



# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy

April 27, 2025



## The WORD of GOD

### Reading I: Acts 5: 12-16

Many people came to believe in Jesus through the signs and wonders worked by the Apostles, especially by Peter.

### Reading II: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

This first vision describes Jesus in both divine and human terms.

White hair for the "Ancient of Days," and a voice like the rumbling of the Lord's glory.

### The Gospel: John 20: 19-31

Jesus is raised not simply with a body, but with the same body that had been crucified only days before. St. Thomas makes what is the climatic confession of faith in John's gospel: "My Lord and my God."

### 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, 10 AM until Wednesday 9 PM, Thursday 9am until 12 midnight, Friday 10 AM until 8 PM, Saturday, 10 AM until 4 PM. 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.



Mass



Intentions

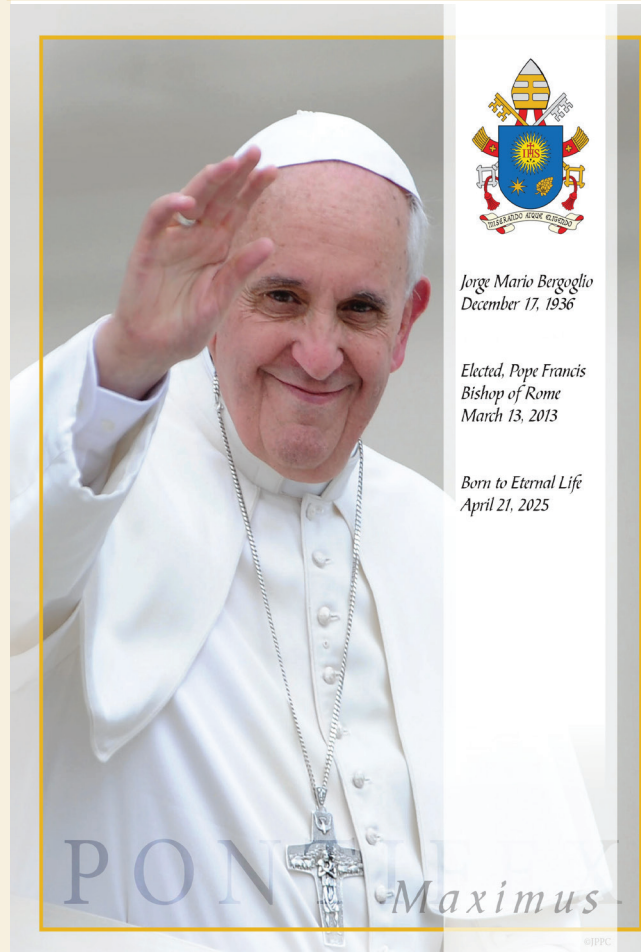


# Sanctuary Candle Intentions

## Church Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God and for Amelia and Luigi DeGregorio requested by The Perry Family.

- Saturday April 26, 2025**  
5:15PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius
  
- Sunday April 27, 2025**  
7:30AM Mary LaRoche (Rich and Kathy Moore)  
9:30AM Mike Septer (The Septer Family)  
11:30AM Kristian Falkenstein (The Falkenstein Family)  
6:00PM Giuseppa Covello (The Covello Family)
  
- Monday April 28, 2025**  
9:00AM Fred Sigafos (Jacquelyn Ramo)
  
- Tuesday April 29, 2025**  
9:00AM Patricia and William Costello (Diane and Bill Costello)
  
- Wednesday April 30, 2025**  
9:00AM Timothy and Michelle Chamberlain / living (Linda Chamberlain)
  
- Thursday May 1, 2025**  
9:00AM Eanies and Joe Kelly (Dennis Kelly)
  
- Friday May 2, 2025**  
9:00AM Ronald and Dorothy Wolverton (Linda Chamberlain)
  
- Saturday May 3, 2025**  
5:15PM Mike Septer (Loretta and Bill Amerine and Family)
  
- Sunday May 4, 2025**  
7:30AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius  
9:30AM Mary Schaeffer Wilcox (Loretta and Bill Amerine)  
11:30AM Angelo Badalamenti (The Covello Family)  
6:00PM Richard Grace (Glenn Chamberlain)



*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.  
May his soul rest in peace.*



## 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.



We pray for our beloved deceased especially Pope Francis, 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.

