

St. Ignatíus of Antíoch Church



March 30, 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

He was lost and has been found.

Luke 15:32





Reading I: Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12

The Hebrews celebrate the Passover. The end of the manna signals the beginning of a new era, when Israel reaps the blessings of Canaan.

Reading II: 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21

The ministry of the Apostles is to reunite the human family with God the Father. That mission is now entrusted to us.

The Gospel: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

The familiar name of the parable omits a fuller understanding of Jesus' message, which is all about a loving and merciful God the Father.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM Daily, Monday to Friday: 7:00AM and 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.



- SaturdayMarch 29, 20255:15PMMartin McGough
(Tom and Lorraine Humphrey)
- Sunday March 30, 2025
- 7:30AM Bernice Marcinkowski (Caring for Friends)
- 9:30AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius
- 11:30AM Leszek Klukowski (The Glunz Family)
- 6:00PM Joseph Drozdowsky (Michael and Jennifer Edmonds)
- Monday March 31, 2025
- 7:00AM Luke Dorozala (Wife and Children)
- 9:00AM Bernice Marcinkowski (Lori and Connie)
- Tuesday April 1, 2025
- 7:00AM Francis LaRoche (Rich and Kathy Moore) 9:00AM Madeline and Earl Wolverton
 - (Linda Chamberlain)
- Wednesday April 2, 2025
- 7:00AM Brittany Redfearn (Michael and Jennifer Edmonds)
- 9:00AM Martin T. Brennan (Marty and Michelle Brennan)
- Thursday April 3, 2025
- 7:00AM Lauren Nicole Young (The Young Family)
- 9:00AM Jacob Gerhardt (James and Monica Walsh)
- Friday April 4, 2025 7:00AM Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz/ living (Parishioners)
- 9:00AM Salvatore LaMantia (Family)
- SaturdayApril 5, 20255:15PMStephen and Nancy Martin
(Paul and Virginia Martin)
- SundayApril 6, 20257:30AMMary Arata (The Baker Family)9:30AMGloria Garefino
(Loretta and Bill Amerine and Family)11:30AMFrances M. Kelly (Kelly and Ryan Family)
- 6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius



The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God and for Amy Nalli - Margulies.



Sunday Jos 5:9a, 10-12 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7. 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Monday Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47

Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6. Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11

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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 Lowing/ 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.

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.

Parísh Gívíng

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	3/24/24	Env	3/23/25	Env
Sunday Offering	\$11,962.00	273	\$13,521.00	259
Online Parish Giving	\$10,294.09		\$11,357.15	
Total Weekly Contribution	\$22,256.09		\$24,878.15	
Churches in Eastern Europe			\$977.00	





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.



*(On 4/11 there will only be 2pm Stations as our Passion Play will be at 7:00pm)

BCAYFOR 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, Lorraine C., Jean Caldwell, Maria Cane, Ruthann Carroll, Stephen Cesareo, Brynn Clare Connor, Gloria Coyne, Shellie D., Susan Dwyer, Judith Green, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Marge Heriley, Raymond Hofelder, Julia Horvath, Michaeline Hynoski, Judith Kearney, Marge Kenney, Eleanor Koerner, 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, Christine Rogers, Mary Claire Rossi, 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.

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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.



St Ignatius is very blessed to have many ministries. One of the more notable things one may notice if one attends is that many of the leaders and attendees are aging. Of course, many of our younger people are busy with family/kids and work. However, one may need to reflect on how many hours a day one spends on social media or screens? How many hours a day/or week one spends watching TV/streaming channels/movies/ videos? How many hours a week one spends on gaming? As noted above there are only 168 hours in a week; if we sleep about 50 hours per week, that leaves 118; if we work 40 hours a week, that leaves 78; if we attend mass once a week, that leaves 77. If we spend 21 hours eating meals, that leaves about 56. If our children have activities on weekends that take about 10 hours, that leaves 46. If we work out an hour a day x 7, that leaves about 39. So, by now, you may see the point... and some of the hours may be different, but ONE hour a week of that remaining 39 is really NOT too much of a burden; reading Scripture 15 minutes/day x 7 would take another almost 2 hours of that 39! We are all called to be proper stewards of our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. We are ALL called to be saints. We are ALL called to evangelize. We are all called to be learning constantly about our faith. Why not consider?

St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.

