

St. Ignatius of Antioch

November 5, 2017– Thirty-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

Fr. Richard Mangini
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 (4 pm - starts Nov. 11th)

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.



November 5, 2017
31st Sunday in
Ordinary Time

*The greatest among you
must be your servant.*

— Matthew 23:11

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.” —Matthew 6:21

Stewardship of Treasure

Our goal for weekly plate collections is: \$12,500.00

Weekend Offering for October 21-22

Weekend Offering.....\$10,630.00

Second Collection (St. Vincent de Paul).....\$2,632.00

Looking Ahead

November: St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Basket donations. See page 6 of the bulletin for more information.

November 4 & 5: Coat Drive—see page 6 of bulletin.

November 5: Daylight Savings Time ends. Turn clocks back one hour.

November 11: Veteran’s Day Bingo in the parish hall - doors open at 10:00 am.

November 11: 4:00 pm Liturgy will begin.

November 25: Breakfast with Santa (see page 4 for info).

December 2: St. Nicholas Dinner just around the corner. More information to follow.

Ongoing:

Tuesdays: 9:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. - Hula Class in the Parish Hall. Contact Samantha Peralto at 726-7117 for information or questions.

Thursday: Growing in Faith Together (G I F T) sessions - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. - Parish Hall. Call the Faith Formation office for more details (778-1631).

Schedule of Events

Sunday, November 5 (Daylight Saving Time Ends)

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies - (*turn clocks back one hour*)
- Birthday Blessing - both liturgies
- Confirmation Classes/Knights of Columbus Coat Drive
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan

Monday, November 6

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED Catechist Prep - 4:30 to 6 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA - 7 to 8:30 pm - Parish Office

Tuesday, November 7

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Hula Class - 9:15 to 10:15 am - Parish Hall
- Art & Environment Meeting - 9 to 9:30 am - Parish Hall
- Liturgy Meeting - 9:30 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Parent Formation Meeting - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Hula Class - 7:30 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, November 8

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am with Novena following - Church
- “The Rite to Die Right” Informational Meeting with Fr. Robert - 9 am - Parish Hall
- RCIC & First Reconciliation/Eucharist Students Meet - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, November 9

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Field Trip to Holy Angels Cemetery (Fr. Robert) -10:30 am
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, November 10 - Veteran’s Day Observed

- *Parish and Faith Formation Offices Closed*
- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am

Saturday, November 11

- Veteran’s Day Bingo - doors open at 10:00 am
- Vigil - 4 pm
- Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Weekend

Sunday, November 12

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Weekend
- Confirmation I & II meet - 12 to 1:15pm - Church
- New Parishioner’s Brunch after 10 am Liturgy -Parish Hall

Pray for the Sick

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

Angelina Alphonso	Dorothy	Kim Tank
Rocco Battaglia	Robin Goncalves	Peter Villalpando
Rosita Bonayon	Linda Morrison	Theresa Weathers
Tom Bresciani	Tylor Rideau	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	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

Lay Ministers—Week of Nov 21st & Nov 22nd

4 pm: Lectors – Steve Rojek, Melodye Costanza; **Head Cup** – Pam Confetti; **Head Host** – Marla Plurkowski; **Host** – Nancy DiMaggio Bernice Campbell,; **Cup** – Christoph Holl, Bill Barbanica, Rhoda Herrera; **Servers** - Nathan Skrdlant, Gabriel Skrdlant

8 am: Lectors – Kathleen Clarke, Tim Cox; **Head Cup** - Vianney Menodza; **Head Host** – Nick Suarez; **Host** – MaryJo Keister, Theresa Stanek, Ruth Beck, Kathleen Hayakawa; **Cup** - Jeannine Ford, Samantha Peralto, Stan Stanek, Jenawati Kwa, Crispina Malonosan; **Server** - Chauncey Lewis, Aizaiah Laxamana

10 am: Lectors – Rey Dollete, Sr., Cecille Mirano; **Head Cup** – Jane Sharpe; **Head Host** – Steven Andreatta; **Host** – Amante Asuncion, Helga Boardman, Cynthia Enrique, Lesley Eubanks; **Cup** – Gloria Asuncion, Nancy Santos, Mark Constanza, , Noel Fortez, Sheila Fortez; **Servers** – Lorenzo Necor, Alessandra Necor

Fr. Richard Presiding & Preaching at 4 pm

Fr. Robert Presiding & Fr. Richard Preaching at 8 & 10 am

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 5:00 pm	Mike Ambrosini †
Sun. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †
Sun. 10:00 am	Rosario Lucido †
Mon. 8:00 am	Teresa de Castro †
Tues. 8:00 am	Liza Espiritu †
Wed. 8:00 am	Marian Favalora †
Thur. 8:00 am	Merle Del Prado †
Fri. 8:00 am	Vera Ugarte †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **the fire victims, Vol. Fire-fighter Garrett Paiz, Fr. Tony Herrera and Fr. Pat O'Brien**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

St. Vincent De Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is requesting the following food items:

Canned Tuna - 5 oz.

