



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

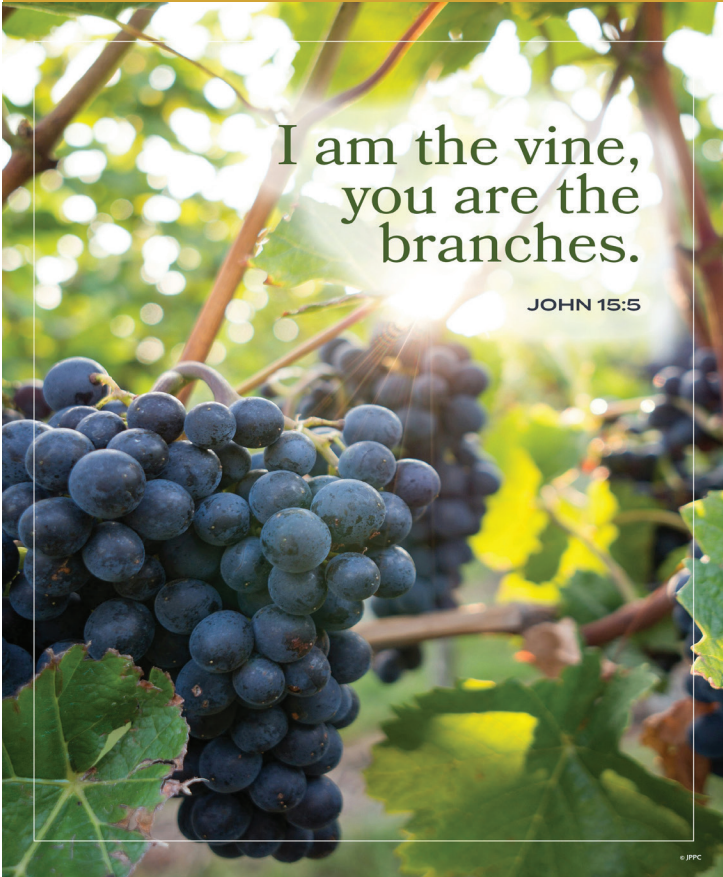
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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024



I am the vine,
you are the
branches.

JOHN 15:5

The WORD of GOD

Reading I: Acts 9: 26-31

Paul is at first much feared by the disciples because of his past persecution of them. But his conversion led to the peace described here.

Reading II: 1 John 3: 18-24

The test of one's acceptance by God is the willingness to do "what pleases Him," namely loving one another as He commands.

The Gospel: John 15: 1-8

Jesus describes Himself as the true vine, replacing the older image of Israel as the vine. The disciples, representing Jesus in the world, give glory to the Father.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM (Children's Liturgy),
11:30AM, 6:00PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM

*Special Schedule for Holy Days

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—5:00PM

Friday - 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

ROSARY

The rosary is said Monday - Friday after the 9AM

Daily Mass, on Saturdays before the 5:15PM

Mass., and on Sundays before the 6:00PM Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00PM

Confessions will also be heard upon request.

Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Exposition is held in the chapel Monday - Friday

from 10AM to 8PM and Saturday 10AM - 4PM.

For information on chapel closings/openings,
please call 215-550-5638 and listen to the message.

CARE OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is homebound, and

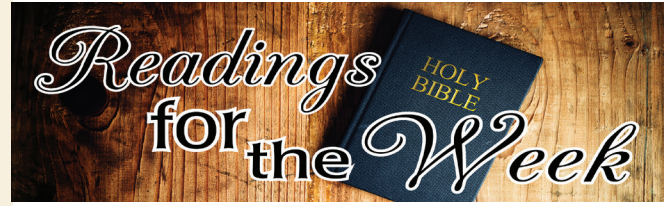
would like to receive the Sacraments, please

contact the rectory to arrange for a visit.



Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns for Ann Marie Backus requested by The Backus Family.



