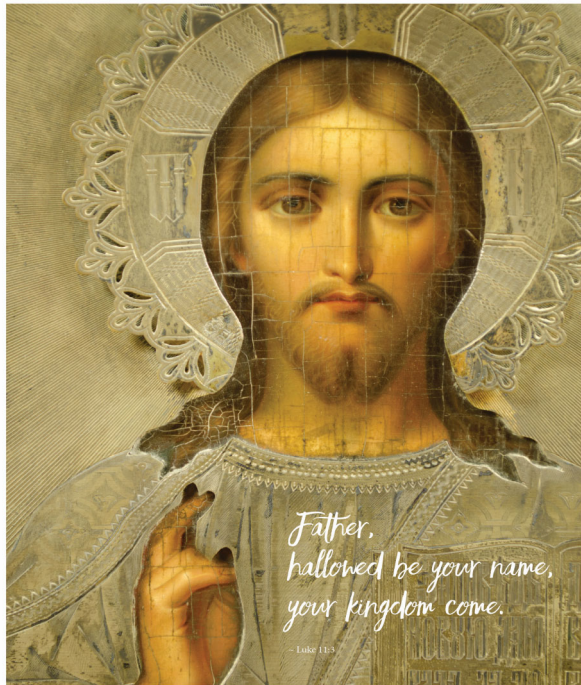


St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067

July 24, 2016 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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KEEP PRAYING

St. Monica, whose feast we celebrate in August, is often known as "the persistent mother." She watched her oldest son, Augustine, turn his back on his Christian faith.

Monica was exasperated. For years she gave up talking directly to her son on the advice of a local bishop, who told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine than to Augustine about God. The mother never gave up praying for her son. Eventually Augustine gave up his wild ways, was baptized, and later ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine went on to become one of the Church's greatest scholars.

Today's readings address the importance of persistent prayer. Abraham, in spite of trepidation that he is bothering the Lord, continues to ask about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, tells his disciples to "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). This is our charge: keep praying.

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MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz, M.Div., Pastor
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NEW PARISHIONERS

New to the parish? Please call the rectory for an appointment to register.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Saturday: 5:15 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM
Children's Liturgy of the Word: at 9:30 Mass
Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM.
Holy Day Schedule: 7:00 PM Vigil Mass, 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, and 7:00 PM.
Special Schedules for Christmas, New Years & Easter

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00 P.M.
Eves of First Fridays: 7:00 to 7:30 P.M.
Eves of Holy Days: 6:30 P.M.
Confessions will also be heard at any reasonable time on request.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory at 215-493-3377 ext. 211 if someone is sick. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.



The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45P.M. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class.



Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please call the rectory to make an appointment with one of the parish priests.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those who would like to inquire about the Catholic Faith, information is available. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Annmarie Flanagan, at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701, or come to the information night on September 1st, at 7pm, in the Religious Education Center.

ROSARY



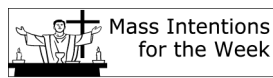
All are invited to recite the rosary after the 9:00am Mass. For those who can stay longer, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is also recited.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).
Psalm -- Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).
Second Reading -- Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).
Gospel -- Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21



Sunday
7:30AM
9:30AM
11:30AM

July 24, 2016
John Reed Stackhouse (Ernest Pellegrino)
Arty Peake (The LaMorte Family)
John A. Mervin Jr. (Joe, Mary Claire and Claire Marie Rossi)

Monday

9:00AM Anthony Frederico (Chris Martino)

Tuesday

9:00AM Sister Helen Carpinelli (Bill and Katie Pasko)

Wednesday

9:00AM Ann Mailey (Mariann and John Flahive)

Thursday

9:00AM Charles Koerner (Charles Koerner II)

Friday

9:00AM All Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

Saturday

8:00AM Patricia Ann Trigg (Robert H. Trigg)
5:15PM Jeanette Burke (Bill and Loretta Amerine)

Sunday

July 31, 2016

7:30AM Diane E. Mays (Knights of Columbus Fr. James McCafferty Council)
9:30AM John and Nick Egan (Paula Derby)
11:30AM Mahoney and Wise Families (Jean and Stan Raykovitz)

