

St. Ignatius of Antioch

March 19, 2017 - Third Sunday of Lent

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Let Water Flow to the People

Father of all the nations,

in the desert, your servant Moses struck the rock, and water flowed for the people.

At the well, Jesus talked to a woman, who led many to believe in him.

Like her, we long for your living water.

Fill our empty buckets so that we can give a drink to the thirsty we meet today.

Refresh our minds and move us to bring others to your Son.

Lead us again to the paschal waters of faith that bring forgiveness and peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

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
Pastoral Associate,
Formation & Administration

Peter Degl'Innocenti
Pastoral Associate, Pastoral Care

Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.
Pastoral Associate, Social Justice

Maryann Peddicord
Pastoral Secretary

Estrella Rusk
Financial Secretary

Rich Confetti
Facilities Manager

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 Office: (925) 778-0768

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

For Ministries, Activities & Outreaches in Parish: see Parish handbook, available in the Office.



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While we were still sinners Christ died for us.

— Romans 5:8

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 February 25-26

Weekend Offering.....	\$11,509.00
2nd Collection (Parking Lot Loan).....	\$ 4,307.65
Ash Wednesday.....	\$ 4,463.96

Schedule of Events

Sunday, March 19

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies

Monday, March 20 - St. Joseph

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED Catechist Prep - 5 to 6:30 pm - Parish Hall
- Relay for Life Meets - 6:30 to 8:30 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA - 7 to 8:30 pm - Office

Tuesday, March 21

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Faith Formation - Grades 1-5 - 4:30 to 5:45 pm and 6 to 7:15 pm - Church & Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 22

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Hula Class - 9:15 to 10:15 am - Parish Hall
- Faith Formation - Grades 2, & 6-8 - 6:00 to 7:15 pm - Church and Parish Hall
- RCIC - 6:00 to 7:15 pm - Office
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, March 23

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- The Gospels of Lent - 9:00 to 11 am - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, March 24

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - 4:30 to 7 pm – Parish Hall

Saturday, March 25 - Annunciation of the Lord

- Vigil Liturgy - **5 pm**
- Knights of Columbus Founders Day - Plaza
- Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Sunday, March 26

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Confirmation Class Attending 8 am Mass
- Knights of Columbus Founders Day - Plaza
- Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Looking Ahead



Fish Fry Fridays

Every Friday during Lent 4:30 - 7:00 in the Parish Hall. Drive through service available.

March 3	March 10
March 17	March 24
March 31	April 7

Proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus Charities.

March 30: St. Ignatius of Antioch Lenten Communal Penance Service 7:00 pm.

Ongoing:

Wednesday mornings: 9:15 am. Hula Class. Evening session began 7:30 pm on Wednesday, March 15

Thursday mornings: 9:00 am. Adult formation opportunity—The Gospels of Lent.

Pray for the Sick

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

Rocco Battaglia	Terry Malonosan	Paul Syliangco
Archbishop Brunett	Linda Morrison	Peter Villalpando
Dorothy	Archbishop Quinn	Theresa Weathers
Liza Espiritu	John Rien	Guy Worth

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 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Lay Ministers—Week of March 25th & 26th

5 pm: Lectors— Susan Batterton, Candace Alexander; **Head Cup**— Pam Confetti; **Head Host**— Melodye Costanza; **Host**—Fran Barbanica, Carol Fanfa; **Cup**—Christoph Holl, David Simpson, Sharon Simpson

8 am: Lectors— Youth, Youth; **Head Cup**—Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host**— Nick Suarez; **Host**—MaryJo Keister, Diane Hack, Jeanne Reilly, Samantha Peralto; **Cup**—Rick Howell, Sue Howell, Tim Cox, Jeannine Ford, Jenawati Kwa; **Servers**— Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

10:00 am: Lectors— Rey Dollete, Sr., Tina Costanza; **Head Cup**— Cory Cook; **Head Host**— Steven Andreatta; **Host**— Estrella Rusk, Nancy Santos, Bobby Zabroski, Mark Costanza; **Cup**— Dilcia Aparicio, Amante Asuncion, Gloria Asuncion, Al Necor, Lee Oliver; **Servers**— Lorenzo Necor, Alessandra Necor

