



St. Ignatius of Antioch Church

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The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2026



The **kingdom of heaven** may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants.

Matthew 18:21-22

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Reading I: Sirach 27:30–28:7

Realize that keeping the Commandments is certainly an activity of lasting value. Only a sinner will cling to anger and vengeance. The good man practices forgiveness and thus prepares for the end of his life on earth.

Reading II: Romans 14:7-9

Our highest aim in life is to please Jesus Christ because we belong to Him. He “purchased” us at the cost of His precious blood.

The Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus speaks of the limitless (“70 x 7”) times we need to forgive. Mercy is the choice a true disciple makes toward his neighbor’s faults. In the parable, the king’s mercy is always “from the heart.” (N.B. A “talent” is equal to 20 years’ wages for a laborer.)

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM and 6PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 7:00AM

***Special Schedule for Holy Days**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday - CLOSED

Monday- Friday 9:00AM—4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

ROSARY

The rosary is said Monday - Friday after the 7AM Daily Mass and 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 5:15PM	September 12, 2026 John-Warrio Jimenez (The Young Family)
Sunday 7:30AM	September 13, 2026 William and Marie Yeager (Michelle Brennan)
9:30AM	Parishioners of St. Ignatius
11:30AM	Harold "Buzz" Taylor (Joan Taylor)
6:00PM	Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
Monday 7:00AM	September 14, 2026 Mary D. McMullen (Dorothy)
Tuesday 7:00AM	September 15, 2026 Alice Rais (Deacon Bob and Connie Skawinski)
Wednesday 7:00AM	September 16, 2026 Holy Souls in Purgatory (Ed and Susan Russell)
Thursday 7:00AM	September 17, 2026 John & Nicole Kloc & children/living (Mom and Dad)
Friday 7:00AM	September 18, 2026 Irene Scotti (The Scotti Family)
Saturday *4:00PM	September 19, 2026 Dorothy and Frank Young (The Young Family)
Sunday 7:30AM	September 20, 2026 Rev. Elmer Stapleton (59th Anniversary)
9:30AM	Deceased Members of the Demskie Family (The Schaeffer)
11:30AM	Dina Giovannini (Joanne Russo)
6:00PM	Parishioners of St. Ignatius



Church Sanctuary Candle

The church sanctuary candle burns this week to the glory of Almighty God, and for Dan McGovern requested by Phil and Chris Bartholomew



DAILY MASS TIME CHANGE TO 7AM

The roof replacement project began on August 31st. Because of the construction, we moved our 9am Daily Mass to **7am** for the duration of the project which will last approximately 3 months. Mass will still be celebrated in the church. Parking will be unavailable on the side lot, and will only be available directly behind the church. If you have any questions, please contact the rectory.

Fiscal Corner

NURTURE GROWTH

Parish Giving
simple. secure. convenient.



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account. SOLUTION.

Give Now! Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online giving. Thank you!



PHONE: 1.866.307.7140

eMAIL: info@parishgiving.org

WEB: www.parishgiving.org

Weekly Collection

<u>Counting our Blessings</u>	<u>9/7/25</u>	<u>Env</u>	<u>9/6/26</u>	<u>Env</u>
Sunday Offering	\$14,030.00	239	\$9,607.00	181
Online Parish Giving	\$13,669.24	245	\$14,632.56	268
Total Weekly Contribution	\$27,699.24	484	\$24,239.56	449

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC

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 scan the QR code or contact the rectory to register. We will mail you a welcome packet once your registration is processed.

We welcome the McLarnon and Rafferty Families who have recently registered in our Faith Community.



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.

We congratulate Luke Colamussi who was recently baptized into our Roman Catholic Faith.



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.



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.



Lord hear our prayer for the sick in our community that they return to the comfort of good health.

Jeff Bacon, Dolores Barrett, Joe Bednarski, John Bednarski, Ruthann Carroll, Patricia Catalano, Lynda Collins, Shannon Friel, Joe Foley, Jim Gannon, Louis Gunkel, Ruth Gunkel, Sandy Johnson, Jack Kerper, Kathy Kintsch, Abelardo Leonardo, Domenic Licastro, Diane Mangini, Susan Mockenhaupt, Anna Monastero, Betty-Jo Prince, Stanley Raykovitz, Joe Robinson, Angie Rodak, Gabe Rosales, Jean Rosales, Joanne Russo, Maria Scotti, Frances Tarallo, Nick Tarallo, Barbara Ward, Patricia Yorkus, Vincent Yorkus, and all the residents of Sunrise, Artis, and Floral Creek.