Canned Peaches - 15 oz can

Chicken Noodle Soup - 10. 5 oz.

Please bring your donations to weekend liturgies or place them in the donation barrel in the Narthex.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you can help or need help call (925)757-0941
Food Pantry - Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9-10 am - Parish Center *

Food Bank Fresh Food Truck - 1st & 3rd Friday of the month 1-2 pm Church Parking lot *Most Holy Rosary.

If you can just once a month visit a needy family with us to offer them help call (925)757-0941

For every type of help from the country call 211 or go to: www.211database.org

Breakfast with Santa - Hawaiian Style

Saturday, November 25th
9:00 AM – 12 Noon
Pancakes - Sausage – Juice – Milk –
Coffee
Pictures with Santa

Breakfast & Picture with Santa
\$5 per person

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

St. Peter Martyr School Holiday Boutique

425 W. 4th Street, Pittsburg, November 5th - 10 am to 3 pm
Come and shop: Local artist and crafters will delight you with homemade treats, handcrafted walking sticks, soap, wine bags, cards & more.

Hot lunch available for purchase, face painting, pictures with Santa. Hourly vendor raffle prize.

Grand Prize Raffle includes:

Handcrafted Queen Quilt, \$200 cash prize, handcrafted table runner. Contact Terry Matejcek @432-7292 or Nance Ferris @ 439-1014

St. Ignatius Holly Faire Boutique

St. Ignatius of Antioch Holly Faire Boutique is just around the corner! The committee is requesting donated handcrafted items as well as baked goods. If you are able to donate any items to the Holly Faire Boutique, please bring them to the Parish Office this week, during the regular business hours of 8:30 am to 12:30 pm Monday through Friday. Thank you for your support!

St. Joseph Missals Have Arrived

If you would like to purchase a St. Joseph Missal for the new liturgical year through the parish, please contact the parish office at (925) 778-0768. The cost is \$4.00.

Shelter Inc.—Contra Costa

Help needed to provide, cook and serve dinner at Mountain View Emergency Family Shelter.

Volunteers are needed to provide and serve dinner for homeless families living at this emergency shelter in Martinez. By providing a meal, you're providing a family dining experience while ensuring no one goes hungry. Your participation and support is greatly appreciated.

Location: 1391 Shell Avenue, Martinez, CA (entrance is on Orchard Avenue).

For more information or questions about volunteering, please contact Stephanie Harrison at (925) 228-6920 or at StephanieH@shelterinc.org.

Christmas Cocktail Party

Hosted by Joe and Theresa Nelms from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at their lovely home in Clayton on Sunday, December 10th. This was one of the fundraising items at the Gala Dinner, and the Nelms'

wanted to open it up to everyone. Come and tour their beautifully decorated home in the Christmas spirit and see how each room has its own theme and tree! The cost is \$50.00 per person or \$100 per couple. The proceeds benefit our Parish Operating Account. Space is limited, so please call the Parish Office for reservations and directions. You won't want to miss this holiday extravaganza!

Carondelet High School's Open House

Carondelet High School's Open House for interested 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls and their parents/guardians, will be held on Sunday, November 5th from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at:



1133 Winton Drive (corner of Treat Blvd.) in Concord.

To Register for this event, please visit www.carondeleth.org/admissions.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

All Saints, All Souls and Fall

We have had some lovely fall weather and red and yellow leaves on our maples. The sun rises and settings are later and day light savings is at hand. In the Catholic Tradition, this is the time to remember our loved ones who have passed on whether declared an official saint or not. When I have asked groups who they remember who have helped them lead a good life, most people say their grandma or grandpa. Saints of the past, declared or not, are part of the world to come. They have joined the "heavenly hosts" praising God and helping us be aware of what we have to look forward to when our time comes to join them.

Many cultures set up altars for the dead or go to the cemetery bringing food and flowers to teach their youngsters not to forget where they came from and who they owe their lives to. They tell stories from the past, stories that help them to be who they are called to be in the Lord. Teachers in religion classes ask students to investigate and share the stories of their favorite saints.

Recently the Global Catholic Climate Movement sent an email broadening our understanding of these feasts. They asked us to remember those who have died defending the environment. Waldomiro Costa Pereira who was shot in March, 2017 defending Brazilian land rights; Renato Anglao, leader in the struggle for human rights of indigenous people in the Philippines killed this year; Inspector Manzoor killed by bird poachers in the Punjab in September, 2017; Wayne Lotter, leading elephant conservationist shot in Tanzania August 16, 2017; Berta Caceres who was murdered in Honduras March, 2016 and Sr. Dorothy Stang who lived in the Amazon for four decades defending the forest and the poor who was shot in February, 2005.

They also asked us to remember the thousands of species who can no longer give glory to God by their existence because they are extinct through human negligence. The World Wildlife Fund estimates that 10, 000 species go extinct each year. While these losses sadden us, they also challenge us to have greater care for our common home, and greater awareness of how we respect the creatures of the earth.

