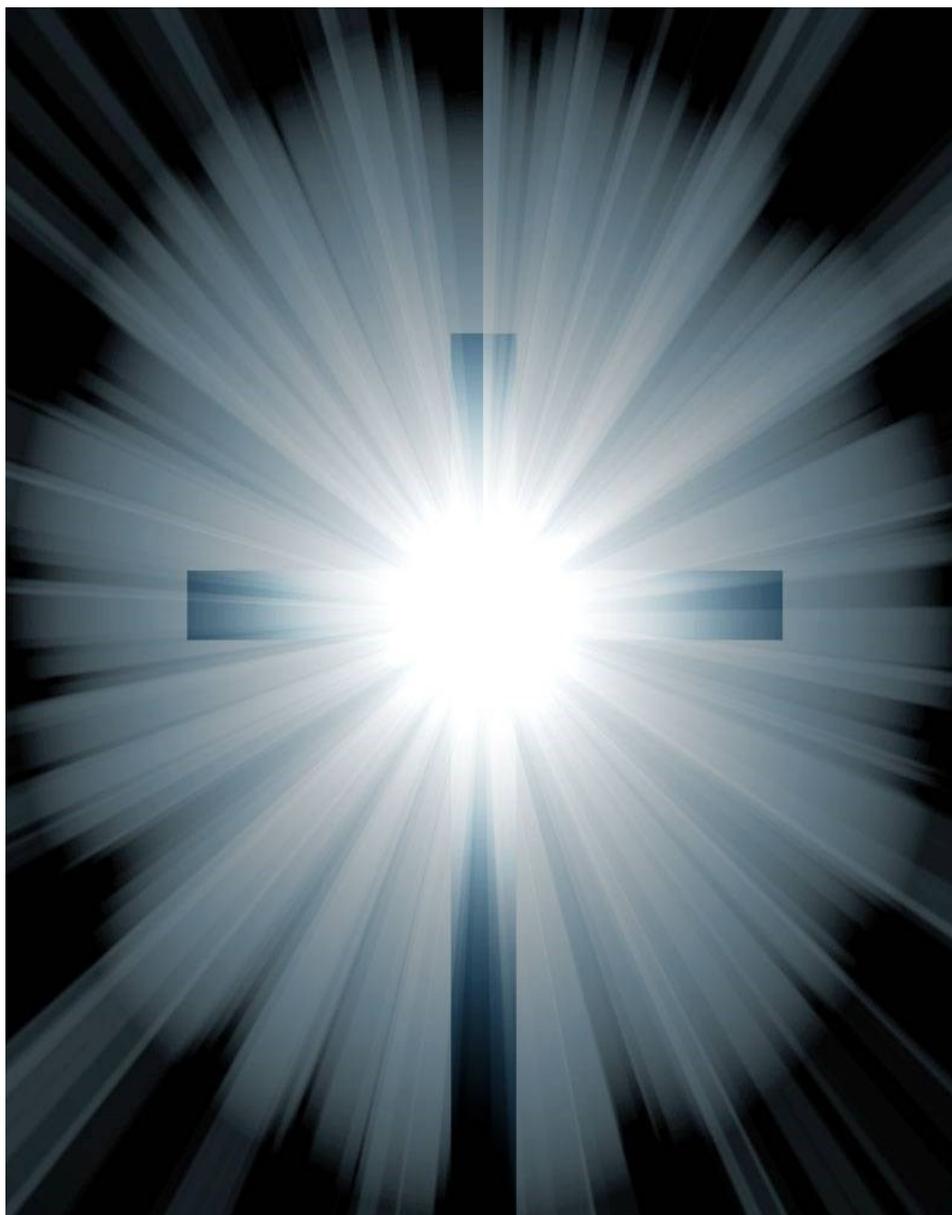


*The Roman Catholic Church of  
Saint Ignatius of Antioch*

AUGUST 31, 2014

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"I am the wheat of God. I must become the pure bread of Christ." St. Ignatius of Antioch*



We can be the Light of Christ for others.

We do not have to conform  
to a world of darkness.

We can be transformed by God.

