



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2025

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

do good to those who hate you

LUKE 6:27



The WORD of GOD

Reading I: 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Refusing to harm his jealous enemy Saul, David slips into Saul's own tent and retrieves his weaponry but does the man no harm. So deep is David's respect for the office of king.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49

Paul draws the contrast between Adam and Christ, preaching that by nature we all receive a physical body from Adam, but by grace we receive a spiritual body from Christ. This spiritual body is destined to live forever.

The Gospel: Luke 6: 27-28

Continuing the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus widens the scope of charity and commands a radical love that reaches out to everyone even our enemies.

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 February 22, 2025
5:15PM Theodore Shennard
(Joe and Dottie Shennard)

Sunday February 23, 2025
7:30AM Matthew Oleynick (Bob and Sue Mrazik)
9:30AM Kim and David Teesdale
(Raymond Hofelder)
11:30AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius
6:00PM Francesco Figlia (Loving Family)

Monday February 24, 2025
9:00AM Carl Sposato (Susan Sposato)

Tuesday February 25, 2025
9:00AM Rachelle Formichelli
(Virginia and Paul Martin)

Wednesday February 26, 2025
9:00AM Matthew Oleynick (Friday Faith Sharing)

Thursday February 27, 2025
9:00AM Maureen Borstein / living
(Colleen Fucich)

Friday February 28, 2025
9:00AM Fred Sigafos (Rita Gore)

Saturday March 1, 2025
5:15PM Patricia "Pattie" Amoroso
(Bill and Loretta Amerine)

Sunday March 2, 2025
7:30AM Tom Stiver (Wife)
9:30AM Floyd Keeler (Connie Liebreich)
11:30AM William and Eileen Murphy
(Alice O'Rourke)
6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius

The church sanctuary candle
 burns this week to the glory of Almighty
 God and for Edward T. Schrader Sr.
 requested by
 Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Schrader.



An arrangement of flowers is dedicated
 in memory of Francesco Figlia
 Requested by his loving family.



Sunday 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps
103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk
6:27-38

Monday Sir 1:1-10 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Mk
9:14-29

Tuesday Sir 2:1-11 Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,
39-40 Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday Sir 4:11-19 Ps 119:165, 168, 171,
172, 174, 175 Mk 9:38-40

Thursday Sir 5:1-8 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Mk 9:41-50

Friday Sir 6:5-17 Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34,
35 Mk 10:1-12

Saturday Sir 17:1-15 Ps 103:13-14, 15-16,
17-18 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 1
Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45

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 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.

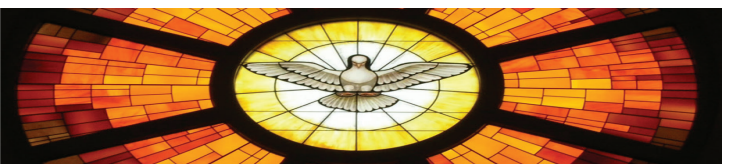
Weekly Collection

Due to weather related issues near our publisher,
last weekend's collection will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC



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!



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, Jeff Bacon, Dolores Barrett, Joseph Bednarski, Susan Bednarski, Lorraine C., Jean Caldwell, Maria Cane, Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Brynn Clare Connor, Gloria Coyne, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, John Flahive, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Raymond Hofelder, Julia Horvath, Michaeline Hynoski, Bob Jamieson, Roger Kehoe, Marge Kenney, Eleanor Koerner, Tina Lippolis, Michelle Mahle, Kevin McBeth, Kevin McBeth Jr., Kevin McCarthy, Toni McConnell, Janet Miller, , Walter Miller, Susan Mockenhaupt, Michele Mulholland, John Murray, Nancy Paravecchia, Carol Patterson, Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, Theresa Sortino, Elsie Stolic, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantala, Nick Tarallo, Gideon Thomas, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Fred Wise, 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>



Pray For Our Military Personnel

Justin Kumor



Adoration

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.

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



Keep in touch with us via email and text!



Text
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to 84576

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Connect with us online at:



stignatiuschurch.flocknote.com



Faith Formation



Next weekend on March 1, 2025, our Adult Faith Committee will be offering a special program on “after life” or “near death” experiences. Mike Hagan will be speaker and discuss his moving presentation on his “near death” experience and how such an event may enhance belief in the existence of an immortal soul and perfections of God’s love. Mike is an active member of Our Lady of Good Counsel in Moorestown, NJ; he is a Eucharistic minister, an active Knight of Columbus, and a secular Franciscan and Medical and Humanitarian Missionary. A “near death experience” or NDA is a profound experience that some people have when they are close to death; they usually occur when someone is unconscious, comatose or clinically dead. NDE’s are profound personal experiences that may reflect detachment from the body, feelings of levitation, total serenity, security, warmth, joy and sometimes the presence of light. The day begins with 8:30 AM Mass in the church followed by a light continental breakfast in the church auditorium below and Mike’s presentation at 9:30 AM. Please plan on joining us. No fee; good will offering and a great precursor to the sacrificial entering of Lent the following Wednesday.

