

St. Ignatius of Antioch

April 8, 2018 – Second Sunday of Easter

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Heart and Mind

God, font of all life,
through the Paschal Mystery of
your Son, Jesus,
you have restored your people to life.
Our house gives you praise
for your enduring mercy and
unending love.

Watch over and protect our community
as we work to make known the message
of salvation.

Keep us one in heart and mind
as we work to build up your Kingdom.
Give us hearts overflowing with mercy
as we minister to those most in need.
Help us remain faithful to your call
so that our words and actions
may always proclaim Christ as Lord.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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
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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*Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the
Son of God?*

— 1 John 5:5

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 March 24-25

Weekend Offering.....\$10,534.00

Looking Ahead

Due to family illness, Grains of Wheat Women’s Prayer Group is cancelled until further notice.

April 22: Bunco Fundraiser for Relay for Life in the Parish Hall. Tickets available in the Gathering Plaza.

April 29: Antioch YLI #101 Annual Pasta Dinner. Benefitting St. Ignatius and Holy Rosary. See page 7 for details.

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.

Thursdays: 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).

Saturday Liturgy will remain at 4:00 pm.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, April 8

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- Presentation on LCAP by Ellie Householder at both Liturgies
- Relay for Life Bunco Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- New Parishioners Brunch - After 10 am Liturgy - Parish Hall
- Divine Mercy Celebration - 3 pm - Church - Reception to follow - Parish Hall

Monday, April 9 Annunciation of the Lord

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

Tuesday, April 10

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Parent Formation - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church *TBD
- Pastoral Council Meets - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, April 11

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am, Novena following
- Sacrament & RCIC - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, April 12

- 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, April 13

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

Saturday, April 14

- 4 pm Liturgy
- Relay for Life Bunco Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

Sunday, April 15

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- Knights of Columbus Founders Day - Gathering Plaza
- Relay for Life Bunco Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Confirmation I & II Meet - 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	Tylor Rideau
Rosita Bonayon	Linda Morrison	Kim Tank
Tom Bresciani	Judy Quicho	Peter Villalpando
Gavin Cano	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Theresa Weathers
Nimfa Carnes	Mike Ricker	Guy Worth
Dorothy		

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	Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

Lay Ministers—Week of April 14th & 15th

4 pm: Lectors – Joe Salvador, Carmen Garces; **Head Cup** – Marla Plurkowski; **Head Host** – Pam Confetti; **Host** – Melodye Costanza, Beth Enea; **Cup** – Rhoda Herrera, Christoph Holl, Jessie Okon

8 am: Lectors – Kathleen Clarke, Jack Goncalves; **Head Cup** - Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host** - Jeannine Ford; **Host** – Kathleen Hayakawa, Jenawati Kwa, Jeanne Reilly, Nick Suarez; **Cup** - Rick Howell, Sue Howell, Crispina Malonosan, Natalia Joyce, Tim Cox; **Servers** - Chauncey Lewis, Aizaiah Laxamana

10 am: Lectors – Robert Solano, Alicia Solano.; **Head Cup** – Amante Asuncion; **Head Host** – Dilcia Aparicio; **Host** – Angelina Guieb-Alphonso, Samantha Peralto, Steven Andreatta, Jane Sharpe; **Cup** – Gloria Asuncion, Mark Costanza, Lee Oliver, Estrella Rusk, Reyna Garcia; **Servers** – Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

4:00 pm - Fr. Robert Presiding and Preaching
8 am & 10:00 am- Fr. Richard Presiding, Fr. Robert Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Joann Russo †
Sun. 8:00 am	Machria & Geronimo Balbuent †
Sun. 10:00 am	Rosario D. Lucido †
Mon. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Tues. 8:00 am	All First Responders
Wed. 8:00 am	Herman Schmuck †
Thur. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Fri. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Ret. Police Chief Leonard Herendeen** and **Ronald Van den Baard**. 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

Mobile Mall

Distribution - April 21st-8 am to 12 Noon - Kimball Elementary,
310 August Way, Antioch

Sorting - May 12th from 9:00 am to 12 Noon - Holy Rosary
Dominican Hall.

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

*Heavy duty garbage bags are needed

Carondelet Golf Tournament

Join Carondelet High School on Monday, April 30th for its Cougar Classic Golf Tournament — a fun filled day at Blackhawk Country Club all to benefit young women's education. Ticket includes green and cart fees and all on-course gaming, box lunch, course treats, refreshments, 19th Hole premium hosted bar and clubhouse banquet. Register at CarondeletHS.org/Golf.

