## St. Ignatius of Antioch

## November 20, 2016 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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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: 4pm

Sunday: 8 am & 10 am
Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8 am Holy Eucharist
Tue., Thur.: 8 am Liturgy of the W

8 am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

**Holy Days:** 8 am & 7:30 pm

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 2:45 to 3:30 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.



### November 20, 2016 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the Lord."

—— Psalm 122:1

## 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 November 5-6

Weekend Offering	\$11,284.29
2nd Collection for Parking Lot Loan	\$3,852.52

#### New Building Fund

Donations This Week	\$1,362.30
New Building Fund Balance	\$940,410.73

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<u>November 26- 27</u>: Giving Tree project begins this weekend. See page 6.

<u>December 3:</u> St. Nicholas Dinner after the 4 pm Liturgy. See page 7.

<u>December 3-4:</u> Coat drive. Bring coats to weekend liturgies. See page 7.

<u>December 3-8:</u> Year of Mercy Parish Mission facilitated by Sister Patricia Bruno and Father Jude Siciliano. See page page 7..

<u>December 10:</u> Breakfast & pictures with Santa 9am - noon in the parish hall. See page 6.

<u>December 11:</u> Deadline to return your Giving Tree donations.

<u>December 18:</u> A Concert of Lessons and Carols with a reading of the Christmas Story. The 70 voice Deanery Choir will perform. 3:00 pm. See page 6.

## Schedule of Events

#### Sunday, November 20—Christ the King

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Second Collection Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- Thanksgiving Basket Weekend
- St. Nicholas Dinner Ticket Sales Gathering Plaza
- Holly Faire Parish Hall
- Evensong in honor of St. Cecilia 3 pm Reception to follow in Parish Hall.

#### Monday, November 21

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

#### Tuesday, November 22

- Divine Mercy and Rosary 7:25 am Church
- Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion 8 am
- No Faith Formation Classes
- Knights of Columbus Meets 7:30 to 9 pm Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal 7:30 to 9 pm Church

#### Wednesday, November 23

- Divine Mercy and Rosary 7:25 am Church
- Eucharist 8 am Novena following
- No Faith Formation Classes

#### Thursday, November 24—Thanksgiving Day

- Thanksgiving Day Liturgy 9 am
- Office Closed
- No Faith Formation Classes

#### Friday, November 25

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

#### Saturday, November 26

- Vigil Liturgy 4 pm *New Time*
- St. Nicholas Dinner Ticket Sales Gathering Plaza
- Giving Tree Project Narthex

#### Sunday, November 27—First Sunday of Advent

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Catholic Daughters Fundraiser for Church Gathering Plaza
- St. Nicholas Dinner Ticket Sales Gathering Plaza
- Giving Tree Project Narthex

### Pray for the Sick

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

Joshua Baquera	Frank Luna	Brian Smith
Rocco Battaglia	Terry Malonosan	Paul Syliangco
Louis Bodiford	Linda Morrison	Marilyn Syliangco
Archbishop Brunett	Karen Narberes	Peter Villalpando
Fe Guieb	Paul Palomino	Theresa Weathers
David Lopez	Al Perez	Glenn Young

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	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday	Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday	Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
Friday	Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday	Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

## Lay Ministers—Week of November 26th & 27th

<u>5 pm:</u> Lectors— Sofie Zimmerman, Susan Batterton; Head Cup— Melodye Costanza Head Host—David Simpson; Host—Beverly Iacona, Bill Barbanica; Cup—Frances Rojek, Sharon Simpson, Forrest Towe; Server-Padraig Tiongson

<u>8 am:</u> Lectors— Matthew Bajet, Kathleen Hayakawa; Head Cup-Crispina Malonosan; Head Host—Nick Suarez; Host—Theresa Stanek, Jeanne Reilly, Ruth Beck, Jeannine Ford; Cup-Stan Stanek, Rick Howell, Sue Howell, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer; Servers- Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

