

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

January 20, 2019 – 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.**  
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**Fr. Richard Mangini**  
Assisting Clergy

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**Frances Rojek**  
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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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Nations shall behold your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory.  
— Isaiah 62:2

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 January 5-6

Weekend Offering.....\$12,087.50

Second Collection (Parking Lot Loan).....\$3,651.76

Looking Ahead

January 24: 40th Anniversary Committee meeting at 5 pm in the parish hall.

January 31: Annual calendar meeting 6 pm. See page 6. for more details.

February 10: 40th Anniversary event - Reception in the Parish Hall after 10 am liturgy celebrating all who were married at St. Ignatius of Antioch. See page 6.

February 18: Presidents Day Bingo in the Parish Hall. See page 7 for more details.

March 6: Ash Wednesday.

March 16: St. Joseph & St. Patrick Feast Days dinner. Watch for details.

June 1: 40th Anniversary Mass of Celebration and Dinner/Dance. Save the date.

Ongoing:

Tuesdays: 7:00 p.m. - Hula Class in the Parish Hall— contact Samantha Peralto at 726-7117 for information.

Thursdays: Growing in Faith Together (G I F T) sessions - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, January 20

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Confirmation I & II - 12 to 1:30 pm - Parish Hall

Monday, January 21 Martin Luther King Day

- Offices Closed
- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- SPRED Catechist Prep - 4:30 to 6 pm - Parish Hall
- No RCIA tonight

Tuesday, January 22

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Hula Class - 7 to 9 pm - Church
- Adult Confirmation Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Office
- Knights of Columbus Meets - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, January 23

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

Thursday, January 24

- 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
- 40th Anniversary Committee Meets - 5 pm - Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 pm to 9 pm – Church

Friday, January 25

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

Saturday, January 26

- 4 pm Vigil Liturgy

Sunday, January 27

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Confirmation I & II - attending 8 am Liturgy
- National Catholic Schools Week begins

**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**

<b>Monday</b>	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Mk 1:21-28
<b>Wednesday</b>	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
<b>Thursday</b>	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
<b>Saturday</b>	Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10,15; Mk 2:13-17
<b>Sunday</b>	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Lay Ministers—Week of Jan 26th & 27th**

**4 pm: Lectors** – Carmen Garces, Joe Salvador; **Head Cup** – Melodye Costanza; **Head Host** – David Simpson; **Host** – Bill Barbanica, Fran Barbanica; **Cup** – Beverly Iacona, Sharon Simpson, Rhoda Herrera; **Servers** - Edward Salas-Garcia

**8 am: Lectors** – Youth, Youth; **Head Cup** - Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host** – Crispina Malonosan; **Host**– Natalia Joyce, MaryJo Keister, Frank Kauer, Monika Kauer; **Cup** - Jack Goncalves, Rick Howell, Sue Howell, Samantha Peralto, Carol Fanfa; **Servers** - Daniel Galvan, Vincent Martinez

**10 am: Lectors** – Tina Costanza, Linda Castro; **Head Cup** – Gloria Olvera; **Head Host** – Carol Dollete; **Host** - Nancy Santos, Helga Boardman, Ed Cissell, Harlan Young; **Cup** – Sharon Cissell, Yvette Young, Mark Costanza, Noel Fortez, Sheila Fortez; **Servers** – Jean Paul Fortez, Stephania Madoshi

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

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

<b>Sat. 4:00 pm</b>	Angelyn Flosi †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Tony Hoang Dinh-Hung †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	Richard Cotter †
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests & Deacons
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	All First Responders
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	All Care Givers
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	All Military Men & Women

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of **Peggy Grabus, Fr. Dan Danielson, Fr. Patrick Goodwin, James Wetzel, Mary Frances Green-Parks, ConFire Capt. Roger Harless, Officer Natalie Corona and Jaia Lightner.** 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.

**Volunteers wanted:**

If you can visit a needy family with us to offer them help just once a month, please call us (925)757-0941.

**If you need help:**

St. Vincent de Paul phone number: (925)757-0941.

Emergency Food Pantry - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 9:00 and 10:00 am. Most Holy Rosary Parish Center.

Food Bank Fresh Food Truck - First and Third Friday of each month between 1:00 and 2:00pm. Most Holy Rosary Church parking lot

To access county social services, call 211 or go to: [www.211database.org](http://www.211database.org)

## Marriage Preparation

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

Saturday, Feb 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.

## Mobile Mall

**Distribution** – Sat., Jan. 26th from 9 am to 12 Noon-  
Turner Elementary School  
4207 Delta Fair Blvd, Antioch

**Sorting** - Sat., Feb 9th from 9:00 am to 12 Noon -  
Most Holy Rosary Gym

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

\*Heavy duty garbage bags are needed

## Safe Parking Program Opens

On January 1, Winter Nights opened their Parking Lot Program in Pittsburg. Persons living in cars can safely sleep overnight at a site monitored by Winter Nights staff. Participants will have access to restrooms, breakfast snacks and will be able to utilize the daytime Oasis in Pittsburg for showers where Winter Nights staff will assist them with obtaining additional services. If you know of a family living in their car, please refer them to Bill Shaw, Winter Nights Program Manager, **925-435-2074**.

