

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

April 23, 2017 - Second Sunday of Easter

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## Prayer for Community

Father of all, on this octave of the Resurrection of your Son, bless each Christian family and community with concern for the common good.

Like our early Christian ancestors, let awe come upon everyone, let us devote ourselves to the Apostles' teaching, to fellowship, prayer, and the breaking of bread.

Stir our hearts with generosity to share what we have with others and to praise you gladly.

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

**Frances Rojek**  
Pastoral Associate,  
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**Maryann Peddicord**  
Pastoral Secretary

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**Peter Degl'Innocenti**  
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**Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.**  
Pastoral Associate, Social Justice

**Rich Confetti**  
Facilities Manager

**Don Pearson**  
Director of Music, Organist,  
Artist-in-Residence

## 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.



**April 23, 2017**  
**Second Sunday of the**  
**Easter**

*“Blessed are those who have not  
seen and have believed.”*

—— John 20:29b

**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 8-9*

**Weekend Offering.....\$12,259.00**

**Schedule of Events**

**Sunday, April 23**

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul
- Plant Sale after both Liturgies - Plaza
- YLI Pasta Dinner Ticket Sales - Plaza
- Divine Mercy Celebration - 3 pm - Reception to follow - Church & Parish Hall

**Monday, April 24**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED Total Community - 6 to 8 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA (Mystagogy) - 7 to 8:30 pm - Office

**Tuesday, April 25**

- 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 and Parish Hall
- Knights of Columbus meeting - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

**Wednesday, April 26**

- 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 - (Mystagogy) 6:00 to 7:15 pm - Office
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

**Thursday, April 27**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Confirmation I & II - 6:00 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

**Friday, April 28**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am

**Saturday, April 29**

- Vigil - 5 pm
- YLI Spaghetti Dinner Tickets Sale- Plaza
- Second Collection for Parish Assessment

**Sunday, April 30**

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- YLI Pasta Dinner Ticket Sales - Plaza
- Second Collection for Parish Assessment
- YLI Annual Pasta Dinner - 3 pm to 6 pm - Parish Hall

**Looking Ahead**



**April 30:** Annual YLI Spaghetti Dinner. See page 7 for details.

**May 13-14:** Mary Project weekend. Watch for more details about the wonderful annual parish community outreach project.

**May 20:** St. Ignatius of Antioch Relay for Life Annual Pasta Dinner after 5 pm Liturgy.

**May 21-22:** Overnight trip to the Silver Legacy in Reno, leaving at 9:30 am from St. Ignatius of Antioch. See page 6 for details.

**Ongoing:**

**Tuesday mornings:** 8:15 a.m. Garden Ministry work party. Lasts about 1 hour. Bring gloves and tools. Tasks may include planting, weeding, and general garden maintenance.

**Wednesdays:** 9:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. - Hula Class in the Parish Hall.

**Thursday:** Growing in Faith Together (G. I F T) sessions - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall. Call the Faith Formation office for more details (778-1631).

**Pray for the Sick**

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

Rocco Battaglia	Linda Morrison	Kim Tank
Archbishop Brunett	Archbishop Quinn	Peter Villalpando
Dorothy	John Rien	Theresa Weathers
	Paul Syliangco	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**

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

**Lay Ministers—Week of April 29th & 30th**

**5 pm: Lectors**— Candace Alexander, Vince Augusta; **Head Cup**— Sharon Simpson; **Head Host**— Melody Costanza; **Host**—David Simpson, Bernice Campbell; **Cup**—Pam Confetti, Tim Cox, Christoph Holl

**8 am: Lectors**— Peter Degl’Innocenti, Terese M. Stanek; **Head Cup**—Jeannine Ford; **Head Host**— Vianney Mendoza; **Host**—Mary Kendrick, Jeanne Reilly, Pat Dunleavy, Nick Suarez; **Cup**—Peggy Lennan, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Jeanawati Kwa, Crispina Malonosan; **Servers**— Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

