

St. Ignatius of Antioch

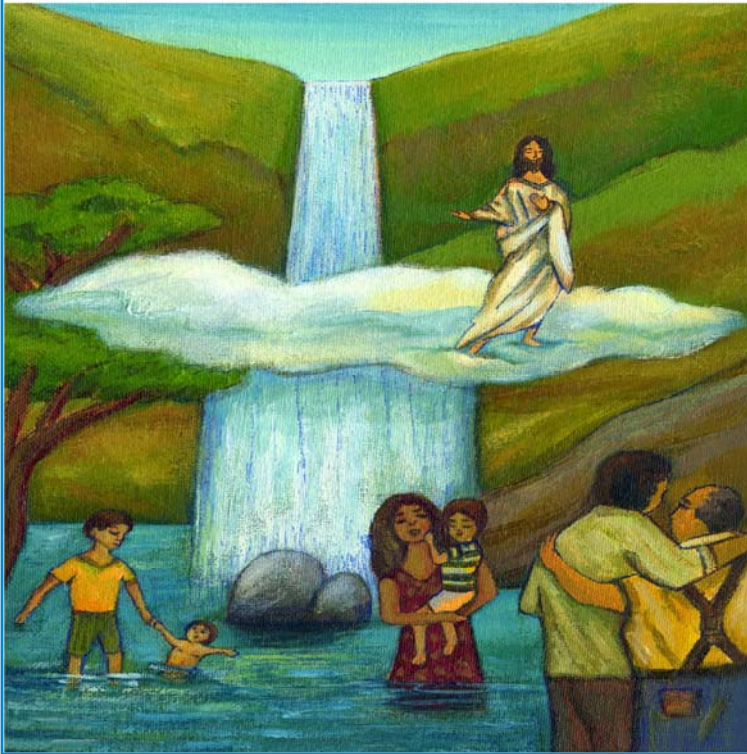
May 6, 2018 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Love

O God,
you are the source of all love
and we joyfully lift our voices in song
to give you praise for the gift of
your Son, Jesus,
who gave his life so that we might live.
Help us turn away from the slavery
of sin
and embrace your Word,
who calls us to love one another.
Grant that, with hearts filled
with compassion,
we may courageously lay aside
our needs
and work to promote peace and justice
throughout the world.
Keep us faithful to our
baptismal covenant
so that we may reveal your saving power
and be found on that final day praising
your blessed name.
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,
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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.



**May 6, 2018
Sixth Sunday
of Easter**

*It was not you who chose me, but I
who chose you and appointed you to
go and bear fruit.*

— John 15:16

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 April 21-22

Weekend Offering.....\$12,016.00
2nd Collection (St. Vincent de Paul)..... \$2,803.00

Looking Ahead

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

May 6th: Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be attending the 10 am Liturgy.

May 11th: Mayflower Chorus Presents, Showtime, A Tribute to Broadway. Friday at 8 pm and Saturday May 12th at 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Marin Center Showcase Theater, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael. Don Pearson Guest Director.

May 12th & 13th: The Mary Project is returning for its 10th year!. For more information see page 7.

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, May 6

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- First Eucharist for Faith Formation Children
- Catholic Daughters of the Americas attending 10 am Liturgy
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- Birthday Blessing - both liturgies
- Hospitality Sunday Sponsored by YLI

Monday, May 7

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

Tuesday, May 8

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Expansion Project Committee Meets - 10 to 11 am - Parish Hall
- Pastoral Council Meets - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church *TBD

Wednesday, May 9

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am—Novena following
- RCIC Class - 6 to 7:15 pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, May 10

- 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, May 11

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

Saturday, May 12

- 4 pm Liturgy
- Mary Project Donations Collected
- Second Collection for Catholic Communications

Sunday, May 13 Mother’s Day - Ascension of the Lord

- 8 am & 10:00 am Liturgies
- Mary Project Donations Collected
- Second Collection for Catholic Communications

Pray for the Sick

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

Rocco Battaglia	Nimfa Carnes	Kim Tank
Rosita Bonayon	Dorothy	Peter Villalpando
Tom Bresciani	Linda Morrison	Theresa Weathers
Gavin Cano	Jose Guillermino Ramos	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 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 Mk 16:15-20

Lay Ministers—Week of May 12th & 13th

4 pm: Lectors – Vince Augusta, Steven Rojek; **Head Cup** – Sharon Simpson; **Head Host** – Pam Confetti; **Host** – Bernice Campbell, Carol Fanfa; **Cup** – David Simpson, Jessie Okon, Rhoda Herrera

8 am: Lectors – Matthew Bajet, Kathleen Clarke; **Head Cup** – Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host** - Nick Suarez; **Host** – Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer, Jeanne Reilly, Samantha Peralto; **Cup** - Rick Howell, Sue Howell, Tim Cox, Jeannine Ford, Natalia Joyce; **Servers** - Aizaiah Laxamana, Chauncey Lewis

