



# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*October 25, 2020*



LOVE  
GOD love  
neighbor

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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM  
Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM  
\*Special Schedules for Holy Days

## PERPETUAL ADORATION

The chapel will remain closed at this time for Perpetual Adoration. Please see page 4 regarding Eucharistic Adoration in our main church.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00PM  
Confessions will also be heard upon request.  
Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday—CLOSED  
\*Monday– Friday 9:00AM—4:00PM  
Saturday—CLOSED  
(\*Please see details on page 2)



**Sunday October 25, 2020**

*Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40*

**7:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners**

**9:30AM Pat Walsh (Pat and Tom Schaeffer)**

**11:30AM Felice and Joseph Glennon  
(The Paglione - DiRienzo Family)**

**6:00PM Joseph and Valaria Mahan  
(Christina Mahan)**

**Monday October 26, 2020**

*Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 13:10-17*

**9:00AM Ralph Kelly (Maureen & Marty Tantum)**

**Tuesday October 27, 2020**

*Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Lk 13:18-21*

**9:00AM Christopher McArdle  
(Sheila and Ralph Kelly)**

**Wednesday October 28, 2020**

*Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16*

**9:00AM Pat Haynes (Sue and Joe Bednarski)**

**Thursday October 29, 2020**

*Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35*

**9:00AM Dot and Paul Clark / living  
(Lauren and Stephan Inker)**

**Friday October 30, 2020**

*Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 14:1-6*

**9:00AM Christina Hynoski (Mom, Chris, Candice)**

**Saturday October 31, 2020**

*Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11*

**5:15PM William C. Gibney  
(Regina Gibney and Family)**

**Sunday November 1, 2020**

*Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a*

**7:30AM Mary A. Fazzalore (Frank Fazzalore)**

**9:30AM Tom O'Brien (Joan O'Brien)**

**11:30AM Dr. Dorita Evangelista  
(The Evangelista Family)**

**6:00PM All Living and Deceased Parishioners**

*SANCTUARY CANDLE*

The Church Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of John J. Gordon requested by Mary Gordon.



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**Reading I: Exodus 22: 20-26**

A self-styled “compassionate” God included in the Code of the Covenant with His people the kind of laws we read about here. Aliens from other lands living with the Israelites are linked with widows as people needing protection. To charge interest on a loan meant to alleviate distress is forbidden.

**Reading II: I Thessalonians 1: 5c-10**

Paul stresses to his recent converts that his lifestyle was a witness to the truth of his message. He urges them to keep trying to be imitators of the risen Lord, who gave of Himself totally for our salvation.

**The Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-40**

Jesus presents to the questioning Pharisees what we call “the Great Commandment” in His capacity as an authoritative Lord. “Love” here is not a feeling but of fidelity, of willing and doing. Jesus is the first teacher to link the two commands, and in so doing He advances morality.

**RECTORY HOURS**

The rectory office is open Monday through Friday from 9AM until 4PM. All other times will be by appointment only. For your protection, and the protection of the staff, we ask that all persons over the age of 2 wear a mask while in the rectory. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 215-493-3377 or [contact@stignatius.church](mailto:contact@stignatius.church) before you stop by as most things can still be accomplished with a phone call.

## Ministerial Staff

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Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass here for years, we welcome you to join our parish. Please contact the rectory to register.

## RCIA

Information is available for those who are considering becoming a member of the Catholic Faith. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Annmarie Flanagan, at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701.

## BAPTISM



The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45PM. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:00PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class or for a Baptism.

## WEDDINGS

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

## Mass of Remembrance and Healing

A memorial mass of remembrance and healing will be celebrated by the St. Ignatius faith community for all parents who have experienced the death of a child. The liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00PM. Parishioners of St. Ignatius and surrounding parishes are invited to join. If you would like to join us, please call the rectory: 215-493-3377 and provide your contact information, your child's name and his/her date deceased.



