

St. Ignatius of Antioch

September 2, 2018 – Twenty-second 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 & as announced
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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Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5

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 August 18-19

Weekend Offering.....\$10,701.00

Collection for Assumption.....\$922.00

Looking Ahead

OPA! It's full steam ahead for **My Big Fat Church Raffle**. Be sure to turn in your ticket proceeds as early as possible. See page 7 for more details. Thank you for your support.

Parish Directory: In celebration of the Parish's 40th Anniversary in June, 2019, a pictorial parish directory is being planned. Portrait times can be scheduled between 1pm and 8pm on the following days: Monday, September 17 through Thursday, September 20 & Monday, September 24 through Friday, September 28. See the reservation table in the Gathering Plaza after weekend Liturgies or call Steve Rojek 925-642-2329. Reserve early for best available times.

September 15-16: St. Ignatius of Antioch's 5th annual sock drive. See page 6 for details about this traditional parish outreach effort.

September 21: St. Ignatius of Antioch Cabaret at 7 pm in the Church. Tickets on sale beginning September 1 after weekend liturgies.

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).

Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 2

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Catholic Daughters attending 10 am Liturgy
- Second Collection for Parking Lot Loan
- Birthday Blessing at both Liturgies
- Gala Dinner Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Cabaret Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Hospitality Sunday sponsored by Catholic Daughters - Gathering Plaza

Monday, September 3 Labor Day - Offices Closed

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Labor Day Bingo - 11 am - Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 4

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

Wednesday, September 5

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy - 8 am, with Novena following - Church

Thursday, September 6

- 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, September 7

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

Saturday, September 8

- Safe Environment Training - 8:30 am to noon - Parish Hall
- 4 pm Liturgy
- Second Collection for Priest Retirement
- Gala Dinner Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Cabaret Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

Sunday, September 9

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- YLI Liturgy at 10am
- Second Collection for Priest Retirement
- Gala Dinner Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Cabaret Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- Eucharistic Minister Training Class - after 10 am Liturgy

Pray for the Sick

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

Peter Aliotti	Gavin Gantt	Peter Villalpando
Rosita Bonayon	Linda Morrison	David Viscay
Tom Bresciani	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Theresa Weathers
Gavin Cano	Marlene Rideau	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	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Saturday	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Sunday	Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Lay Ministers—Week of Sept 8th & Sept 9th

4 pm: Lectors – Vince Augusta, Steve Rojek; **Head Cup** – David Simpson; **Head Host** – Sharon Simpson; **Host** – Carol Fanfa, Bernice Campbell; **Cup** – Christoph Holl, Beverly Iacona, Jessie Okon; **Servers** - Edward Salas-Garcia

8 am: Lectors – Faye Lucas, Ron Lucas; **Head Cup** - Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host** – Nick Suarez; **Host** – MaryJo Keister, Tim Cox, Kathleen Hayakawa, Jeanne Reilly; **Cup** - Monika Kauer, Jenawati Kwa, Crispina Malonosan, Frank Kauer, Samantha Peralto; **Servers** - Daniel Galvan, Vincent Martinez

10 am: Lectors – William Necor, Andrew Ngo.; **Head Cup** – Jeannine Ford ; **Head Host** – Pam Confetti; **Host** - Lesley Eubanks, Kathy Augusta, Estrella Rusk, Fran Barbanica; **Cup** – Beth Enea, Sue Howell, Pat Dunleavy, Lee Oliver, Yvette Young; **Servers** – Dezire Jackson, Giada Godina

4:00 pm - Fr. Robert Presiding & Preaching

8:00 am 10:00 am - Fr. Richard Presiding & Fr. Robert preaching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Joann A. Russo †
Sun. 8:00 am	Papa Joe Stralovich †
Sun. 10:00 am	Finian Anyanwu
Mon. 8:00 am	All Labor Workers
Tues. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Wed. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Thur. 8:00 am	All Care Givers
Fri. 8:00 am	Alfredo & Elina Avelar †

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Ferdinand Hoyer and David Peddicord**. 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

Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

MAGNIFICAT PRESENTS:
Yolanda Rodriguez



Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women

Servants of the Immaculata
Walnut Creek Chapter of the Oakland Diocese
Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, September 8, 2018 - 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Crowne Plaza Hotel
45 John Glenn Drive, Concord

