

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

February 4, 2018 – Fifth 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.**  
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**Fr. Richard Mangini**  
Assisting Clergy

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Pastoral Associate,  
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Pastoral Associate, Pastoral Care

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**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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*[The LORD] tells the number of the stars and calls each by name.*

— Psalm 147:4

## 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 January 20-21*

**Weekend Offering.....\$12,339.25**

# Looking Ahead

**February 6:** Catholic Daughters of the Americas Bingo - held at Good Shepherd parish hall in Pittsburg every first Tuesday of the month. Cost is \$12 for 2 cards and lunch. Doors open at 10:30 am. See page 4 for more information.

**February 7:** Grains of Wheat prayer group session - 9:15 to 11:00 am in the Parish Hall. See page 6 for more information.

**February 14:** The beginning of Lent. Don't Give Up Chocolate For Lent. See page 5 for more information.

### 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 am. - Parish Hall. Call the Faith Formation office for more details (778-1631).

## Schedule of Events

### Sunday, February 4

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot
- Catholic Charities of the East Bay - Transforming Lives Tour - 11:30 am to 12:30 pm - a light breakfast will be served in the Parish Hall

### Monday, February 5

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

### Tuesday, February 6

- 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 Meets - 10 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Liturgy Committee Meets - 10:30 to 11:30 am - Parish Hall
- Parent Formation - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

### Wednesday, February 7

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am with Novena following - Church
- Grains of Wheat Prayer Group - 9:15 to 11 am - Parish Hall
- RCIC/Sacraments Class - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall

### Thursday, February 8

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) sessions - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 pm to 9 pm - Church

### Friday, February 9

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

### Saturday, February 10

- 4 pm Liturgy

### Sunday, February 11 *World Day of the Sick*

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Confirmation I & II Class - 12 pm to 1:15 pm - Parish Hall

**Pray for the Sick**

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

Rocco Battaglia	Robin Goncalves	Taylor Rideau
Rosita Bonayon	Avelina Gordovez	Kim Tank
Tom Bresciani	Linda Morrison	Peter Villalpando
Nimfa Carnes	Judy Quicho	Theresa Weathers
Dorothy	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Guy Worth
	Mike Ricker	

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>	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
<b>Friday</b>	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
<b>Sunday</b>	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

**Lay Ministers—Week of Feb 10th & Feb 11th**

**4 pm: Lectors** – Noela Noel-LoFranco, Mila Ellingwood; **Head Cup** – Pam Confetti; **Head Host** – Marla Plurkowski; **Host** – Bill Barbanica, Fran Barbanica; **Cup** – Christoph Holl, Melody Costanza, Rhoda Herrera

**8 am: Lectors** – Angela Bueno, Samantha Peralto; **Head Cup** - Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host** - Vianney Mendoza; **Host** – Jeannine Ford, Rick Howell, MaryJo Keister; **Cup** - Sue Howell, Tim Cox, Natalia Joyce, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer; **Server** - Chauncey Lewis, Aizaiah Laxamana

**10 am: Lectors** – Corrine Bielejeski, Cecille Mirano; **Head Cup** – Harlan Young; **Head Host** – Amante Asuncion; **Host** – Ed Cissell, Angelina Guieb-Alphonso, Gloria Asuncion, Mark Costanza; **Cup** – Sharon Cissell, Yvette Young, Reyna Garcia, Gloria Olvera, Nancy Santos ; **Servers** – Alessandra Necor, William Necor

4 pm - Fr. Richard Presiding and Preaching  
8 & 10 am - Fr. Robert Presiding, Fr Richard preaching

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

<b>Sat. 4:00 pm</b>	Joann A. Russo †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Joe Stralovich †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Rosario Lucido †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	Manuel & Isabel Santos †
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	Rose Duarte †
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	Marion Favolora †
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of **Mary Hess, Lexy and Camila Cardoza, Fr. Michael Norkett and Fr. Richard Culver.** 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:

- 2 lb. bag White Rice**
- Canned Tuna - 5 oz.**
- 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)

## Mobile Mall

### Sorting

The next Mobile Mall Sorting will be:

Saturday, February 9th from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm at  
Holy Rosary Parish Center  
1313 "A" Street, Antioch

For more information about this ministry, please contact  
Dee Vergara at 753-1291.

