



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2024

Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near.

Mark 13:28



Reading I: David 12: 1-3

Despite the great suffering to come at the end of time, those whose names are found “written in the book” of life shall be saved.

Reading II: Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18

The Son of God will make his enemies his footstool. Then he will make perfect those who are being consecrated now.

The Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32

At the end of time, the Son of Man will return in glory and gather His elect. Jesus also tells the disciples that the growth pattern of the fig tree is a helpful warning sign of these future happenings.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM

*Special Schedule for Holy Days

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Thursday 9:00AM—4:30PM

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.

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

Adoration Hours : Monday 10AM through Wednesday 8PM, Thursday 10AM-9PM Friday 10AM - 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.



Saturday November 16, 2024
5:15PM Fred and Anne Webster / Living
(Fred Webster)

Sunday November 17, 2024
7:30AM Jack Downing and Henry Aschenbrenner
(The Aschenbrenner Family)
9:30AM Amy Nalli Roach Margulies
11:30AM Deacon Myron Moskowitz
(Mary Moskowitz)
6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

Monday November 18, 2024
9:00AM David Doherty
(Mariann and John Flahive)

Tuesday November 19, 2024
9:00AM Leo LaMantia / living
(Mommy and Daddy)

Wednesday November 20, 2024
9:00AM Josephine Weiss
(Loretta and Bill Amerine and Family)

Thursday November 21, 2024
9:00AM Gloria Garefino
(Loretta and Bill Amerine and Family)

Friday November 22, 2024
9:00AM Antonio Scotti (Maria Scotti)

Saturday November 23, 2024
5:15PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

Sunday November 24, 2024
7:30AM Rev. George Aschenbrenner S.J.
(The Aschenbrenner Family)
9:30AM Leon Jurska (The Joy Family)
11:30AM Martin McNeely (Tom and Deb Parsons)
6:00PM Dorothy and Frank Young
(The Young Family)

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God and for Deacon Myron Moskowitz requested by Mary Moskowitz



Sunday Dn 12:1-3 Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 Heb 10:11-14, 18 Mk 13:24-32

Monday Rv 1:1-4. 2:1-5 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday Rv 4:1-11 Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 19:11-28

Thursday Rv 5:1-10 Ps 149:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A and 9B Lk 19:41-44

Friday Rv 10:8-11 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Lk 19:45-48

Saturday Rv 11:4-12 Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10 Lk 20:27-40

Sunday Dn 7:13-14 Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37

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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.

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



We welcome the following children who have recently been baptized into our Roman Catholic Faith:

Nathan Alexander, Roman Avvento, Thomas Brennan, Mallory Coats, Hannah DeCarlo, Madison Dorsey, Abigail Ely, Maelin Engle, Derek Fake Jr., Lorenzo Fernandez, Miabella Fernandez, Samuel Fiorelli, James Gallardo, Maisie Gannon, Emilia Goy, Matthew Graff, Brooke Guest, Timothy Havern, Owen Hughes, Jonathan Kilcoyne, Tatijana Komar, Valentyna Komar, Patrick McCarthy, Molly Ockford, Alexander Pawlowski, Mackenzie Potts, Stella Sargent, Joanna Tarallo, Paulina Veit, and Avery Wolak.



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

Annual Parish Appeal

Our 2024-2025 Annual Parish Appeal is underway! This critical parish financial appeal will run from October through the end of January. If you can help with this effort, it would be greatly appreciated! You should receive 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.

Our goal for this year's Parish Appeal is to raise \$175,000. These funds will be dedicated to a range of important initiatives that will help us enhance the spiritual, educational, and communal aspects of our parish. We are counting on everyone to help us reach this year's goal. Thank you for your generosity!

As of week #6 of the Parish appeal, 179 families have contributed \$74,625 toward our goal of \$175,000. We are at 42.64% of this year's goal. Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Collection

Counting our Blessings	11/12/23	Env	11/10/24	Env
Sunday Offering	\$15,081.00	239	\$12,318.00	236
Online Parish Giving	\$9,161.61		\$11,461.22	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$24,242.61		\$23,779.22	
Social Action	\$3,328.00		\$1,328.00	

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.



ST. IGNATIUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

All are invited - as we sing God's praises and share in His Word and His Love in a community of faith. We meet every Thursday from 7:00-8:30PM in the Antioch Center Room 2F. For more information, please contact our spiritual prayer group director: Deacon Bob Skawinski at rjcs1219@verizon.net.