## The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners are encouraged to let the rectory know when they are in the hospital, nursing home, or other medical care facility. Please contact the rectory if you or anyone you know might be ill, a shut in or unable to attend Mass on a weekly basis. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.

## FISCAL CORNER

Our 2020-2021 Annual Parish Appeal is underway! This critical parish financial appeal will run from October through the end of January. This is one of our largest sources of income, aside from our normal Sunday collections, and is greatly needed for the daily operation of our parish. While our Sunday collections are consistent, we are facing a shortfall in the school due to Covid remediation. Additional cost for cleaning and sanitizing, additional staff for remediation, supplies and signage, as well as the reduction in enrollment in our PreK program will result in a larger than average parish subsidy. If you can help with this effort, it would be greatly appreciated! You should have received our appeal materials in the mail. If you have not, there are appeal envelopes located in the entrances of the church. Please return your donation by placing this year's appeal envelope in the collection basket at Mass, mail your contribution or drop it off directly to the rectory. As of our third full week of the Parish appeal, 134 families have contributed \$35,040 toward our goal of \$150,000. We are at 23% of this year's goal. It should also be noted, we are also \$12,740 behind last year's pace. Thank you for your generosity!

### Weekly Collection

	<u>10/20/2019</u>	<u>10/18/2020</u>
<b>Sunday Offering</b>	\$ 14,662.00    309	\$ 12,895.00    189
<b>Online Parish Giving</b>	\$ 4,938.66	\$ 8,232.98
<b>Total Weekly Contribution</b>	<b>\$ 19,600.66</b>	<b>\$ 18,155.98</b>
 <b>Mission Sunday</b>	 <b>\$ 10,950.00</b>	 <b>\$ 1,152.00</b>

*We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©PPC*



*~A Legacy of Faith and Family~*

*St. Ignatius of Antioch School, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, is a small private Catholic school founded by the Sisters of St. Francis in 1958. As part of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, we provide an academically rigorous, core curriculum, faith-based education to the families of St. Ignatius of Antioch parish and the surrounding area.*

*We emphasize academics, a wide range of activities, and the latest in classroom technology. We achieve a close family environment where students are committed to Christian values, high academic skills and a positive self-image.*

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**Mrs. Jackie Madden, School Secretary - [office@sischool.org](mailto:office@sischool.org)**

Please  
**P R A Y**  
for the sick of our parish and  
those that care for them

Lord hear our prayer for the  
sick in our community that they  
return to the comfort of good  
health:

Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Baby Brianna, Lorraine C., Rich C., Ruthann Carroll, Brynn Clare Connor, Evelyn Conway, C. Crawford, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathon Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, Lou Gunkel, Charles Jacobson, Nathan Kilgore, Michael Kotwicki, Amy Margulies, Sean Marriott, Toni McConnell, Dorothy McMullen, Baby Eva McNamara, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Carolyn Rupprecht, Irene Schuka, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres, Edward Torres, David Zewe.



Brian Basheda, Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Melissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Erik Bresnahan, Sara Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bullman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Matthew Listner, 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, J.C. Peabody, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, Brett Ryan, Luke Stapleton, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.



### PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Andrew Lane, Michael Lewis, Philip Cheung, Erik Reyes, Anthony Albanese, and Juan Builes, to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen

To learn more about our seminarians visit  
<http://heedthecall.org/poster/>



VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE  
DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD  
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA  
**HEED THE CALL**

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition will be held Monday thru Friday from 10AM to 8PM. The restrictions for church attendance such as social distancing and wearing of masks apply. To assist with church sanitizing we are designating the front 3 pews for this devotion. We hope to resume 24/7 Perpetual Adoration in the Chapel when it is advisable. In the meantime, let us pray for each other and may God continue to bless you and your families.



Pray for our beloved deceased especially those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.



