

St. Ignatius of Antioch

January 26, 2020 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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● facebook Knight of Columbus: <https://www.facebook.com/kofc12587>



United in Faith, Ignited by the Spirit, We Reflect the Light of the Living Christ

Fr. Robert K. Rien
Pastor

Fr. Richard Mangini
Assisting Clergy

Deacon Gary Hack
Permanent Deacon

Don Pearson
Director of Music, Organist,
Artist in Residence

Frances Rojek
Pastoral Associate,
Formation & Administration

Peter Degl'Innocenti
Pastoral Associate,
Pastoral Care

Carolyn Krantz, M.Div.
Pastoral Associate,
Social Justice

Maryann Peddicord
Pastoral Secretary

Estrella Rusk
Financial Secretary

Rich Confetti
Facilities Manager

Eucharist Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4 pm
Sunday: 8 am & 10 am
Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8 am Holy Eucharist
Tue., Thur.: 8 am Liturgy of the Word
and Holy Communion

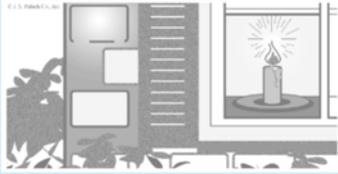
Holy Days: 8 am & as announced
Reconciliation: Saturday, 2:45 to 3:30 pm

Faith Formation Office: (925) 778-1631

Sacraments: Contact Parish Office: (925) 778-0768

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

For Ministries, Activities & Outreaches in Parish: see Parish handbook, available in the Office.



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*Wait for the LORD with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.*

— Psalm 27:14

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for the gift of your Time, your Talent and your Treasure to St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish. All of our programs, liturgies and outreach programs are possible only because of your generosity.

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be.” —Matthew 6:21

Weekend Offering for January 11-12

Weekend Offering.....\$9,999.00

Second Collection (Seminary).....\$2,577.00

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14;
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;
Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Looking Ahead

Feb. 8 - Knights of Columbus Crab Feed in the parish hall. This event is sold out.

Feb 28-Mar. 1- Holy Rosary Parish Evangelization retreat. See page 4.

Feb 26– Ash Wednesday

Schedule of Events

Sunday, January 26 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies with Dan Schutte leading music at liturgy
- Annual Report Distribution
- Confirmation I & II Class - 12 to 1:30 pm - Parish Hall

Monday, January 27

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am
- No SPRED
- YLI Annual Soup Night & White Elephant Exchange - 6 to 9 pm - Parish Hall
- RCIA - 7 to 8:30 pm - Parish Office

Tuesday, January 28

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- OneJustice Free Immigration Workshop - 1:30 to 7:30 pm - Parish Hall
- Hula Class - 7 to 9 pm - Church - Contact Samantha Peralto at 925-726-7117 for upcoming schedule
- Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:30 to 9 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, January 29

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am with Novena following
- Faith Formation Class - 6 to 7:15 pm

Thursday, January 30

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion - 8 am
- Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) - 8:45 to 10:30 am - Church
- No Adult Confirmation Class
- Choir Practice - 7:30 to 9 pm - Church

Friday, January 31

- Rosary - 7:25 am - Church
- Eucharist - 8 am

Saturday, February 1

- First Saturday Mass & Novena - 10 am - Fr. Ricardo presiding
- 4 pm Vigil Liturgy / Birthday Blessing
- Confirmation I & II attending 4 pm Liturgy
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot Loan

Sunday, February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord

- 8 am & 10 am Liturgies / Birthday Blessing
- Second Collection for the Parking Lot Loan

Pray for the Sick

Remember in your prayers all those who are sick or suffering in any way, especially:

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| Gavin Cano | Jose Palomino |
| FF Capt. Steve Carter | Jim Peddicord |
| Vincent Cortese | Regina Ramos |
| Stacia DeBuhr | Ralph Ramirez |
| Zachary DeBuhr | Mack Spears |
| Zoe DeBuhr | Lilia Suarez |
| Rey Dollete | Beatrice Truxton |
| Infant Lucas Michael Fetty | Esperanza Valdez |
| Florencia T. Flores | Peter Villalpando |
| FF Craig Gjerman | |
| Phil Herlick | |
| Willie Ilas | |
| Kristopher Leffle | |
| Carmen Morales-Hall | |
| Linda Morrison | |