Pray FOR THE SICK



Lord hear our prayer for the sick in our community that they return to the comfort of good health: Baby Kayden Hledik, Emil Abinader, Angelo Alvarez, Loretta Amerine, Sabrina Amerine, Paula Azara, Jeff Bacon, Dolores Barrett, Susan Bednarski, Lorraine C., Jean Caldwell, Maria Cane, Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Brynn Clare Connor, Mary C. Crawford, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, John Flahive, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Raymond Hofelder, Michaeline Hynoski, Bob Jamieson, Roger Kehoe, Marge Kenney, Eleanor Koerner, Tina Lippolis, Michelle Mahle, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, Gloria Merron, Janet Miller, , Walter Miller, Susan Mockenhaupt, Beverly Murphy, John Murray, Nancy Paravecchia, Carol Patterson, Joe Prince, Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, Theresa Sortino, Elsie Stolic, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantala, Nick Tarallo, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.

PRAY for vocations



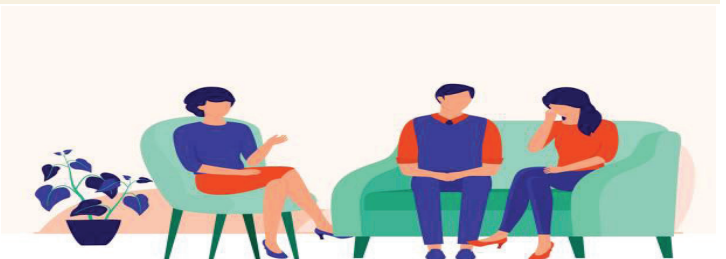
God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, JD McEwing, Juan Builes, Jude Opara, Matthew Pace, Jacob Sanz, Jonathan Amgott and Pasquelge Don Sandun Tharuka to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer.

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>



Justin Kumor



St. Ignatius Parish Christmas Concert



Start your Christmas season with us on December 8, 2024 at 2PM and hear the sounds of the Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale. Renowned Emmy-winning and Grammy-nominated Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale has cultivated a devoted following worldwide for its acclaimed concerts and performances.

Tickets are available at the rectory:
\$20 single, \$35 for two. \$50 Family (two adults and up to 4 children under age 16)

St. Ignatius Bereavement Support Group

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Perhaps you are grieving over changes in your life that are causing confusion and sadness. Whatever kind of grief you are experiencing we invite you to attend our Bereavement Support Group. We pray, read and share with each other our struggles and look for helpful guidance and solutions. Please join us on Friday mornings at 10:00 AM in the Antioch Center (2nd Floor.) if you have any questions, please call Mary at 267-566-1435.



Faith Formation

One of the things we can do for Advent is to celebrate the many liturgical feasts throughout the month of December. Dec. 1 is the first Sunday of Advent. Dec. 3 is the feast of St. Francis Xavier- one of the founding members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and led an extensive mission to proclaim Christianity throughout Asia. Dec. 6 is the feast of St. Nicholas- the 'original Santa Claus' who left candy in children's shoes; this is a good opportunity to tell the story to your children/grandchildren. Dec. 8 is the feast of the Immaculate Conception and a holy day of obligation commemorating the immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary- her being conceived without original sin. Dec. 9- the feast of St. Juan Diego who is the peasant to whom the Virgin Mary appeared as Our Lady of Guadalupe and responsible for ending the holocaust in Mexico. Dec. 12 is the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe who on the morning of Dec. 9, 1531 appeared to St. Juan Diego and asked for a Church to be built on Tepeyac hill- she appeared as a young native woman on the tilma which survives to this day uncorrupted. Dec. 13 is the feast of St. Lucy- a young Christian martyr whose eyes were gouged out and led to the celebration of light and her being the patron saint of people with eye problems. Dec. 14 is the feast of St. John of the Cross- who together with St. Theresa of Avila reformed the Carmelite order and well-known for his spiritual writings which had an enormous impact on the development of the Catholic contemplative tradition. Dec. 16 is Las Posada- the 9- day celebration of its origins in Spain an a re-enactment of Joseph and Mary seeking lodging in Bethlehem. Dec. 16 is the beginning of the special Christmas novena. Dec. 17 is the celebration of the O antiphons which are sung during the last 7 days of Advent. Then, of course, Dec. 25- the birthday of Jesus and Dec. 28 the feast of the Holy Innocents. Let us celebrate, let us pray.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