Sunday April 28, 2024
7:30AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius
9:30AM Kristian Falkenstein
 (The Falkenstein Family)
11:30AM Bette Alvino (Joanne Russo)
6:00PM John - Warrio Jimenez
 (The Young Family)

Monday April 29, 2024
9:00AM Giuseppa Covello (The Covello Family)

Tuesday April 30, 2024
9:00AM Margaret and Kenneth Bleakley
 (Jim and Monica Walsh)

Wednesday May 1, 2024
9:00AM Tim and Michelle Chamberlain /living
 (Linda Chamberlain)

Thursday May 2, 2024
9:00AM Theresa Fuentes (Susan Sposato)

Friday May 3, 2024
9:00AM Michael Septer
 (Loretta and Bill Amerine)

Saturday May 4, 2024
5:15PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

Sunday May 5, 2024
7:30AM The Zewe and Linde Family / living
 (Joe and Deb Linde)
9:30AM Michael Septer (The Septer Family)
11:30AM Harold "Buzz" Taylor (Joan Taylor)
6:00PM Rev. Msgr. Francis Statkus

Sunday Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

Monday Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11

Friday 1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Jn 14:6-14

Saturday Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 Jn 15:18-21

Sunday Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17



Ministerial Staff

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



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

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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.

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

Parish Giving

In the spirit of embracing modern technology to foster a sense of community and ease in giving, St. Ignatius of Antioch utilizes E-Giving, a digital platform designed to streamline the process of making donations and supporting the parish's missions and operations. This innovative approach to stewardship not only simplifies the act of giving for parishioners, allowing for contributions to be made anytime and from anywhere, but also ensures a consistent flow of support for the church's many vital programs. E-Giving offers a secure, flexible, and efficient way for members of the community to uphold their commitment to the church, enhancing our ability to carry out charitable works, maintain our facilities, and expand our outreach initiatives. By adopting E-Giving, St. Ignatius of Antioch takes a significant step forward in ensuring the sustainability and growth of our beloved parish, fostering a culture of generosity and accessibility for all. Please visit our parish website to sign up or to get more information on this program.

Weekly Collection

Counting our Blessings	4/23/23	Env	4/21/24	Env
Sunday Offering	\$12,486.00	239	\$11,623.00	232
Online Parish Giving	\$10,218.14		\$13,067.48	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$22,704.14		\$24,690.48	

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



The Social Action Committee thanks our generous parish for its continued contributions to Mary's Cupboard. While all donations of non-perishable food and household items are greatly appreciated, the Cupboard is currently in need of condiments, cooking oils, shelf-stable milk and juice boxes. Our efforts directly impact the lives of Lower Bucks families; your support is a blessing.

Congratulations!

April 500 Club Winners

Sharon Smith (#187) \$50
 Gregg Ruppertsberger (#118) \$100
 Seamus Horan (#116) \$250
 Mary Ann Fucich (#323) \$500

Thank you to the winners who donated the money back to the school.
 There are still 32 chances to win and tickets are still available. Tickets may be purchased at:
<https://tinyurl.com/SIS500club>

Pray FOR THE SICK ©JPPC

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

Baby Kayden Hledik, Emil Abinader, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Lorraine C., Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Brynn Clare Connor, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, Rebekah Fiori, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Charles Jacobson, Marilyn Longo, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Janet Miller, , Walter Miller, Nancy Paravecchia, Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, Sister Agnes St. Joseph, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, Donna Swangler, AJ Tantala, Nick Tarallo, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Mary Wilcox, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.

PRAY for vocations

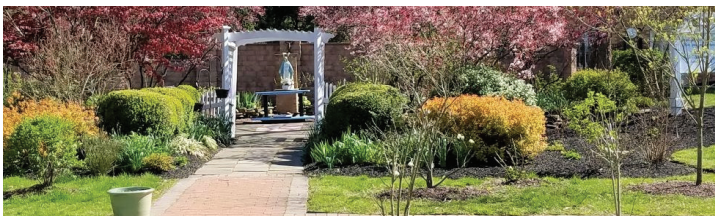
God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, JD McEwing, Juan Builes, Jude Opara, Jacob Sanz, Luke Trombetta, and Pasquelge Don Sandun Tharuka to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer.

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>



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GROTTO BRICKS

One way to remember our departed friends and relatives may be to dedicate a visible monument to their memory. We are currently taking orders for personally inscribed bricks that will be permanently installed on the walkway to the parish grotto. The donation is \$100 per brick with personal messages allowed up to 15 letters on each of three lines. Orders will be taken until May 31st for summer installation.

