

St. Ignatius of Antioch

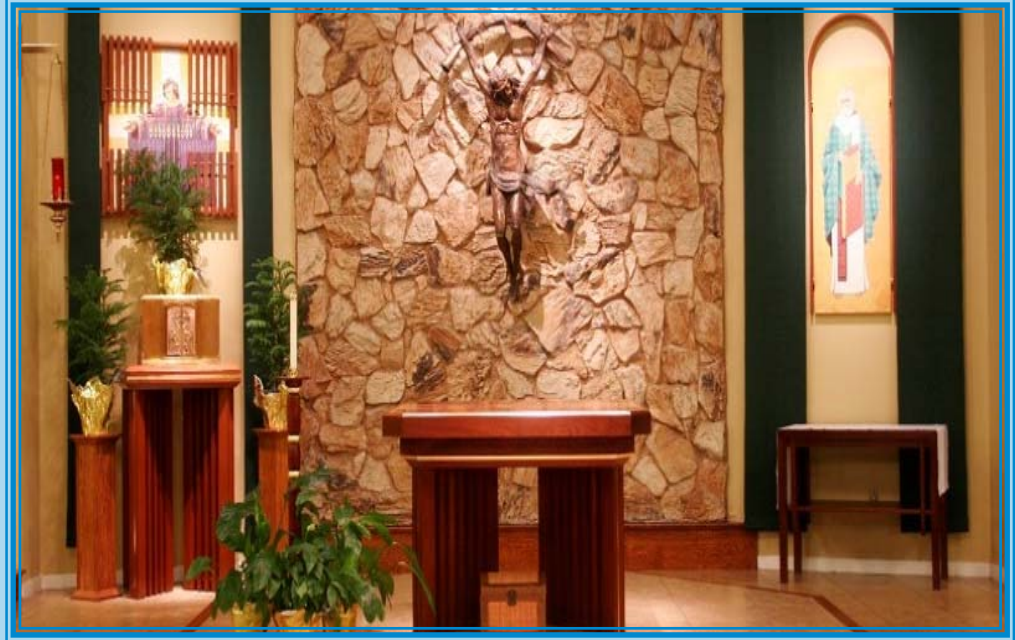
August 4, 2019 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Pastoral Associate,
Pastoral Care

Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.
Pastoral Associate,
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Maryann Peddicord
Pastoral Secretary

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Financial Secretary

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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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*Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.*
— Psalm 90:12

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for the gift of your Time, your Talent and your Treasure to St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish. All of our programs, liturgies and outreach programs are possible only because of your generosity.

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be.” —Matthew 6:21

Our weekly plate collection goal is: 12,500.00

Weekend Offering for July 20-21

Weekend Offering.....\$11,048.00

Bishop’s Appeal (99% of Goal).....\$34,298.00

Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2,
8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

Looking Ahead

September 2 - Labor Day Bingo sponsored by Faith Formation.

September 20 - 3rd Annual Cabaret. Theme: Magical Mystical Love Songs and Tales.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 4- 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Backpack Weekend for St. Peter Martyr School
- Birthday Blessing at both liturgies
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot Loan
- Hospitality Sunday sponsored by SPRED
- C.O.T.A. Fundraiser-“Paint for a Purpose”- 4 to 8 pm - sponsored by the Ouimet family to help offset costs for families with transplant related expenses

Monday, August 5

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- No SPRED / No RCIA

Tuesday, August 6

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Hula Class - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall - Contact Samantha Peralto at 925-726-7117 for upcoming class days & times

Wednesday, August 7

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

Thursday, August 8

- 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, August 9

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

Saturday, August 10

- 4 pm Vigil Liturgy
- Grand Raffle Committee in Gathering Plaza

Sunday, August 11- 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies
- Grand Raffle Committee in Gathering Plaza

Pray for the Sick

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

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| Gavin Cano | Jim Peddicord |
| Stacia DeBuhr | Jose Guillermino Ramos |
| Steve Dewhurst | Ralph Ramirez |
| Rey Dollete | FF Cole Smith |
| FF Joe Grima | Lilia Suarez |
| FF Craig Gjerman | Beatrice Truxton |
| Phil Herlick | Peter Villalpando |
| Willie Ilas | David Vizcay |
| Linda Morrison | Guy Worth |
| Jose Palomino | |

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.