10 am: Lectors – Alicia Solano, Robert Solano; **Head Cup** – Steven Andreatta; **Head Host** – Lesley Eubanks; **Host** – Noel Fortez, Sheila Fortez, Amante Asuncion, Mark Costanza; **Cup** – Gloria Asuncion, Reyna Garcia, Al Necor, Lee Oliver, Gloria Olvera; **Servers** – Alessandra Necor, Jean Paul Fortez

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Joann Russo †
Sun. 8:00 am	Papa Joe Stralovich †
Sun. 10:00 am	Rosario D. Lucido †
Mon. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Tues. 8:00 am	Marian Favalora †
Wed. 8:00 am	All First Responders
Thur. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Fri. 8:00 am	Herminia Padilla †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Manuel Verayo, Bob Fromme, Msgr. James Tarantino and Deacon Ross Hoblitzell**. 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 Corn - 15 oz.**
- Canned Peas - 15 oz.**
- Chicken Noodle Soup - 10.5 oz. can**

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

Sorting - Sat., May 12th from 8:00 am to 12 Noon -
Holy Rosary Parish Center.

Distribution - Sat., May 19th at Fremont Elementary
8 am to 12 Noon - 1413 F Street, Antioch

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

*Heavy duty garbage bags are needed

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, June 2nd - 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 the Americas Bingo

Catholic Daughters of the Americas 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 **June 5th**. See you there!

St. Peter Martyr Students Honored

Congratulations to 19 St. Peter Martyr School 7th & 8th grade students inducted into the National Jr. Honor Society for academic excellence, exemplary community service, leadership, character, citizenship and scholarship. Students were recently inducted at an Honors Dinner and Ceremony. We are proud of their recognition of academic excellence and Catholic Values. Congratulations to:

John, Arcidiacono, Zuleyka Berumen, Gabriel Calderon, Juliana Carrillo, John Del Carmen, Gabriella Felix, Gabriela Flores, Alexia Gerona, Elijah Hart, Juanpablo Hernandez, Matthew Hoffmeister, Jacob Inaldo, Jalen Kang, John Quevada, Pablo Rivera, Rolando Sanchez, Juan Vargas and Hunter Venenciano.

Hospice Volunteers Needed

Patients who are nearing end of life have a variety of needs that can be filled by volunteers. Some patients have little or no support and are in need of companionship. Volunteer visits can include reading, journaling, helping and hobbies and relieving family members and friends.

Have you considered becoming a hospice volunteer?

Volunteers must be at least 18 and have not suffered a close personal loss in the last 12 months. The commitment is usually 1 - 2 hours per week. Thorough training will be provided to help volunteers feel comfortable with their assignments. There are patients in our area who are awaiting volunteer assistance. If you want to volunteer or get more information, contact Laurie Herbert at Kindred Hospice at 925-737-0203 or Laurie.Herbert @Gentiva.com.

At Home Communion Services

If you or someone you know would like to receive Communion at home, we have a number of parishioners who would like to bring Communion to either you or to those you know. If you - or they - might be interested in receiving the body of Christ, please call the office at 778-0768 or Deacon Gary at (925) 757-1385.

St. Peter Martyr School Fall Enrollment

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for 3yr-old Preschool, 4yr.- old PreKindergarten, 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 our website - www.stpetermartyrschool.org. St. Peter Martyr School is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg. We are fully accredited and invite you to become part of our Catholic school family. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit our website.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“This I command you: love one another.” Learn how to love your spouse as Christ asks by making time to participate 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 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

Friday, April 27, was the anniversary of the death of Dorothy Solle, one of my social justice heroines. Her life was lived in reparation for the Nazi atrocities during World War II. She was ashamed of that part of her German heritage and wondered how her countrymen and women could have let this happen. She defined mysticism as “a different relationship to the world—one that has borrowed the eyes of God.” A mystic sees the world as God sees it, full of compassion and love. She defined sin as “not just what we do, but what we allow to happen.” This is the question of this week. What are we allowing to happen that is not of God? Are we allowing walls to be built between neighbors? Are we allowing injustices to prisoners in our own county? Are we allowing the homeless to go hungry without lifting a finger?

These are hard questions, for evil exists everywhere and we can be overwhelmed by it. In the next few Sundays, we will read from the beautiful Gospel of John, himself a mystic. He often hits on basic themes: “Remain in my love.” Stay, be with me in that love, and love one another. God’s love is with us every morning as the sun that gives us life rises in the East. God’s love is with us in the beauty of every sunset. Mysticism is remaining in God’s love.

The Ninth Essential of Parish life is called Social Ministry. It begins explaining the history of justice and mercy in our scriptures and then relates the tradition of the last one-hundred years of Catholic Social Teaching beginning with *Reserum Novarum* down through Vatican II and beyond. In *Communities of Salt and Light*, the Bishops remind us that, “We cannot be called truly ‘catholic’ unless we hear and heed the Church’s call to serve those in need and work for justice and peace.” The Parish is the way to enact these efforts at seeing with God’s eyes.

