

St. Ignatius of Antioch

December 30, 2018 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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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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*Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we shall be has not yet been
revealed.*

— 1 John 3:2a

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 December 15-16

Weekend Offering.....\$ 8,431.00

Looking Ahead

January 12-13, 2019: 40th Anniversary Celebration for all who were baptized in our parish over the past 40 years. See page 4 for more details.

January 19, 2019: Annual Knights of Columbus Crab Feed. See page 6 for more information.

Ongoing:

Tuesdays: 7:00 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 - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall. Call the Faith Formation office for more details (778-1631).

Check us out on Facebook: If you haven't viewed the parish's Facebook page recently, check it out. More pictures and events are being posted. Most Sundays homilies are also posted.

www.facebook.com/stignatiusofantiochchurch

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 30 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Second Collection for Parish Assessment

Monday, December 31 - Vigil/Solemnity Mary, Mother of God

- No SPRED
- No RCIA
- 4 pm Vigil Eucharist

Tuesday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

- 11 am Holy Eucharist
- *Offices Closed*

Wednesday, January 2 - Most Holy Name of Jesus

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am with Novena following - Church
- No Classes

Thursday, January 3

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

Friday, January 4

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist- 8 am
- *No Adoration due to Memorial Funeral Liturgy*

Saturday, January 5 - Vigil/The Feast of the Epiphany

- Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Novena - 9 am - Church - Reception to follow - Parish Hall
- 4 pm Vigil Liturgy
- Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot

Sunday, January 6 - The Feast of the Epiphany

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Birthday Blessing - Both Liturgies
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot
- Confirmation I & II - 12 noon to 1:30 pm - Parish Hall

Pray for the Sick

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

Tom Bresciani	Linda Morrison	Diane Schlueter
Gavin Cano	Jose Palomino	FF Cole Smith
Stacia DeBuhr	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Dr. Deborah Stec
Dorothy	FF Mark Rezac	Peter Villalpando
FF Brandon Earhardt	Marlene Rideau	David Viscay
Willie Ilas		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	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Tuesday	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Wednesday	1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Thursday	1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Friday	1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Saturday	1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Sunday	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Lay Ministers—Week of Jan 5th & 6th

4 pm: Lectors – Steve Rojek, Susan Batterton; **Head Cup** – Pam Confetti; **Head Host** – Melodye Costanza; **Host** – Beth Enea, Kathy Augusta; **Cup** – Rhoda Herrera, Christoph Holl, Jessie Okon; **Servers** - Edward Salas-Garcia

8 am: Lectors – Kathleen Hayakawa, Pat Kramer; **Head Cup** - Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host** – Nick Suarez; **Host**– Jack Goncalves, Carol Fanfa, Diane Hack, MaryJo Keister; **Cup** - Tim Cox, Deanna Ribeiro, Jeannine Ford, Natalia Joyce, Jenawati Kwa, ; **Servers** - Daniel Galvan, Vincent Martinez

10 am: Lectors – Cecille Mirano, Rey Dollete, Sr.; **Head Cup** – Steven Andreatta; **Head Host** – Reyna Garcia; **Host** - Al Necor, Amante Asuncion, Angelina Guieb-Alphonso, Cecelia Kennedy; **Cup** – Nancy Santos, Dilcia Aparicio, Gloria Asuncion, Gloria Olvera, Estrella Rusk; **Servers** – Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Rocco Battaglia †
Sun. 8:00 am	Eva & Guido Romani †
Sun. 10:00 am	Alan E. Young †
Mon. 4:00 pm	Our Parish Family
Tues. 11:00 am	Our Parish Family
Wed. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Thur. 8:00 am	All Care Givers
Fri. 8:00 am	All Military Men & Women

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Fr. Patrick Burns, Anthony Zaro, Infant Kaydence Cimatu and Firefighter Steven Pacatte**. 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

Holy Family Prayer

The Knights of Columbus invite each family To pray this prayer at home on the Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph on December 30.



O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer. We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our Savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home. We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary, and gave us a model of fatherhood while showing us the dignity of work. We entrust our family to you.

O Holy Family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. May we be completely united in a love that is lasting, faithful and open to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need.

