



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Feast of the Holy Family

December 28, 2025



Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt.

Matthew 2:13

The WORD of GOD

Reading I: Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14

The author teaches a filial respect for one's parents, and then the text shifts to the concrete help that children should extend to them "in old age and in times of illness, loneliness, or distress."

Reading II: Colossians 3: 12-21, or 3: 12-17

Paul gives his pastoral instruction on family life. He challenges every household to be transformed with "the peace of Christ." This peace is far more than the absence of hostility. It is a deep-rooted sense of connection to Christ through love and obedience to His way of understanding each other.

The Gospel: Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23

God works within the family structures. For example, St. Joseph is instructed by the angel because he is the head of the Holy Family, and the one most responsible for their well-being. We should also note his obedience in a very difficult time for the Family.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

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

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 and at 7PM (during the month of September), and also 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



Church Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God and for Gary P. Cook requested by Sue Ann Cook.

- Saturday** **December 27, 2025**
5:15PM **Parishioners of St. Ignatius**

- Sunday** **December 28, 2025**
7:30AM **Joseph G. Donadieu (The Baker Family)**
9:30AM **Dorothy and Peter Kelly**
 (Diane & Bill Costello)
11:30AM **Lauren Nicole Young (The Young Family)**
6:00PM **John - Warriro Jimenez**
 (The Young Family)

- Monday** **December 29, 2025**
9:00AM **Krystal N. Adem**
 (Emil and Najat Abinader)

- Tuesday** **December 30, 2025**
9:00AM **Herb Baker (The Baker Family)**

- Wednesday** **December 31, 2025**
9:00AM **Jim Treanor**
 (Deacon Bob and Connie Skawinski)
5:15PM **Deceased Members of the Edinger Family**
 (Lee Smith)

- Thursday** **January 1, 2025**
7:30AM **Bob Gervasio (Carol Gervasio)**

- Friday** **January 2, 2025**
9:00AM **Walter Sr. and Dorothy Miller**
 (Walter and Janet Miller and Family)

- Saturday** **January 3, 2025**
5:15PM **Parishioners of St. Ignatius**

- Sunday** **January 4, 2025**
7:30AM **Elizabeth Bresnahan (Michelle Brennan)**
9:30AM **Stephen and Emma Martin**
 (Paul and Virginia Martin)
11:30AM **Harold "Buzz" Taylor (Joan Taylor)**
6:00PM **Deceased Members of the Knights of**
 Columbus



Sunday Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday 1 Jn 3:22; 4:6 Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8
Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday 1 Jn 4:19; 5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17
Lk 4:14-22

Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b
Jn 3:22-30

Sunday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38
or 1 Jn 5:1-9 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Acts 10:34-38
Mt 3:13-17

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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 parish office or scan the QR Code to register:



We pray for our beloved deceased especially Sheila Adamczyk, Kathleen Maiorino, Robert Fitzgerald, 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.

Fiscal Corner

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SIMPLICITY

Go to **stignatius.church** and click on the Parish Giving logo to register or log in. In addition to recurring contributions, donations can be made as a one-time or an unplanned gift.

SECURITY

Security is our top priority - sensitive account information is not stored and is never shared with a third party.

CONVENIENCE

Online giving provides the account holder the ability to have Sunday be about our faith. If sickness, travel or weather prevents attendance, your contributions will continue uninterrupted from your bank account or credit/debit card.

PARISH BENEFITS

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Weekly Collection

DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLY DAY, LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION WILL BE REPORTED IN NEXT WEEKEND'S BULLETIN

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©PPC



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, Joseph Bednarski, Maria Cane, Ruthann Carroll, Brynn Clare Connor, Kathleen Cook, Gloria Coyne, JoAnne Cumming, Shellie D., Michael Ennis, Marykay Greco, Grace Griffin, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Marge Heriley, Julia Horvath, Michaeline Hynoski, Judith Kearney, Olivia Kraemer, Amy Layden, Don Lippolis, Tina Lippolis, Michelle Mahle, Steven Marcinkowski, Jean M. Maxian, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, Janet Miller, Walter Miller, Susan Mockenhaupt, Anna Monastera, Michele Mulholland, Michael Murphy, Sharon Murphy, John Murray, Debbie Neal, Tom O'Donnell, Nancy Paravecchia, Steven Pellegrino, Margaret R., Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, Peter Sidoti, Theresa Sortino, Elsie Stolic, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantara, Nick Tarallo, Gideon Thomas, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Brendan Weisinger, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.