Servants of the Immaculata Chapter
Fr. Erick Villa, Spiritual Advisor
SERVICE TEAM
Maribel Serrano, Coordinator(925) 788-7762
Linda Adkinson,(925) 858-8801
Asst. Coordinator/Treasurer
Jennifer Rogers, Secretary(503) 709-8449
Christina Parodi, Historian(925) 708-2995

Register Early by Mail or On-line
www.magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/chapter-states-a-ca-walnut-creek/
Pricing:
ONLINE: \$33.00 + plus small processing fee
MAIL: \$33.00 *postmarked by 9/1/18
\$40.00 *after 9/1/18 deadline (phone in only)
Make checks payable to Magnificat SOTI
Mail to: Magnificat SOTI
P.O. Box 4626
Walnut Creek, CA 94596
Reserved Tables of ten (10) available
OPEN Seating - please plan to arrive by 9:00 am

"I have called you by name: you are mine" (Isaiah 43:1) is a scripture verse that has been imprinted in Yolanda's heart since a Marian Pilgrimage in 2005, in which she heard the call of Our Lady upon her life. That year, she became a Knight of the Immaculata through Saint Maximilian Kolbe Spirituality, consecrating her life to Jesus through Mary and it was also a year that would forever change her life.

It was in 2006, when her "Marian" mission of serving women and priests would begin. Since that time Yolanda has dedicated her life to teaching women of their God-given dignity, mission and beauty as daughters of God. By developing and leading classes, conferences, and creating her own study in 2014 entitled, "The Valiant Woman". In 2010, Yolanda attended Johnette Benkovic's "Benedicta Leadership Institute for Women". And in 2012 was honored by Catholic Charities and the Catholic Resource Center for her work on behalf of women and priests.

In 2018, Yolanda began a new website www.thereisaheart.com dedicated to the Mother of God. Yolanda is currently working on writing a new "Marian" study for women that will debut by the grace of God in the winter of 2018.

Eucharistic Minister Training

If you are interesting in serving as a Eucharistic Minister at the Saturday, 4 pm Mass; Sunday 8 am or 10 am Mass; there will be a scheduled Eucharistic Minister training class Sunday, September 9th after the 10 am Mass. All existing Eucharistic Ministers are encouraged to attend for additional training.

The class normally takes about 1 hour.

If you have any questions please contact Harlan Young at 925-754-8451 or Steven Andreatta at 925-458-4687

Faith Formation



Faith Formation

Growing in faith takes a lifetime. God is always calling for us to turn to Him. But, how do we do this? How can I choose to know God? How do I love God?

The family is the most important place to learn about God and His love. When parents treat each other with love and respect, children catch on. They aren't being told, they are just living in that mystery of dying and rising for the love of the other.

And so, how did we learn how to love like this? The answer to this question will take a lifetime to Answer. For starters, we can learn from home and from our family we call church.

Preparations are in place for our children and youth to begin Faith Formation sessions. We will be using the Family of Faith program that encourages parents and catechists to be involved in the formation of the family.

If your child attended classes last year, you should have received a registration form in the mail for the 2018-19 year. If you are enrolling your child for the first time, you can come to the Faith Formation Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 am 12:30 pm or call 925-778-1631 to make arrangements.

Frances Rojek
Pastoral Associate - Formation and Administration

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. The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, September 11th at 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

CYO Basketball

St. Ignatius of Antioch CYO Lions Basketball
2018-2019 Season



The CYO Basketball program is looking for BOYS & GIRLS
3rd - 8th Grade to participate in the Contra Costa CYO East Diablo League
(Players on all levels)

For more information and to register, go to www.stignatiusofantiochcyo.com or contact
Brenda at 510-812-6670 - CYO Basketball Registrar

San Damiano Retreat Center

"An Evening under the Stars" at San Damiano
Retreat Center on September 29, 2018.

Join Bishop Barber and the Franciscans for an evening of dinner and dancing. Dazzling silent and live auction items include lunch for 8 at AXR vineyards, Warriors tickets, an African Safari and more! Funds support the restoration of San Damiano.