Please join us for our Annual May Procession honoring our Blessed Mother on Tuesday, May 7th at 6:30pm. All of our children who received their First Holy Communion, or were Confirmed, are encouraged to wear their dresses/suits or robe. To walk in the procession, please meet at the Blue Canopy entrance of the school at 6:15pm. If you do not plan on walking in the procession, please be seated in the church.



Faith Formation

We are now 28 days after Easter, the feast of the Resurrection of the Lord. We have another 21 days remaining before the feast of Pentecost. We are still in Eastertide. The celebration does not end on Easter Sunday; in fact, it should not end throughout the year. We should be celebrating the gift of life TWICE!! Once, for our being born into this world with that gift of physical life which brings us to eternal life and once for our being 're-born' through Christ's death and Resurrection into a triumph over sin and death and the opportunity renewed for eternal life. Our Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that our bodies are the 'temples of the Holy Spirit'; that we receive the Holy Spirit at Baptism; that we are strengthened in the Holy Spirit through Confirmation; that in every celebration of the Mass, just prior to the Consecration, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless the species of bread and wine into the Body/Blood/Soul and Divinity of Jesus that we may receive in the Eucharist. We also proclaim the Holy Spirit every Sunday in the Creed where we pray ... 'I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life who proceeds from the Father and the Son.' As Jesus promised His disciples that He would send the Paraclete (advocate/counsellor/helper), we, too, have also been sent the very same Paraclete. Let us live a life in the Spirit through prayer, the Sacraments and thanksgiving and depend upon Him who is the Third Person of the Trinity. It is through the breath of the Spirit (ruah) that we have life; let us honor that life through dignity and respect for all, especially unborn life.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



"From your first moments of existence, you had all the DNA that would determine your sex, facial features, physique, and the color of your skin, hair, and eyes. At 24 days, your heart began beating. By 8 weeks, all your organs were present, and your unique fingerprints were forming. Ultrasounds show that by 18 weeks, you could swim, somersault, suck your thumb, and even cover your ears if you heard loud music." There is no current scientific question that an embryo (8 weeks) or a fetus (after 8 weeks) is a living human being that if allowed to progress will not 'grow'/mature into a living human adult if that progression is not stopped. The more science advances, the more concrete information we have of these facts. It is known that many women seeking an abortion do so out of fear, out of force or out of lack of support. Many are forced by their families/parents; many are forced by the fathers of the baby; many think they are forced by 'circumstance'- lack of money, loss of job/education, inability to care. Our crisis pregnancy centers offer help, offer hope and many (as many as 70%) change their minds about abortion when they 'see' their children on ultrasound and are offered the assistance and support they so desperately need. The Legacy of Life Foundation saves over 250 babies a year at both of their locations; over 3700 in past 15 years. The LOLF supports these women for up to three years after they deliver their children and provide insurance, housing, food, clothing, furniture and counseling, job training, parent training, home services training and more. Go to legacyoflifefoundation.org to learn more and pray for all those who work on the front lines of life and death, of good and evil. LOLF is also hiring and their jobs are posted also on the website.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For all women considering abortion: May God assure them of His saving power, fill their hearts with peace, and lead them on the path of life; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For all who labor at crisis pregnancy centers.



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St. Ignatius of Antioch School, a National Blue Ribbon School Awardee in 2021, 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, and the latest in classroom technology including SMART boards in all the classrooms. We achieve a close family environment where students are committed to Christian values, high academic skills and a desire to serve others.

At this time we have limited availability in our National Blue Ribbon School. Tours are being given by appointment only. Please call the school at 215-493-3867 or email Mrs. Helene Crozier at hcrozier@sischool.org for more information.