Feast of the Holy Family - December 28, 2025

“Rise, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel.” (Matthew 2:20) Joseph’s obedience to God protected the Holy Family. In marriage, spouses are called to protect and nurture each other in faith. Reflect on how God might be guiding you to build a family rooted in His love.

Pray and ask God how you can better serve and protect your family this week. Talk to Fr. Brownholtz or reach out to the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or vocationdirector@archphila.org

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, JD McEwing, Juan Builes, Jude Opara, Matthew Pace, Jacob Sanz, Jonathan Amgott, Pasquelge Don Sandun Tharuka, and Camilo Abedrop-Escobosa 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>



On Saturday, January 10th, Archbishop Nelson Perez, will present anniversary awards to honor catechists and aides for their years of dedication in the Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) at a Mass in the Cathedral at 11:00 AM. We congratulate the following catechists who will be honored for their years of service:

- Eric Miller - 5 years**
- Alison Ratamess - 10 years**
- Greg Schwind -15 years**

Well done, everyone! Congratulations!



Faith Formation

December 28 honors the memory of the infants who were slaughtered by King Herod following the birth of Jesus. Remember, after the birth of Jesus the magi saw the star in the East and followed it. They interacted with Herod who desired to have them 'report' back to him so he could carry out the killing of Jesus as an infant. The tragic event demonstrated the need for a true and righteous king for God's people. Desperate to cling to power, Herod ordered the death of all children of Bethlehem under the age of two. It was a threat to Herod's way of life, his power, his authority, his autonomy. Isn't that what is happening every day in the U.S with the killing of almost 3,000 babies every day through abortion. And now, even more sinister, the abortion pill is more widely available to not only kill more babies to create more harm to women with increased risks of surgery, infections, death as well as increased risks of breast cancer and future preterm deliveries. There was a holocaust in Mexico when Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared and ended it; we need the intercession of Mary more than ever and we need prolife people to stand up and shout ... no more... and through Mary end the current holocaust. St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



Dearest St. Joseph...help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life- especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Remember, St. Joseph was betrothed to Mary but not living with her; she finds out she is pregnant ... at 14... and decides to quietly divorce her since the punishment for same was stoning to death. He receives an angel in his dreams to relate that she has conceived of the Holy Spirit. He embraces the relationship; he escorts her pregnant self to Bethlehem; he cannot find room in the inn; he escorts her laboring self to a stable; he attends her delivery of our Savior Jesus; he protects them both as they escape to Egypt and lives there 7 years. He speaks not a word in the entire Bible. Facts about his death are unknown. Yet, as the foster father of our Lord and Savior, he does all through love as the heavenly Father does for all of us! We seem to have lost the sense of fatherhood in our culture; we seem to have lost the sense of manhood and seem to be in the process of 're-defining' traditional language to accommodate our fallen tendencies to degrade sex, marriage and manhood and womanhood and parenthood. Let us reverse course as we are about to enter a new year with a new sense of factual Truth... which is given to us by the Magisterium of the Catholic Church.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For all parents, that they may live up to their calling as parents; may the examples of Joseph and Mary guide us; we pray to the Lord.

Rose of Life Intention: For the True meaning of family and parenthood.



Fr. James J. McCafferty Council #11013 meets regularly every fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Wise meeting room of the Antioch center. We begin with rosary at 7 PM. We are looking for new members always. We have many diverse and fun activities. We serve the community. If interested in joining contact Tom Kearny at thomasfkearney@verizon.net. Happy New Year to all. Why not consider taking one hour per week in our Adoration chapel going into the New Year?