Are You New to the Parish?

If you are planning to make this parish community your spiritual home, we cordially invite you to register. Visit www.stignatiusofantioch.org to download and print a registration form or pick one up from the credenza at the rear of the church. 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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Sat. 4 pm | Joann Russo † |
| Sun. 8:00 am | Carlos Garcia † |
| Sun. 10:00 am | Joseph Pollard † |
| Mon. 8:00 am | Rosa Quiñonez |
| Tues. 8:00 am | All Priests and Deacons |
| Wed. 8:00 am | All Care Givers |
| Thur. 8:00 am | Marian Favalora † |
| Fri. 8:00 am | All Military Men and Women |

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **all those who have fallen asleep in Christ, as they are welcomed into their heavenly home.**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

No One's Enemy

May I be no one's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides.

—St. Eusebius of Vercelli



Lay Ministers Schedule Week of August 10 and 11

| Liturgy | 4:00 pm Saturday Vigil | 8:00 am Sunday | 10:00 am Sunday |
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| Lectors: | Joe Salvador Carmen Garces | Ron Lucas Faye Lucas | Andrew Ngo Rose Necor |
| Head Cup: | Pam Confetti | Vianney Mendoza | Steven Andreatta |
| Head Host: | David Simpson | Crispina Malonosan | Dilcia Aparicio |
| Host: | Bill Barbanica Fran Barbanica | Jeanne Reilly Hanny Reingold Diane Hack Frank Kauer | Zoe DeBuhr Gloria Olivera Jane Sharpe Angelina Guieb-Alphonso |
| Cup: | Rhoda Herrera Jessie Okon Sharon Simpson | Rick Howell Sue Howell Monika Kauer Nick Suarez Samantha Peralto | Cecelia Kennedy Al Necor Nancy Santos Mark Costanza Reyna Garcia |
| Servers: | Open | Philip Rios David Rodrigues | Jesus Moreno Jose Moreno |



Faith Formation

Growing in faith is a journey. God is always calling 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 for us. 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 to love for the other. And so, how do we learn how to love like this? For starters, we can learn from home and from our family we call church.

St. Ignatius of Antioch offers Faith Formation (catechism) for families and children from grade school through high school.

If you have a child that is six years or older who has not been Baptized, we have a program called Christian Initiation for Children.

Children preparing for Reconciliation and First Eucharist will begin preparation in their second year. Youth preparing for Confirmation also begin preparation for two years.

Families who attended last year will automatically receive registration forms in the mail.

New families can register their children the last week in August. Watch the bulletin for dates.

For more information call the Faith Formation office at 925-778-1631 or email francesrojek@aol.com.



Life is a journey and every so often we encounter the big questions of life. Two of the biggest that we all have to answer are "Who am I?" and "Where is God calling me to go?" **You are invited to open yourself to God's Spirit, who is constantly nudging us to Himself.** Come and explore with us, through the Catholic lens and imagination. For more information regarding the RCIA, please call: Frances Rojek at 925-778-1631 or email: francesrojek@aol.com

Choir News

Our wonderful choir is now on Facebook. You can listen to performances by our talented choir members as well as magnificent and inspiring music performed by our Music Director, Don Pearson.

<https://www.facebook.com/st.ignatiusofantiochchoir/>

New Lectors and EM's Sought

Fully-initiated parishioners are invited to serve as Lectors or Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (EM's). Lectors serve our parish by proclaiming the scriptures. EM's serve by assisting in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ. Training is required and will be provided prior to scheduling you for service. If interested, please contact the parish office at 778-0768.

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**
- Mac & Cheese - 7.25 oz**

Mobile Mall is not accepting donations at this time, but will begin again in September. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Marriage Preparation Program

Marriage for Life is an approved marriage preparation program option in the San Francisco Archdiocese, San Jose Diocese, Oakland Diocese and Santa Rosa Diocese. Our format is one day, all day, and we are still holding the cost to \$225.00 per couple. The next available dates are **August 17, 2019 and October 19th, 2019.**

Engaged couples can register on our website www.marriageforlifef.com or, if you prefer, the registration form can be printed out from the website and mailed in.

