

St. Ignatius of Antioch

August 5, 2018 – Eighteenth 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: 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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*Do not work for food that perishes
but for the food that endures for
eternal life.*

— John 6:27a

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 July 21-22

Weekend Offering.....\$11,040.50

Second Collection (St. Vincent de Paul).....\$2,712.00

Looking Ahead

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

July - September: John Muir Health Senior Services News. Information flyers are available on the credenza in the back of the Church.

August: Grand Raffle for “My Big Fat Church Raffle.” See page 7 of the bulletin for more details.

August 11: Hot August Nights Ticket Sales begin.

August 12: Breakfast Burritos sold in the gathering plaza, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Ongoing:

Tuesdays: 7:30 p.m. - Hula Class in the Parish Hall.
*TBD - 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, August 5

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Birthday Blessing
- 10th Annual Backpack Outreach for St. Peter Martyr School
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- Hospitality Sunday Sponsored by SPRED

Monday, August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord

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

Tuesday, August 7

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am

Wednesday, August 8

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

Thursday, August 9

- 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, August 10

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

Saturday, August 11

- 4 pm Liturgy
- Sr. Peg Bishop - St. Francis Mission Co-Op Appeal
- Hot August Nights Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

Sunday, August 12

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Sr. Peg Bishop - St. Francis Mission Co-Op Appeal
- Hot August Nights Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Knights of Columbus Breakfast Burrito Sales - Gathering Plaza

Pray for the Sick

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

Rocco Battaglia	Dorothy	Peter Villalpando
Rosita Bonayon	Linda Morrison	David Viscay
Tom Bresciani	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Theresa Weathers
Gavin Cano		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	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
Tuesday	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday	Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
Friday	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Saturday	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday	1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Lay Ministers—Week of Aug 11th & Aug 12th

4 pm: Lectors – Sandy Stokes, Ed Stokes; **Head Cup** – David Simpson; **Head Host** – Sharon Simpson; **Host** – Beth Enea, Carol Fanfa; **Cup** – Beverly Iacona, Jessie Okon, Pam Confetti; **Servers** - David Simpson, Edward Salas-Garcia

8 am: Lectors – Jack Goncalves, Kathleen Clarke; **Head Cup** - Crispina Malonosan; **Head Host** – Vianney Mendoza; **Host** – Romeo Quiambao, MaryJo Keister, Edith Quiambao, Tim Cox; **Cup** - Sue Howell, Rick Howell, Jeannine Ford, Natalia Joyce, Jenawati Kwa; **Servers** - Daniel Galvan, Vincent Martinez

10 am: Lectors – Tina Costanza, William Necor.; **Head Cup** – Amante Asuncion; **Head Host** – Gloria Olvera; **Host** – Estrella Rusk, Nancy Santos, Gloria Asuncion, Helga Boardman; **Cup** – Mark Costanza, Samantha Peralto, Jane Sharpe, Yvette Young, Harlan Young; **Servers** – Dezire Jackson, Jean Paul Fortez

4:00 pm and 8:00 am - Fr. Robert Presiding and Missionary Preaching
10:00 am - Fr. Ricardo Presiding and Missionary Preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Joann Russo †
Sun. 8:00 am	Papa Joe Stralovich †
Sun. 10:00 am	Cayetano & Andrea Duarte †
Mon. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †
Tues. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Wed. 8:00 am	Marian Favalora †
Thur. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Fri. 8:00 am	All First Responders

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen, John Heckendorn, Bob Asbury and Firefighter Jeremy Stoke**. 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 Green Beans - 15 oz.
Mac & Cheese - 7 oz. box

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

San Damiano Retreat

August 10-12 Women's Spirituality Retreat: A Weekend with St. Clare of Assisi

San Damiano Retreat in Danville invites you to experience the heart and healing of St. Clare and to see yourselves as Jesus sees you, as beloved daughters of God. Your guides for this journey will be Dorothy Charbonneau, Jan Stegner and Donna Foley, OFS. For more information and to sign up, please visit www.sandamiano.org or call 925-837-9141, ext. 315.