Members of our Parish Family who are in the Military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all those who have no

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. 4:00 pm	Jeff Kirkeby †
Sun. 8:00 am	Mal Ye Kennedy †
Sun. 10:00 am	Manuel Martins †
Mon. 8:00 am	Our Parish Family
Tues. 8:00 am	All Priests & Deacons
Wed. 8:00 am	All Care Givers
Thur. 8:00 am	All First Responders
Fri. 8:00 am	All Military Men & Women

Are You New to the Parish?

If you are planning to make this parish community your spiritual home, we cordially invite you to register. Visit www.stignatiusofantioch.org to download and print a registration form or pick one up from the credenza at the rear of the church. Complete the form and return it to the parish office during regular business hours. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 am until 12:30 pm. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at (925) 778-0768.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the souls of **Kay Baio, Judi Heckndorn and James Mbata.**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

CARRY THE LOAD

The chief thing is to take the burden on one's shoulders. As you press forward, it soon shakes down and the load is evenly distributed. —St. John Bosco



Lay Ministers Schedule Week of Feb. 1-2

Liturgy	4:00 pm Saturday Vigil	8:00 am Sunday	10:00 am Sunday
Lectors:	Youth Youth	Ron Lucas Faye Lucas	Andrew Ngo Mark Anthony Catahan
Head Cup:	Melodye Costanza	Vianney Mendoza	Cecelia Kennedy
Head Host:	Rowena Cayaban	Nick Suarez	Reyna Garcia
Host:	Bill Barbanica Fran Barbanica Bernice Campbell Beth Enea	Crispina Malonosan Rick Howell Jenawati Kwa Kathleen Hayakawa	Edith Quiambao Lee Oliver Helga Boardman Jessie Okon
Cup:	Pam Confetti Christoph Holl Sharon Simpson Rhoda Herrera David Simpson	Susan Howell Deanna Ribeiro Frank Kauer Monika Kauer Diane Hack	Gloria Asuncion Rose Necor Al Necor Charlie Mirano Maritza Martinez
Servers:	Open	Daniel Galvan David Rodrigues	William Necor Dezire Jackson
Homilist:	Fr. Robert	Fr. Robert	Fr. Robert

SVdP Annual Report (from Bob Liles)

Thanks to the generosity of St. Ignatius of Antioch and Most Holy Rosary parishes, the Holy Rosary Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist a large number of people in Antioch last year.

Thanksgiving	150 turkeys, nearly 300 baskets of food and a large number of coats were distributed at St. Ignatius of Antioch
Christmas	180 turkeys, grocery store gift cards, bags of food, 150 coats, some bicycles and many other items were distributed at Holy Rosary Church
Food Pantry	242 families participated with 601 bags of food being distributed.
Telephone	814 telephone calls for assistance were responded to.
Home Visits	93 home visits were performed with financial assistance for rent or utilities being provided to approximately 67 families. 20 families were assisted with furniture.

If you would like to help us help our neighbors in need please call (925)757-0941 and leave your name and phone number and let us know you'd like to help. We don't just pay their bills. We pray and work with families on how to avoid the problem in the future. We are there to see the face of Christ in them and want them to see the face of Christ in us.

Most Holy Rosary Parish Evangelization WEEKEND RETREAT

February 28-29 and March 1, 2020
Most Holy Rosary Parish Center
21 East 15th Street, Antioch

Friday 5:30 - 9:00 pm; Saturday 7:30 am – 9:00 pm;
Sunday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Must attend all sessions. This is event is held in English

Register on-line at <https://tinyurl.com/HRRetreat2020>.
Registration forms due by February 7.

No fee to attend, but donations accepted and appreciated.
For more information, call Brenda Steffen 925-779-9718.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Needs

Canned Peaches - 15 oz.
White Rice - 1 lb. bag
Tuna - 5 oz. can

If you need help call (925)757-0941.

