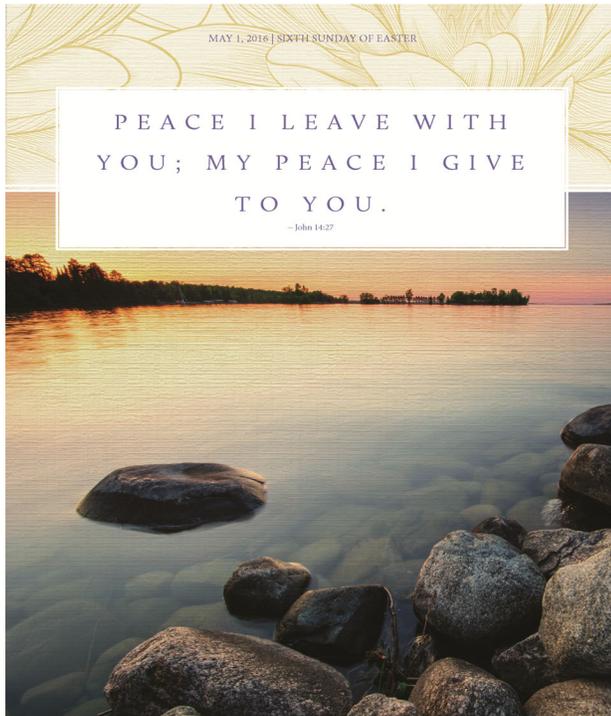


# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067

May 1, 2016 Sixth Sunday of Easter



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## THE GIFT OF PEACE

We are offered another vision in today's second reading, a vision of the New Jerusalem, "coming down out of heaven from God" (Revelation 21:10). Read between the lines describing the radiant city, and we find that the greatest beauty revealed is the beauty of perfect symmetry and order, a city founded on the faith of the twelve tribes of Israel and the Twelve Apostles, lit only by the glory of God. The first reading and the Gospel are linked to this idealized description of the New Jerusalem. In both we read of distress and disturbance countered by the gift of peace. "My peace I give to you," Jesus assures his disciples at the Last Supper (John 14:27). In keeping with that gift, the apostles and elders, in the reading from Acts, decide not to disturb the peace of new Gentile believers. The undue burden of circumcision will not be imposed on them.

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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, and 6:00 PM  
Children's Liturgy of the Word: at 9:30 Mass  
Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM  
Saturday: 8:00 AM.  
Holy Day Schedule: 7:00PM Vigil Mass, 7:00AM, 9:00AM, and 7:00PM.  
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.



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*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church;*  
*No matter what your current family or marital situation;*  
*No matter what your past or present religious affiliation;*  
*No matter what your personal history, age, background, race or color;*  
*No matter what your own self-image or esteem;*  
***You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. Ignatius Church.***

### Baptisms

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on the second and fourth Sundays of each month 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.



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

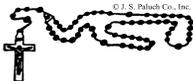
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### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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.

### ROSARY



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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.

From the Administrator's Desk...

There are many kinds of prayer. You may have learned the same acronym as I early in our parish school days: A C T S:

- A = Prayer of ADORATION
- C = Prayer of CONTRITION
- T = Prayer of THANKSGIVING
- S = Prayer of SUPPLICATION

We needn't bother with the seminary one: LEIS, which has nothing to do with what Hawaiians place on visitors shoulders. No, it stands for: Latreutical, Eucharistic, Impetratory, Supplicator.

Children start with the S word: *supplication*—self-centered critters as they can be. At nine years old, I heard that God would give us whatever we want, if we “made” the nine First Fridays. I made them, but didn't get the bike I was praying for. So, I did them a second time, but the First Friday of April, in around 1947, was Good Friday; and in those days there was no distribution of Holy Communion on Good Friday. So, the sequence was broken! How unfair can you get? I gave up. It was healing to learn later that praying for “fun” things was not the purpose of observing practices such as Nine First Fridays, but spiritual goals such as healings, conversions, forgiveness, getting a job etc...

More about the A, C, and T words next time.