10:00 am: Lectors— Tina Costanza, Cory Cook; Head Cup-Steven Andreatta; Head Host—Carol Dollete; Host—Angelina Guieb-Alphonso, Dilcia Aparicio, Helga Boardman, Denise Moss; Cup-Bobby Zabroski, Reyna Garcia, Cecelia Kennedy, Al Necor, Lee Oliver; Servers—Jean Paul Fortez, Ryan Sims

Fr. Robert Presiding & Deacon Gary Preaching

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Mike Ambrosini †	
Sun. 8:00 am	Felixberto Mangilog †	
Sun. 10:00 am	Joel Rusk †	
Mon. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family	
Tues. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons	
Wed. 8:00 am	Hanny Reingold	
Thur. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family	
Fri. 8:00 am	All Military Men & Women	

#### Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of **Canonsburg, PA Police Officer Scott Bashioum.** 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.

## Adult Confirmation

If you have not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation and will be 18 years of age or older on February 18th, 2017, then Adult Confirmation classes are for you. Confirmation will take place on Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 10AM at The Cathedral of Christ the Light.

The Diocese of Oakland has set the date and opened registration for 2017. Classes will be held (Tuesday evenings) January 17, 24, 31 and February 7 from 7:30 to 9 pm in our parish office.

Contact Pastoral Associate Peter Degl'Innocenti at (925) 756-6172 for registration forms or more details. The Diocese will impose a registration deadline at some point in the near future. Don't delay, call now.

#### Silver & Gold

Monday, November 21 at 9:00 AM: Breakfast and conversation at the Denny's Restaurant on Lone Tree Way. Followed by those who choose to participate—shopping at Food Max for a "holiday food gift" to St. Vincent de Paul (\$\$donations are always welcome). Please call Nancy (757-8555) for reservations or donations.

Wednesday, December 14 at 9:00 AM: Breakfast following morning Eucharist in the Social Hall for those celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries for September, October, November and December. Please call Maryann/Frances in the parish office for your free reservations (778 -0768).

**Also:** We are beginning to plan our "activity agenda" for 2017. Any suggestions please send them to Deacon Gary at GaryHack2010@yahoo.com or phone the parish office (778-0768).

## Contra Costa Interfaith Housing

Contra Costa Interfaith Housing (CCIH) seeking gift cards of \$20 or more for their clients. Amazon, Costco, Safeway, Walmart, Target and local restaurants are most useful. Please drop them off at the Parish Office or place them in the collection basket in a separate envelope labeled "CCIH."

## Catholic Daughters Fundraiser

Next Sunday, November 27, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be pre-selling holiday See's Candies in the Gathering Plaza after each mass. 90% of the proceeds will benefit the churches in the delta deanery. We invite you to stop by and help support our churches by placing your order for these delicious See's Candies. For more information, contact Sofie Zimmerman 925-550-9984 or Janice Kegler 925-368-5418. Thank you!

#### Mobile Mall News

**Next Sorting -** Thursday, December 15th from 3:15 - 6:30 pm, Holy Rosary Gym.

**Distribution** - Friday, December 16th, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm, Holy Rosary Gym.

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.

## Knights Honor Firefighter of the Year



On Tuesday October 25th, our Knights of Columbus honored the Firefighter of the Year, Captain-Paramedic Ben Sanders, of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District. The presentation took place in Martinez at the

County Board of Supervisors chambers.

Father Robert, made the presentation on behalf of the Knights and was accompanied by Grand Knight Dave Simpson and a contingent of brother Knights.

## YLI Holiday Boutique at Holy Rosary

**Antioch YLI #101** is hosting a Holiday Boutique fundraiser on Monday, November 28 from 6pm - 8pm at Holy Rosary, Father Vicente Dominican Hall.

The boutique will feature Mary Kay Cosmetics, Lula Roe Clothing, Sentry Touchstone Crystal, Younique Cosmetics, Jamberry Nails, 31 Gifts, Beads by Ann, Angel Card Readings, handmade Rosaries, Young Living Essential Oils, Nini's Potions, Damsel in Defense, baked goods, raffle and more.

If interested in a booth or for more information, contact Tina at 925-642-1465.