"With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups, and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination, we must identify the steps we are called to take to serve life in all its truth" (The Gospel of Life 95). The answer to the above question is another question- when was the last time you heard a homily on life/contraception/abortion/sterilization/ dignity of life, etc.? When was the last time your parish held an Adult Ed program on the above 'prolife' topics? When was the last time you defended life during a conversation involving any of these topics whether with family members or friends? When was the last time you prayed in front of an abortion center? Attended a March for Life? Went to a prolife rally or retreat? There are many 'silent' voices (oxymoron) that do not speak to the issues. The Catholic Church has through many encyclicals such as that quoted above; the Catechism of the Catholic Church also contains such teachings and yet, many who are prolife are quiet! Yes, they pray; yes, they are quiet when family members are cohabiting/contracepting/even aborting or getting sterilized! After all, it is none of their business... but when brought it can be a topic for discussion/prayer/ references to church teachings. With Lent comes sacrifice and life is precious as well as may be sacrificial in that we all are called to carry our crosses. Let us offer our voices in love and kindness to ending the culture of death. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

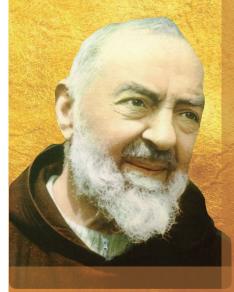
Intercessory Prayer: For all those receiving hospice care: May the care they receive respect and protect their lives, let us pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For all those suffering end of life journeys; may those journeys respect life in all ways.



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 March 27 beginning with the rosary at 7 PM in the Wise meeting room. Join us. Join us to venerate

Ghe Relics of St. Padre Pio





St. Ignatius of Antioch Church 999 Reading Ave. Yardley, PA 19067

Saturday, April 12th

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

> Confessions 4pm

> > (Dass 5:15pm

NATIONAL CENTRI "PADRE PIO



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council 11013 William C. Gibney Memorial Scholarship for High School Education

The Fr. James J. McCafferty Council 11013 of Yardley, PA and St. Ignatius Parish are pleased to offer the William C. Gibney Memorial Scholarship for students to assist with the cost of high school tuition. Two awards of \$1,000 each will be given in the name of the late William C. Gibney, who was a member of the Fr. James J. McCafferty Council No. 11013 and a 4th degree Knight. He was a founding "Charter Member" and an Officer of the Council.

William was a man of many deep convictions and exemplified a life of commitment to the Knights of Columbus' ideals of charity, faith, and service to others. He was a World War II U.S. Merchant Marine Officer, crossing the Atlantic several times during war times. He raised ten children as a member of St. Ignatius Parish. This scholarship has been established to honor and continue his legacy.

To qualify for the Scholarship, applicants must be a registered full-time student at a tuition-based high school or vocational school in the fall of 2025. For Scholarship Application and additional information, please go to <u>https://www.yardleyknights.com/scholarships/</u> Applications must be received by April 13, 2025.



Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion

Sunday, Apríl 27th 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Join us for a procession around the inside of the Church while praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Benediction ,and Reflections offered by Deacon Mike Cibenko.

Based on Jesus' promise, the church has given an opportunity for a Plenary Indulgence if the following conditions are met: On Divine Mercy Sunday, attend prayerful devotions, including prayers for our Holy Father, and receive Holy Communion in the state of grace. Also, go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation within 20 days of the Feast.

Light refreshments will be served in the auditorium below the Church (electric handicap chair available). Please bring a dessert.





Dive deep into the Mystery of Christ this Lent with two brand new series on Formed and a mini journal to help guide you!

Join us to watch the series together Sample Date 1, Date 2, Date 3 7-8:30 PM | Parish Hall For questions email: DRE@YourParishName.org



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Formed account at signup.formed.org

Pick up your mini journal at the parish office! For questions email: DRE@YourParishName.org

Watch Now! Only on formed

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute!

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed through an online link from <u>https://</u> <u>portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/xpa9tx</u> and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole. <u>PLEASE COM-</u> <u>PLETE THE SURVEY BY APRIL 24TH.</u> Thank you for helping with this important project!

Fr. James McCafferty Knights of Columbus Women at the Cross^{*} Invite You to Lenten Poor Man's Supper before Stations of the Cross 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 a 7 PM Please email WATC@yardleyknights.com with number of adults & children in preparation of the meal. Thank You!



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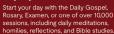
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Bible Stories & Sleep Content Close your day with Christ with an Examen, Night Prayer, or a Rosary with guests like Bishop Barron, Mark Wahlber

Hallow Pray Every Day with Your Kids this Lent



St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic School 995 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 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.



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.



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/



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Brownholtz and our seminarians Matthew Pace and Jonathan Emgott, will hold an altar server training session on Thursday, April 10th from 4pm-5pm for any child interested in becoming an altar server as well as anyone who would like a refresher course. The training will take place in the church and will include a tour of the church and sacristy, a lesson on all the items used in Mass, and step by step instructions on how to serve a Mass. RSVP for the training to Maria LaMantia at mlamantia@ stignatius.church.





food items. Thank you!

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.