Fr. Robert - Presiding & Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Palmira & Jose Soares †
Sun. 8:00 am	Maria Anna Liza Espiritu †
Sun. 10:00 am	Joel Rusk †
Mon. 8:00 am	Aniceta Lacanlale †
Tues. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Wed. 8:00 am	Olga M. Prado †
Thur. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Fri. 8:00 am	Arnold Worster †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Angela Todd and Fr. Peter Loffredo**. May their souls 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:

- Corn** - 15 oz can
- Green Beans** - 15 oz can
- Canned Fruit** - 15 oz can
- Spaghetti** - 16 oz

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

Garden Ministry Work Party

There is a standing work party Tuesday mornings at 8:15 a.m. to get the parish vegetable garden ready for spring planting. Bring your gloves and gardening tools.



We are also planning a plant sale on the weekend of April 22-23 to raise funds to offset the irrigation costs to the parish. Vegetables and ornamental succulents will be available for a free-will donation. Also, if you have any empty 4 inch plastic pots that you would like to donate to this event, please drop them off on the bench located in the garden area.

Magnificat SOTI

Calling All Women!

Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Women
Invites you to join them at a Prayer Breakfast
April 1, 2017 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Crowne Plaza
45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA

Please join us in welcoming **Sonja Corbitt** as our speaker! Sonja, the well-known talk show host of the Bible Study Evangelista, is a Southern girl with the gift of storytelling! She is also the best selling author of Unleashed and many bible study materials that “give you a bite of spinach that tastes like cake!”

Bring your bibles and come join us as Sonja shares her message to

“love and lift all you’ve been given.”

Tickets are \$33/\$40 after March 25th.

Go to www.magnificatsoti.org for more information about our guest and tickets or call Jennifer at 503-709-8449 for reservations

Marriage Preparation Program

The Marriage Preparation Registration for the Winter 2017 Sessions are as follows:

Saturday, April 8th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, May 6th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Location: St. Vincent’s Marinwood
Saint Vincents Dr., San Rafael, CA

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

Best Lent Ever!

We all know the things that make us happy, but we don’t always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year we invite you to do something different. Sign up for Best Lent Ever, a **FREE**, video-based email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and *New York Times* bestselling author Matthew Kelly.

Sign up at: BestLentEver.com

Mobile Mall News

- **Distribution** - Saturday, April 1st from 8 am to 12 pm; Kimball Elementary - 1310 August Way, Antioch.
- **Sort** - Saturday, April 8th from 9 am to 12 pm; Gym, Most Holy Rosary.

For more information about this ministry, please call

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court 1450, St. Mary Margaret, Pittsburg is hosting a Spring Luncheon at Good Shepherd Hall (3200 Harbor St., Pittsburg) on Saturday April 1st at 1:00 pm.

Tickets: \$20. Children 12 and under \$10.

Easter Bonnet Concert for Adults & Children.

For tickets, call Josie (423-2265) or Cynthia (437-7486).

Silver & Gold Activities

Saturday, April 1 at 9:00 am. Meet at Worth Shaw Park on James Donlon Blvd. Join us for a 1/2 hour (+/-) walk through the grounds and ball fields on April Fool’s Day. There is an optional HILL that you might want to challenge (no fooling) . . . or not. Call Gary 757-1385 for details

Wednesday, April 12 at 9:00 am Breakfast in the social area after morning Mass for those celebrating either birthdays or anniversaries during January, February, March and April. Please RSVP either Maryann or Frances in the parish office 778.0768.

Community Involvement Opportunity

Please join an Antioch Unified School District LCAP Goal Subcommittee for the Local Control Accountability Plan!

Work in small groups focused on individual goals to learn about the LCAP Update process, give valuable input into the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), and support student success in AUSD!

Our next meeting is March 23, 2017, Antioch High School Library, 6-7:30 pm. Please contact Ana Castro: anacastro@antioch.k12.ca.us, or, 925-779-7500, for further information.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The story of the Samaritan Woman at the Well gives us much to think about in relationship to Justice. Jesus engages her in conversation even though she is an outcast and a woman. He did this at Jacob's well connecting the past history of the Israelites with His present understanding of his relationship to the Father in the Messianic Age. He gives us an example to reach out to the outcasts of our time, the poor, the immigrant, the refugee and those of other faiths. He erases the second class citizenship of women. Even the disciples "were amazed He was talking to a woman." So the first piece of Justice teaching in this Gospel is that there are no outcasts. All are one in the reign of God.