Marriage Preparation Programs

"A Program to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage." The last Marriage Preparation Registration for the Summer Sessions is as follows:

Saturday, May 5th - 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Location: St. Vincent's Marinwood -
1 Saint Vincents Drive San Rafael, CA

The cost is \$325.00 per couple. For more information, call (415) 699-8348.

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 *May 1st*. See you there!

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille... A lifeline for marriages. Do you feel lost, frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Retrouvaille helps married couples heal and renew their marriages.

There are 4 sessions over 2 Saturdays:
April 21 and May 5, 2018 from
10 am to 4 pm.

Register at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or contact
Gus and Edda Rivera at (510) 709-6063
Retrouvaille provides marriage Help! You are not alone!

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, 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. 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
Gloria@ccinterfaithhousing.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Are we like Thomas and doubt the power of God in our marriage? Learn the tools to put God in your Sacrament of Marriage by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend held at **San Damiano Retreat Center**, Danville.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is May 18-20th or September 7-9th. Space is VERY limited. Early registration 4 to 6 weeks ahead is highly recommended. Contact Greg & Mary @ 925-754-1284 or Joe & Sue @ 925-680-7767 now or go to oaklandwwme.org.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

Two parts of today's Gospel stood out for me. The first is, "Peace be unto you." Easy to say and hard to remain at peace as our lives are complicated by family disagreements on the home front, and nations not being able to trust one another on the world front. How does one remain in the Lord's peace in the mistrust, the anger and the outright hatred of others? The only way I know is to spend time in prayer and to have a trusted friend or counselor to talk things out. Recently a family member got angry with me and laid all kinds of false accusations on me. By grace I was able to say, "I hear you but I disagree." But then it stuck in my craw and I could not let it go. I needed a trusted friend to get me on the right track and restore my confidence. By grace, forgiveness was there, but there was no way to come to agreement so I have to give it to God. Two people of Wisdom helped: Fr. Richard Rohr who said, "Hurts become home for our greatest hopes" and Julian of Norwich who said, "Before God, our wounds become our glory." (*Showings, Chapter 39*) Can we with Christ see our suffering as a means to glory?

The other aspect of this Gospel, of course, is Thomas' response to the disciples who said, "We have seen the Lord." Thomas is so caught up in the violence of the crucifixion, he cannot see that there is light at the end of the tunnel. He is consumed by what he experienced and cannot think beyond it. Violence and hatred have a way of sticking to you. We, too, get consumed and weighed down by our struggles in this life and the glories of Easter fade quickly. But Jesus told the disciple to return to Galilee; that is, return to the ordinary life so we can make God's dream for the world a reality. We can't stare at the tomb indefinitely. We can't stay in our grief or anger. We have to bring the light of the resurrection forward toward the end times when Christ the Alpha and Omega will come again. So get busy bringing the life and light into the deadened parts of your world. You have the power in the risen Christ to create something new and redeem the emptiness. Ask yourself each morning, "How am I bringing light into my home, my family, my neighborhood, my world?" Let your focus be here instead of on the difficulties.

As Pope Francis said, "We have been saved by the Lord and have to begin to contemplate in ourselves and in what surrounds us the signs of the resurrection of Easter, which bring about a new creation. This is the content of our hope." This is the hope that defeats all the forces that impede, limit and confine the human spirit and celebrates the triumph of Christ's liberating grace.

If you are a fallible human being like me, this is not easy. It takes a consistent prayer life and some good and holy friends to remember that Christ has already conquered the darkness. He sends me back to Galilee to point out to the world that the signs of resurrection are all around us. The darkness does not last forever. So keep putting one foot in front of the other, even if the Light is around the bend and not seeable. We only have the Present Moment. See and rejoice in the Light here and now and let tomorrow take care of itself.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

