



# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12, 2026



## The WORD of GOD

### Reading I: Acts 2: 42-47

In every aspect of life, the earliest believers led an ideal life, united as a real family, sharing faith, meals, material goods and worship.

### Reading II: 1 Peter 1:3-9

St. Peter blesses his readers for their faith, reminding them that we believers “live by faith and not by sight.” He also explains suffering as a kind of smelting process that removes impurities from the gold of their faith.

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

The author makes the point that Jesus was raised with the same body that was crucified and dies only days earlier. The beautiful “Thomas story” follows. When “The Doubter” is convinced, he utters the climactic confession of the whole Gospel when he kneels before Jesus: “My Lord and my God.”

### 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 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.



**Saturday April 11, 2026**

**5:15PM Deceased Members of the Ciocco Family  
(Nick and Frances Tarallo)**

**Sunday April 12, 2026**

**7:30AM Rosemarie Smith / living  
(Charles and Eleanor Koerner)**

**9:30AM Samuel Gentile (Mary Gentile)**

**11:30AM John-Warrio Jimenez**

**(The Young Family)**

**6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius**

**Monday April 13, 2026**

**9:00AM Ed McKittrick  
(The McKittrick Family)**

**Tuesday April 14, 2026**

**9:00AM Ellen and Elmer Perry (Lisa Perry)**

**Wednesday April 15, 2026**

**9:00AM Edith Bonofiglio (John Rendeiro)**

**Thursday April 16, 2026**

**9:00AM Al Delaporte  
(Deacon Bob and Connie Skawinski)**

**Friday April 17, 2026**

**9:00AM Peter Bonofiglio  
(John Rendeiro)**

**Saturday April 18, 2026**

**5:15PM Lauren Nicole Young  
(The Young Family)**

**Sunday April 19, 2026**

**7:30AM Jeanne Frawley/ living  
(Jim and Barbara Frawley)**

**9:30AM Rick Kostelny (Raymond Hofelder)**

**11:30AM Richard Gentile  
(Maria Gentile and Family)**

**6:00PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius and  
Mike and Marge Herlihy**



### Church Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God, and for Thomas Lee Carroll (former Chief of Police) requested by The Carroll Family.



Sunday Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15,  
22-24 1 Pt 1:3-9 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 Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-  
19 Jn 6:16-21

Sunday Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5,  
7-8, 9-10, 11 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35

# St. Ignatius of Antioch

*Parish Giving is our online giving solution.*

## 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

**St. Ignatius of Antioch** will see a substantial increase in stewardship while reducing administrative costs. In addition to regular online giving contributions, you can also donate by any amount at any time by any means.

## EASY RECORD KEEPING

24/7 account access to view and print your online giving contributions.

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# WELCOME

We are glad you are here

Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass for years, we welcome you to join our parish! Please scan the QR code or contact the rectory to register. We will mail you a welcome packet once your registration is processed.



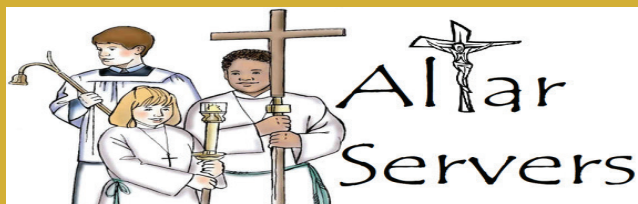
# BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on most 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.

# WEDDINGS

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.



## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Brownholtz is offering 2 options for altar server training this Spring:

Wednesday, April 29th, 4pm-5pm  
or  
Wednesday, May 6th, 4pm-5pm

These training sessions are 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](mailto:mlamantia@stignatius.church).



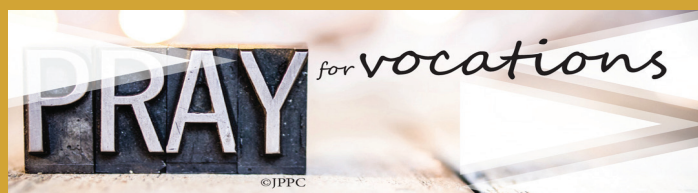
We pray for our beloved deceased especially Helene E. Waslenko, Karen Carroll, those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*



**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, Mariann Flahive, Jim Gannon, Marykay Greco, Grace Griffin, Jonathan Grubb, Lou Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Julia Horvath, Michae-line Hynoski, Judith Kearney, Jack Kerper, 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, Kathy Norris, Nancy Paravecchia, Steven Pellegrino, Margaret R., Joe Robinson, Eamon Rodriguez, Christine Rogers, Dr. Gabe Rosales, Jean Rosales Mary Claire Rossi, Carole Sciorillo Peter Sidoti, Theresa Sortino, Elsie Stolic, Darwin Stout, Kyle Stout, AJ Tantala, Frances Tarallo, Nick Tarallo, Gideon Thomas, Mark Waldinger, Lora Warner, Brendan Weisinger, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.



**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - April 12, 2026**

**“Peace be with you.” (John 20:19)**  
**We pray for those who bring Christ’s peace through the priesthood, honoring and supporting them in their vocation. If you sense a call to this ministry of mercy, take time to explore God’s plan for you. Talk to Fr. Brownholtz or reach out to the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or [vocationdirector@archphila.org](mailto: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>



**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 need committee members for golf, car show, Special Olympics and others. Come to the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM today to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday.



