

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

April 28, 2019 – Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

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Pastor

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Assisting Clergy

**Fr. Richard Mangini**  
Assisting Clergy

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**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.



*April 28, 2019  
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(Sunday of Divine  
Mercy)*

*Once I was dead, but now I  
am alive forever and ever.*

*— Revelation 1:18a*

## *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 13-14*

**Weekend Offering**.....\$10,082.00

**Bishop’s Appeal** .....\$25,586.00

## **Looking Ahead**

**May 5:** First Eucharist at 10:00 am Liturgy for our Faith Formation children.

**May 5:** Our tradition of Monthly Hospitality Sundays returns next week. Join your fellow parishioners for some coffee, treats and fellowship after the 8 and 10 am liturgies. These events are hosted by various parish ministries and organizations. This first event is being sponsored by Antioch YLI #101.

**May 11-12:** Mary Project weekend in support of Birthright in Brentwood. See page 6.

**May 19: 40th Anniversary event.** Founders brunch. Contact the parish office about this invitation only event.

**May 25: Relay for Life Pasta Dinner.** See page 6 for more information.

**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 - TBD - 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, April 28 - Second Sunday of Easter**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Divine Mercy Celebration - 3 pm - with reception following in the Parish Hall

### **Monday, April 29**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- No SPRED
- RCIA meets - 7 to 8:30 pm - Office

### **Tuesday, April 30**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

### **Wednesday, May 1**

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

### **Thursday, May 2**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Parish Hall
- Choir practice - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

### **Friday, May 3**

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 8:45 am to 12 Noon - Church

### **Saturday, May 4**

- Our Lady of Fatima Liturgy and Novena (TBD)
- 4 pm Vigil Liturgy
- Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot Loan
- 40th Anniversary Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza

### **Sunday, May 5 - Third Sunday of Easter**

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Hospitality Sunday sponsored by YLI
- Faith Formation First Communion - 10 am Liturgy
- Birthday Blessing - during both liturgies
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot Loan
- 40th Anniversary Ticket Sales - Gathering Plaza
- New Parishioner Brunch - after 10 am Liturgy - Parish Hall

**Pray for the Sick**

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

Gavin Cano	Linda Morrison	Lilia Suarez
Stacia DeBuhr	Jose Palomino	Beatrice Truxton
Steve Dewhurst	Jose Guillermino Ramos	Peter Villalpando
Phil Herlick	FF Cole Smith	David Vizcay
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>	Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday</b>	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

**Lay Ministers—Week of May 4th & 5th**

**4 pm: Lectors** – Vince Augusta, Susan Batterton; **Head Cup** – Marla Plurkowski; **Head Host** – Melodye Costanza; **Host** – Nancy DiMaggio, Bernice Campbell; **Cup** – Rhoda Herrera, Christoph Holl, Pam Confetti; **Servers** - Edward Salas-Garcia

**8 am: Lectors** – Mark Webster, Kathleen Clarke; **Head Cup** - Vianney Mendoza; **Head Host** – Crispina Malonosan; **Host**–Hanny Reingold, Jeannine Ford, Natalia Joyce, MaryJo Keister; **Cup** - Jack Goncalves, Jenawati Kwa, Deanna Ribeiro, Tim Cox, Carol Fanfa; **Servers** - Phillip Rios, David Rodrigues

**10 am: Lectors** – Mark Anthony Catahan, Lee Oliver; **Head Cup** – Cecelia Kennedy; **Head Host** – Reyna Garcia; **Host** - Yvette Young, Steven Andreatta, Ed Cissell, Cynthia Enrique; **Cup** – Nancy Santos, Sharon Cissell, Mark Costanza, Maritza Martinez, Al Necor; **Servers** - Jacob Mirano, Noah Mirano

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

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

<b>Sat. 4 pm</b>	Marianne Siino †
<b>Sun. 8:00 am</b>	Eva and Guido Romani †
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b>	James Paolo Hermogeno
<b>Mon. 8:00 am</b>	Our Parish Family
<b>Tues. 8:00 am</b>	All Priests and Deacons
<b>Wed. 8:00 am</b>	All Care Givers
<b>Thur. 8:00 am</b>	All First Responders
<b>Fri. 8:00 am</b>	All Military Men and Women

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of **Bob Butler, Sr. and Ron Blakemore**. 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:

- Pork & Beans - 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.

**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)

### 2019 Bishop's Appeal



\$34,900 (100%)



Please place all Bishop's Appeal donations and pledges in the collection baskets at weekend liturgies.

**By the numbers:**  
\$25,586.(74% of goal)  
from 257 families

Please be assured that your gift, no matter the amount, is greatly appreciated.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter



The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are June 28 – 30, 2019 in Danville or September 13-14, 2019 in Concord. Space is limited and early registration is highly recommended. For more information or to register for a weekend, visit our website at oaklandwwm.org or contact Chuck & Anne at applications@oaklandwwme.org or 925-849-5466.