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<b>Monday</b> 9:00AM	All Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00AM	Michael Septer (Loretta and Bill Amerine)
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	Timothy Breslin (Caroline and Jim Gallagher) Eugene Zito (The Charles Family)
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00AM 9:00AM 7:00PM	Timothy Breslin (The Henn Family) Mary Claire Rossi / living (Mary C. Crawford) Giuseppa Covello (The Covello Family)
<b>Friday</b> 9:00AM	Special Intention (Loretta and Bill Amerine)
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00AM 5:15PM	Laurine Valenti / living (Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Pryor) The Hill Family (Jack Dempsey)
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM 6:00PM	<b>May 8, 2016</b> Edward Gasson (Kathy Gasson) Teresa DeLuca (Lorraine Downs) Noto/Conzalaro Mothers (Rose Ann and Tom LaFisca) Mary Hanahan (The Sassaman Family)



### SAVE THE DATE



On Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 10AM, St. Ignatius Parish will celebrate Mass in remembrance of Msgr. Samuel E. Shoemaker, to commemorate what would have been the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. We would like to invite all parishioners and friends to attend this memorial. A reception will follow in the Parish Life Center.

## ST. IGNATIUS FISCAL CORNER

As many of you had heard, St. Ignatius has conducted a feasibility study to measure the ability of our parish to conduct a capital campaign. It is in the very early planning stages and we are still in the process of gathering information. We are currently reviewing the results from the initial study and will be meeting with the new pastor once he is appointed. We would like to thank everyone who had participated, either in person or by way of our online survey. Some of our goals include major parish improvements such as a new church roof, making our restroom facilities handicap accessible and installing an elevator in the church. We are also hoping to retire the remaining parish debt as well as to provide assistance to our parish school. More information will be coming soon! In future editions of our bulletin, we will be using this space to provide information about our parish finances. Next week we will take a look at our current parish debt, how much we owe and to whom. If you have a topic you would like reported on, please send your requests to our parish business manager, Gregory Lucidi, via email to [pbm@siparish.org](mailto:pbm@siparish.org) and we will try to address your questions. Exciting times are upon us as we look to our "New Beginning".

### COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

	<u>April 26, 2015</u>	<u>April 24, 2016</u>	
Sunday	\$ 16,716.50	\$ 16,291.00	369 env.
Youth Ministry	\$ 6,247.00	\$ 1,263.00	
Easter	\$ 530.00	\$ 622.00	

*We are very grateful for the support of our parish.*

### **RESPECT** ROSE OF LIFE INTENTION



*For the healing of all women who have had an abortion.*

The Rose of Life dedication is open to any who wishes a special intention. Please contact [lruppersberger@gmail.com](mailto:lruppersberger@gmail.com). In the meantime, anyone interested in joining us, we meet the first Monday of every month at 8 PM on the second floor of the Old Rectory. Join us for life.

"Little did I know that God was there, all along, offering me His love... The power of forgiveness is life altering. I am happy again and the people whom I love sense that" (Life Matters: Healing After Abortion)

In this Year of Mercy as Mother's Day approaches, all mothers who have aborted their children, regardless of circumstance, have God's full Mercy available to them. Confession and absolution and penance wipe away the sin. Healing must then take place. There is no healing without forgiveness, and the first they women need to forgive is themselves, as God will forgive them, if they ask.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer:

For post abortion healing ministries: May their invitation to discover God's healing mercy reach those who are suffering, we pray to the Lord.



### MAY FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

During May, if you would like to donate flowers to honor Our Lady, please contact the rectory at 215-493-3377, ext. 211. We need four \$50.00 donations for the weekends of May 15th, 22nd, & 29th.

## NEW RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The Rectory Office is now open from 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm Monday through Friday.

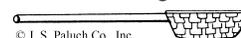
### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP



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.

### SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Christian Giving



### MAY 7TH AND MAY 8TH

Our second collection next weekend will be taken to support our Respect Life Ministry.

Thank you for your generosity!

### Clothing Collection

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

### THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA C.C.R. HOLY TRINITY PRAYER COMMUNITY PRESENTS: "THE LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS"

"The Life in the Spirit Seminars" will begin on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:30—9:00p.m. in the Holy Trinity School Hall, Osborne and Stockham Aves., Morrisville, Pa. 19067. Come and experience the love and joy that the Holy Spirit will bring into your life. Come by yourself or bring a friend. "Let the one who is thirsty come and receive the gift of life-giving water." Rev. 22-17. Contact: Marie Guaragno (215)295-6283—evenings (215)295-6900—during the day

**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.

**PLEASE REMEMBER**

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

**BOOK 'N BEAN**

Wish you had more time to read great books? How about one per month? Join us on the last Tuesday of each month to discuss the club's book of the month! Our group meets in the Religious Education Office (across from the school cafeteria) from 7:30 - 8:45pm for a relaxed discussion. Bring your own refreshments. Contact Linda Stewart at [dremom@verizon.net](mailto:dremom@verizon.net) or call her at (215) 968-3577 with any questions. Our schedule for the 2015-2016 academic year is:  
May 24: Black Diamonds (Catherine Bailey)

**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).

**From the Religious Education Office ...**

The Religious Education Office is open Sunday through Thursday. Note that the office is closed on Friday.