**10:00 am: Lectors**— Samantha Peralto, Cheryna Wright; **Head Cup**— Dilcia Aparicio; **Head Host**— Steven Andreatta; **Host**—Al Necor, Estrella Rusk, Jane Sharpe, Helga Boardman; **Cup**— Reyna Garcia, Cecelia Kennedy, Cynthia Enrique, Nancy Santos, Bobby Zabroski; **Servers**— Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

Fr. Robert - Presiding & Preaching

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

<b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>	Mike Ambrosini †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	John Nelms †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Joel Rusk †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	All Military Men & Women
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	All Care Givers
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of **Dick Giunoli and Ret. Oak. Fire Capt. Frank Baleria**. 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:

<b>Corn</b> - 15 oz can	<b>Green Beans</b> - 15 oz can
<b>Canned Fruit</b> - 15 oz can	<b>Spaghetti</b> - 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.

**Exploring Affordable Housing Options**

Have more space than you really need? Want to reduce your housing costs? Learn how the new Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) legislation and code changes make sharing your home more feasible. On **Wednesday, May 17, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**, Mt. Diablo Unitarian Universalist Church will host a seminar with a cast of experts on code issues, redesigning space and financing alterations. There will also be speakers on making home sharing safe and the pluses and minuses of sharing. The church is at 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut Creek. For more information: Contact Mary Fenelon at 202.257.5223 or maryefenelon@gmail.com. This is an East Bay Housing Organizations Affordable Housing Week presentation sponsored by the Multifaith ACTION Coalition and co-sponsored by the MDUUC Social Justice Council and the League of Women Voters Diablo Valley.

## *Quo Vadis Camp July 9 - 12*

Quo Vadis is Latin for where are you going. Quo Vadis Camp is a three day event that aims to assist young men in discerning their vocation as they grow in relationship with Christ. **Young Men ages 13-18 are invited.**

**Registration \$50 - space is limited**

For more details, contact Cielo Branco at 510.267.8356 or Cbranco@oakdiocese.org. For registration forms visit [www.oakdiocese.org/vocations](http://www.oakdiocese.org/vocations)

## *Marriage Preparation Program*

The next Marriage Preparation Session is scheduled for Saturday, May 6th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. The sessions are held at St. Vincent's Marinwood, Saint Vincents Dr., San Rafael, CA. The cost is \$325.00 per couple. For more information, call (415) 699-8348.

## *San Damiano Retreat May 13, 2017*

"Spirituality and Conscious Aging: Finding Meaning and Purpose in Our Retirement Years." Jim Briggs is the recently retired Executive Director of the School of Applied Theology. He will share his insights on the benefits, challenges, and opportunities of entering this "next chapter" of life.

For more information on these and other retreats and to sign-up, please visit [www.sandamiano.org](http://www.sandamiano.org) or call 925-837-9141.

## *Divine Mercy Celebration*

All are invited to participate in this beautiful Solemn Evening Prayer with the Divine Mercy Devotion. Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration begins Sunday, April 23 at 3 pm, the Hour of Mercy, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

## *St. Peter Martyr News*



St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. 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 website: ([www.stpetermartyrschool.org](http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org)) or call the school at 925-439-1014 for more information.

## *Mobile Mall News*

- **Sort** - Saturday, May 6th from 9 am to 12 pm; Gym, Most Holy Rosary
- **Distribution** - Saturday, May 13th from 8 am to 12 Noon - John Muir Elementary, 615 Greystone Dr., Antioch.

For more information about this ministry, please call

## *Silver & Gold Activities*

**Saturday, April 29 at 11:00 am** Join us for a personally docent guided tour through the Pittsburg Historical Museum on Railroad Ave. (you will be impressed!) with an "optional" lunch at the New Mecca Café. Call Don for more details at 575-9529.

**Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 am** Please join us for a stretch and stroll around Contra Loma Park in Antioch. Please RSVP either Deacon Gary at 757.1385

**Saturday, May 23 at 9:00 am** Join us for breakfast at Denny's on Lone Tree Way in Antioch. Please RSVP Nancy at 757-8555.

## *2017 Bishop's Appeal*



Thank you to everyone who so generously responded to the Bishop's Appeal. We are now at 74% of our goal. 315 households have responded thus far. **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.