“Let us re-dedicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives.” Ever ask yourself ‘how many kings do I have in my life?’ i.e. whom/what do I serve? Money? Job? Sex? Society? Culture? Ideology? And just how many of those things that ‘control’ us are there? After all, a king does control his subjects, right? Or, in the case of our Sovereign King, Jesus Christ, He serves us; He gives us free will to do anything we wish with what we have and all HE asks is for us to give it back to Him freely and lovingly and then HE will take care of our EVERY need. Sounds like a pretty good deal to me. He is with us at all times; He comes to us every day in the Mass; He loves us unconditionally and even gave His life for us; He created us from His love, to be loved and to return love- freely, fully, fruitfully and forever. Doesn't sound like it is too much to ask. In one month, we celebrate this King, this God of ours becoming one of us to show us how to live, how to die, all out of love. Let us prepare to receive Him, lovingly!!!!!!!!!!!! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer:

Intercessory Prayer: As we approach the feast of Christ the King this week, May all recognize God as the author of life and give thanks for His priceless gift; We pray to the Lord:

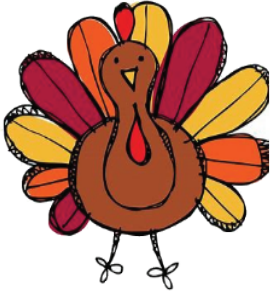
Rose of Life Intention: For all moms with unexpected/unplanned pregnancies



Fr. James J. McCaffety Council #11013 Our council meets regularly the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Wise Meeting room in the Antioch Center. We begin with the rosary at 7 PM. We are looking for new members always. We have many activities and charities, fun gatherings and fellowship and events along with prayer and study. If interested in joining us contact Tom Kearney at thomasfkearney@verizon.net. Stand Up for Life dinner sponsored by Prolife Union is next Sunday; tickets available at their website Prolifeunion.org. Perhaps a table of Knights may sit together?

St Ignatius Social Action Committee - Annual Turkey Drive

Your Social Action Committee helps those in need from our parish & the greater community through ongoing programs and timely financial assistance to qualifying families and individuals



St Ignatius Social Action Committee will be collecting food to aid our neighbors in Bucks County, Philadelphia, and New Jersey

frozen turkeys
gift certificates
canned & non-perishable goods

Thank you
for your
generosity

November 23
9am - 1pm

in the St Ignatius parking lot, look for our canopy & pull up while our volunteers assist you Nov 23 from 9am-1pm

We hope to see you!

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



SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish, Yardley PA



YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS DINNER



St. Ignatius will be holding its 2nd annual Young Adult Christmas Dinner and Holy Hour on January 3rd, 2025! The evening will begin with catered dinner at 5:30pm in the church auditorium. At 7pm there will be a Holy Hour with Solemn Evening Prayer. The celebrant and homilist will be Fr. David Friel S.T.D. All Young Adults ages 18-30 are welcome! There is a \$15 suggested donation, any questions and RSVP to joedom2003@gmail.com by 12/22/24.



Thank you to all the families who donated to the PREP fall community service project. We collected over 600 toiletries such as toothpaste, soap, and shampoo for Catholic Social Services in Levittown. By working together as a PREP community, we were able to help so many people in need.



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“Are You Ready for Advent?”



It will be here before you know it !!

Mark your calendar and join us on

Saturday, November 23rd for an Advent Retreat

When you:

- Plan a vacation - do you use a list of things to do before you leave and things to take?
- Think of milestones in life – like graduations, career, relocation, retirement, even death – Are you ready?
- Find yourself saying - “Once I get through this very busy time, I will be able to relax and slow down a little”?

So ----- what are you doing to get ready for this Advent season?

Can you spend a Saturday morning with your parish friends to get ready for Advent 2024?

Join us on Saturday, November 23rd

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Light refreshments

9:30 am – 11:00 am Presentation by Deacon Bob Skawinski with a reflection on How to Prepare for Advent



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.

Adoration Hours : Monday 10AM through Wednesday 8PM, Thursday 10AM-9PM Friday 10AM - 8PM and Saturday 10AM - 4PM.

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



The Boy Scouts of Troop 230, Chartered by St. Ignatius, will once again be selling holiday evergreen wreaths. The Balsam wreaths are 22” with a red bow and cost \$20 each. They will be outside of church selling after Mass all Thanksgiving weekend. If you would like a wreath but cannot pickup at that time, please contact Danielle Frost at frostcha@verizon.net for payment and delivery options.

Congratulations!

The 500 Club winning numbers for November are below!