This program is in addition to the ongoing Emergency Rotating Family Shelter Program hosted by Contra Costa faith communities.

## Volunteer Opportunity

The next Caring Hands Volunteer training is coming up on January 25th. This program matches volunteers with seniors in your area to offer friendship and occasional rides. If you have just an hour or two each week, please consider joining John Muir Health’s Caring Hands program. Contact Stacy Appel, Volunteer Coordinator, at (925) 952-2999 or email: caring.hands@johnmuirhealth.com.

## Novena For Life

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join with them as they offer a novena for the protection of life in all its stages—from conception to natural death. Pray the Rosary each day beginning on Monday January 21 and concluding on January 29.

## Save the Date

Our year long celebration of the 40th Anniversary of St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish concludes on June 1, 2019 with a Mass of Celebration and a festive dinner and dance. Mark your calendar now.



## St. Vincent de Paul Annual Report



Thanks to the generous parishioners of St. Ignatius of Antioch and Most Holy Rosary, the Holy Rosary Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assisted a significant number of Antioch residents last year.

**Emergency Food Pantry:** The purpose of the food pantry is to provide temporary food assistance. 235 families received over 600 bags of emergency food supplies. 80% of the families assisted visited the pantry four or fewer times during 2018.

**Telephone Contacts:** Approximately 800 requests for assistance were received and responded to by the Conference.

**Home visits:** 135 home visits were conducted by SVdP volunteers with some form of financial assistance being provided to each family as a result of the visit.

**Thanksgiving Baskets:** 160 turkeys and baskets of food along with winter coats were distributed from St. Ignatius of Antioch for Thanksgiving

**Christmas Distribution:** 230 turkeys, grocery gift cards and bags of food along with items from the Mobile Mall Ministry were distributed for Christmas at Most Holy Rosary Church.

## Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

The Rhineland mystics of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries help us to understand how God touches the heart of a person. Among them are Hildegard of Bingham, Elizabeth of Schonau, Gertrude the Great, Mechthild of Magdeburg, Richard and Hugh of the Abby of St. Victor and Bernard of Claireveaux. Their writings are filled with descriptions of God's interaction with them. They saw God in the delicate beauties of nature and in liturgy and their writings give vivid descriptions of the Light that filled them. They were masters of the imagination that inspires poetry and art. "Their own prayers seemed to them like larks, soaring up full of music to God, hovering before His face."\*

Our touch with God was portrayed last week in the description of the Holy Spirit descending "like a dove" on Jesus when he was baptized by John. The touch of God seems to be often represented by winged creatures, angels and doves, for inspiration is like the brush of a wing in our spirit. We sit before God and something gently enters in. Our hearts are touched by the infusion of God's Holiness.

This week it is Mary who holds center stage as the Spirit tells her to direct her Son in a compassionate act. She continues to be in touch to the inspiration of the Spirit and invites her Son to begin His signs so as to reveal His glory, the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth. Her yes to the angel continues in this yes to the Spirit's inspiration. She knows that the embarrassment of the wedding family in running out of wine would be too much. She wants to save them from disgrace. The inspiration of God is always connected to acts of charity and justice.

Our inspiration often leads us to acts of charity, but does it also lead us to fiery acts of justice? As Jesus' ministry went on He went beyond charity. He was inspired to condemn acts of injustice and the rules that enslave God's people. For this He ends up being crucified. What starts as a simple gesture of charity becomes a whirlwind of condemnation of those who think that religion is a bunch of rules to be followed, including paying off those who are supposed to be religious leaders. While the Creed is a good summary of doctrine, it is not the end all and be all of the spiritual life. Such a life takes place first of all in the listening of the heart to the brush of winged inspiration that informs our lives. Being a Catholic calls us not to a problematic system of beliefs, but a just and generous way of life framed by prayer and holiness.

The Epistle from St. Paul tells us that there are different gifts, but all given from the same spirit. Our task this week, should we accept it, is to recognize the gifts of the Spirit in ourselves and in each person around us, to name them and to bless God for these gifts. All who pray can recognize the brush of the Spirit's wing in our lives and thank God for it.

Bernard of Clairveaux warns that, "that ray of utmost brightness comes not in through open doors, but only through narrow slits," like the shafts of sunlight into the gloomy castles of the twelfth century. Let us watch for the brush of the wing of the Spirit and the ray of divine light coming through the gloom of the troubles of this world in 2019, for our loving God is ever with us.

\*Evelyn Underhill, *The Mystics of the Church*, New York, Schocken Books, 1971, p. 80, 87.