### 2019 Marriage Preparation Programs

2019 Marriage Preparation Programs for the Diocese of Oakland:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
June 1-2	Orinda
July 27-28	Livermore
August 24-25	Orinda
September 20-22	Fremont
October 26-27	Orinda
December 7-8	Orinda

Sessions are also available for Convalidation/Remarriage and in Spanish. For complete information, visit [www.EastBayCatholic.com](http://www.EastBayCatholic.com).

Register online at EastBayCatholic.com or call Laura Windham at 510-267-8395. Availability is subject to enrollment. Early registration recommended.

### 40th Anniversary News



**Sunday, May 19, 2019:**  
Founder's Brunch. This is an invitation only event.

**Saturday, June 1, 2019:**  
40th Anniversary Mass of Celebration and festive dinner dance.

### Walk for Life 2019

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2019  
Time: Walker Check-in: 9am  
Walk Begins: 10am  
Location: North Creek Church (2303 Ygnacio Valley Rd., Walnut Creek)

This annual fundraising Walk for Life is a fun event for the whole family and involves a leisurely 2 mile walk. For registration and complete information, visit: <http://friends-ofw.com/news-events/events/#walkforlife>

Proceeds benefit the nonprofit organization, *Options for Women* in Concord.

### Mobile Mall News & Dates

Mobile Mall accepts **clean** and gently **used** items which are given to our neighbors living in our community who need a helping hand. We are looking for the following types of donations:

- Clothing (men, women, children and infants)
- Clothing accessories (hats, gloves, scarves, handbags, belts, etc.)
- Kitchenware & Linens

We cannot accept furniture or appliances, electronics, books or any soiled, worn-out or broken items. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Upcoming Dates

**Sorting** - Sat., May 11 from 9:00 am to 12 Noon  
Most Holy Rosary Gym

**Distribution** - Sat., May 18th from 7:30 am to 12 Noon  
Belshaw Elementary School  
2803 Roosevelt Ln. , Antioch

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

*Justice Corner*

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

Belief in the resurrection energizes us for the task of doing our part to humanize our life on planet earth. The collect asks that the very recurrence of the Paschal Feast may kindle faith in the people that God has made his own. The work that faith requires has intrinsic value because it contributes to the building of Christ's kingdom on earth. Mary doesn't recognize Jesus, as we don't recognize His hand in our everyday existence. Thomas doubts. Prayer overcomes these doubts and enables us to see the effect of the resurrected Jesus. Only through quiet prayer do we begin to see His plan for us. When we trust, we can see with the eyes of faith. We see Him in the gardener, the plumber, our fellow workers and neighbors.

Through quiet acts of love, people notice that there is something different about us and come to see it as the work of the Spirit. As John points out in the Book of Revelations, we share the distress, the kingdom and the endurance we have in Jesus. John encourages us to write down what we have seen and what is happening. Many spiritual writers concur. They encourage those seeking a spiritual life to keep a journal of the insights and learning that they have been given through the Spirit. For myself, when I go back and read past journals, I am amazed at the awareness that has come to me. I am grateful for the revelations and directions that happen along the journey. I cannot doubt that God's loving guidance has been there and helped me through many difficulties.

The Gospel witnesses to the giving of peace that comes with these spiritual graces. Jesus breathes on the apostles. If we were more attentive to the breath, we would not be so anxious and troubled when life's difficulties assail us. But Jesus gives us another clue. He connects the gift of the Spirit to forgiveness. He tells us clearly that we have the power to forgive sins. We can loosen the burden of our mistakes and those of others. We can also "retain them" or hold on to them.

The hardest person to forgive is oneself. Somehow our childhood training makes us think our sins are too big. We think that God could not love us after we made so many mistakes. But the Gospel says we have the power to let go or to hold on to our failings and the failings of others. Think of the person you feel has the greatest sin. It could be a relative that has strayed or someone on the political scene that is dishonest. It could be someone in power that is greedy or untrustworthy. Do you spend time praying for them, as well as yourself? Those whose hearts are filled with vengeance and hatred do not die peacefully. Jesus went down into hell to pull us out of the hells we make for ourselves. We have to bring peace to those who need it the most. Jesus wants peace for all of us. He wishes us peace in today's gospel, not once but twice.

Lastly the Gospel leads us to expect signs and wonders. When we experience the struggles of this world, we often lower our expectations as if God was not powerful enough to change things. Hold open the desires of your heart. Love is the energy that moves us forward. Sit with the Lord and let him change you and through you change the world.

*Parish Perspective— "Best of"*

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

*A \$500 Seat*

What a joy it was to see the church filled to its capacity and beyond on Easter morning. The Saturday night before, for the Vigil liturgy, the church was nearly as full. We had twelve candidates enter fully into the Catholic Church that night. It was intense with anticipation on the part of the twelve. It was beautiful for those who saw the splendor of the church environment decorated in its Easter finery. It was holy and heartfelt by the preaching that reached the ears of the gathered faithful. It was musically moving as only human voice and skilled musicianship can deliver in the praise of God. It was a visual treat for the senses with the glow of candlelight and the dimming and brightening of accent lights throughout the church. Everything had come together in a wonderful synergy to make the Vigil the great Mass that it should be.