Parish Goal: \$31,146. Gifts & Pledged to Date: \$23,048.

## *Knight's Support the Mary Project*

Our Knights of Columbus are again offering incentives to encourage our support for this wonderful outreach project. All parishioners who donate baby articles on Mother's Day weekend May 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> will receive a raffle ticket for each package of baby item that they bring. Father will draw a winning ticket at each liturgy during the announcements and present the dinner for 2 certificates that be redeemed during the 2018 Lenten Fish Fry. The winner's names will be posted in the bulletin after Mother's Day. Please join the Knights of Columbus in supporting this wonderful project. See page 7 for more information about the Mary Project.

## Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The Gospel today begins with the Risen Christ speaking the words, "Peace be with you." Despite the violence of the passion, He wishes them peace. How does one maintain peace in the midst of violence? How does one make peace the foundational statement of Christ's life and ours?

When things get topsy-turvy in my life I take it to prayer, hoping that Christ will calm my turbulent spirit. Personal peace is nurtured by prayer and meditation. It is the Spirit that brings freedom and peace. We know that forgiveness plays a major role in bringing us to peace within ourselves. But what about communal peace. What about peace in our neighborhood communities and among nations.

We are blessed to have over 100 years of Catholic Social Teaching to give us wisdom in this matter. Beginning with *Rerum Novarum* in 1891, we have been enlightened by many encyclicals and Episcopal statements to guide our response to the turbulent world we live in. St. Augustine wrote about a "just war." This came about because of Christianity's amalgamation with the Roman Empire under Constantine. With today's weapons and nuclear arsenals, this theory no longer works. Sixteen centuries later "the Church has yet to break ties with the myth of redemptive violence." The Spirit cries out for a stance on peacemaking that provides prophetic clarity to the world's needs. These days, the wars are all "over there" in the minds of most Americans. When it comes "over here" through terrorist attacks we denounce it, as if the right to peace was only within our borders. How can we think that preemptive strikes in the Middle East will yield peace for ourselves and others? Are we safer now than before the Bush-era wars? Where is the opposition to the war industry and those that believe that violence and superior weaponry will save us? They will not.

In poverty stricken neighborhoods, we read about shootings, domestic violence, and violent behaviors, but again we don't make the connection. If a head-of-household cannot feed one's children, violence erupts. Is drug running the only way to feed one's family? What better choices can we offer? More money for the military takes money away from improving our infrastructure and creating jobs.

Catholics seem to lack a commitment to peacemaking. Our heroes die on the battlefield with a rosary in their hands. We pray for our service men and women, but Jesus sends us out with a different message: "Forgive and do not let your hearts be troubled." Nonviolent resistance requires tremendous courage and a belief in the effectiveness of a different way of doing things, a way of forgiveness and a commitment to build a world on love. When we hold onto our grievances and refuse to forgive, then our only choice is to lock up people who threaten us and stockpile weapons.

It is time to believe the words and witness of Christ, the Prince of Peace. It is time to prophetically stand together and let our witness show a different way. Pope John XXIII wrote in *Pacem in Terris*, "Peace on Earth, the profound aspiration of men and women of all times, can be firmly established and sustained only if the order established by God is firmly respected." Can we be about establishing God's order in our lives, our neighborhoods and our country? Can we get our politicians to stop bombing innocents "over there?" The fallout only comes over here. This Gospel calls us to take on the mantle of being peacemakers in a violent world.

*The ideas and quotes for this article came from David O'Brian's article in the Church Life Journal published by Notre Dame University See <http://churchlife.nd.edu/2017/03/21/catholic-social-teaching-the-eighth-principle> The author is a professor at St Louis University and President of the American Institute for Democracy, Justice and Human Rights.*

## Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

### *The Bright Joy of Easter*

Easter is a uniquely special time in our relationship with God and with Jesus. Entering this second week of Eastertide we feel the forgiveness that Jesus showed to his apostles and all the other disciples. The bright sunlit days of spring give us light at the end of our long tunnel of Lent and the passion narrative. The future looks bright again as a forgiving God and his Son have once again embraced us in a way that hasn't happened since a sinless Adam and Eve walked in the garden. Now we are free to walk in the garden of God's merciful forgiveness.