**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.

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP: (June 27 – July 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon) –**

**CAVE QUEST: Following Jesus, the Light of the World** is our program and theme this year. This camp is for children who will be entering kindergarten to grade 5 in the fall. We need lots of adult helpers and junior aides. If you're interested in helping, please contact Annmarie at 215-493-5204. **SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATIONS** to the Religious Education Office.



**REGISTRATION FOR 2016 – 2017 PREP YEAR**

All PREP families should have picked up registration materials for the 2016-2017 PREP year. You can also download these materials from the parish website at [www.siparish.org](http://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** and includes a **Special Needs class** for students who would work better in a small group environment.

**SACRAMENTS:**

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Rehearsal for St. Ignatius School and Sunday PREP students is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 3, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Rehearsal for Monday and Wednesday PREP students is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 3, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

First Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 7, at 10:00 a.m. for St. Ignatius School and Sunday PREP and at 1:00 p.m. for Monday and Wednesday PREP.**

**CONFIRMATION:** Congratulations to the 101 students from our parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop John J. McIntyre last Saturday, April 23. We pray that through the grace of this Sacrament, these young people will grow to love God above all things and serve his people in the spirit of mercy that Pope Francis teaches us.



**PENTECOST MASS FOR THE  
ARCHDIOCESAN  
CHARISMATIC RENEWAL**

**Saturday, May 14, 2016**

**Praise & Worship 6:30 P.M.**

**Vigil Mass 7:00 P.M.**

**Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul**

18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 561-1313  
Reverend G. Dennis Gill will be the principal celebrant.

Join us for a special time of Prayer and Praise as we prepare for the Charismatic Renewal Jubilee Year of 2017. Come be transformed by the Power of the Holy Spirit!



**ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH  
SCHOOL**  
“High Achievement ~ Higher Purpose”



Remember it is impossible to get close to Jesus and stay close to him without developing an intimate daily conversation with him. Nothing compares to establishing the habit of daily prayer in our lives. The habit of daily prayer will transform you in unimaginable ways, and you will wonder how you ever lived without it. We can survive without prayer, but we cannot thrive without it. Begin the process today.

**Coming Events:**

Thursday, May 5 – 9:00 Mass – Ascension Thursday  
Friday, May 6 – 9:00 Mass – First Friday – prepared by Grade 1A  
Saturday, May 7 – 10:00 Mass – First Communion for our school children

“Tis the Month of our Mother”, these words and many like them will begin to ring out in the month of May. We sing the Mary hymns to remind us that we are honoring Mary as our Mother.

**To show our love for our heavenly Mother, the parish sponsored May Procession will be held on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Please join us in song and procession as we demonstrate our love of Mary. The procession will begin at the front entrance of school, process around the parking lot and go into church to crown the statute of Mary, celebrate Benediction and then depart with a happy heart. We look forward to seeing everyone here.**

**St. Ignatius School ignites our students’ imaginations!**

**Open House will be held on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00am and 6:00-8:00pm.**

**Come see why parents choose St. Ignatius School!**

**MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH**

Mount Saint Joseph Academy invites 7th grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Half day shadow visits will continue through May. A parent may go online to arrange a visit. See our website at [www.msacad.org](http://www.msacad.org) for more information.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

The Adult Faith Formation and Education committee of St Ignatius exists to provide programs of current interest that lead to reflection, inquisition, faith sharing, growth and a deeper relationship with Christ. Many may say- “why do it?”, only a handful of the same people show up; it is so much effort picking a program, advertising it, setting up, cleaning up - and the same 20-25 people show up, out of over 2500 families. We have tried different nights of the week, different times, different locations, different snacks, and over the past 15 years have probably put on 200 or more DIFFERENT programs, all for FREE for the members of our parish. Why? Because we love God, and want to serve Him. Do you love God and wish to serve Him and become part of a dynamic team who selects programs of interest, education, and faith for others? Then join us the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM on the second floor of the Old Rectory. One of our new programs available to the entire parish is FORMED, an online site of many programs, DVD’s, movies and books. Just go to our parish website and click on the link for FORMED, and get trans-FORMED in your faith right from your own home or work.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

**Intercessory Prayer:**

For all those who are seeking: may they find what they are looking for in Christ, their Lord and Redeemer, we pray to the Lord.