ST. IGNATIUS FISCAL CORNER

We are off and running in Fiscal 2017! This budget while balanced, was quite a task to complete. As many of you have noticed, there have been many changes around the parish. While we have made several budget cuts, we are still looking at ways to implement more effective and efficient spending. One idea is to form a projects committee. This volunteer committee could help around the parish, complete small jobs and assist with the planning of any larger parish projects. If you have time, and some talent, we could really use your help! If you are interested and have some time to volunteer, please contact me. I look forward to working with the team to help improve our parish and save some money along the way. I would also like to remind you to visit our new website at www.stignatius.church and submit any changes or updates to the site. You may email your changes or additions to glucidi@stignatius.church. We will transition from the old site to the new one effective August 1, 2016. – Gregory Lucidi – Parish Business Manager.



Volunteers are needed to help with our evangelization ministry. Consider this as time well spent in working for Our Lord. Our theme comes from the Gospel of Mark, “Take courage; get up, he is calling you.” (Mk 10:49). For more details about this awesome ministry, call Greg Schwind at 215-962-6250.

TUNE IN TO RELEVANT RADIO

Relevant Radio is a not-for-profit radio network that broadcasts 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year with award-winning hosts. Since December of 2000, they have been helping people bridge the gap between faith and everyday life through informative, entertaining, and interactive programming. The network is currently serving the Church with 46 stations reaching 25 states. Programming can be heard worldwide via streaming audio at www.relevantradio.com and on mobile applications.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

	<u>July 19, 2015</u>	<u>July 10, 2016</u>
Sunday	\$ 12,305.00 372 Env.	\$ 13,366.45 367 Env.

We are very grateful for the support of our parish!

ST. IGNATIUS CONGRATULATES THE CLASS OF 2016



HERE'S TO POINTING THE WAY FORWARD.

Your commitment to academics not only garnered \$220,000 in high school scholarships, it proves that hard work truly pays off. Congratulations to your ongoing successes and future endeavors. We are proud of each and everyone of you.

Parents, give your child the opportunity for successes like these. St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School, an exceptional educational experience awaits.



Now Accepting Applications for the 2016-2017 School Year

St. Ignatius Catholic School | 995 Reading Avenue | Yardley, PA 19067 | 215-493-3867 | sischool.org

BOOK n' BEAN

Our group is growing and we are always adding new members. How about joining us on the last Tuesday night of each month beginning in September (except December and summers) to discuss our selected book of the month? We meet in the Religious Education Office across from the School Cafeteria from 7:30 - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own beverage.

Contact Linda Stewart at: dremom@verizon.net or call me at 215-968-3577 with questions. Our schedule for the academic year is:

Tuesday, Sept. 27	My Brilliant Friend ~ Elena Ferrante
Tuesday, Oct. 25	The Secret Chord ~ Geraldine Brooks
Tuesday, Nov. 29	The Sympathizer ~ Viet Thanh Nguyen
Tuesday, Jan. 31	Custer's Trials: a Life on the Frontier of a New America ~ T. J. Stiles
Tuesday, Feb. 28	The Road from Coorain ~ Jill Ker Conway
Tuesday, Mar. 28	Black Flags: The Rise of ISIS ~ Joby Warrick
Tuesday, April 25	Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet ~ Jamie Ford
Tuesday, May 23	Nightingale ~ Kristin Hannah

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

All are invited - as we sing God's praises and share in His Word and His Love in an intimate community of faith. We meet every Tuesday from 7:00 -8:30PM in Room 2F in the Meeting Center. Deacon Bob Skawinski is our spiritual Prayer Group Director.



FATHER McCAFFERTY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A suggestion to our parishioners - see if the company you work for might consider a matching gift to your donation to our Scholarship Fund. We are in need of several donations to the fund in order to assist needy families with school tuition.