Sunday, August 19

Bluegrass Music & Pasta Dinner at San Damiano

Music at 3:00 PM; buffet-style dinner at 4:30 PM

Cost \$15 for adults, \$10 for kids 12 and under

710 Highland Drive

Danville, CA 94526

For more information and to sign up, please visit the www.sandamiano.org or call 925-837-9141, ext 315.

Silver and Gold Ministry

Here are a couple of upcoming events for the Silver and Gold Ministry:

Wednesday, August 15th: After the 8:00 am mass, anyone who has celebrated a birthday or anniversary during the months of May, June, July or August is invited to join us for a breakfast in the Parish Hall.

Wednesday, August 22nd: Join us for a breakfast get-together at the Denny's Restaurant on Lone Tree Way. Good food...good conversation...fond memories.

Contact Deacon Gary at 757-1385, or the parish office, if interested.

Mobile Mall

Distribution– Sat., Sept 15th from 8:00 am to 12 pm
Fremont Elementary School
1413 F Street, Antioch

For more information about this ministry, please contact

Dee Vergara at 753-1291.

*Heavy duty garbage bags are needed

Sisters of St. Francis Mission

The Sisters of St. Francis' missionaries will be speaking at Sunday Masses next weekend. The Sisters serve the poor, with foreign missions in Mexico and home missions in Appalachia. In remote areas of Mexico they work to build faith communities where there are no priests for regular Sunday Masses. Sisters also give children living in extreme poverty the opportunity to obtain education plus emergency needs of food and medicine. Appalachian ministries include faith development and pastoral care, adult literacy, and emergency outreach of food, clothing, and shelter for the poor. Please help make a difference in the lives of those who are poor with your financial support.

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, Sept 1st - 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.

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.

40th Anniversary Committee Forming

A committee has been formed to help plan our BIG anniversary celebration for next year which will be our 40th Anniversary. If you would like to help with planning the Anniversary activities, you are more than welcome to join this committee. We are asking for members of each Church Ministry to join in this planning. Watch the bulletin for the date of the next meeting.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

What is the meaning of “bread” in today’s Gospel? Jesus’ words lead us into a spiraling depth of this simple part of everyday living. Everyone knows the place of bread at a meal. There are rolls, toast, fancy cinnamon breads, etc. One can have it for breakfast, for sandwiches at lunch, or for special dinners. San Francisco is known for its sourdough flavor. Bread is a staple in many parts of the world.

Jesus begins his lesson by making people aware that bread does not just feed the body. He understands that the sharing of bread is not just “food that perishes but food that endures for eternal life.” As Christians we obviously get the Eucharistic symbolism here. The sharing of the bread in the Eucharist is what makes us the community of God’s love. But Jesus leads us further connecting it to past and future. “It was not Moses that gave you bread from heaven; my Father gives you true bread from heaven.” In true Trinitarian form, Jesus shares a spiritual secret. The Father gives life to the Son. “I am the bread of life.” And the Son will give life to us through His Spirit. It is this relational giving that is the lifeblood of the Christian understanding of bread.

This connection was made clearer to me in the reading of Fr. Richard Rohr’s *The Divine Dance*. The author takes this doctrinal idea and breaks it open for us. The Trinity is not just dry theological word or doctrinal concept. When we make the sign of the cross, we are confirming for ourselves that we belong to the community of God, ever one and three at the same time. The dance of love between them swoops us up and makes us sisters and brothers with and in God. That is what Jesus came to tell us.

It is the flow, the relationship, the circling around that this mystery makes clear. Amid all our diversity, it is the dance that we participate in that makes us believers. “Whatever is going on in God is the flow, a radical relatedness, a perfect communion between the three--a circle dance of love.” (p.27) It is our participation in that flow that Jesus is talking about, and it is made real in the *taking, blessing, breaking and sharing* of the bread of the Eucharist.