Some ways we do this are through our donations to and active participation in trusted organizations that help the poor. We also “integrate the values and content of Catholic Social Teaching into many aspects of parish formation, liturgy and community life, connecting our work for justice with the Gospel and sacramental life of the Church.” We use Diocesan resources such as Catholic Charities for guidance and help. We can point to ways that our Parish is a Social Justice Parish.

We might be challenged, however, to promote more study and conversation, prayer and action around the social issues of our day, both locally and globally. Sometimes this gets sticky for we all have different opinions about social issues. Do we have the courage and love to research and discuss these issues calmly in the light of the Gospel? We know our pastor supports the efforts of the police and fire departments in responding to local crises. Do we support his efforts with our daily prayer?

Mysticism is not just a quality we find in canonized saints. Mysticism is seeing with the eyes of God and acting with love as the prophets of old did. Think of the areas where you feel shame. I am ashamed that there are so many homeless when we have the resources and creative ideas to do something about it. I am ashamed that we do not have a reasonable and just immigration system and that families are being torn apart because of this. I am ashamed that a few greedy folks can allow such poverty to exist in our country. Let us all take these to prayer and determine where we can act. We are called to be prophets of our own time, and act against injustice no matter what the price. Can you see with the eyes of God this week?

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl’Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Breaking Bread (Garlic That Is)

Once again, the bright and shining ladies of faith who are the YLI (Young Ladies Institute) have accomplished yet another successful Pasta Feed Dinner. On Sunday the 29th of April from 3 to 6 pm the YLI had a commanding yet loving hand on the affairs of the evening. Tables were set to perfectionist standards with the sweet touch of flower filled wine bottles for centerpieces. Both indoor and outdoor seating was available, and with the cool and sunny weather either choice of seating was the right one. As hungry entourages of friends and families gathered, they were quickly attended to by the youthful volunteer staff of servers.

I had the honor of sitting with Carolyn, one of our neophytes, and her close friend Kathleen. The conversation was insightful, stimulating, personable, and Spirit driven. We savored a refreshing antipasto during our chat that primed our palates as well as our conversations. We didn’t have to wait long until the large full plates of food arrived at our table. The main offering, of course, was pasta. This year featured a rigatoni cooked “buon cotto” (well cooked) which I prefer to the stiffer “al dente” (to the tooth). A side salad and two huge pieces of crunchy garlic bread provided the traditional accompaniments. The sauce was the famous amalgam of all the individual efforts of the ladies and the dedicated men of the ladies who slaved diligently over their stoves in their own kitchens to make the best flavor-packed sauce they could. Parmigiano cheese provided the crowning glory for the meal.

In the final analysis it was a taste of heaven as much as it was a taste of excellent Italian food. From time to time the musical strains of “Happy Birthday” could be heard in celebration of Dorothy Lamendola’s 90th birthday (she is one of the local founding members of the YLI and St. Ignatius of Antioch parish). Dining and talking to friends is a foretaste of the heavenly banquet and the communion of saints. There was always something special about sharing a meal to Jesus. He did it often enough that it is repeated throughout the gospels. It mattered not whether it be the wedding at Cana, dining at Zacchaeus’ house, eating in the house of Mary and Martha, or grilling on the shore of Galilee; Jesus’ life was and is ministry with meals.

God bless the YLI for continuing so closely in the footsteps of the Savior.



The Mary Project is returning for its 10th year!

Help support Birthright of Brentwood with your donations this coming Mother's Day Weekend, May 12th and 13th.

Birthright can use new and/or gently used baby items and clothing up to size 2T. Suggested donations are – diapers, wipes, body wash, lotion, pacifiers, bottles, sealed food and/or formula that has not expired, blankets, and clothing.

For questions or more information please contact Kathleen Clarke at kstuhfreyer@yahoo.com or 209-373-8707.



Join San Damiano for
MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH
 May 13, 2018
 Mass at 10:00 AM followed by Brunch
 Adults \$40; Kids 12 and under \$15
Register today
sandaminano.org / (925) 837-9141
 710 Highland Drive, Danville, CA

*A Cancer Free World Would be the
 Happiest Place on Earth*



St. Ignatius of Antioch Pasta Dinner

Hosted by the St. Ignatius of Antioch Relay for Life Team

When: Saturday May 26, 2018

Time: 6:00 pm – 9PM

Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

Cost \$15 per person – Tickets will be on sale after liturgies starting

Weekend of May 12th. Also available in Parish office and at the door, parish office hours Mon. – Fri. 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Menu Appetizers, mixed green salad, pasta, roll/butter and dessert.

Dinner will be served at 7PM

Great raffle prizes!! Music by The Nite Notes with guest singer Alicia Perez

Please call Alicia Perez @ 925-757-3354 or Maryann Peddicord @ 925-778-0768 for more information or for early bird tickets.

Bingo



Monday May 28th

St. Ignatius of Antioch

Parish Hall

Doors Open @ 11:00 AM

Lunch at 11:30 AM

Games Begin @ 12:15 PM



10 Regular Games - \$100 Payout Each
Specials

\$25 per person includes
10 Games & Lunch
Dauber - \$1 each

Tickets available after Masses
May 19/20 - May 26/27