Congratulations to the following winners:

\$50: Olivia Egner (Ticket #424)

\$100: Karen Nemeth (Ticket #225)

\$250: Bridget McIntire (Ticket #376)

\$500: Joyce Bradley (Ticket #340)

There are still 64 tickets left for purchase and only 4 chances left to win - one of those may be your lucky number! See below for information on how to buy a ticket and join the 500 Club.

tinyurl.com/SIS500club

**God Bless,
SIS 500 Club Committee**

ST. IGNATIUS CYO VOLLEYBALL

CONGRATULATIONS to the girls volleyball teams on an incredible and successful season! The **Varsity Black** team is the CYO Region 19 Varsity Parish Champions! The **Varsity Silver** team, which had an undefeated regular season, was a finalist in that championship game. It was a very close Ignatius vs. Ignatius game in the finals! The **Junior Varsity Gray** team was a finalist in the Region 19 Junior Varsity (JV) Championship game against St. Bede Green. **JV White** finished the season in the semifinal round, while **JV Red** made it to round 2/quarterfinals of the playoffs. The players worked hard, cheered each other on, and developed a passion for the sport. The girls had fun and it was enjoyable to watch the games and see all players improve their skills and game play in eight-weeks!



Varsity Black: Region 19 Varsity Parish Champions!



Varsity Silver: Region 19 Varsity Parish Championship Finalist



Junior Varsity Gray: Region 19 Junior Varsity Championship Finalist

A first for the program this year was the Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign. This started because one of our own spring adult volleyball players was diagnosed with breast cancer. To support her and St. Ignatius families facing the challenges of breast cancer, pink t-shirts were sold during October home games. Proceeds benefited the National Breast Cancer Foundation and St. Ignatius families designated by the campaign supporters. Ignatius vs. Ignatius home games went all "Pink Out" as part of the October campaign.



Junior Varsity White



Junior Varsity Red



Our varsity player's siblings and one of our spring clinics player are our top pink t-shirt sellers.

Keep a lookout in January for the volleyball spring 2025 program registrations! We are exploring a four-week boys JV (5th/6th grade) and Varsity (7th/8th grade) season in March depending on the number of interest. The girls skills clinics will still be held along with the adult pick-up games. Lastly, the boys & girls high school competitive volleyball season runs from March to May. Come join in on the fun! No experience required! If you want to learn more about our volleyball programs, please reach out to stignatiuscyovball@gmail.com.



ADVENT GIFT GIVING MASS

On Tuesday, December 3rd, at 7:00 p.m., our parish will celebrate our annual Advent Gift - Giving Mass for the children of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Chester and Sacred Heart Church in Camden, NJ. Please come to celebrate Mass with an unwrapped Christmas gift for a child who otherwise would not get very much for Christmas. Representatives from both parishes will be present. There will be light refreshments for all after Mass in the Church basement. If you are unable to attend the Mass, you can drop off your gift(s) in the sacristy during that day. Thanks so much.



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having you as part of our Flock

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via email and text!



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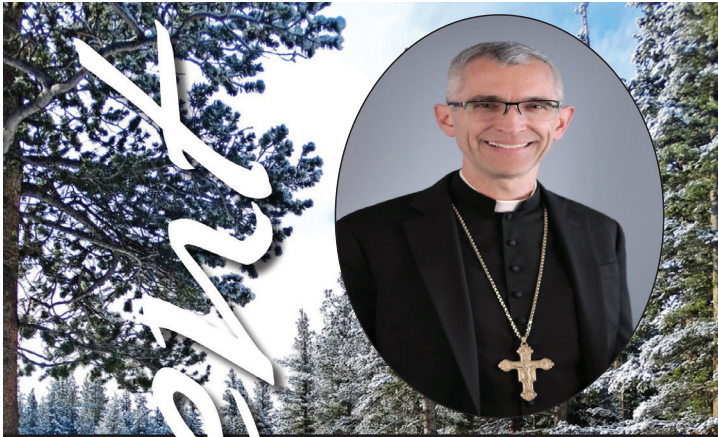
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THANKSGIVING DAY
MASS

ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE FOOD 9AM MASS ON THANKSGIVING DAY

Please plan on bringing something that you and your family and friends will consume as a part of your Thanksgiving Meal. It can be bread, or a bottle of wine, a special loaf, or anything that you can transport easily to church. The items will be blessed during Mass and you will be able to take the food home to your families.



HOPE PEACE JOY LOVE



*St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish
welcomes the Pastoral Visit of the
Most Reverend Christopher R. Cooke
on Sunday, December 1st
at the 9:30AM Mass*

*A reception will follow the 9:30AM Mass
in the Auditorium.*



HIGH CHAIRS NOW AVAILABLE!

**We now have high chairs
available for use in our
auditorium! They are
located next to the piano.**