In the fifteenth century, Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev created a picture of the flow between the Three persons seated at a table. “The Holy One in the form of Three--eating and drinking, in infinite hospitality and utter enjoyment between themselves. If we take the depiction of God in *The Trinity* seriously, we have to say, ‘In the beginning was the Relationship.’” But there is a fourth place at the table, the Holy Spirit inviting us to be a part of this meal, this dance. Some even believe that the original icon held a mirror on the table to invite the looker into the picture.

That is the “spiritual secret” that Jesus invites us to today. He uses the sharing of bread to bring us to the table of the Three and invite us into His life with the Father and the Spirit. We never hunger or thirst if we get connected to the Divine Life of the Trinity, the flow of love in relationship.

But there is more. We are invited to act as God acts, to be in relationship with our brothers and sisters, the good and the bad, those we like and those we don’t. That is what the sharing of bread is all about. “I am the Bread of Life,” He says. Like Jesus we must be food for others. We are challenged this week to be in relationship with others as the Trinitarian God has shown us. We are urged to mend fences and reach out to all in our path to bring them to this table of love.

Parish Perspective—*The Best Of*

By Peter Degl’Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Miracles, Miracles

There is a country song that Don Williams used to sing called *Miracles*. The soft gentle refrain states “Miracle, miracles, that’s what life’s about; most of you will agree, if you’ve thought it out.” Easter is the time to celebrate the greatest miracle of all; God’s forgiveness for humanity’s sins through the sacrifice and resurrection of Jesus. Starting with that great day there have been miracles ever since. Miracles still occur to this very day. Some are big and inexplicable, some are moderately noteworthy, and most are quite small; but they are all true miracles because miracles are the intervention of God’s will in a natural world and are not measured by magnitude to insure authenticity.

One small miracle I witnessed this Easter season occurred during the distribution of the Blessed Sacrament. There is a young man I have know for years and have had many theological and religious discussions with on many subjects. He is quite active in his faith and is relentless in his pursuit of learning more and trying to comprehend the nature of God, salvation, and the way to live a truly Christian life. Because of a divorce and remarriage, as is the case with so many Catholics, he comes forward for a blessing at communion time. It has always pained me that someone so dedicated to the worship and love of the Lord should be denied the sacrament while I receive; for he is greater than I in the kingdom of God. I have prayed that one day he may receive what he has sought for so long a time and was so close to him, yet unattainable.

Then it happened. One day, seemingly like all the rest, he came forward. As I instinctively raised my hand to grace a blessing upon his head I saw his hands, cupped and outstretched to receive our Lord in the Bread of Life. With no control over my thoughts and tongue in an instant I heard myself speak the words “Oh, wow” softly and gently. “The body of Christ” followed, and he answered “Amen.”

It was a small miracle yet as great and as grand as any since the resurrection. It was a triumph of God’s love and an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It was like Mary choosing “... the better part” over Martha. It was like David and his companions eating the Show Bread from the temple. It was like seeing any of the sick or lame that Jesus healed made whole again. It was a resurrection of a man with, through, and in the author of eternal life.

Miracles happen every day. We may not be aware of them or know to whom they are happening, but they do happen. It is perhaps these small yet significant miracles that keep renewing our faith in a compassionate and loving God that makes life worth living. If we have thought it out, we, too, would have reached the conclusion “that’s what life’s about.”

Breakfast Burritos



Sunday August 12

After the 8 and 10 AM Masses

Eggs – Sausage – Ham - Bell Peppers – Cheese - Potatoes
Salsa On the Side

\$2 each / 3 for \$5

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



Pathways to Health & Wellness

Mental Health Counseling Services

Our community health services support your emotional wellness by providing **free and confidential counseling** for individuals and families. If you are experiencing anxiety, depression, trauma, emotional difficulties, or stress that feels unmanageable, these services are for you.

We welcome everyone – no payment or insurance required.
To make an appointment, please call: (925) 941-7940

1-Hour Individual & Family Counseling Appointments:
Most Saturdays from 9am-12pm

Services start June 16, 2018

Village Community Resource Center
633 Village Dr., Brentwood, CA 94513

Services available in English and Spanish



Celebrating 500 years of Filipino Catholic Evangelization
Our Faith, Our Journey, Our Mission



July 9, 2018

Dear Parish Priests, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings!