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille... A lifeline for marriages. Do you feel lost, frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse? Retrouvaille helps married couples heal and renew their marriages.

The next Weekend Program begins February 21-23, 2020. For more information or to register visit our website at HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Gus & Edda Rivera at (510) 709-6063. Our Weekends transform marriages!

Expansion Project News

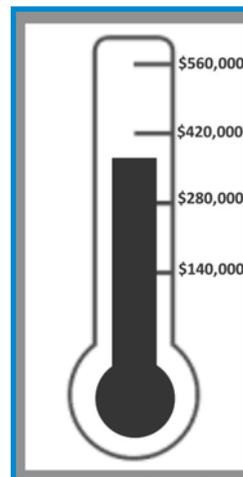
There is a new monthly Expansion Project envelope included with your envelope packets. Those making their Expansion pledges by check may use it at anytime during the month.



Please place this envelope in the regular Sunday (first basket) collection.

Our meeting with the Diocese is scheduled for January 31. All pledges are critical so if you haven't made a pledge, please pickup pledge form on the credenza or contact the parish office.

Pledge totals as of Thursday, January 16, 2020:



Pledges	\$392,927.
Participating Families	185
Participating Ministries or Organizations	4

Thank You

St. Joseph Missals Available

If you would like to purchase a St. Joseph Missal for the new liturgical year through the parish, please stop by the parish office or contact the parish office at (925) 778-0768. The cost is \$5.00.

Justice Corner

By Carolyn Krantz...Pastoral Associate

These past weeks have been filled with stories of John's Baptism of Jesus. Now the Gospels switch to the beginning of Jesus ministry. The descent of the Spirit marked the awareness in Jesus of something new. We experience something similar when we begin a new job or move into a new home. Now Jesus begins to build a new community. Who does He choose, but fishermen aware of the movements of the waters.

In the beginning, God parted the waters. At the beginning of our Christian life, the waters descended on us in Baptism. As adult Christians, prayer and silence are the waters we swim in. As fish live in the water, we are immersed in the Spirit of Christ. From the beginning, Christ was present as creation burst forth. He will be present at the end times and we will be with Him. We live and breathe in His presence and move to His design.

Sometimes we feel lost. We forget we are immersed in Him. We become ego centered, but "true transformation demands we shed ourselves as the central reference point." (F. Richard Rohr) In prayer we learn to trust in His direction. We are also pulled apart by sorrow and, and in times of struggle forget that we swim in His Spirit. All we have to do is place ourselves in the quiet of prayer and we can be renewed. There the Spirit touches us, overwhelms us with peace. The church is His community, more in the shape of movement than of structure. It is more like the road we walk together than rules and regulations. Think of a school of fish, liquid in shape as they dart together in the waters. These waters hold the memory of generations of dedicated and courageous people bringing healing and change, bringing light into the darkness. Think of this family related by the warm waters of Baptism, weathering the currents and moving with the waves.

In this time of change we can be driven by fear. Fear makes us hold onto the past and try to build on things that worked before. But this is not then. At St. Ignatius of Antioch, we are building for the future. In times of great change, we are called on to trust, to leap joyfully into the waves and let them splash laughter into our eyes. We leap into the future knowing that His Spirit guides us. We trust that we are swimming in His waters.

"I will make you fisher of people." As you go about your daily lives put your hook in the water. Look for signs of His presence, signs that others may not recognize. Look for those that the Spirit has marked with the sign of faith. Join with those whose love is palpable. Recognize those whose lives are given over to the service of others. Then we will find our place in what God wants us to do in this year of change. Let us be one with the Spirit in hope as we face these times.

Parish Perspective—

By Peter Degl'Innocenti...Pastoral Associate

The Lone Ranger

I read a short review in *True West* magazine about Quentin Tarantino's movie, *Once Upon A Time in Hollywood*. There is a scene based on true fact when Clayton Moore, who played the Lone Ranger for years on TV and in two feature length movies, drives out to visit his down-and-out stunt double friend. When the famous star enters the dilapidated trailer, he announces himself. Moore's stunt double gasps, "Clayton, is that you?" and begins to cry.