\*Heavy duty garbage bags are needed

## Don't Give Up Chocolate For Lent

At Dynamic Catholic we are committed to developing world-class resources that inspire Catholics and their parishes to rediscover the genius of Catholicism.

### What is Best Lent Ever?

It is a free email program that will guide you and your parish on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of yourselves, making this a truly life-changing Lent.

### How Does It Work?

1. You encourage everyone in your parish to sign up at **BestLentEver.Com/ParishSignUp**
2. Starting Ash Wednesday, participants receive daily emails with short inspirational videos, practical tips to incorporate into their everyday lives, and encouraging stories from Dynamic Catholic team members.
3. Throughout Lent, participants will discover how to open their hearts to God and do more than just give up chocolate for Lent.....leading to their best lent ever.

## Catholic Daughters of America Bingo

Catholic Daughters of America Court 1450 invites you and your friends to come and join us for Bingo every first Tuesday of the month. Bingo is held at the parish hall of the Good Shepherd Catholic Church at 3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg.

Buy in is \$12.00 which includes 2 cards and a delicious lunch with unlimited fruit punch, coffee and tea. Doors open at 10:30 am. CDA is a nonprofit national Catholic women's organization that supports national and local charities and projects.

Come and meet new friends at our next Bingo on **February 6th**. See you there!

## World Wide Marriage Encounter

Turn off your I-Pads, your I-Phones, and your I-Tunes and come experience a new way to look at your marriage through I-Marriage. You will learn how Andy Stanley's three key teachings help you enrich your marriage. Concluding with mass at 5 pm with renewal of vows, Saturday, February 10, 2018, 1:00 pm - at St. Agnes Church, at Cauchi Hall (behind church), 3966 Chestnut Ave., Concord. For more information go to:  
<http://oaklandwwme.org/communitynews.php>

## Marriage for Life

A Program to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage." The Marriage Preparation Registration for the 2018 Sessions are as follows:

Saturday, March 24th  
Saturday, May 5th  
Saturday, August 25th  
Saturday, October 27th

Location: St. Mary's Cathedral  
Gough and Geary Streets, San Francisco, CA

Engaged couples can register for any date on our website, [www.marriageforlifef.com](http://www.marriageforlifef.com). Or if you prefer, the registration form can be printed out from the website and mailed in.

The website has a complete schedule, resource information about engagement and marriage as well as nuts and bolts info about the preparation sessions.

The cost is \$325.00 per couple. For more information, call Connie or Joe D'Aura (415) 664-8108.

## Contra Costa Interfaith Housing

### Seeking In-Kind Donations

- **DIAPERS** (regular) size 3, 4, 5 for families in our programs.
- Cleaning supplies for our Scattered Site/FISH clients (Comet; Windex, Simple Green, Buckets; mops; etc.) Incentive prizes for Homework Club. \$1-\$5 prizes for K-8th graders for doing excellent work during the week. This is your opportunity to clean out the birthday party leftover drawer from over the years.
- Raffle prizes for resident monthly community meeting (NEW items; \$5 - \$20 value).
- Paper products for after school snacks; printer paper for after school programming.
- Used, working Laptops for families with children in school; Wi-Fi ready. We have 2 families whose children stay afterschool to use the computers and work schedules will make this harder on the family. For more information contact Gloria Bertolozzi at

## Mother-Daughter Retreat

Carondelet High School's annual Mother - Daughter Retreat is a special time for women to explore, affirm and celebrate their unique bonds in a renewing, relaxing and spiritually - enriching atmosphere. It is open to all mothers, grandmothers, aunts, alumnae and their daughters who are in 8th grade, high school, college or beyond. Sunday, February 25, from 9:15 am to 1:30 pm, at Carondelet's Garaventa Center. Tickets on sale now at:

[www.CarondeletHS.org/Mother/Daughter](http://www.CarondeletHS.org/Mother/Daughter).

## Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The fifth Essential, or value that parishes must exhibit is **Hospitality or Belonging**. This value exemplifies Christ's welcoming and inclusive love of all people. If members feel this welcoming they then take ownership of this quality and demonstrate it in every aspect of parish life. This begins with the greeters at the Sunday celebration and permeates the ministries and meetings of the parish. This value is especially challenged by the variety of cultures in a parish. To be inclusive of others who do not look like or think like oneself is truly a Christian virtue that takes constant work. It is easy to be welcoming to one's own, but harder to be accepting of others who are different.

As a parish, St. Ignatius of Antioch is good at welcoming others and providing food and drink for all major events. If a stranger attends our events, they are welcomed by staff and leadership of the parish and invited to participate. The Social Committee and many other groups provide the necessary work to have this occur. We greet those near us in preparing for Mass. Feast days of various cultural saints are celebrated. The office staff is helpful and inviting when people come to the door during the week. We try to exemplify Christ's sense of welcoming to all.

But there is always more to think about when the goal is to create a sense of belonging in our little part of the world. So here are some questions for your reflection:

- Most of us tend to be rather hard on ourselves. Do we welcome all aspects of ourselves, those that are virtuous and those parts of ourselves that still need work? In psychology it is often stated that our blessings and our curses are part of the same coin. That means that what we are good at, and our imperfections, are related. The very quality that we feel negative about in ourselves is the quality that God transforms for His service if we are a praying and reflective Christian.
- When we come to church, are we aware that we bring the Light and Sunshine of the Lord to others near us? Or are we too concentrated on where we parked the car, how we look, what others will think of us, etc.
- When we meet others, are we open to the newness that they bring or too focused on how we see things? Are we able to suspend judgments and just BE WITH whoever crosses our path?
- At parish meetings, are we able to be welcoming and inviting to the person sitting alone or the one who needs a word of encouragement?
- Can we step over the boundary and attend cultural celebrations of others? Can we welcome others who are not of "our group?"

Honoring "the Other" is a constant task. During His life, Jesus gradually learned that faith was not just for the Jewish people, His own group, but for all. He learned this because the Spirit's presence was demonstrated by the Samaritan Woman, the Roman soldier, and others. In truth He recognized that His Father was welcoming to all. So we, too, have our eyes opened by the goodness in others. May we be open to all God has to teach us through those who cross our path this week, be they beggar or rich person, Caucasian or a person of color, our own family or a neighbor down the street. Then we can bring our welcoming spirit with us for Sunday celebration.

## Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

### Three's A Crowd

It was another grand old time at the Knights of Columbus meeting. For starters, Kenny Lane our Inside Guard, made sure that I signed-in properly on the register. I flashed my brand-new 2018 ID cards and Kenny scrutinized them like an FBI agent. "OK, you're good" he said. I settled in my chair for a nice routine meeting.

At the last meeting two months ago (we didn't have a meeting in December due to the Christmas holiday) I had to take-on the duties of the Grand Knight as Dave Simpson had been called away. At that meeting I pressed Vince Rodriguez into service as Church Liaison Officer because I didn't know we already had one! Well, one of the first items in any meeting is to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. When the call was made to accept the minutes as published, Vince Augusta (our Warden) stood to announce that he hadn't volunteered for the position of Church Liaison, as in the minutes. "That's what happens when you don't come to the meetings to say No," someone interjected from the peanut gallery. "But, I was at the last meeting" he retorted. I knew what had happened, the last name of Augusta was printed instead of Rodriguez. Standing, I relayed to Dave that I called Vince Rodriguez to serve as liaison officer. "We now have two liaison officers, I don't think we need three!" I said sheepishly. The minutes were amended and then accepted.

Another bright note of the evening was the presentation by Art Landos, our District Deputy, of a plaque for our council (No. 12587) for achieving "Star Council" status. To receive the honor of Star Council, a council must meet certain requirements of recruiting new members, retaining members and providing opportunities for the Knights to buy insurance at greatly discounted rates. If the number of new members is twice the goal, a council receives a "Double Star" award. To the credit of our council, here at St. Ignatius of Antioch, in the very recent past has achieved a Triple Star rating! When something is good, good people get in on it.