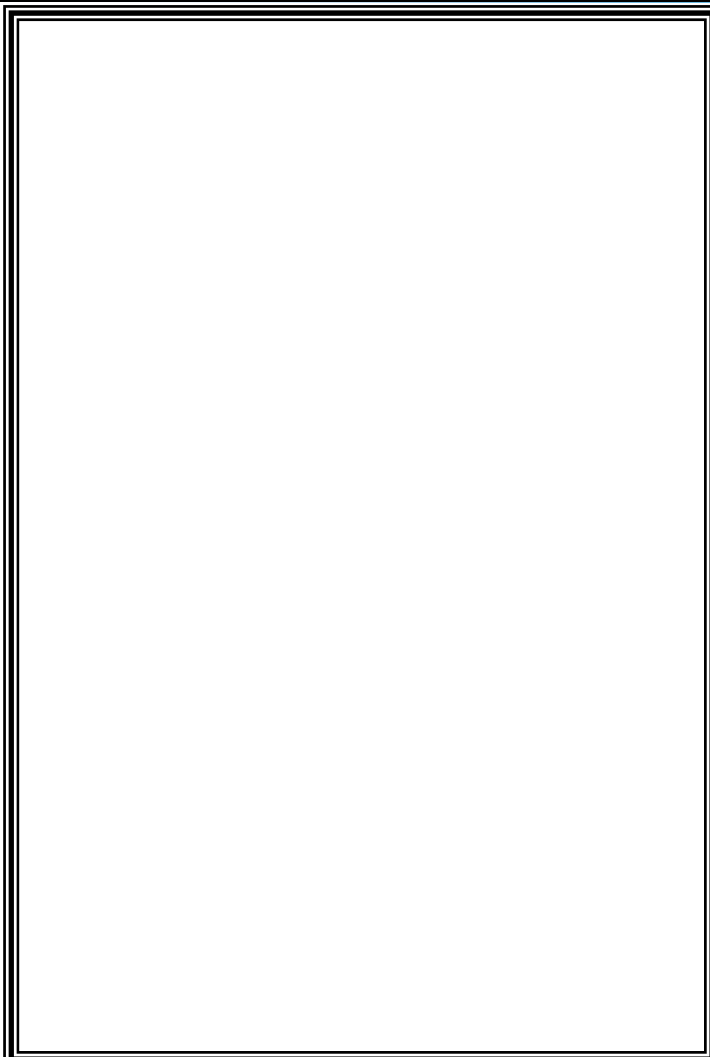
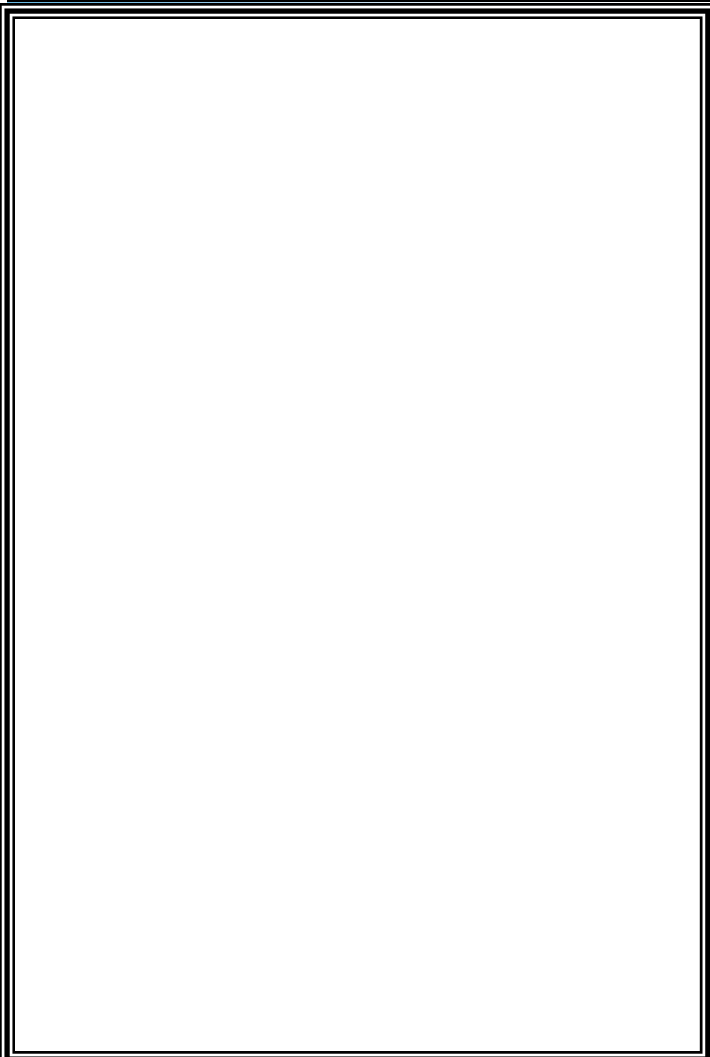
Change Is Life

Each year there is always something new to help renew the spirit of being an active participant in the liturgies surrounding Triduum and Easter. Each liturgy from year to year is wonderful in its own right. However, there is the unique quality of experience that can only be obtained by participating in these liturgies over the course of several years. The "backbone" of the liturgies remain the same but the changes are what puts the living "flesh and blood" to them. It is the changes that give life to the liturgies.