It doesn't take many years of life, especially hard years, to change the way a person looks; even to a close friend. In today's gospel, John states twice that he did not know Jesus. How can this be? They were cousins, weren't they? How is it that John didn't recognize his own boyhood cousin? Well, one plausible explanation is that John was born to Zachariah and Elizabeth, two people very advanced in age, perhaps in their 80's. John may have been 10 years old when his parents died of old age. John may have been handed-off to various relatives for some years but he most likely was on his own, homeless at a very early age. The desert became his home and his diet of locusts and wild honey was most certainly one of necessity rather than choice. Like Jesus, the desert became his station of purification and preparation for the mission the Holy Spirit would send him.

With both men grown and fully bearded, they would be hard-pressed to recognize each other without the aid of the Holy Spirit. In fact, it is John who recognizes not the man Jesus but the sinless one of God who approaches him asking for baptism. John can recognize The Lamb of God, his purpose to take away the sin of the world, who ranks ahead of him, and that he existed before all time, but he has no need to recognize his cousin from his childhood's past.

Sometimes we forget the names of friends, co-workers, and yes, even relatives whom we have not seen for 20, 30, or 50 years from the past. But, if we can remember what they mean to us, the kindnesses they gave to us, the seemingly endless days of laughter and good times shared to make this bitter world a better place to have spent our lives, even for a short while, then we will know exactly who they are. We will be like John and Jesus, two souls upon this earth who from the love of God and the insight of the Holy Spirit have fulfilled the righteousness of knowing exactly who we are in the body of Christ and family of God. We are no longer "Lone Rangers" and our identity in Christ can never be hidden by any mask, and any tears we cry are tears of joy.



**FOOD
BANK**
of Contra Costa & Solano
Volunteers Wanted!

We are working to make St. Ignatius of Antioch a distribution point for the Food Bank's fresh vegetables on the first and third Fridays of the month.

The time commitment is 1 hour on the days of the distribution. We need 4 or 5 volunteers each week. Tentatively, distribution will take place from 3:30-4:30.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

Once this is in place, we'll contact you with the schedule.

World Day of the Sick

Saturday, February 8, 2020, 11:00am
Cathedral of Christ the Light

Do you know of a neighbor, friend, or loved one that could use prayers for healing and hope?

Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for healing and hope in this fragile population. This World Day of the Sick in Oakland will include:

- Mass
- Sacrament of anointing the sick
- Blessing of caregivers & healthcare providers
- Distribution of holy water from Lourdes, France
- Distribution of rosaries, holy cards & Prayer Petitions
- Malta Clinic Open House
- Pope Francis Legal Clinic - Health Care Directive
- Reception to follow Mass.

No RSVP is necessary. Please bring your friends, family and neighbors, and share this blessed opportunity.



YLI District #4
Annual Lenten Retreat
Presents
Unity, Sisterly Love and
Protection
"Out of the Darkness"

Wednesday, March 25, 2020
St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Hall
3351 Contra Loma Blvd, Antioch 94509

We are Blessed and Excited to have Fr. Robert Rien as our Facilitator.

9:30a.m. Hospitality and Check-In, Morning Sessions, Mass, Lunch, Special Q & A Session with Fr. Robert.
2:30p.m. Concluding Blessing.

Everything you always wanted to know but were afraid to ask.

Fr. Robert has graciously offered to answer your questions about the Church, Priest life and Catholicism. We thank Father Robert for this opportunity to ask ANYTHING! You can bring your questions with you or submit them anonymously.

Cost is \$20.00 per person
Please RSVP by March 18.

Make checks payable to Kathy Augusta and mail to:
2004 Crestwood Drive
Antioch, CA 94509

If you wish to submit your questions in advance, mail them to:

Kathy Augusta
2004 Crestwood Drive
Antioch, CA 94509

or email her at giraffiegirl @comcast.net

Retreat questions? Call
Kathy Augusta at 925-628-9767 or
Beth Enea at 707-278-5758.