## Los Posadas "Journey to the Inn"

Join our Faith Formation Classes on Tuesday, December 13 for the traditional Journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. Prayer

service begins at 6:15 pm. Celebration follows in the Parish Hall until 7:30 pm. Sponsored by our Confirmation Class and the Knights of Columbus.



## Formation Opportunities at Holy Rosary

<u>Catholic Adults Learning to Live the Experience of Discipleship (CALLED) sessions are offered on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the Church. This is a great opportunity to connect with the Church's rich teachings.</u>

**Advent with the Prophet Isaiah**, a 4-part examination of the Prophesies with Fr. Bart Hutchenson, OP. Tuesday morning and Thursday evening sessions offered.

For complete details, see the poster in the Gathering Plaza under Parish News or call the Holy Rosary Parish Office at 757-4020.

#### Justice Corner

#### By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The Rueters news agency gave the headline, "America divided after the election." No matter who you voted for, the statistics that followed the election spoke loudly of the great divide in the country. Men voted differently than women. Blacks and Hispanics voted differently than whites. People without a college degree voted differently than those with an education. We are clearly divided, usually 70+ to 20+ percentage points along race, gender, and educational categories. This was not so much about party lines as is was about different ways of thinking about the country and the personalities of the candidates themselves.

However you read the results, it is clear that we do not have a unified picture of what we want America to be. The future promises to be tough on immigrants and the poor. We may have help to improve our roads and bridges, but the projections are that 25 million people will lose healthcare and the doors will close for immigrants and refugees. "Give me your tired and your poor" will not be our theme song for the next four years.

So how should we as Catholics look at the next four years? We return again to the Gospel precepts for guidance, especially Matthew's Sermon on the Mount. Be poor in spirit rather than grasping. Be meek rather than operating out of pride. Reach out to those who mourn. Be hungry for the justice that knows no color, ethnic or religious barriers. Be peacemakers that create pathways of collaboration with those who are different than you. Stand with the poor and the marginalized. Be a person of mercy. Jesus' message is for all and we are witnesses to the love and compassion contained in that message.

What would you like America to be? What values and ethical standards do you think we should stand for? Think on these things now before the inauguration. What one or two standards are you willing to fight for? Where are you willing to stand up for peace and justice? We are poised for a difficult four years. Our economy is struggling. 96% of Americans are poorer than they were eight years ago. Our global image is a concern. Some policies of the new president may cause difficulties with other nations, even war. We must stand together as a community of faith to witness to gospel values. We cannot be discouraged because Christ our Way, Truth and Life is with us.

I am reminded of the poem that came from the Holocaust by Pastor Martin Niemoller:

First they came for the communists and I did not speak out because I was not a communist.

Then they came for the socialists and I did not speak out because I was not a socialist.

Then they cams for the trade unionist and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist.

Then they came for the Jews and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak out for me.

"Making America great again" does not mean going after people, but standing for freedom and integrity where rights are guaranteed and hard work and respect moves us forward toward "liberty and justice for all."

## Parish Perspective

#### By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Temporal Anomaly Ahead

The Church's calendar year ends at the conclusion of the 34<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time. This year, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> marks the last day of Ordinary Time and the next day, Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>... surprise!, will be the first day of the Advent season. So, Happy New Year!!! Now, of course, the commercial "world" is out of synch with us about this whole New Year's thing. The marketers seem to be in a temporal rift or phase shifted out of normal space-time. Just explaining the difference sounds like an episode of Star Trek. If advertisers and marketers ever realize that <u>Advent</u> is what comes before Christmas and is not itself the Christmas season, and that Christmas is not just one day, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, but an entire season, they might just blow their minds as violently as a warp-core explosion aboard a starship.

Perhaps someday the world may walk along side of us instead of trying to push us from behind into accepting their calendar and attitudes toward our most sacred Holy Days. How can we help to make people at least aware of the difference between commercial Madison Avenue Christmas and the Bishop of Rome's Christmas? Timing, for one thing. As early December rolls around, we can return greetings of "Happy Holidays" with a salutation of "Happy Advent season to you." That would inform people that there is an Advent, that it is a season, and that it is part of the holidays happening right now. They could inquire more information from you if they are curious or they are free to "Google" it when they get home.