### CHILDREN'S Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on November 1, 2020 with safety measures in place. All participants will be asked to wear masks/face shields. The children will be spaced six feet apart while we process downstairs at the start of Children's Liturgy and again while we process upstairs afterwards. In addition, we will set up the worship space on the floor of the auditorium to provide additional room to spread the children. The children will sit on individual mats that will be disinfected each week. Siblings will be permitted to sit next to one another, if they choose, but all other participants will be spaced six feet apart. For the time being, leaflets will not be distributed. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Alice LaMorte at [malamorte@verizon.net](mailto:malamorte@verizon.net) at any time. We look forward to an interactive Children's Liturgy with your children once again!

## ADULT *Faith* FORMATION

This weekend's readings reveal to us many behaviors that should guide us in our protection of the rights of the poor and the oppressed and mentor future social justice leaders. These teachings come from the book of Exodus. The responsorial psalm speaks to our love of the Lord, who is our strength. Our second reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians regarding good example and 'speaking' with action over words and the type of reception to be given to others...or, they will know we are Christians by our love. Matthew's Gospel relates the testing of Jesus by the 'lawgivers' of the day- which is the greatest commandment and Jesus responds 'love of God and love of neighbor' and all others rely on them. So, we get our 'marching orders' to move into the winter season as we are approaching Advent at the end of November. We need to pray for all who suffer from the consequences of COVID- the homebound, the lonely, the depressed, those in nursing homes, those who cannot travel, those who cannot see loved ones, those who have risk factors, those who have not received Sacraments in many months due to the pandemic; these holidays and celebrations will be different for many. Let us pray for all for the grace and strength needed to travel this portion of their life journeys as Jesus carried His cross, let us lean on Him to help us carry ours.

St. Thomas Aquinas pray for us.

## Respect



This COVID pandemic has caused many changes in our society; has affected all of us in one way or another. Most especially, on behalf of life and health issues, funding for crisis pregnancy centers and the services they provide have been significantly compromised. We need your help; we need your prayers; we need your resources- the Legacy of Life Foundation is a local organization with centers in Bucks county and Philadelphia whose mission is to save babies and transform families. We serve hundreds of abortion-minded women every year but most especially this year, during the pandemic, our fund-raising efforts have been compromised. Please pray for us; please donate if you can by going to [legacyoflifefoundation.org](http://legacyoflifefoundation.org) to give. All the moms and babies will appreciate it. You will be evangelizing in a way that can make the difference between life and death.

This week we close out 'respect life month'; let us not close out our respect for life or our prayers for healing and peace and love of ourselves and others as ourselves because of our being created in the image and likeness of God and possess the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Our Lady of Guadalupe pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: During this Respect Life Month and always, may our hope in Christ's resurrection strengthen us in standing up for the gift of human life; we pray to the Lord.

Rose of Life Intention: For all life, because all lives are created in HIS image and likeness.



LIVESTREAMING ON OUR WEBPAGE  
AT 9:30AM

until we gather again in  
**WORSHIP**  
know that you are  
**MISSED**  
know that you are  
**LOVED**



LITTLE SISTERS of the POOR

In 1869 Archbishop Wood of Philadelphia invited the Little Sisters of the Poor from France to come and assist in caring for the vast numbers of elderly poor in the city. The charism of their foundress, St. Jeanne Jugan serving the poorest in simplicity, humility and trust in Divine Providence (begging), imbued them with the gift of fortitude for 150 years in Philadelphia through faithfully observing their vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and hospitality while personally assisting the dying with firm belief - "It is Jesus Himself whom you are serving in the Poor." JJ.

**They will be visiting us the weekend of October 31st/Nov 1st , appealing for your financial assistance to support their work. Your support is GREATLY APPRECIATED and is God's tangible providential assistance to the poor.**



# Religious Education

From the Religious Education Office ... The PREP office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. I am in the Antioch Center (old rectory) 2nd floor on Sundays and weekday evenings.