Join us for planning our programs and send us your ideas.

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God’s image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent. There are many in our world that do not ‘feel’ loved and they all need to know that at the very least that not only are they loved by the Creator and Redeemer of the Universe, but they are cherished and that He is seeking them to be in relationship with Him. While many hear and do not listen; many hear and choose not to follow; many also do not hear. We who DO have a relationship with Him and know Him and love Him and wish to serve Him (which is our very destiny and reason why we were created in the first place) need to share our relationship with others who do not. A recent pastoral letter from Archbishop Perez is calling all devout relationship-involved Catholics to become ‘missionary disciples’. To read his letter go to trustandhope.org and see what his plan is for the Catholic church in our Archdiocese and what you can do and how you can do it, i.e. become a missionary disciple. There are several training modules scheduled in the near future and he desires certain parishes to be ‘hubs’ of this missionary discipleship in their areas. We need to be beacons of light in the darkness; we need to venture into the darkness, but first putting on the full armor of the Lord (Eph. 6) and pray and model and invite. It can start within our own families; it can spread to work groups, parish groups, ministries of service, prayer groups, the adoration chapel...so many ways to reach out and invite our brethren who are ‘away’ back.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: May every human person, from conception to natural death, be recognized as precious and beloved in the eyes of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord:

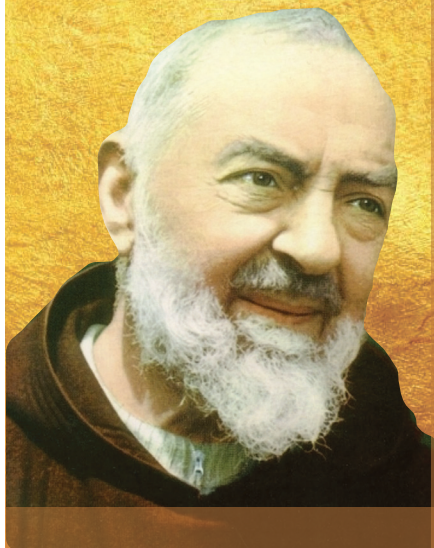
Rose of Life Intention: That all may come to know their Creator and that they are loved.



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. Our general membership meeting will be this Thursday Feb. 27 beginning with the rosary at 7 PM in the Wise meeting room. Join us.

Join us to venerate

The Relics of St. Padre Pio



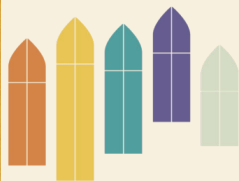
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Saturday, April 12th

Veneration
11am - 8pm*
(*except during Mass)

Confessions
4pm

Mass
5:15pm



MILLIONS OF MONICAS

Millions of Monicas – Praying With Confidence For Our Children

Many of us have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the church entirely. Like St. Monica, as mothers we persevere in prayer for their joyful return to full unity with the Catholic Church. We are not a support group or a self-help group. No sensitive information is shared. We believe that by coming together weekly, uniting our hearts and voices praying together, we can bring strength and joy to each other. We want to encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children. Join with other mothers, grandmothers, step-mothers, Godmothers, etc., as we pray to grow in holiness and humility, and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church. We meet each Thursday at 7 PM in room 2E of the Antioch Center. For more information please visit www.millionsofmonicas.com.

We are looking for a co-leader for this group, please contact Joanie Bentz at 267-291-4260 or JMBentzBC@proton.me for more information.

PREPARE FOR LENT

Attend this Inspirational Presentation

“After Life” Experience by Mike Hagan

Saturday, March 1, 2025
St. Ignatius Church Auditorium
999 Reading Avenue
Yardley, Pa

Please come and hear this moving presentation by Mike who is a Member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Moorestown, NJ. Mike is an active member of his parish as a Eucharistic Minister, a Third Degree Knight of Columbus, and a Secular Franciscan and Medical and Humanitarian Missionary.

Mike's explanation of his experience enhances the existence of the soul and the Perfection of God's Love.

8:30 AM Mass will be celebrated
9:00 AM Refreshments will be served in the Auditorium
9:30 AM Mike's Presentation



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. Please contact the rectory for more details.