We also welcome those couples who are civilly married and desire to receive the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact the Parish Office to arrange for a sacramental convalidation of your marriage.



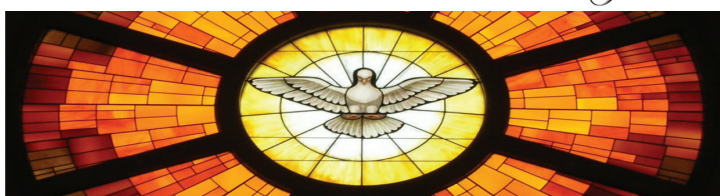
## Parish Giving

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	Palm Sunday 3/24/24		Palm Sunday 4/13/25	
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Sunday Offering	\$11,962.00	273	\$14,707.00	291
Online Parish Giving	\$10,294.09		\$11,381.40	
<b>Total Weekly Contribution</b>	<b>\$22,256.09</b>		<b>\$26,088.40</b>	

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



#### 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](mailto:rjcs1219@verizon.net).

The Social Action Committee thanks our generous parishioners for their contributions to Mary's Cupboard. This past year, our church's donations totaled 4,653 pounds. More importantly, Mary's Cupboard served 1,437 families in our Lower Bucks area. Each and every can of soup, jar of peanut butter or bar of soap directly impacts those in need, and it's all greatly appreciated. If you feel called to give, you will find donation baskets at each of the 3 main entrances. Thank you!





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, Jeff Bacon, Dolores Barrett, Lorraine C., Jean Caldwell, Maria Cane, Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Brynn Clare Connor, Kathleen Cook, Gloria Coyne, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Marge Heriley, Julia Horvath, Michaeline Hynoski, Judith Kearney, Marge Kenney, Eleanor Koerner, Olivia Kraemer, Tina Lippolis, Michelle Mahle, Maria Mannarino, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, Janet Miller, , Walter Miller, Susan Mockenhaupt, Michele Mulholland, John Murray, Nancy Paravecchia, Carol Patterson, Catherine Riva, Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, Maria Scotti, Theresa Sortino, Elsie Stolic, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantala, Nick Tarallo, Gideon Thomas, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Brendan Weisinger, Fred Wise, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.



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>



### **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.

The Adoration Chapel is open:

Monday, 10 AM until Wednesday 9 PM, Thursday 9am until 12 midnight, Friday 10 AM until 8 PM, Saturday, 10 AM until 4 PM.

We are in need of adorers for the following times:

Tuesday. 4am and 2pm

Wednesday. 11am, 12 noon, 4pm, 6pm

Thursday. 3pm

Saturday. 3pm

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



## Faith Formation

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter which concludes the Octave of Easter. The feast day is observed by the Roman Catholic Church as well as some Anglicans. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that St. Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounters with Jesus and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Church. According to the diary of St. Faustina, the feast of Divine Mercy receives from Jesus the biggest promises of grace related to the Devotion of Divine Mercy, in particular that a person who goes to sacramental confession, receives Holy Communion and prays for the intentions of our Holy Father will receive total expiation of all sins and punishment- a plenary indulgence. That means that each person so receiving would go immediately after death to heaven without suffering in purgatory!!!!!!! On April 30, 2000 St. Faustina Kowalska was canonized by Pope St. JP II and Pope JP II designated this day as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy". This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity. Join us this afternoon at 3 PM, the hour of Divine Mercy to offer prayer and celebrated the Chaplet. Go to confession; receive communion and pray for the intentions of our Holy Father; receive the indulgence. St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



