

St. Ignatius of Antioch

April 30, 2017 - Third Sunday of Easter

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In the Breaking of the Bread

Father of all creation,

On the road of our daily life, whether at home or at work, may we help our families and others to know of your love and compassion.

May our hearts burn with the zeal of those who walked the road with Jesus, so that when our days come to a close, our eyes will be opened.

In our common acts of sharing and feasting, may we see the risen Lord in one another.

May the peace, love, and blessing of your Son rest on the tables where we gather.

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

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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Third Sunday of the
Easter

You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.
—— Acts 2:28

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 15-16

Weekend Offering.....\$19,573.00

Schedule of Events

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

Monday, May 1

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED Catechist Prep - 5 to 6:30 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA (Mystagogy) - 7 to 8:30 pm - Office

Tuesday, May 2

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Art & Environment Committee Meets - 10 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Liturgy Committee Meets- 10:30 to 11:30 am - Parish Hall
- Faith Formation - Grades 1-5 - 4:30 to 5:45 pm and 6 to 7:15 pm - Church and Parish Hall

Wednesday, May 3

- 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, May 4

- 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, May 5

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 8:45 am to 12 pm - Church

Saturday, May 6

- Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group - 9 am to 12 pm - Church
- Vigil - 5 pm (First Eucharist/Faith Formation Children)
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- Birthday Blessing

Sunday, May 7

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies (First Eucharist/Faith Formation Children)
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- Birthday Blessing at both Liturgies
- Hospitality Sunday Sponsored by YLI - Plaza
- New Parishioners Brunch—after 10 am Liturgy - Parish Hall

Looking Ahead



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.

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

Monday	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday	Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Lay Ministers—Week of May 6th & 7th

5 pm: Lectors— Melodye Costanza, Mila Ellingwood; **Head Cup**— Pam Confetti; **Head Host**— Marla Plurkowski; **Host**— Nancy DiMaggio, Carol Fanfa; **Cup**—Rhoda Herrera, Tim Cox, Christoph Holl

8 am: Lectors— Ron Lucas, Faye Lucas; **Head Cup**—Jeannine Ford; **Head Host**— Crispina Malonosan; **Host**—Diane Hack, Kathleen Hayakawa, MaryJo Keister, Theresa Stanek; **Cup**—Stan Stanek, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Jeanawati Kwa, Peggy Lennan; **Servers**— Antonio Alvarez, Isaiah Laxamana

10:00 am: Lectors— William Necor, Cory Cook; **Head Cup**—Amante Asuncion; **Head Host**— Gloria Asuncion; **Host**—Ed Cissell, Yvette Young, Gloria Olvera, Sharon Cissell; **Cup**—Harlan Young, Mark Costanza, Noel Fortez, Sheila Fortez, Lee Oliver; **Servers**— Jean Paul Fortez, Ryan Sims

Fr. Robert - Presiding & Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Lynne Valente
Sun. 8:00 am	Samuel Azurin †
Sun. 10:00 am	Alberto Nevado †
Mon. 8:00 am	Vivian Young †
Tues. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Wed. 8:00 am	Hanny Reingold
Thur. 8:00 am	All Care Givers
Fri. 8:00 am	Vince Iacona †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of **Francine Piro Braae**. May her 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:

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.

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

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 or call 925-837-9141.

2017 Bishop's Appeal

Thank you to everyone who so generously responded to the Bishop's Appeal. We are now at 77% of our goal. 326 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: \$24,028.

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) 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, May 13 at 9:00 am Please join us for a stretch and stroll around Contra Loma Park in Antioch. Please RSVP 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.

Volunteer Opportunity

Contra Costa Interfaith Housing: Interested in helping run a summer day camp for one week? We are currently putting together summer programs for kids that will run from July 10 to August 11. The week-long camps will have mixed ages: K-Middle School. Many of these kids are formerly homeless or very low-income and do not have the resources to attend outside day camps. Volunteers (teens and adults) organize small groups to host different "camps". These activities take place at our housing sites in Concord (highest need) and Pittsburg. The time frame is flexible between 11am - 4pm. You can come out for 3-4 days, Mon.-Thurs. Examples include: hosting a dance camp; art camp; science camp; music camp; theater/improvisation. Feel free to call and discuss ideas or to offer general help to an already formed camp week. All camps are supervised by on-site CCIH staff. Please contact Gloria Bertolozzi at Gloria@ccinterfaithhousing.org for more details.

Hospitality Sundays Return Next Week

Hospitality Sundays are held from May through October after the 8 and 10 am liturgies on the first Sunday of the month. Thank you to Lee Oliver for heading up this project and inviting various parish organizations to host. Again this year, there will be a Free Will offering basket on the table. All money placed in the basket will go towards the parking lot debt reduction. Next Sunday's event is being sponsored by the Antioch Y.L.I. #101. This worthy organization is always very supportive of our parish, both financially and by their active participation in parish events. **AND of course they are hosting their annual pasta dinner in the parish hall today (Sunday) and joining in the celebration of Father Robert's 70th Birthday.**

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The famous writer, Dorothy Solle speaks of living Easter as an “uprising of life against the many forms of death.” Since individuals have limited capacity to join causes or resist all forms of evil, I would like to suggest one movement that is gaining strength among Catholics.

This past Saturday, thousands marched for climate justice, but “institutional patterns and practices will not change unless protesters go beyond rallying, marching and what usually amounts to empty slogans.” (1) These good events must “transcend immediate needs and aspirations toward a radical restructuring of society.” Eradicating oppression must involve a struggle against all forms of injustice. “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.” (MLK) We must look to reform America’s economic system to welcome all people in the society into a place where basic needs are met. We face tremendous struggle to build institutions and power bases that seek advances in employment, housing, food security, schooling and policing. Structural change is the only way to rid us of an ideology that benefits a few and brings inequity to the many.