Please Join us

as we thank *Annmarie Flanagan*
 for *14 years of devotion* to the
PREP program, as our
Director of Religious Education.

on

Sunday, May 5th from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

or

Monday, May 6th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

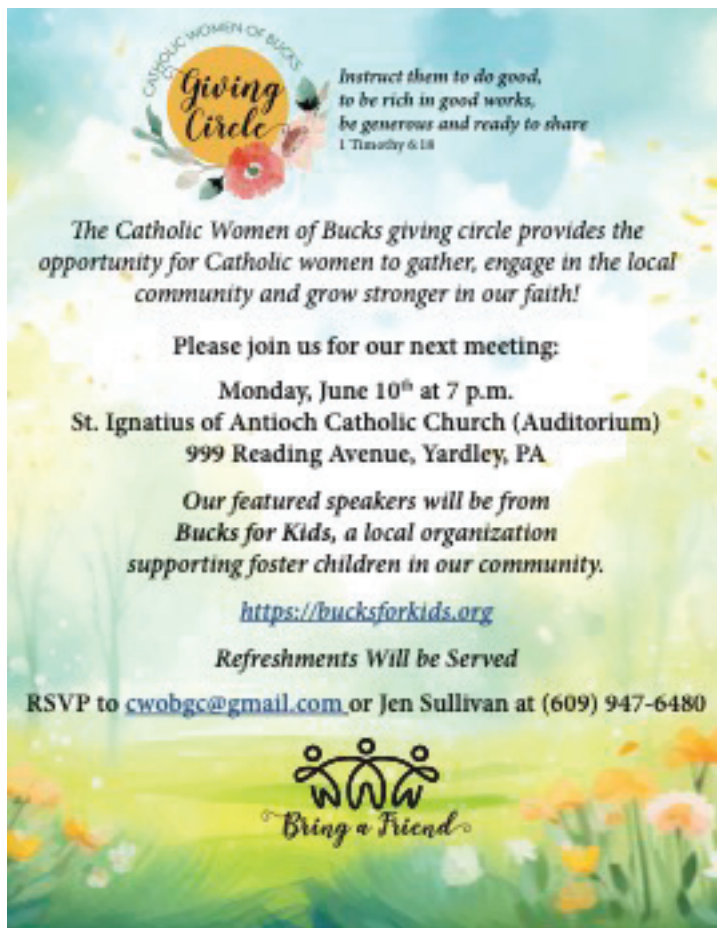
St. Ignatius of Antioch School Cafeteria
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Hi! My name is Matt Sheridan and I have been a member of St. Ignatius Parish all my life. You may have seen me altar serve or set up for mass as a sacristan. I will be giving back to this great community this spring when I plan to install a prayer and gathering circle in the field outside the Antioch Center. It will also have a firepit and benches. I am looking for donations to help me and every dollar is meaningful.

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Knights of Columbus Richard Green Memorial Scholarship for Post-Secondary Education

The Fr. James J. McCafferty Council No. 11013 of Yardley, PA and St. Ignatius Parish is pleased to offer the Richard Green Memorial Scholarship for students accepted to a college, university, or vocational school. As a Korean War Veteran, retired NYPD Detective, 4th degree Knight, Council Officer, and devout Catholic husband and father of three daughters, Richard Green was a man of service to his country, community, family, and faith. This Scholarship has been established to continue his legacy.

To qualify for this year's \$2,000 Scholarship, applicants must have already received and/or be on schedule to receive a High School Diploma or GED by 6/30/2024 and be a registered full-time student at an accredited college, university and/or vocational school for the fall of 2024 or winter 2025. For Scholarship Application and additional information, please go to <https://www.yardleyknights.com/scholarships/> Applications must be received by May 16, 2024.

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE — The PREP Office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. The office number is 215-493-5204, or you can call my cell at 215-370-5701. My email address is aflanagan@stignatius.church. If you need information or want to register your child(ren), please stop in the Religious Education Office, which is in the school building through the blue doors under the canopy.

VBS

We are planning on having Vacation Bible School (VBS) from June 24 to 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. This is a fun-time for children who will be entering kindergarten to grade 5 in September. The kids will learn a Bible story in a “fun” way, sing new songs, have arts and crafts, games in the gym, and snacks each day. The fee is \$60 per child, and this covers the cost of a T-shirt and other supplies. If you would like to register your child, you can pick up a registration form in the PREP Office or at the Rectory. If you would be able to volunteer to help us or have any questions, please call Annmarie at 215-370-5701.

PREP Classes

PREP Registration for the 2024-2025 school year has begun. If you need a registration form, please get one from the PREP Office or the rectory. PREP tuition is \$275 for 1 child, \$525 for 2 children, and \$750 for 3 or more children. There are 3 choices for PREP classes --- Sundays each week from 10:35 a.m. to 11:50 a.m., Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., or a summer week from July 15 to July 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon plus 1 Sunday a month from September to May.