Please email Maria at mlamantia@stignatius.church or call 215-493-3377 ext. 211 if you would like to add a name to the sick list. Be sure to specify if you would like a name added to the bulletin list and/or the oral intentions to be announced at Masses. All requests will be removed after four weeks.

SAVE THE DATE!

YOUTH MINISTRY

FLAME OPEN HOUSE

YOUTH MINISTRY
One fire. One faith.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST YOUTH ROOM

COME HANG OUT, BRING A FRIEND, AND SEE WHAT FLAME IS ALL ABOUT!

FAITH FRIENDSHIP FUN SERVICE

ALL STUDENTS IN 7TH-12TH GRADE WELCOME!

CATHOLIC WOMEN OF BUCKS
Giving Circle

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 October 6th at 7 p.m.
Maria Hall, Villa Joseph Marie High School
1180 Holland Road, Churchville, PA

Our featured speaker is from Every Good Gift, a charity working to help single mothers in the Philadelphia region by nurturing healthy job, life and relationship skills

<https://www.everygoodgift.org>

Refreshments Will be Served

Please Bring a Friend
The More We Grow, The More We Give!

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

JOIN US AFTER MASS

Doughnuts and Fellowship

FOR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

AFTER THE
7:30AM, 9:30AM,
and 11:30AM MASSES

Get to know your fellow parishioners!

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

Enjoy delicious doughnuts, fruit, and refreshments!

We Need You!

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.

A JOURNEY OF FAITH.
A LIFETIME OF GRACE.

OCIA

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

A path to encounter Christ and become His disciple.

WHO IS OCIA FOR?
OCIA is for adults who:

ARE SEEKING
Explore the Catholic faith and learn what the Church believes and teaches.

WANT TO JOIN
Desire to become a Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

ARE BAPTIZED
Already baptized in another Christian tradition and wish to become Catholic.

WANT TO GROW
Catholics who want to deepen their faith and learn more about the Church.

You ARE WELCOME!

Join us beginning
September 16, 2026
at 7:00 PM
Antioch Center
(door next to the chapel)

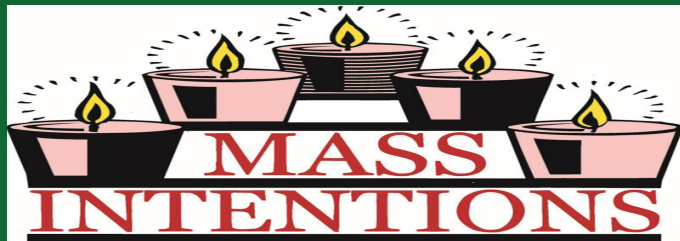
INTERESTED?
Let's talk!
215-493-3377
ocia@siparish.org

OCIA is a step-by-step journey of faith, understanding, and transformation. You will be accompanied, supported, and welcomed every step of the way.

COME. ASK. SEEK. GROW.

Scan to learn more and register today!

We walk together. CHRIST LEADS. HOPE AWAITS.



MASS BOOK OPENING

OUR 2027 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th at 9:30AM.

If you would like to reserve Masses, please come to the rectory between the hours of 9:30AM and 3PM. In order to accommodate the requests of as many parishioners as possible, we will limit the number of Masses to 5 per person for the first day that the book is open.



St. Ignatius PREP is seeking candidates for a Part-time Administrative Assistant. Key responsibilities include preparing correspondence and forms, answering phones and entering information into computer for record keeping. This position requires proficiency in Microsoft Office, and strong oral, written and interpersonal communication skills. This position has FLEXIBLE hours during the week Monday-Friday working with the Director of Religious Education to determine what days and times are best. A maximum of 10 hours per week. Email hr@stignatius.church if interested.



St. Ignatius of Antioch PREP Program 215-493-5204

Connie Liebreich

**Director of Religious Education
connie@stignatius.church**

We are still in need of a few more PREP Aides in our Religious Ed program starting on September 13th. Aides assist the teachers on Sundays from 10:30-11:45. You do not need to have a child or grandchild in the program to volunteer! No prior experience is necessary. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your own faith and increase your joy as you share your faith with others.