## PREP REGISTRATION:

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) is for children in Grades K to 8. PREP classes are being held remotely (at least until January). Classes began

the week of September 13, but it will soon be too late to sign up, so please come to our office now. Annmarie is recording our teachers every week while they teach their "classes." Parents can find these lessons on the parish website. (Go to [stignatius.church](http://stignatius.church), and then click on PREP. The grade levels will come up, so click on the level you want. Finish up by completing the Interactive Session Review and send results to Mrs. Perini's email – [lpellini@stignatius.church](mailto:lpellini@stignatius.church)). Each class's lesson will be available for 3 weeks only. Then the next lesson will replace it. Registered families can communicate with the teachers by email. If you missed registration, please stop in our office or call us (215-493-5204) to receive the registration form by email.

**Special Needs:** Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please call Annmarie at 215-493-5204.  
**8th Grade Students:** Parents, please encourage your 8th graders to continue their study of God and his Church. Confirmation is not graduation from learning about God; this is a lifetime commitment.

## SACRAMENTS:

**FIRST COMMUNION:** There are still a few parents who have not set up a First Communion Day with me. If I don't hear from you very soon, I will assume that your child will receive First Communion next April 17.

## RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION, and CONFIRMATION in 2021:

At this time, we are preparing for Informational Parent Meetings for those who have children who will be receiving these Sacraments in the spring. Keep reading the Parish Bulletin for updates. Most likely, the Parent Meetings will be via Zoom. More info will follow.



SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO SEMINARY, OVERBROOK

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October 13, 2020

St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church  
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Attn: Mr. Ken Driver / Social Action Committee Members

Re: Coat Donation

Dear Mr. Driver and Committee Members:

Please accept my sincere thank you for your supportive Christian gesture of good will as expressed by your Coat Drive for our agency clients. We are blessed knowing this community has friends like you, working with others as we help them in their struggles.

While your donation will provide body warmth to those in need, a much deeper gift has been bestowed. Our men will know people spent time and thoughtful consideration thinking about them and their struggles. The idea that someone cared about them, strangers, such a thought can become a bridge out of despair in a time of struggle. Thank you for helping build that bridge.

With much appreciation,

*Ted Millard*

Ted Millard  
Executive Director

October 6, 2020

The Confirmandi of  
Saint Ignatius of Antioch Parish  
999 Reading Avenue  
Yardley, PA 19067-1626

Dear Confirmandi,

I write to offer my thanks to you for the warm welcome that I received at St. Saint Ignatius of Antioch Parish on Saturday, September 26, 2020, when I visited to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. I thoroughly enjoyed the time that I spent with you and your families. Thank you for all that you did to prepare for the celebration of this Sacrament. I am grateful to you for your extraordinarily generous gift to Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in the amount of \$1,910.00. We are so very grateful for your support for the Seminary's mission of forming future priests, deacons and lay ministers for service for the Church. Be assured that I will remember you and your families in prayer as well.

In my homily at your Confirmation, I spoke about the fact that God does indeed have a unique plan for each of your lives, and a special purpose in mind for how you will be a person for others and make a difference in our world like Jesus Christ! The gifts of the Holy Spirit that you received in Confirmation will help you to fulfill God's plan for your life. Once again, I ask you, can it be that some of you young men could be called to the Priesthood? Can it be that some of you young women would be called by God to give your lives to Jesus in service of the Church as consecrated religious sisters? Please be open to the possibility that God's plan for your life God's purpose may be that you would have a religious vocation.

Whatever God's plan is for your life, discovering it and following it is the work of a lifetime, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit that you received in Confirmation will help you to discern and to fulfill God's will. May God bless you always.

Sincerely in Christ,

# PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE COMPARISON // NOV 3, 2020

In keeping with its mission, the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference aims to educate and inform Catholics about a wide range of issues. The information compiled here has been gathered from policies, public statements, official and campaign websites, and other resources, as of September 1, 2020, to help voters form their consciences before voting in November. The issues that appear here do not represent a complete list of issues that may be of importance to Catholics. The PCC neither supports nor opposes any candidate for public office.