May our home, O Holy Family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Knights in Action

On Saturday, December 16th the Knights of Columbus of St. Ignatius of Antioch held their once-a-month Contra Loma Blvd. street trash and debris cleanup. Led by committee chairman Bill Saunders, 9 Knights picked up 4 large bags of trash.



Participating Knights (l-r) Mike Bacchus, Committee Chairman Bill Saunders, Jeff Boatright, Grand Knight Tim Cox, Bill Barbanica, Walt Schlueter, our newest and First Degree Knight Ed Mataba, Ron Yarolimek and our Past Grand Knight Dave Simpson.

Adult Confirmation Classes

If you have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation and will be 18 years of age or older on Feb. 16th, then Adult Confirmation classes are for you! The Diocese of Oakland has set the date and opened registration for 2019. Classes will be (Tuesday evenings) Jan, 8, 15, 22, 29, and Feb. 12 from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Become a fully initiated Catholic and receive the power of the Holy Spirit, and its gifts. Contact Pastoral Associate Peter Degl'Innocenti at (925)756-6172 to receive this year's registration forms and more details. The Diocese will impose a deadline at some point in the near future. Don't delay, call now!

40th Anniversary News



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Were you or a family member baptized at St. Ignatius of Antioch?

The **FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD** is being celebrated on January 13 and marks the end of the Christmas Season. As part of our year-long celebration of the Anniversary of St. Ignatius of Antioch, we also want to celebrate and remember all who received the Sacrament of Baptism in our parish over the past 40 years. This celebration will take place on the weekend of January 12-13 and culminate with a reception in the parish hall after the Sunday 10:00 am Liturgy.

The Anniversary Committee is collecting pictures of parish baptismal celebrations for our Baptism Celebration. If you have pictures that you would like to share, please place them in the 40th Anniversary Memory Box located in the Narthex. 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 them to Vicki at v.a.mccoy@att.net. Please use "40th Anniversary" in subject line.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

I sat with a friend who was discouraged last week, and words of comfort came for me to say to her. The next day, I typed an email with more words to encourage her. Where do these words come from?

In today's Gospel, Jesus was in the Temple "listening and asking questions" and answering with words that astonished his listeners. When we pray, we listen with the ears of our heart. Words come, words of encouragement and grace, answers to problems that confound us, encouraging us to act in ways that "astonish" those who know us.

Mary and Joseph did not understand or expect their Son to depart from "normal behavior." He should have been with them. Why would He leave them, or cause them to worry? Because He must be in His Father's House. He must fulfill the role of Son in a different way than they expected. He was in touch with God's intentions that were revealed to Him in prayer.

Grace is like that. It leads us into words and actions that our friends and family members do not expect. When we listen prayerfully in our hearts, words and actions come that others do not expect or understand.

Mary gives us an example of what to do. Although she was at first worried and hurt by Jesus' actions, "she kept all these things in her heart." Like her, that is what we must do when things are beyond our comprehension, when they don't follow the "normal" pattern, when others disappoint and cause worry.

There is a spiritual practice in our tradition that will help us. It is called the Examine. It starts by finding a quiet space at the end of the day and placing yourself in God's Presence. Ask Him to guide you. Give thanks for the events that nurtured you. Ask Him to see where things belong in your life. How do the events of the day bring you closer to God? This is the practice of intentionally holding the day in your heart, of listening to the events and words of the day and letting God teach you how to interpret them. You will be astonished by what the Spirit is teaching you. You will be amazed because you will see the events of your life differently and give thanks for His Presence in your life.

We all have those in our own family that slight us. Holidays are a time when this behavior shows itself. We can be angry. We can say words that are hurtful and hard to take back. But in prayer, God lets us see what is behind these slights. He can give us the courage to respond differently. Then we too can grow in wisdom and grace and find favor with both God and humans.

Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

Resolutions and Routines

We should be seeing the last of the "big holidays" for a while, and all the things that piled-up that we were going to do after the first of the year are now due. So, the seasonal rush may not be over for most of us. I guess it's like the earthquakes we're so used to feeling around here. There's the primary shaker (Christmas / New Year's) and then all the little aftershocks that follow. We're in a kind-of holiday aftershock season. Nothing to worry about, just ride it out until we can settle back down into a normal routine, or better yet; a better routine.

