

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

August 21, 2016 - Twenty-first 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.**  
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.



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Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed. — Hebrews 12:12-13

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 August 6-7

Weekend Offering.....\$12,285.50
2nd Collection (Parking Lot Loan).....\$3,903.00

New Building Fund

Donations This Week..... \$1,424.61
New Building Fund Balance.....\$918,322.92

Looking Ahead
August 27 & 28: Knights of Columbus will be selling their signature tri-tip sandwiches after all liturgies.
September 5: Relax from your labors and join us for BINGO sponsored by our faith formation program.
September 6: Interfaith Meeting of Prayer for Peace at the Cathedral of Christ the Light Event Center. For more information, see page 7.
GRAND RAFFLE IS IN FULL SWING: Turn in your sold ticket sales early to be eligible for early returns bonus tickets. See page 6 for more details.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 21

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
Grand Raffle Booth in Gathering Plaza
Second Collection for Parish Assessment

Monday, August 22

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

Tuesday, August 23

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

Wednesday, August 24

- Rosary and Divine Mercy - 7:25 am - Church
Eucharist - 8 am - Novena following
Silver & Gold Breakfast - 9 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall

Thursday, August 25

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

Friday, August 26

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

Saturday, August 27

- Delta Deanery Pilgrimage - 8 am to 12 noon - Cathedral of Christ the Light
Vigil Liturgy - 5 pm
Grand Raffle Ticket Booth in Gathering Plaza
Knights of Columbus Tri-Tip Sales - after Liturgy - Gathering Plaza

Sunday, August 28

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
Grand Raffle Booth in Gathering Plaza
Knights of Columbus Tri-Tip Sales - after both Liturgies - Gathering Plaza

## 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

<b>Monday</b>	2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26
<b>Wednesday</b>	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
<b>Friday</b>	1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30
<b>Sunday</b>	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

## Lay Ministers—Week of August 27th & August 28th

**5 pm: Lectors**— Steve Rojek, Frances Rojek; **Head Cup**— David Simpson; **Head Host**— Sharon Simpson; **Host**— Fran Barbanica, Nancy DiMaggio, Danielle Herrera, Bernice Campbell; **Cup**— Kevin Daley, Bill Barbanica, Rhoda Herrera, Pam Confetti, Melodye Costanza; **Server**— Padraig Tiongson

**8 am: Lectors**— Matthew Bajet, Terese M. Stanek; **Head Cup**— Jeannine Ford; **Head Host**— Sue Howell; **Host**— Diane Hack, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, MaryJo Keister; **Cup**— Rick Howell, Vianney Mendoza, Ruth Beck, Pat Dunleavy, Jenawati Kwa; **Servers**— Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

**10:00 am: Lectors**— Rey Dollete, Sr., Cory Cook; **Head Cup**— Carol Dollete; **Head Host**— Lesley Eubanks; **Host**— Helga Boardman, Angelina Guieb-Alphonso, Gloria Olvera, Amante Asuncion; **Cup**— Lee Oliver, Gloria Asuncion, Samantha Peralto, Estrella Rusk, Nancy Santos; **Servers**— Alessandra Necor, William Necor

Fr. Robert Presiding & Preaching

## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>	Danny Silveira †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Sam Billeci †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Vince Iacona †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	Evelyn Latoza
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	Hanny Reingold
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	Ceferina Jimenez †

## Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of **Fr. Jacques Hamel**. May his soul 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:

**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.

## 2017 Events Calendar Meeting

An **EVENTS CALENDAR MEETING** for 2017 is being planned for early November (watch the bulletin for the date).. **All parish organizations are asked to begin planning their schedule for 2017, especially if your event requires the use of parish facilities (including the use of the Gathering Plaza for ticket sales to offsite events).**

A preliminary calendar is currently being developed based on traditional events such as the Parish Festival and Gala, St. Nicolas and St. Joseph Dinners, and the Lenten Fish Frys. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to place an event on the **preliminary calendar**. Please note that **NO DATES ARE FINAL AT THIS TIME. The goal is to make better use of our facility while minimizing scheduling conflicts.**

## Silver and Gold News

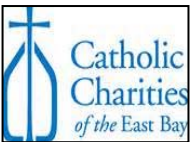
Silver and Gold is a ministry for our 55+ parishioners. This ministry includes an ongoing number of experiences and activities in 4 areas; educational, physical, theological and social. Here are some of our upcoming activities.

**Wednesday, August 24th at 9:00 am:** A breakfast in the

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall following morning Mass for those celebrating anniversaries or birthdays during the months of May, June, July and August. A good time will be had by all. Please RSVP to either Frances or Maryann at 778-0768.

**Sunday, September 25 at 3:00 pm:** Join us at the El Campanil Theater to enjoy a tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons (you know their music). Twenty tickets have been reserved for us at \$25 each. Dancing and singing are encouraged.

## Catholic Social Services Directory



**Know someone in need?**

**Not sure how to help?**

Check out **FAITH IN ACTION**, the Catholic Social Services Directory

Web address:

[FAITHINACTIONOAKDIOCESE.ORG](http://FAITHINACTIONOAKDIOCESE.ORG)

## Mobile Mall News

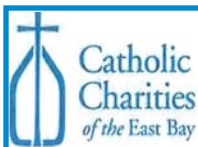
**Distribution** - August 27th - Turner Elementary School, 4207 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch. Helpers needed at 8 am, shopping begins at 10 am

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.