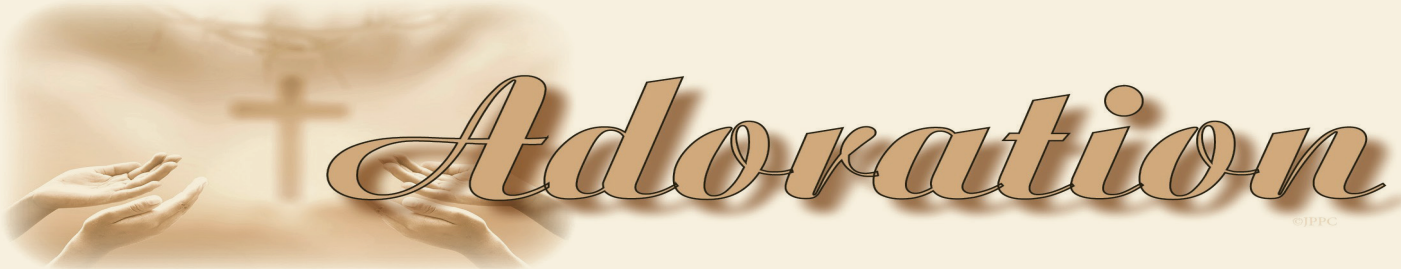


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St. Ignatius of Antioch School, a National Blue Ribbon School Awardee in 2021, is a small private Catholic school founded by the Sisters of St. Francis in 1958. As part of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, we provide an academically rigorous, core curriculum, 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.



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 8am, 12pm, Wednesday 4pm, Saturday 3pm

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

Thank you Adorer's for your faithfulness!



SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD
MASS SCHEDULE

December 31st - 5:15PM
January 1st - 9:00AM



**HOLY
HOUR**

Young Adult Holy Hour and Vespers

St. Ignatius will be holding its 3rd annual Young Adult Christmas Holy Hour and Dinner on Monday, December 29th, 2025! The evening will begin with a Holy Hour at 5pm in the church, all in the parish are invited to join! Afterwards, there will be a catered dinner for young adults! **The celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Christopher Cooke.** All Young Adults ages 18-30 are welcome to the dinner portion! There is a \$15 suggested donation, any questions and to RSVP, email: joedom2003@gmail.com by 12/23/25.



Dear Social Action Committee and parishioners of St. Ignatius Church,

On behalf of the staff, volunteers, and clients that we serve here at Catholic Charities, Bucks County, we offer many heartfelt thanks to you and your committee for the thoughtful donation of Giant, ShopRite, and McCaffrey's gift cards totaling \$1,385.

It is because of people like you, people who understand the true meaning of community, who wish to help their neighbor, that we are able to keep our doors open.


Your donation will have a direct impact on our clients. Rest assured that your kindness will enable....

- ... A child to have new clothes*
-A baby to have diapers*
-A homeless friend to have a hot meal*
-A single mom to put gas in her car*
-and so much more!*

Your moment of kindness will have a butterfly effect that will be felt for months and years to come!

Thank you for taking the time to help your neighbor. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers and we wish you a joyous holiday season and a peaceful New Year.

Sean Mulligan, Administer



*Looking for a way to grow
in your faith this New Year?*

*Whether you're seeking connection,
formation, or ways to serve, we have
over 30 active ministries to help you:*

Faith Formation

- o **Adult Faith Formation**
- o **OCIA**
- o **Pre-Jordan**
- o **PREP**

Liturgy and Worship Support

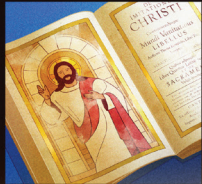
- o **Altar Servers**
- o **Extraordinary Ministers**
- o **Hospitality**
- o **Lectors**
- o **Sacristans**

Family and Children

- o **Children's Liturgy of the Word**
- o **Scouts**
- o **CYO**
- o **Family Ministry**
- o **Youth Ministry**

**Community Life, Fellowship,
Prayer, Service**

- o **Charismatic Prayer Group**
- o **Community of Disciples**
- o **Flame of Love**
- o **Bereavement Support Group**
- o **Book n Bean**
- o **Caring for Friends**
- o **Food Collection**
- o **Knights of Columbus**
- o **Men's Bible Study**
- o **Millions of Monicas**
- o **Perpetual Adoration**
- o **Prayer Cenacle Our Lady Guardian of Faith**
- o **Respect Life**
- o **Sacred Heart Home Enthronement**
- o **Servants of Mary**
- o **Social Action Committee**
- o **Sunday Socials**
- o **Walking with Purpose**
- o **Women at the Cross**



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via email and text!



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JOIN US AFTER MASS

FOR

Doughnuts and Fellowship

SUNDAY, February 1st *
AFTER THE 7:30AM, 9:30AM,
and 11:30AM MASSES
(*We will not have a Doughnut Social in January)

Get to know your fellow parishioners!

*Find out how you can be more involved in our
ministries!*

*Enjoy delicious doughnuts, fruit, and
refreshments!*

*Our doughnut socials are made possible by volunteers. Consider donating your time to help out once a month providing this wonderful event for our parishioners.