Clothing Collection

You can donate wearable, used clothing at the Thrifty Irishman clothing bin in our parking lot. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time
July 24, 2016**

**You were buried with him in
baptism, in which you were also
raised with him through faith in the
power of God, who raised him from
the dead.**

-- Colossians 2:12

Annual Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Classic

The Annual Knights of Columbus charity Gold Classic will be held on Monday, September 26, 2016 at Northampton Valley Country Club in Richboro, PA. The event is jointly hosted by Father McCafferty council and St. John the Evangelist council. Proceeds will fund the numerous charitable works of both councils. Last year, a record total of \$70,000. was raised. This year all monies raised up to \$30,000 will be matched by The Charitable Exchange. Golfer fees are \$160 including greens fees, cart, lunch, dinner and beverages. Dinner fee is \$50. Auctions and raffles will be held in the evening. For more information, call Brian Derby at 267-994-7907, Domenic Licastro at 215-801-6383 or Pat Joy at 215-493-5476.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

You're invited to step away from everyday life for a day of inspiration and renewal at the Catholic Women's Conference "Mother of Mercy, Make Our Hearts Like Yours!" on Saturday, October, 29, 2016, 8:30am to 4:00pm, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Nine dynamic speakers address all facets of the feminine genius and its influence on the total woman—mind, body, and spirit—in creating a heart of mercy. This special day includes something for every woman, married, single, and consecrated, featuring a Spanish track, youth track for teen girls and an American Sign Language track.

PLEASE REMEMBER

**The first day each week for Catholic
Education in School and PREP begins
on Saturday/Sunday with attendance
at Mass.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



The Adult Faith formation ministry invites any parishioner of St. Ignatius parish to join us at our meetings on the first Wednesday of every month to come up with new ideas and programs for our parish. We especially are in need of individuals that have some expertise or experience in marketing so as to better encourage our parishioners to join us for some information sharing and socialization.

Do you know what week it is this week? I will give you a hint: it celebrates the 46th anniversary of the release of an encyclical? Do you know what an encyclical is? Do you know who the Pope was in 1968?

Do you know the name of the encyclical from this time released dealing with Catholic Church teaching on contraception? Do you know what NFP is? Have you ever heard of it? One of our programs this year will be the "Super bowl of Catholic Thought"—come with a team, join a team or just come alone and we will put you on a team and answer questions like these!

St Thomas Aquinas, pray for us

Intercessory Prayer

For all warriors for the Catholic faith.



ROSE OF LIFE INTENTION

For all Natural Family Planning instructors and supporters.

The Respect Life committee wishes all members of St. Ignatius Parish a happy NFP Awareness Week.

You didn't know. Well, this week honors the release on July 25, 1968 of the encyclical "Humanae Vitae" (the Gospel of Life) by Blessed Pope Paul VI reaffirming Catholic Church teaching on the sanctity of life and that contraception is wrong and should never be used because it separates the meaning of human sexuality and the reason for same, both procreative and unitive. The very meaning of the word means 'against life' (contra= against; caption=life).

Natural family planning is God's plan within creation to allow couples to identify fertile times and infertile times and then prayerfully decide whether to engage or abstain with respect to their prayerful consideration of responsible parenthood. These methods are many and work 98-99% and have no side effects and are easy to learn. For more information, see website of Alliance Natural Family Planning Network. This week also celebrates the feasts of Sts Anne and Joachim, the parents of Mary and the grandparents of Jesus...imagine, having Jesus as your grandchild? Then, imagine someone decided to abort Him? We need to pray.

Don't forget your gifts for "October Babies"; place gifts in crib in entrance of Church. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer:

For all those seeking a method of family planning; may they seek and know natural family planning; we pray to the Lord.

PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION

For those who are in the grip of pornography addiction, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia offers Augustine's Brothers, a support/accountability group for men.

Contact: 1-800-348-0758

Email: CathedralPhilly@AugustinesBrothers.org

Website: www.AugustinesBrothers.org

All inquiries are kept in strict confidentiality and one's wish to remain anonymous is highly respected.

From the Religious Education Office ...



The Religious Education Office is closed through the month of July. We will reopen on Monday, August 1. You can still send PREP registrations to the rectory, and I do check phone calls and email messages daily.