Justice Corner**By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate**

Part of growing spiritually is learning how to let go of those internal places where we are comfortable and move to a new place of understanding/consciousness. As a child we were body centered as we explored what it is to be embodied. We then developed a public self able to relate to those around us. The next stage was a self that identified with material things (I am my possessions). Then a role-centered self (I am my job or I am a parent). As we got to adulthood and went to college we developed a mind-centered self (I am my thoughts). Gradually we also developed a communal self (I am my community). God invites us in each of these stages to an ever expanding growth. Who are we in God?

In each of these stages, we can get stuck. We can over-identify with them in a way that does not allow for continued growth and development. But if our intention is to continue to search for meaning in our lives, and if we can sit in the silence of God's presence, we will gradually learn how to let go of the platform on which we are currently standing and move to the next stage of spiritual development. As we try to wind our way through the path that presents itself, we become more deeply involved in making sense of our experience as people of God.

Thomas Merton said, "There is only one problem on which all of my existence, my peace, my happiness depend: to discover myself in discovering God. If I find him I will find myself and if I find my true self I will find him." The problem is, of course, that we like the familiar. Having risked the jump from one platform to the next, we want to stay there. When the experience that God places in our lives invites us to let go and begin to explore a new consciousness, we often try to hold on and stay where we are. But our God is a loving God who continues to invite us to take the leap to the new place, the new awareness, the new way of being. The task then is to step into the new understanding, find our balance, and then be ready to take the next leap. Being "in God" is a secure place for the believer who places his/her complete trust in the Divine. But, it is not a secure place for the ego that falters, questions and has feelings of insecurity when these challenges arise.

Some examples of the invitation to platform jump are:

1. Leaving family to go to grade school
2. Going to college
3. Death of a parent or spouse
4. Loss of a job
5. Serious illness, etc.

All of these and many more are transformational portals to a new consciousness. In them we are invited to "put on a new self, that is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of the Creator." (Today's Epistle)

As a parish, we are now being invited to platform jump to a new stage. Some of us have been here forty years, some only a short time. Some of us have explored other catholic communities and have chosen to find a home here. Some of us have been severely hurt by the weaknesses of priests and bishops. Some of us have worshiped in other countries. Some of our prayer life is more devotionally centered, others more liturgically centered, but all of us are being invited to create a new consciousness in moving forward into the future.

Parish Perspective—**By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate***Is There Anything Don Can't Do?*

Indeed, he did it again. Our one and only Don Pearson once again compiled an assortment of tantalizing keyboard music from the mid-17th and 18th centuries. The surprising and enthralling difference this time was that Don recruited the talents of parishioner and choir member Nancy Bachmann. In a way, you might say that Don recruited a third member to perform that evening: the harpsichord!

We have heard Don give many virtuoso performances on the big organ, small petite organ, and even the piano but this evening we heard the scintillating sounds of a beautiful 18th century reproduction harpsichord. The sound of a harpsichord is quite unique. It is light, airy, easy on the ear, and at times as fragile as the finest Murano glass. We heard all those musical qualities of the instrument brought forth by the amazing talents of Nancy Bachmann. Nancy often appears in the choir and we can hear her voice stand out from the others at times, but we could never have guessed the magical musical power laying dormant in her fingertips, waiting to be revealed on that Friday night. This was no amateur night!

The evening started with a lively (Allegro) Italian concerto by J. S. Bach performed by Don on the big organ. The second piece, a concerto in B-flat had Don on the same instrument while Nancy brought the harpsichord to life by taking the part of the orchestra. This duet was a wonderful blend of the strong and the delicate in musical juxtaposition that revealed the delightful essence of the concerto form.