WE DO NEED A FEW VOLUNTEERS TO TEACH OR BE AN AIDE.

Please let Annmarie know if you are willing to help.



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 Thursday from 7:00-8:30PM in the auditorium. For more information, please contact our spiritual prayer group director: Deacon Bob Skawinski at rjcs1219@verizon.net.



On the third Sunday of each month, our parish will provide prayer teams in the Adoration Chapel after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. They will be there to pray with individual parishioners. Whether you're going through a challenging time, a crisis in faith, interceding for a special intention, or experiencing any form of need, we would be privileged to pray with you for God's grace. There is nothing like the power of prayer to bring peace.

All members of our prayer teams have been prepared to participate in this new ministry, and anything shared is strictly confidential. No prior reservation is needed.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them" (Matt 18:20).

Please note: Diocesan guidelines require that children under 18 years of age be accompanied by an adult.

Are you or a loved one in need of prayer? Please call our St. Ignatius Prayer Ministry at 267-357-5008. We would love to spend time and pray with you.



Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Our Greatest Gift

The Adoration Chapel is open. Come, spend quiet time with Our Lord Jesus.

"Christians must be distinguished above all by the art of prayer. Spend time in spiritual discourse, in silent adoration, in heartfelt love before Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament".

(St. John Paul the Great)

As you strive to deepen your relationship with Jesus,

consider making time to be present to Him, the One who loves you the most.

Exposition Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 8pm
Saturday 10am to 4pm

The Eucharist remains in the chapel tabernacle at all other times.

Please call Marianne (267-346-0152) or Rosemary (267-799-3951) for chapel information.



Caring for Friends provides free meals for the elderly, ill, poor, homebound, and/or homeless in the greater Philadelphia area. Only one day per month of your time is required and you will be helping so many needy people! Our next meeting to assemble meals will be held on Thursday, May 9th (Ascension of the Lord) from 9 am – noon in the church auditorium kitchen. What better way to celebrate this Holy Day than serving those in need! We are truly blessed, but more helping hands are always needed and welcome. If you can't stay to help assemble the meals, a main dish or starch can be delivered on the morning of the meeting or a donation can be given to help us buy supplies. Your gifts and talents are always appreciated. If you would like additional information on how you can help, please call Kathy, 215-321-0116 or Jayne, 215-321-5739. Hope to see you on May 9th!

"For it is in giving that we receive." –St. Francis of Assisi



MAY FLOWERS FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

During May, if you would like to donate flowers to honor Our Lady, please contact Maria at the rectory, 215-493-3377, ext. 211. We need (4) \$60.00 donations for the weekends of May 19th & 26th. These donations may be made in memory of a deceased loved one, or in honor of a loved one and will be published in the bulletin.



ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the Holy Rosary at the grotto each evening in May at 7pm led by members of the Servants of Mary ministry.



Spring is here! Get out your gardening gloves! We're bringing back the Annual Mother's Day Flower and Plant Sale – a week early. Please mark your calendars for May 4th & 5th. There will be flats of small flowers, large plants, and hanging plants available. Variety of plants such as New Guinea Impatiens, Petunias, Coleus, Begonias, Mari-golds, Geraniums, Calibrachoa, and more! These were a big hit in past years and you will be delighted with the selection.



Our Outdoor Columbarium Niches located in the memorial circle in the center of our cemetery are now available for sale.

Granite Front Double Niche: A space within a columbarium designed for the entombment of two cremated remains. Double granite front niches are intended to be used by two cremated remains of two persons behind a marble shutter. Maximum usable space of 11.5 inches by 11.5 inches by 13.5 inches. The urn will not be visible.

A standard plaque can be purchased for \$425 at the time of sale of the niche, or at market price at the time of interment of Cremated Remains.

Pricing of Outdoor Columbarium Niches and Services: \$3,200

The purchase of an Outdoor Columbarium Niche includes the following:

- Burial rights in the niche
- Perpetual care

Opening and closing costs:

To be paid upon interment of Cremated Remains

Monday – Friday: \$350

Saturday: \$600



NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage

passes through the

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

**May 30 to
June 3**



For the schedule and how you can participate, use the QR code or visit:

phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage