

St. Ignatius of Antioch

March 7, 2021 - The Third Sunday of Lent

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Loving God,
you gave the gift of the
law to Moses that the
people might walk in the
light of your love.

In every age you call us
back— heart, mind, soul,
and strength turned to
you, our neighbor loved
as ourselves.

Though we fall time and
again, give us the strength
to do your will, to act
justly, be merciful, and
walk humbly with you.

We ask this through
Christ our Lord. Amen.



United in Faith, Ignited by the Spirit, We Reflect the Light of the Living Christ

Fr. Robert K. Rien
Pastor

Fr. Richard Mangini
Assisting Clergy

Deacon Gary Hack
Permanent Deacon

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

**Faith Formation and
Sacramental Preparation**
Contact Parish Office

Music Ministry
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Eucharist Schedule

In-person Liturgies have been suspended effective November 17 due to increased virus activity. **Sunday liturgy is available on YouTube. See parish website for link.**

Walk-up Holy Communion: Sunday 10:30 - 11:30 am.

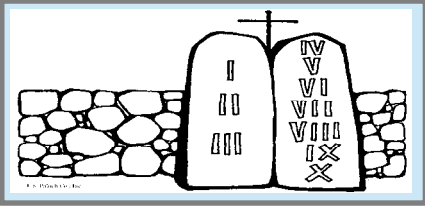
Reconciliation: by appointment only with Father Robert

Parish Office: (925) 778-0768

Office Hours: parish office hours are suspended due to increased virus activity. Staff availability is limited at this time. Please contact us by voicemail or email.

Check the parish website for liturgy schedule updates.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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*I, the LORD, am your God . . .
You shall not have other gods
besides me.*

— Exodus 20:2a, 3

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you to everyone for your continued financial support during this time of anxiety and uncertainty.

Even though parish operations have been significantly curtailed, monthly expenses like gas, electricity, water, utilities and payroll are continuing.

Weekend Offering for February 20-21

Thank you!

Weekend Offering\$9,924.00

If you would like to mail your contributions, please use the rectory address;

St. Ignatius of Antioch
209 Tanganyika Ct.
Antioch, CA 94509

You may also drop envelopes off at the rectory using the mail slot in the garage door.

Mass Intentions

3/6-7 - 9:00 am:

Ben Griswold
Paul Schmidt
Alfredo & Elina Avelar
Caitlyn Renee Daviess
Joseph Pollard
Joseph Sangimino

Sat., 9:00 am

We will remember all Mass Intentions scheduled for the Liturgy requested, and weekday intentions prior to the actual day.

Looking Ahead

Please consult the parish website for the latest updates on the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on the liturgies, social events and faith formation sessions.

<https://www.stignatiusofantioch.org>

The easiest way to automatically receive information is via Flocknote. Visit the parish website to enroll or call the parish office for more information.

Heaven

Heaven is at present out of sight, but in due time, as snow melts and discovers what it lay upon, so will this visible creation fade away before those greater splendors which are behind it.

—John Henry Newman

Pray for the Sick

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

Richard Augusta	Elaine Lopez
Baby Scott	Matt and Marc Lopez
Robert Ballesteros	Ken Mason
Harry Bettencourt	Carmen Morales-Hall
Celso Borba	Don Pearson
Gavin Cano	Doris Radovan
Pete Cardinale	Shane Rideau
Vincent Cortese	Nick Savedra
Stacia DeBuhr	Willy Senoran
Rose Fitzgerald	Bill Schnitzer
Florencia T. Flores	George Torres
Parker Gutierrez	Esperanza Valdez
Phil Herlick	Peter & Grace Villalpando
Kristopher Leffle	Bob Wright

Members of our Parish Family who are in the Military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins, those affected by the coronavirus and all those who have no one to pray for them.

Diocesan COVID-19 Updates

The latest updates on COVID-19 that affect parishes are available at: <https://oakdiocese.org/response-to-coronavirus-pandemic>. There is also a link to this page on the right side of the parish website homepage: <https://www.stignatiusofantioch.org/>

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Felipe Sison, Rose Lopez, Don LaDue Sr., Paul Schmidt, Pacrise Djeumo, Baby Kai Alixandre Servida-Enriquez and Catherine Cardelli.**

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

Readings for the Week

Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt. 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Ministry Spotlights

The Pastoral Council initiated a project to highlight the various ministries at our parish. The highlights will be distributed via Flocknote and are also available on the parish website (on the homepage under Quick Links, click on Ministry Spotlights). Additional ministries will be added as their information becomes available. All information is provided by the particular ministry. Thank you to those ministries who have participated to date.



2021 Bishop's Appeal

Today is Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Appeal. If you brought your gift today, please drop it in the collection basket. If you didn't bring it, you may also place it in the locked mailbox at the church gate or drop it in the garage mail slot at the rectory (209 Tanganyika Ct.) during the week. Thank you for your continued support.



Sign-up for Flocknote by visiting the parish website and clicking on the Flocknote link under Quick Links on the homepage:
www.stignatiusofantioch.org

COVID-19 Updates

As of this writing, Contra Costa County is still in the purple tier, the most restrictive level. This means that the virus is still widespread in the county. Media reports indicate that we may move into the less restrictive red tier in the near future. But for now . . .

- The parish resumed outdoor liturgies today, March 7th, utilizing the parking lot. Space is available for those who wish to sit outside (bring your own chair) and for those who wish to remain in their automobiles. Audio will be broadcast on a local FM frequency.
- All indoor in-person liturgies remain suspended. As soon as the county moves to the red tier, a 4:00 pm Saturday Liturgy will be scheduled. **Watch for updates via Flocknote or the parish website.**
- **Sunday Liturgy continues to be uploaded to YouTube every Sunday morning.**
- **Sunday walk-up Holy Communion continues from 10:30 am to 11:30 am each Sunday.**
- The parish office is closed. Office staff availability is limited but voicemail and email are checked frequently.
- All non-essential gatherings remain suspended. Any essential business meetings must be held virtually or outdoors.

St. Joseph's Dinner



Our 15th annual St. Joseph's Dinner takes place on Friday, March 19, 2021. Due to the pandemic, this will be a drive-up/take-home event.

Drive through dinner pickup will take place in our parking lot from 6:00-6:45pm.

Zandonella's Catering is preparing the meal consisting of pasta with marinara sauce, Italian salad, roll & butter, with cannoli and cuccidati for dessert.

The cost is \$25. **Prepayment is required by Monday March 15, 2021.**

Raffle baskets will also be available.

Reservation forms are included in Father Robert's bulletin insert, the parish website, or by calling the office.

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