Nancy continued to thrill the audience on the harpsichord with three sonatas by Scarlatti. Though not great in length, each sonata displayed the different moods that could be set to the musical form and continued to display the virtuosity of Nancy's musical gift. Don also carried on with a sure audience pleaser, the Toccata and Fugue in d minor by Bach. It is immediately recognizable as the "scary" organ music played by the Phantom of the Opera and other monsters and villains throughout cinematic and TV history. The curious thing about the piece is that only the brief opening has loud dark foreboding sounds to it. The rest of the piece is quite delightful. The movie *The Aviator* uses it as part of the joyful thrill of flight in one of its scenes.

Anyone who has spent a reasonable amount of time listening to classical music must have heard a harpsichord, but it is so rare to be able to hear one live in concert. To have missed that concert is to have missed perhaps the chance of a lifetime. In this case, it was not only a chance but an opportunity to feast the ear on marvelous musical sound.



In the furtherance of the Knights of Columbus long standing commitment to the support, respect, and sanctity of the family; Council 12587 hereby dedicates this prayer to the Family

Dear heavenly Father, from before the moment you said, "Let there be light" you knew us each by name. In knowing us you knew the family unto which each of us were born. You sent your Son to be born among the poorest of families. Some of us came from poor families also. Some of us struggle with making ends meet, to provide for our families. The way your Son lived in his adopted family is how we live, uncertain of many things and many things a certain danger. You kept the life of your Son safe in the strength of the family. Keep, we pray, the families in which we live strong and safe. The family, in the presence of your Son, was indeed, the first Church.

We ask you to bless the families of our parish. Bless them with your divine understanding of how to live in peace, understanding, and love with each member of the family. Let your blessing teach us to recognize the greater family of all mankind to which we belong. Let your blessing echo in our hearts and minds that you too are an ever-present member of our family. We call Jesus our brother, we call Mary our mother, and we call you our Father. Bless this universal family. Bless the family of your Church and bless the families of our parish.

We ask this in the name of your Son who unites all things in accordance with your will.
Amen.

Celebrating Our Faith From the Islands to the Mainland, 500 Years of Filipino Catholic Evangelization.

Understanding and Appreciating Filipino Spirituality and Religiosity.

Saturday October 5, 2019 - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
St. Michael Catholic Church, 458 Maple St.
Livermore, CA 94550

Free event. Pre-register:

www.500thAnniversaryCelebration2019,eventbrite.com

Email: oakjourney2021@gmail.com

GRAND RAFFLE NEWS

See page 7 for Grand Raffle Prize information.

The Grand Raffle is our major fundraising effort of the year and we are asking each of our St. Ignatius of Antioch parish families to sell or purchase one book of 10 tickets. If all of our registered households participate, we will more than exceed this year's goal of raising \$50,000. We have much to be thankful for in 2019. Let's work together to make this year's Grand Raffle the best ever.

As in prior years, there are incentives for selling your book of tickets and turning your sales proceeds in early:

Bonus tickets (apply only to the first book sold):

1. Sell and turn in your sold book of 10 tickets by Sunday, August 11th and you will receive a bonus of 5 free tickets (**\$50.00 value**).
2. Sell and turn in your sold book of 10 tickets by Sunday, August 18th and you will receive a bonus of 4 free tickets (**\$40.00 value**).
3. Sell and turn in your sold book of 10 tickets by Sunday, August 25th and you will receive a bonus of 3 free tickets (**\$30.00 value**).
4. Sell and turn in your sold book of 10 tickets by Sunday, September 1st and you will receive a bonus of 2 free tickets (**\$20.00 value**).
5. Sell and turn in your sold book of 10 tickets by Sunday, September 8th and you will receive a bonus of 1 free ticket (**\$10.00 value**).

Chance Tickets: Any second or multiple books sold will receive one Chance ticket for each book that will be entered into the drawing for a \$300.00 cash prize.

Complete Grand Raffle information is included with your ticket book sales packet which was mailed last week or from the parish office.

10th ANNUAL GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE!

Win A France Trip with Father Robert
or Custom French Riviera Trip

SECOND PRIZE: \$2000 In Cash

THIRD PRIZE: \$1000 in Cash



Drawing to be held at St. Ignatius of Antioch •
October 20th 2019-3:00pm • Need not be present to win