Life here is tenuous with good and evil all mixed together. We look to those who have gone before to give us direction and hope for the future. We turn our lives to God and pray for those whose values are not what Jesus taught. Greed has brought much destruction to the earth and it is up to us to step out in faith and trust the Divine Mystery that the saints believed in to lead us forward.

What is it this week that you can do to protect the earth? Plant a flower? Recycle? Care for your yard? Make sure you don't buy products that were assembled by slave labor? Or can you tell stories about relatives or friends who cared for others and cared for the earth. God cherishes us and we need to cherish people and creatures that He has so generously given us.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Reformation

On Sunday the 29th of October, St. Ignatius of Antioch hosted an ecumenical service upon the 500 year anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. The format for the liturgy followed the exact same liturgy given by Pope Francis for the same occasion.

The evening started with a melodic prelude of organ music played by the incomparable Don Pearson. The entrance procession featured many of the local clergy both Catholic and Protestant. Much like sung evening prayer, the liturgy alternated prayer with songs. The scripture was proclaimed by Fr. Tom Bonacci and his homily followed. Fr. Tom's homily was a unique combination of history lesson, the untold dirty truth of corruption in the Church during the 16th century, a young priest's plea for dialogue, and the courage to remain faithful to the gospel of Jesus Christ. If you've ever listened to a Fr. Tom homily, you know this is "where the rubber hits the road."

All of these subjects were covered with overtones of humor, fiery oratory, common sense logic, and a call for real self-examination. The main thrust of the homily was that to be Christian is to be brother and sister to all Christian denominations. That we have much more in common with each other than we do differences. That the greatest threat to Christianity is the divisions we fabricate between us.

So many of the hot topics of the day in the Catholic Church have already been addressed in the Protestant Church for centuries. We talk about married clergy and the role of women as if these were newly discovered concepts, but the Protestant Church has been living-out these points for hundreds of years with no ill effects. The Holy Spirit lives within people. Protestants, their ministers, and clergy are full of the Holy Spirit just as we are. Anyone who has been to any of the seasonal ecumenical services hosted by St. Ignatius of Antioch, such as the "Seven Last Words of Christ" during Lent, have heard the preaching of these holy men and women and can tell that their words are inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was once asked "By what authority do you do these things?" His reply was to ask them about John the Baptist's authority. They replied, "We can't tell." The truth is both Jesus and John worked under and by the authority of the Holy Spirit. Together they started the building of God's kingdom on earth. Together the Protestant and Catholic Churches are doing what the world needs. Together the work gets done. Together the work produces good fruit. Together the kingdom continues in holiness.

Mobile Mall Ministry

Next Distribution Date is:
Saturday, December 2nd- 10am to 12 noon

Fremont Elementary School

Come and shop at no cost to you. Large selection of clothing, shoes, blankets, table linens, coats, jackets, etc. are all available.

Everyone is welcome and everything is free. For more information call Barbara at 925-706-2802.

Please look for future dates and locations coming soon.



Coat Drive This Weekend



**Bring a jacket or coat in good condition to the Church this weekend
 (November 4 & 5)**

**All sizes - Adult or Child
 Before or after Mass**

**All coats will be given to those in our
 Community who need one for the coming
 Cold weather.**

**Sponsored by our
 Confirmation Class & the Knights of Columbus**

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET

Saint Vincent De Paul Society

Will Take Calls on
 Monday Nov. 6th and Tuesday Nov. 7th
 From 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
 757-7450 in English

A basket of food and turkey will be handed out
 at St. Ignatius of Antioch Church
 3351 Contra Loma Blvd.
 only on Monday November 20th
 between the hours of
 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Limited to the first 150 callers.

Please do not call any other number or show up in person.
 The line will be busy, just keep trying.



Preparations are being made for the annual Spirit of Giving Program. Anyone interested in helping families and individuals in need at Pleasant Hill, Concord, Pittsburg/Bay Point, and other sites, please contact CCIH. Profiles of each family or individual will be provided, along with a wish list and guidelines on how to help. The clients are matched up with each donor to ensure that each resident receives something special for the holidays. Anonymity will need to be preserved in order to protect confidentiality. Please contact Gloria Bertolozzi at:
gloria@ccinterfaithhousing.org



Bingo



Saturday November 11th

St. Ignatius of Antioch
Parish Hall

Doors Open @ 10:00 AM

Breakfast at 10:30 AM

Games Begin @ 11:15 PM

B I N G O				
10	20	42	59	62
5	29	39	56	75
4	17	FREE SPACE	60	71
11	18	32	51	66
15	19	36	47	69

10 Regular Games - \$100 Payout Each
Specials

\$25 per person includes
10 Games – Lunch
Daubers - \$1 each

Tickets available after Masses
October 28/29 & November 5/6
Or by calling Steve @ 925-642-2329