“The right to life implies and is linked to other human rights - to the basic goods that every human person needs to live and thrive. All the life issues are connected, for erosion of respect for the life of any individual or group in society necessarily diminishes respect for all life. The moral imperative to respond to the needs of our neighbors - basic needs such as food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work - is universally binding on our consciences and may be legitimately fulfilled by a variety of means. Catholics must seek the best ways to respond to these needs.... Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights - for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture - is false and illusory if *the right to life*, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination.” (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, Nos. 25, 26, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2019)

*President*  
**DONALD TRUMP**



*Former Vice-President*  
**JOE BIDEN**



## ABORTION

In 2016, [Trump said](#) that the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* “will happen automatically...because I am putting pro-life justices on the [U.S. Supreme] Court.”

In 2017, [Trump signed into law](#) a resolution to allow states to restrict Title X funding for Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers.

According to his website, “As president, [Biden will work](#) to codify *Roe v. Wade*, and his Justice Department will do everything in its power to stop the rash of state laws that so blatantly violate the constitutional right to an abortion...”

“As president, [Biden will...reverse](#) the Trump Administration’s rule preventing Planned Parenthood and certain other family planning programs from obtaining Title X funds.”

## DEATH PENALTY

In 2020, [the Trump Administration presided](#) over five executions (three in July and two in August), the first to be carried out by the federal government in 17 years. Two additional executions are scheduled in September 2020.

According to his website, “[Biden will work](#) to pass legislation to eliminate the death penalty at the federal level, and incentivize states to follow the federal government’s example. These individuals should instead serve life sentences without probation or parole.”

## EDUCATIONAL CHOICE

In February 2020, [Trump said](#), “Yet, for too long, countless American children have been trapped in failing government schools. To rescue these students, 18 states have created school choice in the form of Opportunity Scholarships... no parent should be forced to send their child to a failing government school.”

In January 2020, [Biden tweeted](#), “When we divert public funds to private schools, we undermine the entire public education system. We’ve got to prioritize investing in our public schools, so every kid in America gets a fair shot. That’s why I oppose vouchers.”

## ENVIRONMENT

[Trump has begun](#) the process of withdrawing the U.S. from the Paris Agreement on climate change, an international agreement to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions.

According to his website, [a Biden administration will re-enter](#) the Paris Agreement on day one.

## ETHICS IN RESEARCH

In 2019, [the Trump Administration announced](#) its decision to discontinue research conducted within the National Institutes of Health “involving the use of human fetal tissue from elective abortion”.

While serving in the U.S. Senate: In 2007, [Biden voted](#) in favor of the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2007 (S.5), which provides for human embryonic stem cell research. In 1998, [Biden voted](#) against the Human Cloning Prohibition Act (S.1601).

## GENDER ISSUES

In 2019, [the White House confirmed](#) Trump’s opposition to the [Equality Act](#), which would add the new terms “sexual orientation” and “gender identity” to the definition of “sex” in federal civil rights laws, and would exempt itself from the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993: “The Trump Administration absolutely opposes discrimination of any kind and supports the equal treatment of all. However, this bill in its current form is filled with poison pills that threaten to undermine parental and conscience rights.”

According to his website, [Biden believes](#) the [Equality Act](#) is the “best vehicle for ensuring equal rights under the law for LGBTQ+ Americans, and will guarantee that LGBTQ+ individuals are protected under existing civil rights laws.” Biden lists enacting the Equality Act as a top legislative priority.

# PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE COMPARISON

## DONALD TRUMP

## JOE BIDEN

### HEALTH CARE ACCESS

According to his website, [Trump](#) “repealed the Obamacare individual mandate, expanded plan choices and increased competition to bring down costs for consumers.” In June 2020, [the Trump administration argued](#) in a legal brief that the entire Affordable Care Act (ACA) should be invalidated. Signed into law in 2010, ACA expanded access to health care coverage for the uninsured.

According to a White House fact sheet, [Trump](#) “is using all available means to ensure safe vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics are developed, manufactured, and distributed in unprecedented time and scale in response to COVID-19.”

According to his website, [Biden will protect](#) the Affordable Care Act and build on it by “giving Americans a new choice, a public health insurance option like Medicare; increasing the value of tax credits to lower premiums and extend coverage to more working Americans; [and] expanding coverage to low-income Americans.”

According to his website, [Biden’s COVID-19 plan](#) “ensures the wide availability of free testing; the elimination of all cost barriers to preventive care and treatment for COVID-19; the development of a vaccine; and the full deployment and operation of necessary supplies, personnel, and facilities.”

### IMMIGRATION/REFUGEES

According to his website, “Upon entering office, [President Trump called on](#) Congress to fully fund a wall along the Southern border, to close legal loopholes that enable illegal immigration, to end chain migration, and to eliminate the visa lottery program.”

In July 2020, [the Trump Administration announced](#) it would reject applications for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program stating, “...the fact remains that Congress should act on this matter.”

[The Trump Administration proposes](#) resettling 18,000 refugees under a new refugee ceiling. The number admitted in 2016 was nearly 85,000.

According to Biden’s website, “As president, [Joe will prioritize](#) a comprehensive immigration reform to finally give 11 million undocumented immigrants a roadmap to citizenship.”

In June 2020, [Biden stated](#), “As President, I will immediately work to make [DACA] permanent by sending a bill to Congress on day one of my Administration.”

[Biden will set](#) the annual global refugee admissions cap to 125,000.

### POVERTY

In 2019, [the Trump Administration opposed](#) a House-passed bill that would raise the federal minimum wage to \$15, stating, “efforts to reduce taxes, eliminate regulations, and implement fairer trade deals are driving economic growth and increasing workers’ take-home pay far more effectively and efficiently than legislation like H.R. 582.” The current federal minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour; a number of states and localities have adopted higher rates.

According to Biden’s website, “[He firmly believes](#) all Americans are owed a raise, and it’s well past time we increase the federal minimum wage to \$15 across the country. This increase would include workers who aren’t currently earning the minimum wage, like the farmworkers who grow our food and domestic workers who care for our aging and sick and for those with disabilities.”

### RACIAL EQUITY

In June 2020, [Trump announced](#) four steps to address racial inequity and police reform: 1) aggressively pursuing economic development in minority communities; 2) confronting healthcare disparities, including addressing chronic conditions and investing in minority-serving medical institutions; 3) an [executive order](#) that will encourage police departments nationwide to meet the most current professional standards for the use of force, including tactics for de-escalation; and 4) renewing a call on Congress to enact school choice.

In a June 2020 op-ed, [Biden said](#), “We should also be directing our resources to actively undo the negative effect systemic racism has had on opportunities for black Americans,” citing inequities for African-American entrepreneurs, the gap in home ownership and discriminatory lending practices. [Biden also said](#), “...I’m proposing an additional \$300 million to reinvigorate community policing in our country. Every single police department should have the money it needs to institute real reforms...”

### RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

In 2017, [Trump signed](#) an executive order, which states, “Federal law protects the freedom of Americans and their organizations to exercise religion and participate fully in civic life without undue interference by the Federal Government. The executive branch will honor and enforce those protections.”

In response to a July 2020 U.S. Supreme Court ruling preserving the religious liberty of the Little Sisters of the Poor, [a White House statement said](#), “As the Supreme Court has previously stated, protecting the ability of people to worship and live according to the dictates of their conscience is part of ‘the best of our traditions.’”

According to Biden’s website, “The Trump-Pence Administration has deliberately and systematically attempted to gut protections for the LGBTQ+ community by carving out broad religious exemptions to existing nondiscrimination laws and policies across federal agencies. [Biden will reverse](#) Trump’s policies misusing these broad exemptions...”

Regarding the July 2020 ruling, [Biden said](#) the decision, “will make it easier for the Trump-Pence Administration to continue to strip health care from women--attempting to carve out broad exemptions to the Affordable Care Act’s commitment to giving all women free access to recommended contraception.”



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