In connection to the 4-year preparation of the 500th Anniversary of Philippine Evangelization, the Filipino clergy, religious, and laity of the Diocese of Oakland would like to, once again, invite you, your staff and your parishioners, to its first symposium to be held on **September 29, 2018 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Monsignor Cardelli Activity Center (Gym), St. Isidore Church.** The event will be highlighted with the symposium, group dynamics, the Eucharistic celebration and agape.

The theme for this event is: **“Rooting, Uprooting and Re-Planting: The Filipino Experience of Moving from Home (Philippines) to Home (Oakland Diocese, Bay Area)”** dubbed as, **“Celebrating Our Faith from the Islands to the Mainland.”**

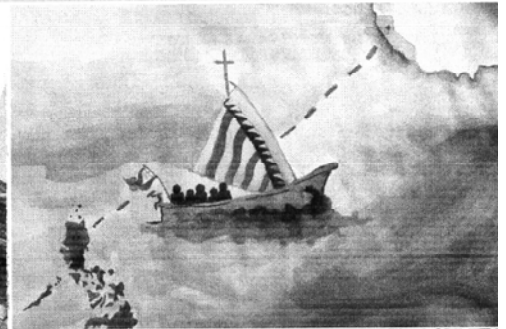
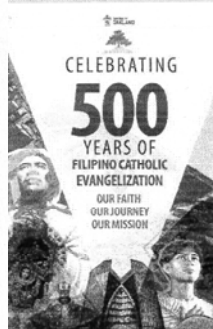
Come and join us as we celebrate faith together. Thank you so much and we hope to hear from you soon.

Respectfully,

The Filipino Clergy of the Diocese of Oakland

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH FROM THE ISLANDS TO THE MAINLAND

Philippines



**Rooting, Uprooting & Re-planting
The Filipino Experience of Moving
from Home (Philippines)
to Home (Oakland Diocese, Bay Area)**

**SEPT. 29, 2018
(SAT) 9AM - 3PM**

Monsignor Cardelli Activity Center
St Isidore Church
440 La Gonda Way, Danville CA 94526
oakjourneyto2021@gmail.com

Mass in honor of
San Lorenzo Ruiz

Admission and lunch are free

To Pre-register
500thanniversarycelebration.eventbrite.com

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Grand Raffle

This year's theme:

My Big Fat Church Raffle

First Place Winner chooses
A romantic cruise of the Greek Isles

or

A land tour of beautiful Greece

All travel arrangements to be made through Black Diamond Travel.

Total cost of the trip limited to \$8,500.

Can be used within one year of the drawing and is subject to availability.

Cash in lieu of travel: \$5,000.

2nd Prize
\$2,000.
Cash

3rd Prize
\$1,000.
Safeway Gift Card

Early Bird Incentives

Sell your first book of 10 tickets and turn in the sales proceeds within the specified bonus period and receive bonus raffle tickets. The raffle committee will prepare and submit the Bonus Tickets for you automatically. Bonus offer applies only to the first book of tickets sold.

- Turn in your first book of ticket proceeds by Sunday August 12 and receive 5 bonus tickets.
- Turn in your first book of ticket proceeds by Sunday August 19 and receive 4 bonus tickets.
- Turn in your first book of ticket proceeds by Sunday August 26 and receive 3 bonus tickets.
- Turn in your first book of ticket proceeds by Sunday September 2 and receive 2 bonus tickets.
- Turn in your first book of ticket proceeds by Sunday September 9 and receive 1 bonus ticket

All second (and subsequent) sold books of 10 tickets will receive one chance for a \$300 multiple-book raffle.

All ticket proceeds should be placed in a raffle-proceeds envelope and placed in the collection basket or dropped off during business hours at the parish office. For complete rules, see your ticket packet or contact the parish office. Winners are responsible for reporting and paying any applicable taxes.