## Parish Perspective

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

### *There Is No Death*

The old saying goes, "It never rains, but it pours!" So it seemed, as of late, to be with death and those within a close circle in my family. It started with the death of my sister-in-law Carol in Pennsylvania, then the husband of my godmother, followed by the death of a cherished Italian friend of the family, (for over 40 years) Orazio Giambona, and Oscar Sandoval, husband to my wife's youngest daughter dying on the same day as Orazio. Sprinkle-in all the funerals that are taking place here on an on-going basis and you might ask the question, "Does death get to you?" The short answer is, "No."

For Christians there is no death. In fact, there is no death for anyone, but the results of bodily death are vastly different for the non-believer than for the Christian. Think of it this way... We have two lives we live simultaneously, one bodily and the other spiritually. Our bodily lives begin at conception. Our spiritual lives begin with baptism and link us to the eternal life of Christ which extends to eternity past and eternity future. Jesus told us in his "Lilies of the Field" teaching that there is more to life than the body, what we are to wear, and how should we feed ourselves. If there is more than the body, then there is spirit. When the body "dies-out" from under us, we continue to live in the spirit we have nurtured, fed, and clothed in Christ. How do we know this? How do we know that God doesn't obliterate life after bodily death, especially for the non-believers or even the anti-Christ? We look to the basics of God's nature.

God cannot sin. In the Ten Commandments God commands that we shall not kill because we are made in his image, all with some goodness but stained with sinfulness as well. If we shall not kill, how much more can God not kill his own image? All the **LIFE** God creates, spirit beings: angels, fallen angels, and human life, He cannot kill, ever! Life lives on. The question is... "Where?" One place I've heard, is bitter cold, pitch black and yet one burns in their own flames of shame and eternal regret. The other place is the very dwelling place of the God who is love, holiness, justice, union and communion, and eternal joy.

I was once asked, when I was a freshman in High School "Do you really believe in a God who would have people burn in Hell forever?" I didn't have an answer to that and for a long time I pondered it in my heart. Now I have come to know why such a thing must be done; because life is more sacred to God than it is to us. Life, to God, is more sacred than he can almost bear. Yet he sacrifices the life of his Son for us that we might have faith in him and thus be saved and all creation with him to eternal life.

People I dearly love die all the time. Carol, Orazio, Oscar, and you can add the names of your own loved-ones to the list. And the list goes on. Even those I have never met, like Angie Cavalieri, I know live on in the promise of Christ. Nurture your spiritual life. It is the one that will live forever.

## Celebration of Marriage



*Were you  
married at  
St. Ignatius of  
Antioch?*

As part of our year-long celebration of the Anniversary of St. Ignatius of Antioch, we want to celebrate and remember all who received the Sacrament of Matrimony in our parish over the past 40 years. This celebration will take place on the weekend of February 9 & 10 and culminate with a reception in the parish hall after the Sunday 10:00 am Liturgy.

The Anniversary Committee is collecting wedding pictures for our Celebrations of Marriages. If you have pictures that you would like to share, 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](mailto:v.a.mccoy@att.net). Please use "40th Anniversary" in the subject line.



**Saturday, February 9, 2019, 11:00 a.m.**

The Cathedral of Christ the Light  
2121 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612

World Day of the Sick, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually worldwide near the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ.

Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and many priests, religious and laity from throughout the diocese. Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for healing and hope in this fragile population.

This World Day of the Sick in Oakland will include:

- Mass
- Sacrament of anointing the sick
- Blessing of caregivers and healthcare providers
- Distribution of holy water from Lourdes, France
- Reception to follow mass

No RSVP is necessary.  
For more information please visit [oakdiocese.org/WDS](http://oakdiocese.org/WDS).



## WE NEED A FEW GOOD MEN! ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

We would like to invite you and your spouse or significant other to join us for a home-made Ravioli Dinner at 6pm on Tuesday, February 5th in the Parish Hall. Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney; the St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 12587 was established in 1999. Today, the Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

There will be a short informational program following dinner. There is no obligation to join. All current Knights of St. Ignatius of Antioch and significant others are also invited to dinner and urged to invite a guest.

Please RSVP by January 29<sup>th</sup> to our Membership Director, Ron Yarolimek at cell/text: (925) 550-1182 or email: [ronyar@ymail.com](mailto:ronyar@ymail.com).



## Calendar Meeting

**Our annual calendar meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2019 from 6-7pm in the Parish Hall. All ministries and organizations that desire to schedule events or activities this year are asked to send a representative to this meeting. Please contact Maryann in the parish office (778-0768) if you have any questions.**



# Presidents Day Bingo



**Monday February 18**

**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 and Lunch  
Dauber — \$1**

**Tickets available after Masses  
February 9 & 10 and February 16 & 17  
or by calling Steve @ 925-642-2329**