One example of change happened when the organist failed to show for Good Friday's Sung Morning Prayer. What overtly looked like a disaster was in fact a change that brought greater impact to the starkness of the cross and the emptiness of a world without Jesus as the Triduum is supposed to reflect. A greater sense of community as **Church** took hold of everyone present. With gentle and directing words, Fr. Robert imparted the importance of the people gathered to worship the Lord as our responsibility. As individuals it is up to us to come together as a united Church to **do** liturgy as one. Without the organ music it is up to us to produce the music that comes from our hearts and sings to the Lord. Yes, without the organ to cover our voices every little flawed note we sang could be easily heard. How much like every little sin we have that can be easily seen by God. Each wrong note and sin matched our sorrow in front of the cross hanging high behind the altar, and we thank God for the cross of Christ.

Another change, at least for me, was standing in as sponsor for our Faith Formation Director, Frances Rojek, who had a commitment at the Neuman Center on Holy Thursday night. Jean was my candidate charge for the evening and what a wonderful woman she is. In the brief moments when we could exchange comments with each other, I discovered her charming warm personality and the way she reflects the suffering servant of Jesus in her life. In a long life of strict obedience to her husband she poured out love willingly as a happy giver, but as few other people would be freely willing to do. She truly had love for the man. I am glad the Lord has someone so much in love with him too. She displayed a marvelous sense of humor.

As the foot washing drew to a close she asked, "Are you ticklish?" I responded "Very." We both laughed quietly. After we had washed and kissed each other's feet we were watching all the others and how they reacted to the humble gesture. The Latin refrain "Ubi Caritas, est vera, est vera; Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est" was sung. I leaned over and confided in her as I whispered, "That last phrase 'Deus ibi est', when I first heard it I thought they were singing 'Debutes on CBS'!" We laughed again. I've seen her eyes well with tears and the biggest smile on her face; both changes that give life to a soul in love with the Lord as I am sure all the candidates are. God bless them all!



**STAND
TOGETHER
CONTRA COSTA**

**Immigration Legal Services and Rapid Response Network
Promoting Safety and Justice in Contra Costa County**

**Call 925-900-5151
for help if**

- You see Federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activity in progress at your home, school, workplace, or in the community
- You or someone you know has been detained or arrested by ICE
- You or someone you know is facing deportation proceedings

The mission of Stand Together Contra Costa is to ensure that all people in Contra Costa County, regardless of immigration status or ability to pay, are afforded the rights established by the United States Constitution and are protected from actions or policies that result in disparate, discriminatory, or unlawful treatment.

Stand Together Contra Costa is a coalition of community partners including the Contra Costa County Public Defender's Office, Bay Area Community Resources, Catholic Charities of the East Bay, Centro Legal de La Raza, International Institute of the Bay Area, Jewish Family and Community Services East Bay, Monument Impact, and Oakland Community Organizations.



Catholic Charities of the East Bay Tee Off For Healthy Families on April 23
Golf for a difference at the 34th Annual Catholic Charities Golf Classic. A day of golf at the renowned Lakeside Course at Blackhawk Country Club, followed by dinner, raffle, and auction. Benefits programs that help children, youth, and families in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties overcome obstacles resulting from poverty, trauma, and violence so they can move forward in life with greater independence. For more information, to sponsor, or register visit www.cceb.org/golf.



Catholic Charities of the East Bay 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?"

This 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 or (510)290-6103.



ANTIOCH YLI #101

ANNUAL PASTA DINNER

WHEN:

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

3:00 – 6:00 PM

WHERE:

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

PARISH HALL

3351 CONTRA LOMA BLVD.

ANTIOCH, CA

**Tickets will be sold after Masses at both
Parishes**

Tickets will also be sold at the door!

Reservations can be mailed to

Jeannine Ford

208 Boulder Drive

Antioch, CA 94509

Please make your check payable to: Antioch YLI #101

Note: Please list names of all guests attending with payment

**Family and Friends
Welcome**

Tickets

\$15 Adults

\$5 Children (under 10)

Reservations

Call Jeannine Ford

925-757-9650

100% Benefitting

Holy Rosary

&

**St. Ignatius of
Antioch**

Anti-pasta

Pasta with our famous meat
sauce

Green Salad

Garlic Bread

Dessert

Coffee and Punch