

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

November 26, 2017– 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

**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: **4 pm (New Time)**  
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, **2:45 to 3:30 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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Our Lord Jesus Christ  
King of the Universe**

*“I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink.”  
— Matthew 26:35*

**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 November 11-12**

**Weekend Offering.....\$8,976.00**

**Looking Ahead**

**December 2:** St. Nicholas Dinner will take place at 5:30 p.m. See page 7 of the bulletin for all additional information.

**December 8:** Immaculate Conception - Holy Day of Obligation - Masses at 8am, 12 noon & 7:30 pm

**December 15:** Brentwood Community Chorus Christmas Concert at 7:30 p.m. with a reception following in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!

**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 26**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- St. Nicholas Dinner Ticket Sales - Plaza
- Family Gathering - (Parents & Children) - Advent Wreath Making - Parish Hall

**Monday, November 27**

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

**Tuesday, November 28**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Environment Change to Advent - 9:00 am - Church
- Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

**Wednesday, November 29**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am with Novena following - Church
- RCIC/1st Reconciliation & Eucharist - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 pm to 9 pm - Church

**Thursday, November 30**

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

**Friday, December 1**

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

**Saturday, December 2**

- Vigil - 4 pm
- Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group Liturgy - 9 am - Church
- Confirmation I & II attending Liturgy
- Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- St. Nicholas Dinner - 5:30 pm - Parish Hall

**Sunday, December 3**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Birthday Blessing - Both Liturgies
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan

## 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

<b>Monday</b>	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
<b>Tuesday</b>	Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
<b>Thursday</b>	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
<b>Friday</b>	Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
<b>Saturday</b>	Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

## Lay Ministers—Week of Dec 2nd & Dec 3rd

**4 pm: Lectors** – Youth, Youth; **Head Cup** – Pam Confetti; **Head Host** – Melodye Costanza; **Host** – Carol Fanfa, Jessie Okon; **Cup** – Christoph Holl, Rhoda Herrera, Tim Cox

**8 am: Lectors** – Pat Kramer, Carlos Vasquez; **Head Cup** – Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host** – Vianney Mendoza; **Host** – Natalia Joyce, Edith Quiambao, Romeo Quiambao, Kathleen Hayakawa; **Cup** – Nick Suarez, Jeannine Ford, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Jenawati Kwa; **Server** – Chauncey Lewis, Aizaiah Laxamana

**10 am: Lectors** – Rose Necor, Lee Oliver; **Head Cup** – Jane Sharpe; **Head Host** – Gloria Asuncion; **Host** – Angela Guieb-Alphonso, Steven Andreatta, Helga Boardman, Mark Costanza; **Cup** – Estrella Rusk, Samantha Peralto, Amante Asuncion, Cynthia Enrique, Nancy Santos; **Servers** – Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

Fr. Robert Presiding and Deacon Gary Preaching

## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Sat. 4:00 pm</b>	June Hanson †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Joseph Stralovich †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Arvin DeLuna †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	Inocencio O. Papa †
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	Eugena Abriol †
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	All Military Men & Women
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	Luzviminda Bartolo Mangabat †

## Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **those whose names are inscribed in our Book of Remembrance and All Souls' envelopes.** 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:

**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](http://www.211database.org)

## *Christmas Food Basket*

Saint Vincent de Paul Society  
 Will take calls on  
 Monday Dec. 4th and Tuesday Dec 5th  
 From 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 4 pm  
 757-7450 in English  
 Food & Clothes will be handed out only on  
 Friday December 15th  
 Between the hours of  
 9am and 12pm

### **Limited to the first 300 callers.**

Please only call the number listed. Keep calling until you get a live person on the other end. The phone lines will be very busy and are in working order.

## *Most Holy Rosary School*

Holy Rosary School is now Accepting Applications for grades Pre-K through 8th grade for the School Year 2018-2019.

Holy Rosary also offers Pre-School Learning Center for 2 & 3 year olds.

Application packets are available for pick up at the school office, or visit the website at [www.holyrosarycatholicschool.org](http://www.holyrosarycatholicschool.org). For questions or to schedule a tour: Call 925-757-1270.

## *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](mailto:StephanieH@shelterinc.org).

## *Adult Confirmation Classes*

All those seeking the benefits of the sacrament of Confirmation who are already baptized and will be 18 years of age or older on January 13th, are urged to call Pastoral Associate, Peter Degl'Innocenti, immediately at (925) 756-6172. Four classes will be given on Tuesday nights starting December 19th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Office. Confirmation will be held on January 13th at the Cathedral of Christ the Light at 10:00 am. Registration deadline is December 22nd. Call now!

## *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!

## *Worldwide Marriage Encounter*

“When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls.” Spouses, find value in one another by enjoying a World Wide Marriage Encounter (WWWME) weekend. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are held at **San Damiano Retreat Center**, Danville on January 12-14th or May 18th-20th. Space is VERY limited! Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Greg & Mary @ 925-754-1284 or Joe & Sue @ 925-680-7767 now or go to [oaklandwwme.org](http://oaklandwwme.org).



*Justice Corner*

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The Feast of Christ the King has changed since I was young. In catechism we were asked to imagine St. Matthew's Gospel and the separation of the sheep and the goats according to their fidelity to the works of mercy. Many artists have painted this scene quite vividly. In some versions, Christ is depicted as a stern conqueror, in others with a compassionate heart. You can view these artistic interpretations on the internet. In the Gospel, the individuals seem surprised that the charity of their hearts given to others is recognized. "When did we see you hungry or thirsty, or a stranger or naked?..." Christ makes it clear that when we notice and respond to the least of the brethren, we are responding to Him.