The center of the story is around the well and the water needed in an arid climate. Jesus draws the woman into a deeper understanding of water, not just that which quenches thirst, but the spiritual flow of the rivers of Life. "The water I will give will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life." Anyone who works for justice gets their strength from this spiritual flow, the movement of the Spirit within. When I think about those who have died for Justice in our lifetime like Bishop Romero, Sr. Dorothy Stang, and Bertha Caceres, I know that they could not have faced the violence in their ministry without the flow of Living Water. Facing death with a peaceful spirit can only be achieved through being in touch with that flow of living water that takes us to eternity. Those that want justice hearts must set aside time to get in touch with the flow of the Spirit. The daily watering of our souls prepares us for the final giving of ourselves to God.

Then there is the revelation of the woman's sinfulness. She liked men and was distracted by her need for physical satisfaction. Jesus gives her the courage to admit she was a sinner to the whole town. She values the news of the Messiah more than the shame of her past deeds. When we set out to do Justice, we must value the revelation of God more than our past deeds. Jesus lovingly forgives us when He asks us to share our compassion with others.

In the fourth section the woman still is distracted by the differences between the Samaritan beliefs and the Jewish interpretation of the scriptures and bates Jesus with a theological question. But Jesus refuses to go there because what is important to Him is "Spirit and Truth." This aspect of the Gospel tells us that there is a better way to deal with disagreements than to debate different views. What is important is where the Spirit is leading and where Truth appears. The woman says, "I know that the Messiah is coming." and Jesus replies, "I am He." He is the final arbitrator of the Truth. The woman is filled with inspiration and goes courageously to tell the townspeople.

Then the Apostles return and are befuddled by the scene. He teaches them, "My food is to do the will of the One who sent me and finish His work." When we hear the Spirit telling us to act in Justice, that is our food and we are charged to finish the work of building the Reign of God here on earth. We are charged to move the arch of Justice forward toward peace in this world. So the Justice lessons of this Gospel are: no one is an outcast; we must pray to know we are in the Spirit before we act; because we are sinful, we are not excused from the charge to work for Justice; and we must not be distracted by different opinions, but look for Truth and the movement of the Spirit. That is the food that sustains us in the work of bringing about the Kingdom here on earth.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Double Bingo

What a way to start the Lenten Fish Fry "season!" The first Fish Fry dinner was perfection right from the get-go. Our brave Knights of Columbus have shown what dedication, tempered by experience, can do to produce a flawless dining delight. Throw away the learning curve, our Knights are at their peak and that means we are too.

Every item on the ample menu was cooked to perfection. The fish was moist, golden, and flavorful. The French fries competed boldly for star status right alongside the fish. The coleslaw was judiciously bathed in a remarkable dressing of vivid flavors that left the cabbage neither under nor overdressed. The dessert table offered a wide variety of treats suitable for satisfying anyone's fancy. And, of course, there was the bingo! My wife and I happened to be sitting at a table that afforded us a view of a mother tending to her two small boys. The youngest, close by her side, was simply ecstatic about having a bingo card of his own which he carefully marked with all the seriousness and hope anyone could imagine. As kind fate would have it, the boy's card was the winning card and the first "bingo" of the season. The boy was thrilled beyond all telling. To see the joy, triumph, pride, and exhilaration on the young boy's face was a winning "bingo" for everyone who saw it.

The Fish Fry may occupy your Friday evenings, but if you have free time on Thursday mornings try Carolyn Krantz's new series entitled *The Gospels of Lent*. In this series, Carolyn presents a fresh approach to Lent and what Lent means to us as individuals and as a religious community. Discover things about yourself and how you might want to grow and be part of Lent in a new and all-encompassing way. Let Carolyn guide you on a spirit filled journey through Lent and discover the richness of our Catholic faith in a way we may have overlooked before.