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: \$550

- Saturday: \$700

St. Ignatius GYM Renovations Eagle Project

I want to say thank you to the parish community and everyone who supported me in my Eagle project. Now that my Eagle project is complete, I want to give special thanks to everyone who donated money and time to make this possible. I am very grateful for you and couldn't have completed my project without you. Below are pictures of the before and after of the locker rooms. More renovations are coming to the gym this summer!!

Thank You and God Bless



BEFORE



AFTER - HOME

AFTER - AWAY



Pennsylvanians for
Human Life
PAforHumanLife.org



*St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish
and School Communities
extends joyful congratulations to*

Dr. Lester Ruppertsberger

*recipient of the
Pennsylvanians for Human Life
Lifetime Achievement Award*

Coffee and donuts



**WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US
AT OUR NEXT MONTHLY
SUNDAY SOCIAL ON MARCH 2ND
AFTER THE 7:30AM, 9:30AM, and 11:30AM
MASSES**



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School
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 215-493-3867
 Mr. George Meade, Principal
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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.
 St. Ignatius of Antioch School



Book 'n Bean

We welcome newcomers to join us as we meet on the last Tuesday evening of most months to discuss books which we have chosen for the year (2024-2025). We gather in the ground floor meeting room of the Antioch Center at 7:30pm. Please come when you can, even if you haven't read or completed the book. For more information, call Linda Stewart (215-603-5630). Our schedule is:

- Tues. Feb. 25 Fever in the Heartland - Timothy Egan (via Zoom)
- Tues. Mar. 25 Loyalty - Lisa Scottoline
- Tues. Apr. 29 Life in a Jar - Jack Mayer
- Tues. May 20 The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store - James McBride



COMPETITIVE SEASON

**BOYS & GIRLS
 HIGH SCHOOL
 9TH-12TH GRADE**

SKILLS CLINICS

**GIRLS
 JUNIORS 3RD - 5TH GRADE
 MIDDLE SCHOOL 6TH-8TH GRADE**

NEW

**BOYS
 JV 5TH-6TH GRADE
 VARSITY 7TH-8TH GRADE**

FRIENDLY GAMES

**MEN & WOMEN
 ADULT LEAGUE**

Learn fundamental skills and join the fun!
 For all skill levels - beginners welcome!



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER! →

Registration is open to St. Ignatius parishioners.
 Visit the St. Ignatius CYO website for more information and to register!

Questions? Contact: Michelle Mangapit, stignatiuscyo.vball@gmail.com



SERVANTS OF MARY

Do you have a devotion to Our Lady? We are a rosary-centered healing ministry that actively supports our parishioners and our pastor.

We meet weekly in the Antioch Center, 2nd. Fl.(Reading Ave. side) on Wednesday evenings from 6-7PM.

The Flame of Love Rosary will be recited on Monday nights at 6PM. For more information on the Flame of Love visit:
<https://flameoflove.us/>



The Children's Liturgy of the Word is in need of volunteers to help at 9:30 Mass. The commitment is 1 or 2 Sundays per quarter (your choice), the schedule is very flexible, and we pause during the summer months. We use SignUpGenius® for the schedule, so you can choose the Sundays that fit your family's schedule. Please consider giving this a try. You are welcome to join us downstairs any Sunday to observe and become more familiar with the Children's Liturgy of the Word. Email Mary Alice LaMorte at malamorte@verizon.net or call 267-566-4128 to discuss further.

Fr. James McCafferty Knights of Columbus
&
Women at the Cross
Invite You to

Lenten Poor Man's Supper before Stations of the Cross

at
St. Ignatius Auditorium
999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA

Fridays of Lent: 3/7, 3/14,
3/21, 3/27. 4/4

Supper @ 6 PM

Stations of the Cross in
Church
@ 7 PM

Please email
WATCeyardleyknights.com
with number of adults &
children in preparation of the
meal. Thank You!



St. Ignatius CYO Track & Field Registration

The St. Ignatius CYO Track & Field Team is excited and ready to kick-off a new season. A lot of fun and a great way to exercise. Children from 1st grade through 8th grade registered with the Parish are all welcome. Athletes will have an opportunity to compete in Track events such as 100 m, 200 m, 400 m, 1600 m, and various relay events. For Field events, athletes will be able to compete in long jump, high jump, triple jump and shot put.

Registration for the Spring program will be held on two evenings - Thursday February 20th and Tuesday February 25th 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

For more information, please contact Jorge Linares @ jorge.linareslu@gmail.com or Shaun Sauer @ spsauer@verizon.net.