PREP NEEDS: We need a few generous people, who are not afraid to try something new, to help with our Religious Education program for the 2016-2017 school year. Our needs are the following: 2 Catechists for the Wednesday evening session (grades 2 and 4). (We offer a Catechist Orientation Course to help you to learn what you need to know). We also need Classroom Aides for the 8:00 a.m. Sunday session, Monday evening, and Wednesday evening sessions. We also need 2 Hall/Door Monitors (Sunday 8:00 a.m. and Monday evening). Think about it. Give it a try. I promise a very rewarding experience not only with our children but also a spiritually uplifting encounter with an extraordinary group of Catechists and Aides.

REGISTRATION FOR 2016 – 2017 PREP YEAR

All PREP families should have registration materials for the 2016-2017 PREP year. You can also download these materials from the parish website at www.siparish.org. Please bring completed registration forms (1 per child) and tuition fee to the PREP Office or mail registrations to St. Ignatius as soon as possible. If you are new to the parish or will have children entering kindergarten or grade 1 in the fall, please stop in our office for information and registration materials or call 215-493-5204. We will also need a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate unless he/she was baptized here at St. Ignatius Church.

Our Religious Education program is open to students in **grades K through 12**.

Parents of students who will be entering grades 7-12 in the fall: Please encourage your sons and daughters to continue their Religious Education after Confirmation. Confirmation is a beginning, not an end. Don't deprive your older kids the chance to learn more about God. We all know how much we need God in our lives.

Special Needs PREP class: Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? This class meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.? If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please give Annmarie a call at 215-493-5204.

MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES

Dr. Frank Klose ~ Music Ministry
E-mail: music@stignatius.church



Last week Ashley Sassaman and I had the pleasure of joining 2,000 pastoral musicians from across the nation in Houston, Texas, for the National Pastoral Musicians convention. We had the opportunity to learn directly from some of the bigger name composers in Church music, such as David Haas ("Blest Are They", "You Are Mine" and many more), Marty Haugen ("Mass of Creation", "We Remember", "Gather Us In") and Fr. Michael Joncas ("On Eagle's Wings"). We are eager to return and get to work in helping the parish sing to the Lord.

Looking at this week's readings, Jesus teaches us how to pray. The hymn "Seek Ye First" (#658) arises right out of the Gospel. In the subsequent parable, so we will proclaim that in our opening hymn. "Lord of All Hopefulness" (663) is a good match for Luke's Gospel, as we reflect upon the prayer in our lives at all times throughout the day.

Reflecting upon the first reading from Genesis, the Lord stresses the need for justice across the board. In "Song of the Body of Christ" (#924), verse two proclaims, "We are called to heal the broken, to be hope for the poor. We are called to feed the hungry at our door." God was not willing to give up on an entire town; no matter how few people who had not gone completely to sin, we can still help build the Kingdom of God.

Paul's letter to the Colossians stresses that Jesus has taken all of our transgressions and nailed them to the cross. Thus, we will conclude with "Lift High the Cross".

We would love to have more voices and instruments join us in leading music ministry. Our singing is a reinforcement of the Scriptures and helps us take the message with us as we go back into the world between meetings. If anyone is interested, please contact Frank at music@stignatius.church.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY :

Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Jamie Drennen, Ronald Ernst, Kevin Frawley, Anthony Fuscarello, Joe Galle, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine Kawoczka Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Michael Lowe, W. Kyle Magrisi, Joseph Marchand, Greg Marolo, Matthew McGurk, Phil Melandez, Chris Merrick, David Morgan, Kevin Nash, Stephen Neder, Fred Olivari, John O'Rourke, John Parente, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

H.O.P.E.

(Helping Other People Everyday)



H.O.P.E. is a group of concerned parishioners who are willing to help anyone in the geographical boundaries of our parish.

What we do: Visit shut-ins; prepare meals in a crisis situation; grocery shop or run errands for shut-ins; take others to the grocery store; take people to Mass one day a month; drive to medical appointments, bank, post office, etc.

What we CANNOT do: Transport people in wheelchairs, be called as an emergency ride, do personal care (feeding, bathing, toileting, house cleaning, or respite care), respond on short notice. (If possible, please give us 2 weeks notice).