Therefore, if you are looking for delicious food for the body or meaningful spiritual food for the soul, you need to look at Thursdays and Fridays at St. Ignatius of Antioch Church. "Bingo" on both accounts!



The Gospels of Lent Series

Continues on Thursday mornings at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. Centered on the Gospels, this series will give you the opportunity to enrich your spiritual life through Contemplative Prayer.

Offered by Carolyn Krantz, Pastoral Associate.



YLI Annual Bunco Tournament

Monday, March 27th
Dominican Hall
Most Holy Rosary Church
1313 A St., Antioch
\$20 per person

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Cash Bunco Prizes - Raffle Prizes
Light Buffet, Coffee, Punch & Cookies

Limited Seating - Reservations Encouraged
Call Dorothy Lamendola - 925.754.5648
or Jeannine Ford - 925.757.9650



LENTEN FISH FRY FRIDAYS

FRIDAYS THROUGH APRIL 7
4:30 - 7:00 PM



LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Daily Liturgies

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

8:00 a.m. Eucharist

Tuesday and Thursday

8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word and
Holy Communion

Saturday Vigil Eucharist

4:00 p.m. (through March 11)

5:00 p.m. (beginning March 18)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Eucharist

Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. (through March 11)

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. (beginning March 18)

Deanery Communal Reconciliation

Thursday, March 30, St. Ignatius of Antioch, 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 30, St. Peter Martyr, Pittsburg, 7 pm

Monday, April 3, Holy Rosary, Antioch, 7 pm

Tuesday, April 4, St. Anthony, Oakley, 7 pm

Wednesday, April 5, St. Anne, Byron, 7 pm

Monday, April 10, Queen of the World, Bay Point, 7 pm

Palm Sunday, Holy Week & Easter

April 8 - Saturday Vigil of Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord

5:00 p.m. Eucharist

April 9 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Eucharist

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

April 13 - Holy Thursday

8:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's
Supper

April 14 - Good Friday

8:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon Ecumenical Service

3:00 p.m. Solemn liturgy of the Passion and
Death of the Lord

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae

April 15 - Holy Saturday

8:00 a.m. Sung Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter

April 16 - Easter Day - The Feast of the
Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Festive Choral
Eucharist



Winter Nights
*A Project of the
 Interfaith
 Council of Contra
 Costa County*

Our Parish is scheduled to provide meals and volunteers to the shelter residents from Monday, May 15 through Friday, May 19, 2017.

The shelter residents will be housed in Pittsburg during this week.

Groups of parishioners band together and cook and serve the evening meal and provide lunch supplies for use the following day.

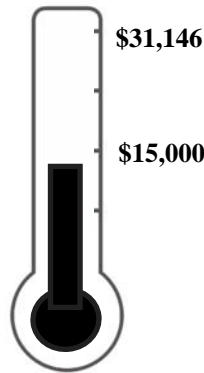
Watch upcoming bulletins as more information becomes available.



All God's People
 - United in Faith -
 2017 BISHOP'S APPEAL

2017 Bishop's Appeal

Thank you to everyone who so generously responded to the Bishop's Appeal. \$14,226 (46% of our goal), was received on Commitment Weekend.



If you haven't yet responded to the Appeal, please consider doing so. All gifts are welcome. Use the Appeal Envelopes in the pews and place them in the regular Sunday collection basket.

Join the conversation —

**Women Deacons?
 A Dialogue.**

A presentation by Bishop Randolph Calvo
 with S. Mary Peter Travis, OP and S. Gloria Marie Jones, OP
 Panel and audience discussion with luncheon.

Join Us

Saturday
 April 8, 2017
 10am to 3pm
 Dominican Center

\$40.00*
 Presentation & Lunch

RSVP
 by March 29, 2017

*Reduced student rate available

Register at
<http://bit.ly/2017WomenDeacons>

(530) 933-6354



Participate in an exploration of the history and contemporary perspectives on the role of Women Deacons in the Catholic Church.



CENTER FOR EDUCATION & SPIRITUALITY
www.msjdominican.org

**The parish website
 (www.stignatiusofantioch.org)
 has a new look.**

Take a few minutes and browse. Send any comments or suggestions to

st.ignatius@sbcglobal.net