Rev. Joseph A. Pellegrino, Pastor  
715 East Orange Street  
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34689

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday..... 4:00 and 6:30 p.m.  
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)  
Sunday .....7:30, 9:00, 11:30 a.m.  
and 6:00 p.m. Life Teen  
Daily.....7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

**Schedule of Confessions:**

Saturday.....3:00 - 3:45 p.m.  
and after 6:30 p.m. Mass

**PARISH OFFICE 937-4050**

**Main office ext. 201**

Rev. Joseph A. Pellegrino ext.209  
Rev. Kevin Molloy ext.208  
Rev. Justin Paskert ext.207  
Deacon Samuel Moschetto ext.210  
Deacon John Edgerton ext.222  
Deacon Rudi Fernandes ext.210  
Ron Appel, Parish Manager ext.215  
Katherine Creamer, Office Mgr ext.201  
Lorna Moffitt, Parish Mgr Asst. ext.203  
Eldean Jenkins, Facilities Mgr. ext.201  
Anne Harman, Music Director ext.206

**FAITH FORMATION**

Rev. Justin Paskert- Director ext.207  
Fran Morin, Pre K – 8th Grade ext.220  
Evangelization & Spirituality  
Katie Napolitano ext.224  
Sharon Stokely, Early Childhood ext.225  
Laura Margarella, Caritas ext.221

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Life Teen - High School  
Bart Kovacic, Life Teen ext.246  
The Edge - Middle School  
Jen McIlveen, Edge ext.210

**GUARDIAN ANGELS SCHOOL**

Mrs. Cindy Malinski, Principal 799-6724

**UPPER PINELLAS**

**PREGNANCY CENTER**

Mary Caesar 937-4304

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Office email [kcreamer@ignatius.net](mailto:kcreamer@ignatius.net)

Parish Website [www.st.ignatius.net](http://www.st.ignatius.net)

**Miraculous Medal Devotion:**

Before 9 a.m. Mass each Wednesday

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Thursdays after 9 a.m. Mass until 10:15 a.m.  
First Friday of Month 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.

**Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office

**Marriage:**

Call Parish at least 6 months in advance.

**Holy Orders:**

Please call Rev. Carl Melchior at 345-3338

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **SATURDAY** **AUGUST 30**

4:00 p.m. + Mary Rose Dowd  
6:30 p.m. + Rosa Scarola

### **SUNDAY** **AUGUST 31**

7:30 a.m. + John Edmiston  
9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish  
11:30 a.m. + Andrew Navarra  
6:00 p.m. For the Teens of Our Area

### **MONDAY** **SEPTEMBER 1**

7:30 a.m. + Kermit Black  
9:00 a.m. + Rollin Sutfin

### **TUESDAY** **SEPTEMBER 2**

7:30 a.m. + Maryann Montana  
9:00 a.m. + Pietro Ranieri  
10:30 a.m. + Louise Mulligan

### **WEDNESDAY** **SEPTEMBER 3**

7:30 a.m. Vocations to the Priesthood &  
Religious Life  
9:00 a.m. + Peter Polski

### **THURSDAY** **SEPTEMBER 4**

7:30 a.m. + Noreen Molloy Thiel  
9:00 a.m. + Anthony Nunziata  
& Andrew Golji

### **FRIDAY** **SEPTEMBER 5**

7:30 a.m. + Josephine Lissandrello  
9:00 a.m. + Peggy Vacketta

### **SATURDAY** **SEPTEMBER 6**

9:00 a.m. + Mary Hardy

### **23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **SEPTEMBER 7, 2014**

### **SATURDAY** **SEPTEMBER 6**

4:00 p.m. Special Intentions of the  
St. Ignatius Women's Council  
6:30 p.m. + Julia Sadauskas

### **SUNDAY** **SEPTEMBER 7**

7:30 a.m. + Joseph Sokolowski  
9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish  
11:30 a.m. For An End to Abortions  
6:00 p.m. For the Teens of Our Area

If you wish to have a Mass said for special intentions or for deceased members of your family or friends please stop by the parish office between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. weekdays.

## Conform or Be Transformed?

"Times have changed, Father. I'm only doing what is perfectly acceptable by our society." And with these words, the elderly lady explained away her present living condition. And with the same words, the young man justified his "wild" lifestyle, and with the same words the substance abuser justified his actions. And on and on and on. Add in whatever immoral behavior you can think of, and someone will say, "I'm only doing what is perfectly acceptable by society."

But what society is that? To what society is this acceptable? It is acceptable by the society that finds nothing wrong with hedonism, putting one's pleasure before every other good in life, including respect for others, respect for country, respect for life. What is the society that so many claim for themselves? It is the society that is at best amoral, but which is mostly immoral. It is the society that is at best pagan, but mostly atheistic. When a person hides his or her immoral behavior behind the "acceptable by our society," argument, that person is invoking the society that St. Paul calls "this age," or, according to some translations, "the pattern of the world." This is the world that Jesus Christ came to save. It is the world of selfishness, a world of pride, a world where God is neither wanted nor present. It is a world of darkness. It is a world to which we Christians cannot belong.

*I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,  
to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,  
holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.  
Do not conform yourselves to this age  
but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,  
that you may discern what is the will of God,  
what is good and pleasing and perfect.*

We were joined to a new world when we were baptized. Each of us is a key part of the new world, the Kingdom of God. There are hundred, perhaps thousands of people in each of our lives who look to us to illuminate their darkness with the Light of Christ. The problem is that we are enticed by all that is around us to reject all that is within us. And so we often straddle major issues in life.