Sign up today at www.sandamiano.org or call 925-837-9141 x315

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The news from Pennsylvania (and other dioceses) is so disturbing that it demands a column all by itself. After one gets over the shock and horror of the pedophilic scandals by clergymen, the injury to children, the betrayal and cover-ups, one wonders where does it stop and what can be done about it.

I first was made aware of this disease in the Body of Christ in the Diocese of Lafayette, La., where I was working from 1980-1988. The same bishop who allowed me to train 150 lay-pastoral ministers also was moving around offending priests. In the end after this was exposed by the National Catholic Reporter in 1987, 25% of the clergy went to jail or half-way houses. Thirty years later the people I trained tell me that the parishes of that diocese have never recovered from the feelings of betrayal and shame. It is as if the joy and enthusiasm went out of them. But we did not learn. Now almost every diocese is blighted by similar experiences.

We are blessed to be in a diocese that did something early on. Under Bishop Cummins systems were developed to deal with this issue and protect children. Priests who had this disease were held accountable, relieved of ministry and sent for help. Survivors of abuse were offered assistance and remuneration. All of us were encouraged to be open and transparent, to report any suspicious behavior. But the problem that goes back at least 70 years is still with us. We now must do more than admit the sin. The time for secrets is past. We must look to a future that is different.

Leaving the church is not the answer to this injustice. All of us are sinners that God makes saints. We must condemn the sin but not the sinner. We do not want to be separated from all the holy ones that have gone before us. Some of our own families have the blight of child abuse and incest. As the body of Christ we can make reparations for the sins within our midst and move toward living like Jesus did. One suggestion is that we all make sacrifices and offer up our prayers for those involved. We can have Holy Hours and set aside times of prayer. We can try to be more transparent rather than keeping secrets in our own lives. Jesus died on the cross to make reparations for our sinfulness. In His image, we can offer our life's hardships to repair the breach that has been made. Decide for yourself what sacrifices you will make in reparations for the damage that has been done to the Body of Christ.

This sin challenges us to bring compassion to both the abused and the abusers. Which of us has not sinned? Which of us can throw the first stone? Acknowledging this evil and making reparation is the first step, but only the beginning. We must do all we can to correct the current situation. That includes looking deeply into the systems in the church that allowed this to continue.

What in the systems of the Catholic Church has allowed this to fester for so long? Some would suggest that it is the issue of clericalism, a system that concentrates all power into the hands of a few men. I think we have a long way to go to make the connection between the abuse of power by clerics and the onset of this scandal. "Absolute power corrupts absolutely" and it was not the system Jesus recommended. He said, "The last shall be first and the first last." The early church held all things in common. Power was gained by listening and following the Spirit rather than one's own ego aggrandizements. It takes great courage to make changes in organizational systems, but that is the task we must now undertake. Many people are expressing the feeling of shame about these revelations. Next week I will write about dealing with the shame and betrayal in the Body of Christ.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Taught to Know the Lord

There are times, in the course of the liturgical year, when the same gospel passage keeps popping-up in the lectionary. Some passages are so often repeated that when I am at home preparing a homily to preach for the Thursday communion service I blurt out aloud, "Didn't we just leave this party?" Translated; didn't I just preach on this? Well, not too long ago I came across one such passage; when Jesus asks the question, "Who do you say that I am." "What am I going to say this time?" pops into my head. "They've already heard the standard approach a dozen times before. What can I do to present a different perspective? How can I give them something new?" The answer laid in the first reading when the prophet Jeremiah declared "No longer will they need to be taught to know the Lord."

Now, we may take knowing the Lord for granted because most of us were baptized at birth and have had the Holy Spirit guiding us all our lives, but back then it wasn't so. People had to be taught, and Jesus was the ultimate teacher.

Traveling as he did, most of the people were only able to hear one or two of his teachings, but the apostles heard it all. Any good teacher or preacher wants to know how effective they are, so Jesus asked the two-pronged question; Who do the people say that I am? and Who do you say that I am? The people still needed more teaching as they had missed the mark completely. However, Peter was right at that critical balance-point where he was half right and half wrong, or half divinely inspired and half "thinking as men do." Peter's response, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" is the first evidence of God's promise through Jeremiah coming to fruition. Jesus confirmed this by saying, "Flesh and blood [human teaching] has not revealed this to you but by my Father in heaven." Jesus was overjoyed by Peter's response until, after revealing the passion he must undergo, Peter opened his mouth again and said, "Far be it that you should die." Back to the classroom Peter! No diploma for you this day.