Lastly, a new look for the Knight's Color Guard will feature a blazer and slacks look, rather than the familiar tuxedo and cape. A smart looking military style beret will replace the plumed chapeau of yore. All these changes are geared to appeal to the younger men of this era. Funny though, the ceremonial sword will be retained. Of course, swords are cool. Put a sword into any man's hand and the Errol Flynn in all of us pops out. There is something timeless about a sword especially if handed down as a family heirloom. Perhaps that is what one generation of Knights is handing-off to the newer generation; a sword and a legacy of work and help in the community unparalleled by few others. It's good to be a Knight.



## *Catholic Charities of the East Bay*

### MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Like CPR, **Mental Health First Aid** prepares people to interact with a person in crisis and connect them with help. Our **Experience Hope Training Institute** teaches basic restorative and trauma-responsive philosophies and practices.

Many people with mental health struggles find solace in their faith. But church members or staff may not know how to respond to their struggles or help in a crisis. This training offers tools and answers to questions like, "What do I do?" or "Where can someone find help?"

The course is appropriate for anyone who wants to learn how to help someone who may be experiencing a mental health-related crisis or problem. Participants can use the skills learned in their daily lives, including within their own families, churches, or neighborhoods. For more information, contact Cat Willett at [cwillett@cceb.org](mailto:cwillett@cceb.org) or call 510-290-6103

### *Grains of Wheat*

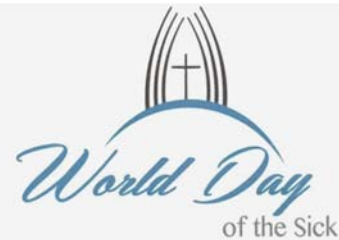
This women's group, held on the first Wednesday of the month, is inviting all women of the parish who desire to grow spiritually and mature in the Lord to attend. The meetings will be Feb 7, March 7 and April 4th from 9:15 - 11:00 in the Parish Hall. Prayer and scripture according to the liturgical season as well as shared meditations will be offered. Regular prayer life and commitment to attend all three meetings is required. This is a special opportunity to grow together as women of faith of St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish.

### *St. Peter Martyr School Crab Feed*

Calling all Alumni, friends and Supporters of SPM School, and crab lovers:  
St. Peter Martyr School will have its fantastic Crab Feed on Sunday, February 24, 2018 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church Hall in Pittsburg.

For further information and tickets contact St. Peter Martyr School at 925-439-1014  
Save the date!

See you at the Crab Feed.



Dear Friends in Christ ~

*"Mater Ecclesiae: "Behold, your son...Behold, your mother.  
And from that hour the disciple took her into his home." (Jn 19:26-27)*

~ Pope Francis for the 26<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Sick

**World Day of the Sick:** Do you know of a neighbor, friend, or loved one that could use prayers for healing and hope?

On **Saturday, February 10, 2018, 11:00AM at the Cathedral of Christ the Light**, World Day of the Sick, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually worldwide near the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J., supported by The Order of Malta.

Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and many priests, religious and laity from throughout the diocese. Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for healing and hope in this fragile population. This World Day of the Sick in Oakland will include:

- Mass
- Sacrament of anointing the sick
- Blessing of caregivers and healthcare providers
- Distribution of holy water from Lourdes, France
- Distribution of rosaries and holy cards
- Reception

No RSVP is necessary. Please bring your friends, family and neighbors, and share this blessed opportunity.

For more information visit [oakdiocese.org/WDS](http://oakdiocese.org/WDS)

God's blessings,

The WDS Team

# Bingo



*President's Day*



*Monday February 19<sup>th</sup>*

*St. Ignatius of Antioch  
Parish Hall*

*Doors Open @ 11:00 AM*

*Lunch at 11:30 AM*

*Games Begin @ 12:15 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 - \$1.00

*Tickets available after Masses  
February 10/11 and February 17/18  
Or by calling Steve @ 925-642-2329*