Another fun thing to do is to wish people "Merry Christmas" for the full length of the season. This is guaranteed to shock some folks as if they were hit by a phaser set on stun. People I have encountered are truly shocked to discover that Christmas is more than just the 25<sup>th</sup>. When I explain that the season lasts until the Baptism of the Lord and that the actual nativity is celebrated for eight straight days, just like the Beatles song *Eight Days a Week*, they are amazed. They have a renewed attitude about the Catholic Church as being a little more "hip" than they originally thought because we know that seven days a week are not enough to show how much we care: about our Lord, other people, and our way of calendaring our seasons and liturgies.

These are simple little things we can do to let the world around us know what the seasons are and what they mean to us. Simple, we don't have to realign a warp-core or calibrate transphasic antimatter inducers; just greet them genuinely in the spirit of the true season.

## ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

Angelic Music for the Parish and the Community.





Sunday, Nov. 20 at 3:00 pm: Evensong in honor of St. Cecilia, patron saint of church musicians. The St. Ignatius of Antioch Church Choir will perform.



Sunday, Dec. 18 at 3:00 pm: A Concert of Lessons and Carols with a reading of the Christmas Story, Wonderful music

sung by the 70 voice Eastern Deanery Choir, and many carols for the congregation to sing.

Reception follows each concert in the Parish Hall



Our Annual Giving
Tree Outreach Effort

**Nov.** 26-27

Take an ornament from the tree and purchase an age-appropriate gift.

Return your UNWRAPPED gifts to St. Ignatius of Antioch by

**Sunday December 11.** 

All gifts will be transported to local schools including St. Peter Martyr for distribution.

## **Busy Person's Retreat**

Saturday December 3 through Thursday December 8 at St. Ignatius of Antioch

Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP and Sr. Patricia Bruno, OP are returning to facilitate a wonderful retreat experience during this Advent Season.

#### Retreat Schedule

Saturday & Sunday December 3 & 4	Father Jude and Sister Patricia will preach at all liturgies this weekend	
Monday - Thursday December 5 - 8	<ul> <li>Two daily sessions are offered.</li> <li>The morning session begins with the 8 am daily liturgy.</li> <li>The evening session begins at 7:30 pm.</li> </ul>	

You can attend either the morning session or the evening session.

#### Goals

- Deepen the parish's spirituality and appreciation for the Word of God
- Raise awareness of God's presence in our lives through the Word
- Develop confidence in small group sharing and praying the scriptures; and
- Build community and celebrate the gifts of the lay ministries in the parish.

Give yourself the gift of a retreat this Advent.



## **Bake Sale**



Sponsored by our Faith Formation Students.

December 10 & 11 After all weekend liturgies.

Breakfast & Picture With Santa

Saturday December 10 9am - Noon

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

Cost: \$5 per person. Pay at the door.

Pancakes - Sausage - Juice - Milk - Coffee



Cocktail Party to Benefit St. Ignatius of Antioch

**Hosted by Theresa and Joe Nelms** 

Sunday, December 11th, 4 - 8 pm

Cost: \$50 per person / \$100 per couple
Proceeds Benefit Our Parish Operating
Account

Space is limited! Call the parish office for reservations and directions.



# **Coat Drive**

## December 3 & 4

You are invited to bring a new or gently used coat (in good condition) to the weekend liturgies. All sizes, including children's sizes are needed. All coats will go to individuals in our community who need a warm coat this winter. If you are able to help, please consider supporting this outreach effort. Thank you.

Co-sponsored by our Confirmation class and the Knights of Columbus.



#### Menu:

Appetizers
Winter Salad
Barbecued Tri Tip &
Chicken Breast
Savory String beans
Rice with vegetables
Bread and Butter
Dessert

Limited Seating! (This is an Adults Only event)

11th Annual St. Nicholas Dinner

# Come Home for Christmas!

Saturday Evening
December 3, 2016
5:30 PM
\$30.00



Don't forget to bring your bells to welcome St. Nicholas!



This event is sponsored by the St. Ignatius of Antioch Social Events Committee with our Knights of Columbus