

**St. Ignatius of Antioch Church** 999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 215-493-3377 contact@stignatius.church www.stignatius.church

# The Baptism of the Lord

# January 12, 2024





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**Reading I: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7** 

The servant of God fulfills his mission quietly. He will have a gentle respect for others, and he will heal those who acknowledge their need for it.

# Reading II: Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7

We as Christians are given help to live virtuously now and for the future through the power of Christ. He has saved us by the bath of rebirth.

# The Gospel: Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

After His baptism and while He was praying, heaven opened up. This followed John the Baptist's preaching about the "mightier One" coming.

## 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.



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Saturday	January 11, 2025		
5:15PM	Stephen and Emma Martin		
	(Paul and Virginia Martin)		
Sunday	January 12, 2025		
7:30AM	Parishioners of St. Ignatius		
9:30AM	Gloria Mary Smith		
	(Anne and Fred Webster)		
11:30AM	Michael Villella (The Falkenstein Family)		
6:00PM	Thomas Lee Carroll (The Carroll Fmily)		

MondayJanuary 13, 20259:00AMJames E. Costa (The Costa Family)

TuesdayJanuary 14, 20259:00AMJames Geggis (Michelle Brennan)

Wednesday January 15, 2025 9:00AM Edward Patton Sr., Madeline Patton, and-Christpher Patton (Tim and Elizabeth Patton)

ThursdayJanuary 16, 20259:00AMGeri Kelly (Dennis Kelly)

FridayJanuary 17, 20259:00AMFrances Reamer and Teresa Schamel<br/>(Tim and Elizabeth Patton)

SaturdayJanuary 18, 20255:15PMJames and Julia Keefe<br/>(Tom and Lorraine Humphrey)

SundayJanuary 19, 20257:30AMTheresa Sortino (Christina Mahan)9:30AMParishioners of St. Ignatius11:30AMLukasz Dorozala

(The Falkenstein Family)

6:00PM Joseph Mariconda (Ross and Deborah Ruriani)



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



Sunday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:29-39

Thursday Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45

Friday Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12

Saturday Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17

Sunday Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

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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.

Dn Loving Memory

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.



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.

# Parísh Gíving

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.

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Counting our Blessings	1/7/24	Env	1/5/25	Env				
Sunday Offering	\$12,348.00	214	\$14,322.60	264				
Online Parish Giving	\$13,272.64		\$19,055.49					
Total Weekly Contribution	\$25,620.64		\$33,378.09					
Social Action Committee	\$1,753.00		\$1,659.00					
Counting our Blessings	12/31/23	Env	12/29/24	Env				
Sunday Offering	\$15,219.00	191	\$13,199.00	196				
Online Parish Giving	\$10,227.41		\$12,574.31					
Total Weekly Contribution	\$25,446.41		\$25,773.31					
Counting our Blessings	12/24/23	Env	12/22/24	Env				
Sunday Offering	\$8,788.00	154	\$14,142.00	250				
Online Parish Giving	\$12,618.77		\$12,404.82					
Total Weekly Contribution	\$21,406.77		\$26,546.82					
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We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. or po



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, 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, 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, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Fred Wise, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.





Connect with us online at:





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

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Throughout this month we celebrate feast days of St. Basil, St. Gregory, the Most Holy Name of Jesus (1/3), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. John Neumann, St. Raymond Penafort, St. Hilary of Poitiers, St. Anthony of Egypt, St. Agnes, St. Vincent, St. Francis de Sales, the Conversion of St. Paul, St. Timothy, St.

Titus, St. Thomas Aquinas and St. John Bosco. As you can see, there are many stories and celebrations that may be learned and shared with family and friends. For example, St. Francis de Sales is the author of "Introduction to a Devout Life" which is a 'how to' guide on how to live a devout life. It is easy to read and easy to follow. He tells us 'do not wish to be anything but what you are, and try to be that perfectly'. Another, 'have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself'; 'nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength'. As for St. John Bosco, he is known as 'father and teacher of youth'. He founded the Salesians and the Institute of Daughters of Mary Help of Christians. We have many saints lives we can study and emulate. Let us also honor St. Thomas Aquinas, our patron of Adult Ed. Our men's program on the SYMBOLON on DVD continues Wed. evenings at 7 PM. Why not join us? Bring a friend. We also have a new program for ALL men of the parish- COR- the last Saturday of every month at 7:30 AM with coffee/donuts in the Antioch center- next meeting Jan. 25 at 7 AM with coffee/donuts/great conversation and short "Into the Breach" DVD on defending the family!