To find out more information about volunteering, please contact Connie Liebreich at 215-493-5204 or email Connie@StIgnatius.church.

Please note that in order to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the Second Grade, students are required to begin religious education in First Grade. There is still time for our first graders to enroll in PREP. See the registration link on the church website. Please register SOON!

Our Sunday Weekly PREP classes will begin on Sunday, September 13th at 10:30 AM. Our Monday Weekly PREP classes will begin on Monday, September 14th at 6:30 PM. Our Summer PLUS PREP-Cycle A classes will resume on Sunday, September 20th and our Summer PLUS PREP-Cycle B classes will resume on Sunday, September 27th. We look forward to seeing everyone!

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Parish Picnic & CELEBRATION

Honoring the

25th ANNIVERSARY

of **ORDINATION**

**REV. ANDREW C.
BROWNHOLTZ**



Please join us as we celebrate and give thanks to God for **25 years** of faithful priestly service by Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz.

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026**

4:00 PM MASS
followed by a
PARISH PICNIC

Enjoy an afternoon of:



FOOD



FELLOWSHIP



**GRATITUDE AND
CELEBRATION**

Please RSVP by
calling the Rectory
or scanning the
QR code by
SEPTEMBER 12TH





Faith Formation

We just celebrated The Nativity of Mary... or, her birthday. Many of us don't know the significance of different feast days and when they are celebrated. For example, just in the month of September alone, we celebrate the feast days of Pope St. Gregory the Great; St. Peter Claver; the Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. John Chrysostom - known as the 'gold-en-tongued preacher'; Exaltation of the Holy Cross; Our Lady of Sorrows; Pope St. Cornelius; St. Robert Bellarmine; St. Joseph of Cupertino; St. Matthew the Evangelist; St. Pio of Pietralcina; Our Lady of Mercy ; Sts. Cosmas and Damian; St. Vincent de Paul; Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael and St. Jerome, priest and doctor.

So, as you can see, many popular saints, many feasts of Our Lady and many days to offer prayer and sacrifice to prepare... yes, wait for it... Advent coming in November. October is Respect Life month and Respect Life Sunday is October 3, 2026. In the meantime, our men's program on Metanoia: A Journey with Christ into Conversion continues every TUESDAY at 7 PM in the Antioch Center. Walking with Purpose will begin Tues. 9/22 at 9:45 AM in the auditorium of the Church with the evening program at 6:45 PM in the Antioch Center. The March for Life in PA is next Monday, 9/21/26 in Harrisburg, beginning at 10 AM. Let our legislators know they need to pass prolife laws, especially about mail-order abortion pills! St. Thomas Aquinas, pray for us.



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 followed by food/beverage/fellowship. 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 Brian Flatley at flatleyb@gmail.com . If you belong already, consider joining a committee.



"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in His mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God". USCCB

Beyond our very creation by God, beyond our very being and existence, by our Baptism we are made members of the Body of Christ- we are co-created through an act of intimate love by our parents to be a physical manifestation of their marital love willed into existence through the Holy Spirit, the 'Lord, the Giver of Life', to exist forever as part of God's infinite plan for Salvation. We would not exist if HE did not wish to love us into existence for a purpose, i.e. to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this world so that we may be happy with Him in the next! So, how do we dishonor Christ's body? how do we interfere with His Mission and His Will and His Plan when we contracept, abort and euthanize and surgically disfigure fellow human beings who are also members of the Body of Christ? As Christ spoke on the Cross, 'forgive them Father, for they know not what they do'. Why not take an hour in our Adoration chapel? Let's get back to a 24/7 Chapel and worship of the Creator of all life. March for Life/PA next Monday, 9/21/26 in Harrisburg, PA- begins at 10 AM- Keynote speaker former Sen Rick Santorum along with local physician Dr. Monique Ruberu.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: For solidarity and peace in our global human family: that we may work together to protect the lives of those who are most vulnerable; We pray to the Lord:

Rose of Life Intention: For world peace through love of neighbor.



SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish, Yardley PA

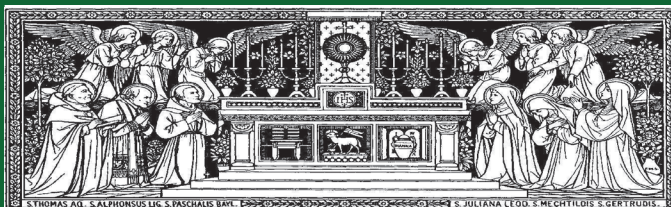
Dear parishioners,

Next week we are holding a special collection for the Social Action Committee. Through your donations we are able to assist families in our parish and local community when they have no where else to turn. This year so far we have provided financial assistance to eight families in significant need. We rely on your generosity, and the grace of God, to be able to offer help. Please make a reminder to make an offering next week-end, (and any time) to the SAC. Please remind family and friends.

On behalf of the many people and families we have helped this year and over the past years.

Thank you.

Your Social Action Committee,
Ken Driver



September 13th, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eucharist

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is the last of the Sacraments of Initiation (even though in the United States Confirmation takes this spot). "The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it" (CCC 1324). The Eucharist, in its liturgical celebration is filled with elements which call to mind our participation in the Paschal Mystery. For example, the Liturgy of the Word is God Himself speaking to us in His Sacred Text. In the actual Liturgy of the Eucharist, He makes himself present through the hands of the priest, to all of us. Using ordinary bread and wine, through the power of the Holy Spirit, he becomes truly present to us for our sanctification. Through the proclaimed Word of God and Institution of the Eucharist, we are brought into the Paschal Mystery of Christ.



The Sacrament of

Reconciliation

We will be offering an extra opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday, September 15th at 1:15PM in the church.

St. Ignatius *Charismatic Prayer Group*



***A community of Faith Sharing,
Prayer, and Praise***

Meetings are held Fall through Spring
every Saturday 10AM to 11:30 AM
Antioch Center 2nd fl. Room 2F
Deacon Bob Skawinski – spiritual director
For more information
Contact Deacon Bob at rjcs1219@verizon.net



CAMPAIGN UPDATE

*Psalm 100:5 "For the Lord is good; His kindness endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations."*

- Please stop by the campaign table at all the Sunday Socials this weekend to hear exciting updates on our restoration projects and explore opportunities to get involved in our various parish ministries. We look forward to seeing you there!
- We are overwhelmed with gratitude for your support of our campaign! We have already received over \$3.1 million towards pledges of our \$5.1 million goal. Thank you for your continued prayers and faithfulness as we work together to renew our home and mission.
- To initiate your personal pledge commitment at your convenience, here are the easiest ways to get started...



- **Online payments:** Safe and secure contributions made through Parish Giving www.stignatius.church
- **By Check:** You may drop off your installment checks in the weekly collection or at the parish office.
- *Please make checks payable to St. Ignatius Church, memo: Capital Campaign*
- If you have questions, need to adjust your personal fulfillment schedule, or would like assistance setting up your payments, please contact: mlamantia@stignatius.church



**Knights of
Columbus®**

PENALTY KICK SOCCER CHALLENGE

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14



Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026



Time: Anytime between 1:00–4:00 p.m.
Takes about 10 mins to participate



Location: St. Ignatius of Antioch
(Basin next to Blessed Mother
entrance of the school)



**St. Ignatius Home of
5 Regional Champions in 2025**



**TEST YOUR
SOCCER SKILLS!**



HAVE FUN!



**SHOW WHAT
YOU'VE GOT!**



Contact Bill Fucich at 215-680-9229
or email wfucich@gmail.com with questions.

40 HOURS *Devotions*

Saint Ignatius Parish will celebrate
our annual Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotion
with three evenings of prayer, adoration,
and reflection, Sunday through Tuesday,
October 11th, 12th, 13th,
beginning at 7:00 PM each night.

A candle light procession and reception
in our school cafeteria will take place
on the closing night.

GUEST HOMILIST

Father Griffen Schlaepfer



Father Schlaepfer is a Yardley and
Saint Ignatius native—He was ordained
to the priesthood for the Archdiocese
of Philadelphia on May 16th of this year,
celebrating his first Mass at Saint Ignatius
the following day. He is currently
the Parochial Vicar at Saint Ephrem
Catholic Church in Bensalem.



THE THEME FOR 40 HOURS THIS YEAR WILL BE:

"JESUS:
Priest, Sacrificial Victim and Food for the Journey."



COME, ADORE, AND BE RENEWED.