**"Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life."**

**Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Each year, on the Second Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th century, when civilization again began to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary. St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy be observed. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would also henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. As seen, the need for this Mercy was the loss of understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life, all of which is created in His image and likeness. When we see another person, we are looking at Christ; when we kill another person, a baby, we are killing Christ all over again. Let us stop the carnage. Let us ask for His mercy and forgiveness as we 'know not what we do'! LOLF has opened a new center in Warminster, Bucks County recently and we have many needs. Please come visit our center (by appointment) and donate to help our babies and families. Next Sunday the Legacy of Life Foundation will be distributing donation envelopes as part of their parish appeal; we have acquired a new building in Phila that needs many repairs.**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.**

**Intercessory Prayer: May the infinite mercy of our divine Savior reach all who are suffering from participation in abortion, and transform them with His healing, hope and peace; We pray to the Lord:**

**Rose of Life Intention: For all who have died, that they may arise again in Christ, especially aborted babies.**



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](mailto:thomasfkearney@verizon.net).





We are continuing to use Parish Giving's on-line registration for all PREP classes. No more waiting in line or writing checks. In a few minutes you can enter your information online, make a payment and register your children for PREP at a time convenient for you! Look for the link to register on the Parish Website under PREP and register for classes now.

True North Vacation Bible School is coming to St. Ignatius the week of June 23-27 from 9AM – Noon! If you are interested, please complete a VBS form found in the church vestibule, the St. Ignatius School Office, the PREP office, the Rectory or on the Church Website under PREP. The program is for all students entering PRE-K to and including Grade 5 in the fall. The cost is only \$60. We ask that all registration forms be turned in by June 1st. Please join us for a wonderful week of singing, snacks, arts & crafts, games and so much more!

Coffee and donuts



WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US  
AT OUR NEXT MONTHLY  
SUNDAY SOCIAL ON MAY 4TH  
AFTER THE 7:30AM, 9:30AM, and 11:30AM  
MASSES



Sunday Acts 5:12-16 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31

Monday Acts 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thursday Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36

Friday Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

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

Sunday Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 or Jn 21:1-14

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FR. MCCAFFERTY  
COUNCIL NO. 11013  
INVITE YOU TO

# ROCK THE "KNIGHT" AWAY

LIVE BAND – BLUE FLAME SIX  
MUSIC OF 60'S, 70'S, 80'S  
PROCEEDS BENEFITING

**Special Olympics Pennsylvania** Bucks County

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 10 2025, @ 7 PM-10 (DOORS OPEN-6:30)  
WHERE: ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH CHURCH AUDITORIUM  
999 READING AVE. YARDLEY, PA 19067

BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS | WATER/SNACKS PROVIDED

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\$25 CASH/CHECK AT DOOR  
[WWW.YARDLEYKNIGHTS.COM](http://WWW.YARDLEYKNIGHTS.COM)

50/50 & RAFFLE BASKETS

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VENUE NOT WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE  
QUESTIONS? EMAIL:  
[rocktheknightaway@gmail.com](mailto:rocktheknightaway@gmail.com)





### MAY FLOWERS

During May, if you would like to donate flowers to honor Our Lady, please contact the rectory at 215-493-3377 ext. 211. We are in need of four \$50.00 donations for the weekends of May 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th.

### MAY PROCESSION

Please join us for our Annual May Procession honoring our Blessed Mother on Tuesday, May 6th 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.

### ROSARY

The rosary is said Monday - Friday after the 9AM Daily Mass.  
Servants of Mary will also be leading a rosary at 7PM each night in the grotto, for the month of May (weather permitting). Come and Join us!



### SPRING IS HERE!

**Get out your gardening gloves! Mark your calendars for our Plant Sale on May 3rd & 4th. There will be flats of small flowers, large plants, and hanging plants available. Variety of plants such as New Guinea Impatiens, Petunias, Coleus, Begonias, Marigolds, Geraniums, Calibrachoa, and more! These were a big hit in past years and you will be delighted with the selection. More details to follow.**



#### Our Annual "Baby Bottle" Drive Fundraiser is Next Weekend!

Many of the women who come through our doors believe there is no other choice but abortion. They are scared, confused, and feel they have no support. Because of caring people like you, **over 4,200 lives have been saved!**

Our advocacy program gives women a community of support and empowers them through mentoring and hands-on life skills classes throughout their pregnancy and **for at least three years after** their babies are born.