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life" IF we had a loving friend relationship with Jesus, how would treat Him? IF we saw Jesus in every other person we ever meet, how would we treat them? We need to encounter Jesus. Go visit Him; go talk to Him; go spend some quiet time with Him. Read about Him in Scripture-His entire public life is recounted many times so you can get to know Him. Go to our Adoration chapel- help us get back to 24/7. Many people agonize and philosophize over the 'meaning of life'. The Baltimore catechism gives the answer to the question: 'Why did God make you?"; answer: "God made you to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this world so you may be happy with Him in the next". In case you missed it, the meaning is to get to Heaven, and, while many may travel different paths to get there, we have the lives of the Saints that we know are there to show us the way, along with the Magisterium of the Catholic Church. So why not start out this new year with a life change that will head more toward that final destination of Heaven? If you get there, you will be glad you did for all eternity!

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For all Christians: May we live out our baptismal call to proclaim the Gospel of God's love and the dignity of every human life; We pray to the Lord: Rose of Life Intention: For all life to be respected as the image of Jesus.



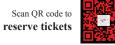
Fr. James J. McCaffety Council #11013 Our council meets regularly the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Wise Meeting room in the Antioch Center. We begin with the rosary at 7 PM. We are looking for new members always. We have many activities and charities, fun gatherings and fellowship and events along with prayer and study. If interested in joining us contact Tom Kearney at thomasfkearney@verizon.net. Join us today for a delicious pancake breakfast... for free!.



#### Please join us for a fun-filled evening of bingo, raffles and handbags!

Friday, January 31, 2025 | St. Ignatius Church Auditorium Doors open at 6:30 | Bingo starts at 7:30

Tickets: \$40 in advance | \$45 at the door







If you would like to donate an item for a raffle (bottle of wine/alcohol, gift card, home item) please contact Emily Tallman EmTallman219@gmail.com or 908.208.3180 (Call, text or email)

Thank you for supporting St. Ignatius 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. Jan. 28 **King: A Life - Jonathan Eig** (via Zoom) 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 Grocerv **Store - James McBride** 



## **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.



## 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.



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

## **2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS NOW CLOSED**

The Mass Intention Book for 2025 is now full as all the Masses have an Intention. The Mass Intention Book for 2026 will open in September of 2025.

Please come to the rectory if you would like to reserve an Unannounced Mass, or Sanctuary Candle for 2025.



## 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 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:

Tuesday, February 4th at 7 p.m. St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church **Religious Education Center** 752 Big Oak Road, Morrisville, PA

Our featured speakers will be from the Reach Out Foundation, a drop-in center open daily for the homeless and those in need in lower Bucks County

### https://www.rofbucks.org/

Refreshments Will be Served

Bring a Friends The More We Grow, The More We Give!

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



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School 995 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 19067 215-493-3867 Mr. George Meade, Principal mrmeade@sischool.org



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

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# **OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY JAN. 26TH** 12:00-2:00PM

# KIWANIS BAG BINGO REGISTER NOW!

Come join us for a fun filled evening and a chance to win high end designer handbags! 12 Rounds of Bag Bingo sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Washington Crossing and Yardley. Our goal is to raise money to support underserved families and children in Bucks County.



FEBRUARY

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM BINGO STARTS AT 7:30 PM BYOB AND FOOD

TO REGISTER:

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or register on our website: washingtoncrossingyardleykiwanis.org



Archbishop Pérez's Pastoral Letter

Archbishop Pérez published a Pastoral Letter on Sunday, January 5th. This letter outlines his hopes for the Church of Philadelphia over the coming years. He is asking for your help in being a part of the process. The first thing to do is to visit https://trustandhope.org by clicking the link or using the QR code below; watching the video; and then reading the Archbishop's letter to us. After that, please also sign up for one of the Archdiocesan Consultation Sessions and learn even more.





The Parish Faith Formation Committee would like to thank all the parishioners and their guests who attended the Philadelphia Boys Choir Christmas Concert this December. It was a memorable opportunity to enjoy all of the traditional Holiday songs to jumpstart our Christmas Season. We would also like to extend a special appreciation to Larry Perini, the talented guitarist who entertained us prior to the Concert. Finally we are grateful to Sports Pizza in Morrisville for providing the pizza for the Boys Choir at a special discount so the Choir had the energy to present such an outstanding Concert. We hope we were able to bring you closer to the Christ Child this Christmas through the Angelic Music provided by the Boys Choir. Wishing all a Blessed 2025.



Singing and Instrumental Volunteer Opportunity

First Light is the St. Ignatius music ensemble that provides music for the 9:30am Mass. We are looking to include students from 7th to 12th grade who sing or play a musical instrument in our ensemble. This is a terrific opportunity to learn more about music, play in an ensemble and accrue community hours. Participation is flexible from weekly, monthly, quarterly or seasonal. Please contact Amy Hail at amyhailqom@gmail.com or Larry Perini at lperini@verizon.net, or simply come by after a 9:30am Mass for more information.