Winter Nights Report

The Winter Nights Rotating Family Shelter is a project of the Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County. A warm and safe place to sleep is offered to homeless families. Case management to assist in moving from the shelter environment to permanent housing is provided. Tutors are also available on weekdays to assist the children with homework and to encourage reading. The shelter rotates among various faith communities in central and east Contra Costa County from September thru mid-June.

IMAGINE - in a quiet place, take a moment to form a picture in your mind of:

- Sleeping in a strange place on a foam mattress in a tent surrounded by strangers sleeping in other tents, all in the same room.
- Having to maneuver around a sea of tents to go down the hall to the bathroom in the middle of the night.
- Being a new family coming into a shelter that already has families in residence and having to find your place in an unfamiliar environment.
- Dealing with the stress of raising your children in a shelter with other parents quietly passing judgement on your parenting skills.
- Trying to comfort a sick or scared infant in the middle of the night while trying not to disturb the other shelter residents.
- Attending middle or high school with all the attendant adolescent pressures all the while you're living in a homeless shelter.
- Being thankful for the shelter provided by others but remembering that just a short time ago you lived in your own home.
- Being thankful for the food provided but remembering that just a short time ago you set the menu, did the shopping and cooked for your family.
- Mandatory lights out at 8:30 pm Sunday through Thursday, sleepy or not.
- A 6 am reveille every Monday through Friday, dressing and preparing for the day, grabbing a quick breakfast, and being out the door at 7am for work or school.
- Saturdays and Sundays. You're thankful for the downtime but still face communal living.
- Not being able to shower every morning.
- Not having the luxury of quiet time with your family whenever you want.
- Living in your own home, having a job, making ends meet, your children are secure and attending school—suddenly something happens—illness, loss of job or some other catastrophic event and you lose your home.
- Not being blessed with a support network of other family members.
- The experience of having to move into a shelter with

your family!

- *Just imagine . . .*

Then reflect on your blessings and remember that all of it is a gift from God.

St. Ignatius of Antioch parish provided meals, supplies and volunteers from dinner on Monday evening, January 13 thorough breakfast on Monday morning January 20. Wonderful meals were lovingly prepared. It was truly a blessing to serve and connect with these fellow travelers on the journey through life in this small way.

Breakfast

Monday - Friday - early morning (6am) breakfasts included (on different days) breakfast burritos, sausage muffins, ham muffins, sweet rolls, cereal, juice and coffee. **Saturday** - breakfast casserole, bagels and homemade blueberry muffins. **Sunday** - cooked to order omelets and egg dishes with a mindboggling variety of fillings, omelets, French toast, pancakes, waffles, (Mickey Mouse or Stormtrooper) and fruit (complete with a menu!).

Lunch

Monday - Friday - brown bag lunches prepared by shelter residents. **Saturday** - delicious chicken and mushroom casserole and rice. **Sunday** - corn dogs, French fries and potato salad.

Dinner

Monday - Pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw and mac & cheese with cookies for dessert. **Tuesday** - Penne pasta with homemade meat sauce & meatballs, green salad and homemade chocolate chip cookies. **Wednesday** - Turkey chili with a variety of toppings, wonderful griddled meatloaf sandwiches with a variety of cheeses and fresh veggies (including tomatoes from the SI garden) to enhance the sandwich, coleslaw and potato salad. Homemade oatmeal & chocolate chip cookies and brownies for dessert. **Thursday** - Grilled hotdogs, chili (ala chili dogs), macaroni salad and corn. Cake for dessert. **Friday** - A beloved family chicken and mushroom casserole served over rice, steamed green beans with cake and brownies for dessert. **Saturday** - Adobo, pansit, rice, lumpia, chicken soup with a variety homemade of cookies for dessert. **Sunday** - Build your own burrito bar with all the fixings, super nachos, green salad,

None of this would have been possible without your generous donations of supplies, cash and gift cards and of course the talented meal teams who were blessed to dine with the residents of the Winter Nights Shelter. There are so many people to thank, please see the list in Father's online bulletin insert this week.