnett

Team Matthew Blood Drive

Wednesday July 27 - 11am - 5pm
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

For appointments:
Visit www.redcrossblood.org
and enter sponsor code
MatthewOuimet
Or call 1.800.733.2767



Hot August Night 60's Style

Coming Saturday August 20 to St. Ignatius
of Antioch. Mark your calendar now!



8th Annual Backpack Drive for students of St. Peter Martyr School

August 6-7

School Supplies List Available this week's
bulletin or from the Parish Office. Let's do our
part to support Catholic Education! Thank you.



St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Fundraiser

(Turnaround Trip to Thunder Valley)

Monday: August 15, 2016
Depart: **8:30 am** – St. Ignatius of
Antioch Church
Return: 3:30 p.m. - Leave Casino
Fare: \$40.00
Includes:
Transportation
Continental Breakfast
Snack on return trip
\$15.00 **FREE** Slot Play
\$12.00 Food Credit
Gratuity for Driver

Reservations: Frances Rojek –
925.778.1631

Not responsible for parked vehicles - Fare nonrefundable



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 4th St. in
Pittsburg and is fully accredited.

For more information, call the school at
925-439-1014 or visit the website.