## New Building Fundraiser

**Rosary Creations by Alicia Perez**

New and refurbished Rosaries for Sale. All proceeds to benefit the Building Fund. All Rosaries priced at \$20.00, all summer long. Come to the Parish Office and check them out.



People Organized to Welcome Refugees is a CCEB project.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. Let Jesus be the Lord and Savior of your life and marriage. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

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](http://oaklandwwme.org).

## Marriage Preparation Programs

“A Program to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage.” The last Marriage Preparation Registration for the Summer Sessions is as follows:

Saturday, September 17th - 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.

## 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](http://cchealth.org/homeless) or contact Contra Costa County Health Services Homeless Program at 925.313.7700 or email:

[projecthomelessconnect@hsd.cccounty.us](mailto:projecthomelessconnect@hsd.cccounty.us)

## Project Starfish Update

The Aljanabi family recently moved into permanent housing. ESL classes are continuing, An all day outing to Muir Woods and Marin County hosted by one of our parishioners took place last Thursday. Three family members are studying for their driver's licenses and so far one 'learners' permit has been issued. Enrollment in high school for the youngest daughter is on the agenda this month. Thank you to everyone for your prayers.



***Justice Corner—“Best of”*****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—“Best of”*****By Peter Degl’Innocenti...Pastoral Associate***Treasure Chests*

This is round “two” of answering questions placed in our Big Red Box of Questions. The individual asked what was planted in our Community Garden. For the answer, I went right to the most authoritative source I could; I went to Catherine Vidaurri.

Catherine is the one who, bright and early in the morning, sets the garden in proper order for the day. Our usual routine is to wave to each other as she puts the finishing touches to the garden as I head to the church to open it up for the morning's service. She knew something was up when I started to make a slow but steady bee-line up the sloping parking lot towards the garden. She quickly set aside what she was doing and greeted me with a warm and friendly “good morning.” I told her what my assignment was and in short order I was copying down a grocery list of items that were in our garden. As with most gardens tomatoes topped the list. Also, because of their size, they are very prominently seen from a distance. Quickly following the tomatoes were beets, carrots, cabbage, sugar snap peas, several varieties of lettuce, onions, and garlic. (A note here: onions and garlic look very similar when in the ground. If you take a walk to see the garden, the garlic has flat “blade-like” leaves while onions have hollow tubular leaves). That's quite a variety of veggies for anyone's plate.

I asked Catherine what was in the future for the garden and she replied that the summer crops of zucchini, more tomatoes and other full sun and heat tolerant veggies were in her sights. She added that beyond vegetables that are eaten as side dishes or added to salads, we also grow herbs such as parsley, dill, sage, and cilantro. There really is no limit as to what can be grown naturally (organically) in our garden especially when it is so well tended and looked after by a dedicated crew. Brian McCoy can give you more information on the history of the garden and all the different food pantries, shelters, and service organizations that help the needy and have benefitted from our own little treasure chest of vegetables. In fact, that's a nice way to look at the raised wooden beds; as wooden treasure chests without lids or locks – open for all who find themselves in need of fresh nutrition. In supplying food for others, we have stored up treasure for our parish in heaven.



# 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 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.



### 2016 GRAND RAFFLE

## MASQUERADE AROUND THE WORLD

Grand Prize: a once in a lifetime trip of your choice to  
New Orleans, Rio or Venice



**Extended Early Bird Incentives**

Sell your first book of 10 tickets and turn in the sales proceeds within the specified bonus period and receive bonus raffle tickets.

All second (and subsequent) sold books of 10 tickets will receive one chance for a \$300 multiple-book raffle.

Turn in your FIRST sold book of 10 tickets by:	Receive
Sunday, August 21	5 Bonus Tickets
Sunday, August 28	4 Bonus Tickets
Sunday, September 4	3 Bonus Tickets
Sunday, September 11	2 Bonus Tickets
Sunday, September 19	1 Bonus Ticket



## September 6, 2016

The Cathedral of Christ the Light  
Event Center  
2121 Harrison St., Oakland CA 94612

All are invited for an evening of prayer  
and dialogue in the spirit of peace.

Prayer:	5:45 pm
Panel Dialogue	6:30 pm
Procession & Pledge:	8:00 pm

For more information or to RSVP, visit  
[JubileeOfMercy-EB.org](http://JubileeOfMercy-EB.org)

# Faith Formation News

## RCIA



Life is a journey and every so often we encounter the big questions of life. "Who am I?" and "Where is God calling me to go?"

Are you, or someone you know considering becoming a Catholic? There is a process called *The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* that provides opportunities for you to come to an informed discernment and decision about this life choice. It begins with a time called *inquiry*, getting answers, clearing up conceptions and beginning to explore the Catholic faith life.

Inquiry will begin on Monday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish office.

## Faith Formation



Preparations are in place for our children and youth to begin Faith Formation sessions again. If your child attended classes last year, you should have received the registration form for the 2016-17 school year.

If you intend to enroll your child for the first time, you are required to register in the parish first. Just call the parish office at 778-0768 to inform the parish secretary. She will take your name and phone number so Fr. Robert can make an appointment with you and begin the registration process.

### Dates to remember:

Enrollment for classes:

- August 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00 pm
- August 30<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00 pm

Catechist Commissioning:

- September 18<sup>th</sup> all liturgies

Classes begin:

- September 20<sup>th</sup>

## Tri-Tip Sandwiches on sale after all Liturgies next weekend!

Sponsored by the  
St. Ignatius of Antioch  
Knights of Columbus

**Cost: \$5.00 each**



Net proceeds benefit our  
Knights of Columbus  
charitable activities.