Having put our faith in the risen Christ we too, as the apostles who saw, touched, and ate with the living Jesus; put our assurance of eternal life to good use by boldly proclaiming God's kingdom now opened for all. It won't always be easy. As we read in the Acts of the Apostles, they were threatened, beaten, and rejected by the same crowd that rejected and saw to the death of Jesus; but the disciples are now joyous. They were overjoyed to be beaten at the hands of their oppressors. How demoralizing and instilling a sense of futility is that to those who had just thought they had pummeled them into submission?

We are to be just as joyous at every tongue-lashing we receive, every rock of insult hurled at us, and every sneer of contempt glared our way each time we stand firm in the faith and do the morally correct things Christ did for the unfortunate and suffering among us. We have the brightest of days in our future because we have the light of Christ within us. We have the apostolic joy that no human hand can drive from us because that joy is rooted in our hearts and kept alive by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Easter, spring, and new life go hand-in-hand during this time of year. All things are made new. We celebrate the resurrection of Christ, but it is our resurrection as well. He gave his mortal life for us so that we can have a share in his eternal and holy life. In a sense, our new lives began with his new life at the moment of the resurrection. We share continuous life with him today and we will always share it in the age to come. That makes this day pretty bright, hope filled, and without a doubt...JOYOUS!

AN OUTREACH TRADITION AT ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH:

# The Mary Project

On Mother's Day weekend (May 13-14) bring your new and gently used baby items to our weekend liturgies for donation to

## Brentwood Birthright.

Donation suggestions:

Baby clothes, (up to size 2T)  
Baby wipes  
Baby food or baby cereal  
Baby wash and lotion

Diapers and more diapers  
Bottles and bottle brushes  
Bibs and burp cloths  
Pacifiers

Receiving blankets

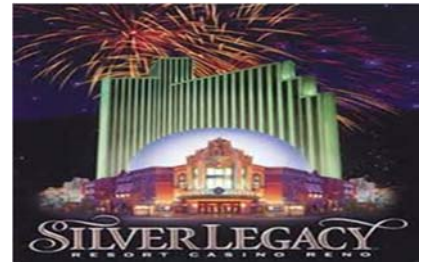
New layette items so *BABY* has something new to wear home from the hospital.

Thank you!!



## OVERNIGHT TRIP TO RENO

DEPART: SUNDAY – MAY 21, 9:30 A.M.  
ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH  
RETURN: MONDAY – MAY 22, 3:00 P.M.  
LEAVE SILVER LEGACY



Proceeds benefit St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish & St. Ignatius of Antioch Faith Formation.

FARE: \$135.00  
TRANSPORTATION  
DOUBLE-OCCUPANCY ROOM  
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST  
(\$20.00 FREE SLOT PLAY)  
\$20.00 FOOD VOUCHER  
SANDWICH/CHIPS/DRINKS  
BELL SERVICE  
GRATUITY FOR DRIVER

CONTACT: FRANCES ROJEK (925.778.1631) FOR REGISTRATION FORM. COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 28.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR VEHICLES  
PARKED OVERNIGHT.

Fare nonrefundable.

# **YLI #101 ANNUAL PASTA DINNER**

**AND CELEBRATION OF FATHER  
ROBERT RIEN'S 70TH BIRTHDAY**

## **WHEN**

**Sunday, April 30, 2017  
3:00pm-6:00pm**

## **WHERE**

**St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall  
3351 Contra Loma Blvd, Antioch CA**

**FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS  
WELCOME**

## **TICKETS**

**\$15 Adults**

**\$5 Children (under 10)**

## **RESERVATIONS**

**Call Jeannine Ford at  
925.757.9650**

**Tickets also available at  
the door**

**Take out meals available**

## **BENEFITTING**

**Holy Rosary and  
St. Ignatius of Antioch**

## **SERVING**

**Pasta with famous meat  
sauce**

**Green Salad**

**Garlic Bread**

**Dessert**

**Wine (1 glass included)**

**Punch**