Although Peter's rise to "Head-of-the-Class" status and fall to dunce cap wearer was blindingly fast, it does mark a significant point in Jesus' ministry. Though we know the Lord, we sometimes act as if we have one divinely inspired eye, seeing the wonders and purpose of our lives in Christ and one purely human eye, seeing only the troubles and anxieties of this world. Like Peter we get caught in our own duality of being the children of God and the descendants of Adam. That is when we must remember that we may be at a balance point in God's great plan for us.

Luckily, we have a very forgiving teacher who corrects our missteps and lets us know him better and better each day no matter how far or fast we may fall. Dunce cap not included.

Fifth Annual



Sock Drive

New black or white men's crew length socks are preferred.

TO ASSIST HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS

Please bring your donations to the weekend Liturgies on **September 15-16** or drop them off at the parish office before **September 19** so we can arrange delivery to San Francisco.

Thank you for your support of this outreach



40th Anniversary

June 1979—June 2019

Do You Remember...

- ◆ celebrating Mass at Park Junior High?
- ◆ when the parish office was in a trailer?
- ◆ working with the Harvesters to build our faith community?
- ◆ when we had chairs instead of pews?

If you do, or even if you don't, we need your help. We are collecting pictures of parish celebrations and events for our 40th Anniversary. Place your pictures in the 40th Anniversary Memory Box located in the Narthex beginning August 24. If you would like your pictures returned, please place them in an envelope with your name and phone number. If you have digital pictures to share, email Vicki at v.a.mccoy@att.net. Please use "40th Anniversary" in subject line.



A new parish directory is in the works. Don't be left out. Stop by the table in the Gathering Plaza. Portraits are being scheduled for the last 2 weeks in September. For more information call Steve Rojek at 925-642-2329

Safe Environment Training

If you participate here at St. Ignatius of Antioch as a:

- Eucharistic Minister
- Lector
- Usher
- Sacristan
- Member of the Choir
- Member of an organization such as The Knights of Columbus
- YLI / Catholic Daughters
- CYO

And have not taken the Diocesan Safe Environment Training in the past 3 years
Then plan on attending the live training
On Saturday September 8 from 9 till 11 AM
In the Parish Hall
Hospitality at 8:45 AM

For more info or to register, please call Maryann at 778-0768 during Office Hours (9 am – 12:30 pm)

Bingo



Monday September 3rd
St. Ignatius of Antioch
Parish Hall
Doors Open @ 11:00 AM
Lunch at 11:30 AM
Games Begin @ 12:15 PM

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10	20	42	59	62
5	29	39	56	75
4	17	SPAC	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
Dauber - \$1

Tickets available after Masses
August 25/26 and September 1/2
Or by calling Steve @ 925-642-2329



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.**

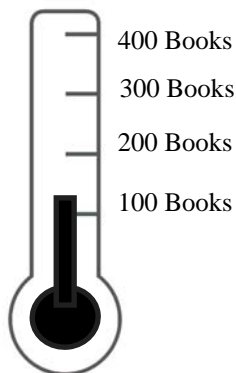
Total cost of the trip limited to \$8,500.

**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**



**The Goal is to
sell 400 Books**

**Ticket Books Sold
as of Sunday
August 19:**

169

**Thank you for your
generosity and support!**

Early Bird Incentives

Turn in your **FIRST** sold book of tickets by the date listed and receive the additional **BONUS** tickets for that period

Sunday Aug. 12	5 Bonus tickets
Sunday Aug. 19	4 Bonus tickets
Sunday Aug. 26	3 Bonus tickets
Sunday Sept. 2	2 Bonus tickets
Sunday Sept. 9	1 Bonus ticket

Bonus tickets apply only to the First sold by a registered household. All second (and subsequent) sold books of 10 tickets will receive one chance for a \$300 multiple-book raffle.