Then came the awareness of the modern science of cosmology and the theological investigation about what this tells us about the "end times." From the Jesuit Teilhard de Chardin, to the Franciscan Sister Ilia Delio and Fr. Richard Rohr, a new awareness has come into being. They see the universe through the eyes of love. "Love is the faithful heart of the cosmos, the constancy of all life; yet love seeks to become more being-in-love and hence is the energy of change."\* They see God not as a supernatural being hovering over the earth, but as the Omega who exists in all and through all. "Every star, every galaxy, every leaf and bird breathed forth in divine love reveals the Christ who is the personal unity of divine being-in-love." God breathed this love in creation (the first incarnation) and in the Christ (the second incarnation) who bursts forth in resurrection to lead us toward the end times. "I am with you always, even to the end of the world." We and He together reveal love's urge toward wholeness. We are the "whole makers who bring forth the future." The word catholic means whole maker.

"This is why we need to switch our thinking from, 'Jesus came to fulfill us' to 'we have come to fulfill Christ.' We are a part of this ever-growing cosmic Christ that is coming to be in the one great act of giving birth." "Indeed the whole created world eagerly awaits the revelation of the sons (and daughters) of God." (Romans 8:19). In this understanding of Christ the King, we are whole makers in a world still groaning for peace, love and unity. We, with Christ, bring love and the energy of change into making the world whole. We fill up what is wanting in the world He came to save.

So we see this feast as the promise of what is to come and realize that it takes our actions-in-love to bring it about. Every act of love makes the world more whole. Every act of love brings Christ the Omega closer. Many of us dedicate our lives to bringing that love to our families, to the poor in East County and throughout the world. Did you know that you were a part of making the world whole, a part of being Christ in the world? That is what this feast is about, bringing eternal life into the present and creating a future of love.

\*These thoughts are taken from the articles from the [Center for Action and Contemplation](#) and books by Fr. Richard Rohr and Sister Ilia Delio. You can subscribe to their daily meditations online.

*Parish Perspective*

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

*Tagged*

As I sit here at my desk looking for inspiration, my eyes fall upon a souvenir I purchased in Bisbee, Arizona. It is a one-inch square cube. It weighs 6 ounces, melts at 1,085 degrees Celsius, has a density of 8.92 grams per cubic centimeter, has an atomic weight of 63.55, an atomic number of 29, and bears the letters Cu. It is pure copper from the Queen Mine. All these numbers and letters tagged on this cube identify what it is. I remember being issued a hardhat, reflective vest, light and small numbered brass tag to be pinned on my personal clothing. The tag wasn't a pass for the tour, it was a means of identifying me should the worst (but not impossible) happen. Brass doesn't corrode over the years.

That got me thinking about the things that identify us spiritually. Surely the baptismal waters are our most significant identifier. That is the "tag" that God looks for. When he sees us, he sees the same baptismal waters that flowed over his Son in the Jordan River. Water, perhaps even better than brass, does not corrode over the years. It cycles unendingly through the aquifer, streams, rivers, and oceans to evaporate and rain down again. With 70% of the earth's surface covered in water, it is the most abundant and quickest renewable resource. Have we been renewing ourselves, spiritually, as repeatedly and as often? Have we fortified ourselves in the faith? Copper melts at 1,085°C. At what point do things get "too hot" for us and we start to "melt-away" into the woodwork, neglecting our Christian duty? What weight do we have to stand up against the winds of unfavorable change or to endure the hardships and sufferings that come from being a follower of Jesus? What is the depth of our faith, the "density" of our faith? Have we backed it up with on-going catechesis? Can we proclaim who we are in Christ by sound knowledge of our faith?

We don't know all the tags that God and life pin on us. No doubt some of those tags we pin on ourselves and would rather forget we ever did. We can be sure that Jesus will strip away all the negative and unnecessary tags we may present to him. "Brother" and "Sister" may be our only identifiers to him. "Son" and "Daughter" the only identifier God will have for us. Until that time, let us remember that God has tagged every human being with his image.

## 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.*



## YLI Annual Comfort Bag Drive

YLI is currently accepting donations toward their annual Comfort Bags drive. Any unopened, unused personal hygiene items, especially the travel sized ones you may have collected from your hotel stays, are great. Please make sure that any donated products are alcohol free. (Be weary of dental products, perfumes, and hand sanitizers).

We are also accepting donations of new women's, men's and children's socks. Donations can be delivered to our church in the box in the Narthex as labeled.

(Do not place items in the barrel)

For questions please contact Tina Gutilla at 925-642-1465 or Jeannine Ford at 925-757-9650.

  
**THE BRENTWOOD  
 COMMUNITY CHORUS**  
 With  
*The Celebration Ringers Handbell Choir*  
 Presents  
**THE SEASON OF SONG**  
 Friday, December 15, 2017  
 7:30 p.m.  
**ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH  
 CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 Free Will offering  
 Reception to follow



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](mailto:gloria@ccinterfaithhousing.org)





**12th Annual  
St. Nicholas Dinner  
“O’ CHRISTMAS TREE”**

**Saturday Evening  
December 2, 2017**

**5:30 PM**

**\$35.00**

**St. Ignatius of Antioch  
Parish Hall**

**Adults Only Event**

**Menu:**

**Appetizers with Champagne**

**Winter Salad**

**Barbecue Tri Tip &**

**Chicken Breast**

**Savory String beans**

**Rice ala Fara**

**Bread and Butter**

**Dessert**

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



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