## 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 celebrate 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.**



**Suicidal individuals- with or without terminal illness-typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and, they believe inaccurately that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, "does anyone want me to be alive or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?" We now have 13 states in the US who have legalized physician- assisted suicide with more pending; Canada has mandated all provinces for all physicians to provide or lose their license. If we believe in the dignity of the human person being created in the image and likeness of God and if we believe in the commandment of "thou shalt not kill," and if we believe that all life comes into existence through a loving God and is called home through a loving God, then how can we condone through a power that is not ours to control life and death? Let us at this time in which we ponder the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus realize that it is only God who has control of life and death and not we, His creatures. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit for the inspiration we need to discern what it is we are to do when faced with difficult decisions of life and death; let us pray our physicians come to their senses and realize that "to do no harm" means to not bring anyone's life to an end, whether they request it or not!**

***Intercessory Prayer: May the sacrifice of our Lord in His Passion deepen our understanding of the value and dignity of every human life; We pray to the Lord***

***Rose of Life Intention: For mercy for all in the abortion industry, that they seek forgiveness and healing.***



**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.



## CAMPAIGN UPDATE

*2 Corinthians 9:7 - Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give. Not reluctantly or under compulsion. For God loves a cheerful giver.*

It's been an exciting week for the **Restoring Our Home, Renewing Our Mission** Capital Campaign with our campaign pledge total reaching over \$3.5 million! This is a remarkable accomplishment with responses from less than 10% of our parish families.

We recognize that each situation is different for each individual family. Our goal is to have broad participation in this campaign and to feel connected to this stewardship call. All contributions are welcome and greatly appreciated.

Please join our campaign, in the context of your family situation, to participate in the success of our projects with your pledge, your prayers, spending an hour of prayer in the Adoration Chapel, and continuing participation in our ministries.





**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 3am and 9am.***

Please call Marianne (267-346-0152) or Rosemary (267-799-3951) for chapel information. Thank you Adorer's for your faithfulness!



*Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion*

*Sunday, April 12th  
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.*



Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be the week of June 22-26 from 9:00 until noon. The theme this year will be Rainforest Falls-Exploring the Nature of God. VBS is open to all students ages 4 through 5th grade. The cost remains the low price of \$60 for the week. Sign-ups will begin in April.

Online PREP registration began on Monday, April 6th for all PREP sessions. We will once again be offering a Sunday Weekly Session, a Monday Weekly Session, and a Summer Plus Session. The Summer Plus Session will be held during the week of July 20th -24th from 9-noon PLUS one Sunday a month. Please note that religious education is required starting in first grade.



## Nursing Home MINISTRY

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in need of extraordinary ministers to visit our local nursing homes and hospitals. If you are interested in becoming an extraordinary minister or are already one and are interested in this ministry, please contact Maria LaMantia at [mlamantia@stignatius.church](mailto:mlamantia@stignatius.church).

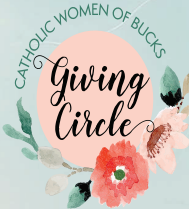


### BOOK 'N BEAN

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 this year (2025-2026). 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).

Tues. Apr. 28 The Secret War of Julia Child -  
Diana Chambers

Tues. May 19 Old God's Time - Sebastian Barry



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 8th at 7 p.m.  
St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church  
Parish Auditorium (Church Basement)  
999 Reading Avenue, Yardley, PA

*Our featured speaker is from Betty's Blessed Bus, providing food, clothing and other necessities to those in need in our community.*

*Come early to tour the bus!*

*Refreshments Will be Served*



Please 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



# BEEF & BEER FUNDRAISER

## BENEFITING

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SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026

DOORS OPEN 6:30

TICKETS: ADVANCE \$30 @ DOOR \$35

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Must be  
21 years  
to attend



### MAY FLOWERS

Throughout the month of May, we honor Mary, our Queen and Mother. If you would like to donate flowers to be placed in the sanctuary to honor Our Lady, please contact Maria at [mlamantia@stignatius.church](mailto:mlamantia@stignatius.church) or 215-493-3377 ext. 211. Donations for the floral arrangements are \$50.00.

### MAY PROCESSION

Please join us for our Annual May Procession honoring our Blessed Mother on Tuesday, May 5th 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.

### 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. Floor (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/>

# Holy Family of Nazareth

## A MODEL FOR PARENTS

### Half Day Retreat

A help to convey the beauty of the faith to your children

For parents with kids of any age

Breakfast provided

Babysitting available



RSVP by 5/2  
[mlamantia@stignatius.church](mailto:mlamantia@stignatius.church)  
215-493-3377 ext. 211



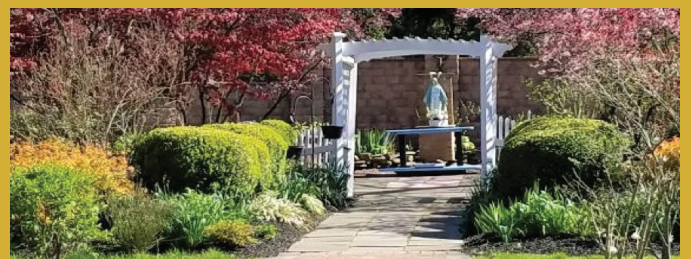
May 9<sup>th</sup>

Mass: 9am  
Breakfast to follow,  
Retreat from 10am-12:30pm  
in Church Basement

**"IN WHAT MIGHT BE REGARDED AS THE DOMESTIC CHURCH, THE PARENTS SHOULD, BY THEIR WORD AND EXAMPLE, BE THE FIRST HERALDS OF THE FAITH WITH REGARD TO THEIR CHILDREN."**

LUMEN GENTIUM 11

Spiritual formation retreat on the Transmition of Faith led by Seminarian Camilo Abedrop-Escobosa



### 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.