Humor prevailed as well. As Fr. Robert eagerly and energetically applied the Sacred Chrism to the top of the head of one of the young lads being confirmed, the youth's perfectly combed hair was left in a rather off-centered looking Mohawk. Fr. Robert was about to anoint the next confirmand when Fr. Mangini interjected with a loud voice, "Well, put his hair back the way it was!" The entire Church erupted in laughter as Fr. Robert, also enjoying the humor of the moment, smoothed the lad's hair back into place.

Fr. Mangini also gave us a glimpse of his humorous side on Easter Sunday morning when, just before giving his homily he beckoned and called those standing along the back wall of the church (what we could call the Catholic "Bleachers") to take seats in the front pews which were mostly empty. The front seaters moved together to make as much room as possible available to those still standing. Fr. Mangini then called to one, "Young man, come up here, there's a seat available right here. Don't worry, I won't ask you any quiz questions." Laughter again was filling the church. As the man sat down Fr. Mangini proclaimed in a most satisfying tone, "There, you're sitting in a \$500 seat!"

All these wonderful and faith inspiring events make the resurrection of Jesus more tangible for our everyday lives. We need days like these to carry us through the time when routine starts to overtake our lives to an unacceptable measure. That is why Easter is a season and not just a day. In fact, for us, the resurrection is our faith, our life, and our hope. Jesus gives us this hope to share with others in all the ways we experience it in our Easter liturgies and every liturgy we attend. We hope that some of those who attend only on Christmas and Easter may, after this resurrecting experience, start to attend regularly at St. Ignatius of Antioch where no matter where they sit, every seat is a \$500 seat.



## The Mary Project

The Mary Project is returning for the 11<sup>th</sup> year! Help support Birthright of Brentwood with your donations this coming Mother's Day Weekend, May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

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 [kstuhltrever@yahoo.com](mailto:kstuhltrever@yahoo.com) or 209-373-8707.



## Celebrating the Journey Thanking God for the Past Looking to the Future

*Our 40th Anniversary Celebration Mass and festive Dinner/Dance is scheduled for Saturday June 1, 2019. Mark your calendar now! Watch the bulletin for more information and ticket sales.*



## Check out St. Ignatius of Antioch on Facebook!

[www.facebook.com/stignatiusofantiochchurch](http://www.facebook.com/stignatiusofantiochchurch)

If you haven't viewed the parish Facebook page recently, check it out! More pictures of activities and events are being posted, including the 2019 Triduum and Easter.

## ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

If you are planning to make this parish community your spiritual home, we cordially invite you to visit our website

[www.stignatiusofantioch.org](http://www.stignatiusofantioch.org)

to download and print a registration form. Complete the form and return it to the parish office during regular business hours. You may also register in person at the parish office. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 am until 12:30 pm. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at (925) 778-0768.

## Once Upon a Relay



St. Ignatius of Antioch Pasta Dinner

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

When: Saturday, May 25, 2019

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall

Cost: \$20 per person – Tickets will be on sale after liturgies starting Weekend of May 4th. Also available in Parish office and at the door. Parish office hours are Mon. – Fri. 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Menu: Appetizers, mixed green salad, pasta, roll/butter and dessert. Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm

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.



We invite you to consider enrolling in Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) as your means of supporting St. Ignatius of Antioch. This allows you to consistently support your parish even when vacation or business travel takes you away for a weekend. To enroll, please complete the form below and mail it or drop it off at the Parish Office.

**ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH CHURCH**  
**Authorization for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)**  
 3351 Contra Loma Blvd., Antioch CA 94509 ● 925.778.0768

This EFT authorization is for the weekly **Sunday Collection**. Completed forms may be mailed or dropped off at the Parish Office

**PLEASE PRINT**    NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

START DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Enter amount to be deducted from your account: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfer the amount entered above on the following date (check one):

- WEEKLY (transferred every Wednesday)
- SEMI-MONTHLY (transferred on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month)
- MONTHLY  Make the transfer on the 1st Wednesday of the month
- Make the transfer on the 3rd Wednesday of the month

Type of Account (check one):

Checking account: Attach a voided check.                       Savings account: Attach a savings slip.

Credit Card Info:

- a. Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Expiration Date (MMYYYY): \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Card Security Code (3 or 4 digit number located on the back of the card): \_\_\_\_\_

This authorization is for the regular Sunday Collection only. Check this box if you would like to receive "Second Collection" envelopes (e.g. Catholic Charities, St. Vincent de Paul, Parking Lot Loan, etc.)

I authorize St. Ignatius of Antioch Church, Antioch to process entries from my checking, savings or credit card as noted above. This authority will remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate this authorization.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_