To volunteer for **H.O.P.E.** or to use **H.O.P.E.**, call Pat Furst at 215-801-0820.

Save the Date
St. Ignatius
Parish Picnic
September 18, 2016



Lots of fun, good food, music and games!

****Volunteers are needed to help at the picnic.**
Check future bulletins for details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY that they return to the comfort of good health: Elizabeth Alvino, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Ann Birchler, Ruthann Carroll, Gloria Cheeseman, Dorothy Clark, Paul Clark, Brynn Clare Connor, Cliff Conway, Louie DiTanna, Marlene Drainville-Spillene, David Fry, Michael G., Sherry Golden, Rose Ann Grall, Madeline Guarnieri, Paul Hahn, Andrew Kelly, Diane Kelly, Ellen Masterson, Christine Nassar, Thelma Pisano, Mary Ramsey, Darwin Stout, Jonathan Sutton, Jeanne Tobin, Donald Weston. **Please call the rectory to submit prayer requests for the sick, and also to remove a name from the list. Names will be removed after a month, unless you request otherwise.**

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED

DECEASED, especially Edward Haynes, all of our service personnel killed while serving our country, those who have no one to pray for them and the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



Into the Wild Retreat for Men Thursday, August 4, 4pm - Sunday, August 7, 2pm

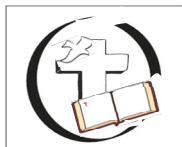
Building on the principle that "grace builds upon nature", Into the Wild is primarily an outdoor, skill-oriented weekend with built in moments of prayer and fellowship focused on providing men with experiences linked to a man's natural vocation as a leader, protector, and provider.

Location: Hickory Run State Park; 3613 State Route 534; White Haven, PA 18661

More information: <http://www.intothewildweekend.com/>



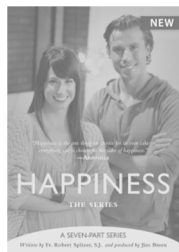
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Take courage; get up, he is calling you.
Mk 10:49

FORMED PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Happiness (Lesson 1): The Four Levels of Happiness



We all seek to be happy...but do we often settle for the lowest level of happiness? Check out the first session of *Happiness* as well-known psychiatrists, celebrities, physicists, scholars and priests uncover the answers to life's most profound questions.

Event: Interfaith Service of Prayer for the Nation During the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia Monday, July 25, 2016 - 2pm

Everyone is welcome to come together to pray at this critical moment in the history of our nation.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Gerard Dennis Gill, Rector and Pastor of the Cathedral



Save the Date! The 3rd Annual AbbeyFest: Faith, Music and Family all-day music festival will be held **Saturday, September 24, 2016** on the grounds of Daylesford Abbey in Paoli from 11am-9pm. Come and join us at this faith-filled event that features Music bands/Christian artists, Speakers, Mass, Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration. Last year, AbbeyFest drew close to 3,000 attendees of all ages, including many parish families. So grab some friends, family, a blanket...and make a day of it! In addition to music, there will be food, craft vendors/exhibits, and games for kids. The 2016 music line-up include award-winning bands such as: Sidewalk Profits, Stars Go Dim, The Josh Blakesley Band, and many more! Catholic author and speaker Jeff Cavins will give the keynote. **More Information and Tickets on sale now at: www.theabbeyfest.com.** Any questions, please check the website or contact Jim or Lia Gorman (610)296-2330 (email: jimliagorman@comcast.net)

ADORATION CHAPEL Come let us Adore Him

Jesus said "could you not spend one hour with me?". Won't you consider spending an hour a week at our Adoration Chapel? It's a quiet place where you can pray or just be still and enjoy the presence of the Lord. The Chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and you can visit anytime your schedule allows. Presently, we have some open hours and need your help: Monday 11am and 1pm, Tuesday 3am, Thursday 2pm, Friday 9am and 6pm, Saturday 12am, 1am and 1pm. Even if you can only commit for a short time, it would be appreciated. For more information call Marianne Kloc at 267-36-0152. God Bless you!