Besides our personal commitment to live simply and welcome everyone, we must take to heart the recommendations of Hannah Ardent who I read in school forty years ago. Her thought is that we can only succeed if we have the creative imagination to inspire new and meaningful politics. So we are dissatisfied with the current politics. Who are we encouraging to run for office that will inspire us? What institutions are we working to transform?

I remember many years ago when four thousand of us went to Sacramento with PICO California advocating for a fair budget. We did not get it. Most of us are poorer now than we were ten years ago. But what we did do was witness to the illegitimacy of a budget that serves only the rich. So how can we create meaningful politics? By our thinking, imagining and working for a more integral and just world.

Pope Francis in *Laudato Si* encouraged us to begin to imagine ways we can respect the earth and all its beautiful creative forms. Below are listed some websites that will help you learn about what others are doing and connect with them in the effort. As the end of the first hundred days approaches, what are you doing differently? Here are some suggestions:

1. Research the groups in your area that are doing things, like the Multifaith Action Committee from the Interfaith Council, Contra Costa Interfaith Housing, and the local school districts
 2. Read *Laudato Si* available on line
 3. Pray for the enlightenment of our leaders
 4. Contribute/volunteer at the Food Bank
 5. Do what you can to be climate sensitive around your own house such as cut down on water and electric usage, use less paper goods, cleanout closets and garages, etc.
 6. If you have a spare room, rent it out to someone who needs it. There are many on-line organizations that will help you find safe roommates.
- (1) Roger Berkowitz at The Hannah Ardent Center for Politics and Humanities at Bard College, N.Y., see Amor Mundi blog
- (2) Catholicclimatemovement.global
- (3) Franciscanactionnetwork.org
- (4) See the works of Hannah Ardent such as: *On Violence, Responsibility and Judgment, Between Past and Future* available from Amazon.com

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl’Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Seeing the Women of Easter

In keeping with the boldness of the empty tomb, we at St. Ignatius of Antioch have entered into our season of Easter with some spectacular liturgies and “first ever” happenings. This was the first time that homilies were prepared and delivered by our three Pastoral Associates for the Sung Morning (and Evening) Prayer for the three-day long Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

On Holy Thursday morning, Carolyn Krantz delivered a thought provoking homily from John’s gospel about Jesus’ question to the disciples after he had washed their feet; “Do you understand what I have done for you?” As the question was repeated throughout the homily it became apparent that it is a question we should be asking ourselves throughout our lives as we grow as followers of Jesus. On Good Friday I delivered the homily about the crosses we bear and how we perceive the “good” and “bad” times of our lives; as the disciples struggled with accepting the death of Jesus after living such “good-times” with him. Then to top-off the preaching triple-header, Frances Rojek delivered a heart-felt and emotionally moving homily based on a reading from the prophet Hosea. The message of love in relationships was strongly conveyed by Frances’ delicate balance of Hosea’s unending love for his wife, Jesus’ continued love for us, and a hint of the same unending love Frances has received from her husband Steve. It was a truly beautiful synergy of word and love.

Another sight that will last long in my memory took place at the veneration of the cross on Friday morning. At the conclusion of liturgy, all present came forward down the center aisle to touch the wood of the cross laid down in front of the altar. In the somber silence people were touching different parts of the cross and kissing it reverently. Frances Rojek, determined to kneel low to be close to the cross found it difficult to regain her feet and stretched-out her hand for help from Maryann Peddicord who was next in line. Maryann grasped the hand of the one in need and helped her up. Upon rising they embraced for a time and shed some tears together. Suddenly I realized I was seeing “The women at the foot of the cross of Jesus.” They seemed not to be Maryann and Frances as much as they were Mary the mother of Jesus and Mary of Magdalene; two souls, two women weeping for the love of Jesus and the comforting grace of each other. That moment made me feel closer to the real cross of Christ than I have ever felt.

These liturgies, these ritual acts are what make our faith real and alive for us today. They allow us to see beyond time and experience past, present, and future living wonders of God’s presence in the moment we have now.

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 for your generous support!!



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 13th and 14th will receive a raffle ticket for each package of baby items that they bring. Father will draw a winning ticket at each liturgy during the announcements and present the dinner for 2 certificates that can 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.

Birthdays Blessings
to you

Father Robert

May God Bless You For the love
with which you minister to all who
come to St. Ignatius of Antioch.

May your days be filled with abundant
joy and God's peace.

Thank you for all
that you do for us!



KEEP CALM
AND
DEFUSE THE
TENSION

Defusing Hatred *Program*

*Learn nonviolent communication
skills and develop tools for
responding to uneasy situations and
hate speech.*

Hosted by: St. Ignatius of Antioch
Presented by: Rev. Will McGarvey
June 25 after the 10:00 am Liturgy

Schedule:

11:30: light lunch

12:15 - 2:30: workshop

Our parish is hosting this program with the
hope of building communities of care and
protection of the vulnerable around us,
especially in this time of heightened tension
and public acts of aggression.

Join us for an informative, visual
presentation followed by conversation and
hands on experience through role-play.

We will do a quick survey of history of hate
crimes in Contra Costa County and review
the United Nations Declaration of Human
Rights.



St. Ignatius of Antioch
Relay for Life Team is
hosting a
PASTA DINNER

When: Saturday, May 20
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch
Parish Hall

Cost: \$15 per person

Complete Pasta Dinner - Raffle
Music by the Nite Notes with guest singer
Alicia Perez

For more information or early bird tickets,
contact Alicia Perez at 925.757.3354
or Maryann Peddicord at 925.778.0768

Tickets will be sold at the door.
Proceeds benefit the
American Cancer Society