We all make New Year's resolutions to some extent or another. Some of us make written lists with numbered resolutions. Others of us make verbal or silent vows to ourselves. Some of these resolutions we keep, others never see the light of day. The best way of keeping a resolution is to make it a routine part of our day. The best way to incorporate a new action into our lives is to do it after a major upset in our daily patterns of activity; like right after the holidays. This is the time of year when we can take advantage of the disruption in our normal routine to re-establish a better routine. What a better routine will be is up to you and your individual circumstances.

Are you retired or work a late shift where going to daily Mass may be a new possibility for you? I wonder how many of the 150+ people who attended the Simbang Gabi Mass tradition of getting up at 3 or 4 AM in the morning for a 5 AM Mass will put an 8 AM Mass into their new routine? How about joining a scripture study group to have the insights of the laity (baptismal priesthood) revealed to you and then compare that to what the ordained priesthood has to reveal on Sunday? If gift giving truly warmed your heart during the holidays, then perhaps joining a ministry that distributes food or clothing to the poor might be just the ticket for you or working in our community garden that grows the food for the poor might be in order. The point is there are many ways of resolving our spiritual needs with the needs of others. We have to live-out our intentions by changing our routine to include those intentions. Now is the best time to do that.

Give Church a chance to let you make a better person of yourself. Change the course of your life by changing your routine to include the Church in it. Who knows, you may even lose a few pounds doing active ministry, and losing weight is what is usually number 1 on most resolution lists.



Christmas Season Liturgy Schedule

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, 2018

- **4:00 p.m.** The Children tell the story of Christmas (Organ, Cantors; Carols; *No Incense*)
- **9:00 p.m.** Festive Celebration of Holy Eucharist for Christmas Night – The Parish Choir, Cantors, and Organ; The Blessing of the Christmas Trees and the Blessing of the Creche; Procession and Incense

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25, 2018

- **9:00 a.m.** Festive Celebration of Holy Eucharist for Christmas Morning; Procession, Cantors and Organ, Carols (No Incense).
- **11:00 a.m.** Festival Choral Eucharist for Christmas Day; The Parish Choir, Cantors, and Organ; Procession and Incense

Feast of the Holy Family, Saturday December 29, 2018

- **4:00 p.m.** Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday December 30, 2018

- **8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.** Celebration of Holy Eucharist

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31, 2018

- **4:00 p.m.** Vigil Liturgy for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1, 2019 – The Solemnity of Mary, The World Day of Prayer for Peace, The Octave Day of Christmas.

- **11:00 a.m.** Festive Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Get Your Tickets to the

7th Annual Knights of Columbus

Crab Feed



Saturday, January 19, 2019

5:30 PM

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

All You Can Eat:

Appetizers

Dungeness Crab

Salad – Bread – Pasta – Dessert

No-Host Bar

Raffles

\$50 per person

Tickets sold after Mass

December 28/29 & January 5/6 & 12/13

or

Call Steve Rojek at 925-642-2329

(No tickets sold at the door)



425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg.
OPEN HOUSE

January 27, 2019 - 10 am until Noon

St. Peter Martyr School is now accepting applications for 3 yr, 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:

<http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org/>.

St. Peter Martyr School is fully accredited and invites you to become part of our Catholic school family. Bring the family, meet the teachers, and visit the classrooms. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit stpetermartyrschool.org.

Thank You!



As 2018 draws to a close, please take some time to reflect on what YOU HAVE been able to do this year.

Your kindness, generosity and commitment to the Gospel message of Love supported the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry EVERY week, the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, meals on wheels, Winter Nights emergency family shelter, Catholic Charities, the Mission Cooperative Appeal, Contra Costa Interfaith Housing, the Northern California fire relief efforts, the Mary Project, St. Peter Martyr school, the sock and coat drives, the Giving Tree, the Thanksgiving Basket outreach and so much more.

Our liturgical celebrations, the wonderful music and choir ministries and our faith formation programs exist solely with your support.

As you count your blessings this Christmas season, we ask that you prayerfully consider a special year-end gift to St. Ignatius of Antioch.

Please know that every gift, no matter the amount, is both celebrated and appreciated!