**Please support the 2025 Legacy of Life Foundation "Baby Bottle" Drive Fundraiser on May 3rd-4th!**

Make your check payable to the **Legacy of Life Foundation**. Note *Baby Bottle Drive* and your parish name along with all of your information so we can report back about the success of the Baby Bottle Drive, then:

1. Return to the church OR
2. Mail to: 25 S. Main Street, #217, Yardley, PA 19067 OR
3. Go to [www.legacyoflifefoundation.org](http://www.legacyoflifefoundation.org) or scan the QR code to make a secure online gift.



SCAN ME

**THANK YOU** for your prayerful and generous support!

*"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise"* - St. Mother Teresa



**St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School**  
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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](mailto:hcrozier@sischool.org) for more information.



## An Invitation from Archbishop Pérez

### **Parish Information Session on Archbishop Perez' Trust and Hope Initiative**

**Join us for a conversation on Archbishop Perez's pastoral letter, Trust and Hope, where attendees will learn more about the vision for us to come together to encounter each other with open hearts to build the strongest possible Church of Philadelphia. If you want to learn more about Archbishop Perez's plan for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia then please join us on Wednesday, April 30th, from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM in the Auditorium. Facilitators will guide the discussion using PowerPoint presentations and ample time will be provided for Q&A.**

**If you plan to attend, RSVP to Joyce by calling the rectory.**

**More details about this initiative may be found at [www.trustandhope.org](http://www.trustandhope.org).**





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 8th from 9 am – noon in the church auditorium kitchen. 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 8th!

“We are not asked merely to call ourselves Christians; we are asked to be Christians through our deeds.” – St. Ignatius of Antioch

Makefield Highlands Golf Club Presents

# TERRY DARBY MEMORIAL

## GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT FAMILY UNITY ORGANIZATION

**MAY 1 THURSDAY 2025** MAKEFIELD HIGHLANDS, YARDLEY, PA

- Single Golfer \$210
- Foursome \$840

**AWARDS**

- 1st Place Team
- 2nd Place Team
- 3rd Place Team
- Putting Contest

**AGENDA**

- 11:30A - 12:30 P Golf Registration, Tee Gift, Lunch, Driving Range, Toptracer
- 1:00PM Shotgun Start
- 6:00 PM Beverages
- 6:30 - 8:00 PM Dinner, Awards, Auctions, Raffles, 50/50

Charity Information  
www.thefamilyunity.org

Email: support@thefamilyunity.org



The Catholic Women of Bucks (CWoB) Giving Circle is an initiative which funds local organizations in our area that reflect our Catholic faith and assist the community.

*The giving circle provides the opportunity for women to gather, engage in the local community and grow stronger in our faith.*

**Please join us for our next meeting:**

Monday, June 9th at 7 p.m.

Parish Auditorium

St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church  
999 Reading Avenue, Yardley, PA

*Our featured speakers will be from Christ in the City Philadelphia, a group of young adult Catholic missionaries working to help the homeless and those in need in our diocese.*

<https://christinthecity.org/philadelphia/>

Refreshments Will be Served



*Bring a Friend*

*The More We Grow. The More We Give!*

RSVP to [cwobgc@gmail.com](mailto:cwobgc@gmail.com) or Jen Sullivan at (609) 947-6480



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**Knights of Columbus Council 11013**

**Richard Green Memorial Scholarship**

**for Post-Secondary Education**

The Fr. James J. McCafferty Council 11013 of Yardley, PA and St. Ignatius Parish are pleased to offer the Richard Green Memorial Scholarship for students accepted to a college, university, or post-secondary vocational school. One \$2,000 Scholarship will be awarded in the name of the late Richard Green.

As a Korean War Veteran, retired NYPD Detective, 4<sup>th</sup> 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 be a registered full-time student at an accredited college, university and/or vocational school for the fall of 2025 or winter 2026. For Scholarship Application and additional information, please go to <https://www.yardleyknights.com/scholarships/> Applications must be received by May 18, 2024.