**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 DeTemple, 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.

**PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED**

**DECEASED**, 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.



**FLOWER SALE**



**Spring is here!  
Get out your gardening gloves!**

The annual Mother’s Day Flower and Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, May 7th from 8:30am to 1:00pm and after the 5:15pm Mass and on Sunday, May 8th from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Flats of small flowers, large plants, and hanging plants will be available. These were a big hit the last three years and you will be delighted with the selection!

Volunteers are needed to make this event a success. If you can spare an hour or two on Saturday or Sunday (May 7th & May 8th), please call the rectory at 215-493-3377 ext. 211. Students who need service hours are welcome to help.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY** that they return to the comfort of good health: Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Brynn Clare Connor, David Fry, RoseAnn Grall, Barbara Grzskovish, Madeline Guarnieri, Andrew Kelly, Kathy Lyn Sibaja, Darwin Stout, Donald Weston, John Zack, Barbara Zenno.

**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**

### WINTER COAT AND SWEATER DRIVE

This is our Tenth Anniversary, so let's make it a huge success!

Date: May 14th  
Time: 9am to Noon  
Place: St. Ignatius Church, behind the old rectory

The weather is beginning to warm up, but don't pack away those coats and sweaters!

We will be collecting slightly used coats and sweaters for those in need. Certificates from Wal-Mart, Target, and K Mart are also welcomed. Items will be distributed through local charitable agencies. Your gift will help men, women and children who are in need of usable warm coats and sweaters. Your used coats and sweaters is something "new" to someone in need.

Thank you,  
St. Ignatius Social Action Committee



### **MAY IS MARY'S MONTH WEEKLY FAMILY ROSARY TO HONOR MARY**

Come Pray with us in **MARY'S OUTDOOR GARDEN GROTTO 6:30PM EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING IN MAY (4<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup>, 18<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>)**

Hosted by: St Ignatius Legion of Mary – Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Praesidium

If you have questions please contact Lisa Liccione at (215) 499-1810



**Maria Gdovin—Youth Minister**  
Phone: 267-391-7693  
E-mail: [ym@siparish.org](mailto:ym@siparish.org)

High school youth group is offered to youth in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade directly after the 6pm Mass. We will not meet next Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> due to our Open Gym Night and Mother's Day, our next meeting will be May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Middle school (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade) EDGE will next meet May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4-5:30pm. Please note that this group does not replace PREP or St. Ignatius Catholic School. This semester we are talking about how to be superheroes in our faith!

We will be hosting an open gym night this Friday, May 6th 7-9pm in St. Ignatius Gym for both high school and middle school youth. There is no cost for youth to attend and all are welcome!! Come join for fellowship and fun playing volleyball! \*Parents, please walk in with your youth, there are important forms for you to sign.\*

### 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](http://www.relevantradio.com) and on mobile applications.

### ADORATION CHAPEL



We are so blessed to have an Adoration Chapel at St. Ignatius. It is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Won't you visit and spend some quiet time away from our busy world? Perhaps you would like to help us by becoming a substitute adorer or by adoring each week during one of our open hours : Wednesday 3am, Thursday 4pm, Friday 6pm and Saturday 1pm . You will never regret spending some time with our Lord, Jesus! He will give you His peace through your daily struggles. For more information about this beautiful devotion kindly call Marianne Kloc at 267-346-0152. A sincere thank you to our new adorers and to all of you who substitute and regularly adore at the Chapel, God Bless you! Lastly, make a note of our adoration hotline number 215-493-3377 ext. 221 call it to find out if the Chapel is open or closed.

### SPRING FURNITURE DRIVE A HUGE SUCCESS

Our semi annual furniture drive was a HUGE success .We collected two large truck-loads of furniture in very good condition .The furniture was taken to Fox Chase Cancer Center ,where it will be distributed to patients who need it. The remainder will be sold to offset the costs of treating patients whose resources are limited The Christian Charity exhibited by you, the St. Ignatius parishioners .is greatly appreciated by the recipients, I assure you. I will paraphrase a Sam Walton quote .It's not how many THINGS you acquire in Your lifetime but what is important is how You share those things ,that You do acquire, with people who are in need.

May God Bless you all for making life better for those among us who are less fortunate.

Thanks So Much,

YOUR Social Action Committee