We become like my friend Charlie Miller.

It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon at Don Bosco College and Seminary in Newton, New Jersey, as Charlie, myself and a small group of our friends walked by the little lake, more of a pond really. We had an hour to kill between Sunday Mass and dinner, not enough time to change out of our suits, but perhaps too much time for Charlie to spend walking around the property. When we came upon the little dock with the row boats always available for our use, Charlie said, "I'm going to take a boat out. Anyone want to come?" None of us wanted to mess up our suits so we said, "No," and watched Charlie go out onto the dock, untie a boat, and put one foot in the boat while keeping his other foot on the dock. (Like the rest of us, Charlie didn't know a whole lot about boats.) Slowly the boat drifted from the dock, on which Charlie still had one foot planted. At least, he thought it was planted. As the boat drifted further and further from the dock, Charlie was stretched out until he lost his balance and fell into the lake. We applauded. (I never said we were nice guys.) Then we fished him out. Charlie got into his predicament because he refused to commit. He had one foot on the dock and one in the boat. And as a result he fell into the drink.

We often do this ourselves. We have one foot that we are convinced is safely planted in God's world, but then we stretch out our other foot to another world, the world of pagan society. And we also fall.

Even though we recognize our dignity as sons and daughters of God, we often let ourselves get involved in actions that are far less than holy. We think that we are OK, because we are firmly planted on the Lord's dock, but the forces the other foot has stepped into draws us away from the dock, and we end up in the drink.

We ask ourselves, “How did I get involved in something like that?” Then, responding to God’s grace, we not only seek forgiveness, but we give up the actions that we thought would not be all that dangerous for our spiritual lives.

We Christians are called upon to offer our bodies as living sacrifices to God. That means that we sacrifice the pagan aspects of life in order to live for the Lord.

“I didn’t know Christianity would be this difficult,” the young couple who are doing their best to have a wholesome relationship complains.

“Wait, you mean that commitment to Christ demands that I stay sober. Everyone I know gets drunk on Friday nights,” the senior in high school argues.

“Two can live cheaper than one doesn’t apply when both are getting social security, Father. Are you telling me that I am not living my Catholic faith because we won’t get married? If that’s so, then the faith is demanding too much,” the retiree rationalizes.

“You duped me Lord, and I allowed myself to be duped.” Jeremiah responds in the first reading. Commitment to the Lord carries the cost of rejecting the world where He is not present. So, like Jeremiah, we want God in our lives, but we don’t appreciate the cost of Christianity until that cost becomes personal. Yet, like Jeremiah, we live for the fire burning within our bones, the fire of God’s love. We allow ourselves to be duped. We want God.

A few years ago I attended a number of talks given by a wonderful devoted Catholic man, Joe Farris. Joe is a big, tall, Catholic husband and father from North Carolina. He led one of the Cove Crest Retreat weeks that I helped out. Over and over again Joe would say, “You have destroyed my life, Lord.” Joe is right. Having God in our lives destroys all other possibilities in life. The decision we have to make is whose life do we want, our lives or His Life. If we want His Life, then He will destroy those parts of our lives where He is not present.

“The problem with you is that you are thinking like the world does, not like God does,” Jesus tells the disciple He had just called His rock. Peter wanted to prevent Jesus from dying. Jesus said that the devil would want to prevent God’s plan from taking place. He actually called Peter a devil. Jesus was more upset with Peter for this comment, then He was when Peter denied Him three times. Why? What did Peter do that was so wrong? He allowed himself to be drawn from the Kingdom of God. He was conforming to the world.

We cannot allow this to happen. A world that is in darkness needs us to be its light. People are looking for hope. People are searching for a reason for living. We can give them that hope. We can give them that reason for life. We can be the Light of Christ for others. We do not have to conform to a world of darkness. We can be transformed by God.

Then we will experience all that is good and pleasing and perfect. (*Romans 12:2*)

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Joe*

## Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute

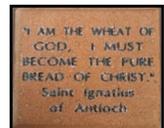
This program initiated by Bishop Lynch, is designed to enhance personal faith and develop intellectual aptitude to enrich personal ministry. The LPMI is a four– year program: an informal year of discernment and three years of formal academic training and spiritual growth beginning **September 13th continuing once a month through April.**

More information and registration forms can be found on the LPMI website at [www.dosp\\_lpmi.CatholicWeb.com](http://www.dosp_lpmi.CatholicWeb.com) or call 344-1611 ext. 5458.

Registration is due no later than September 5th.



**PLACE  
YOUR  
PAVER  
ORDER  
NOW!**



Forms are available on the courtesy desk in the Church and on our website [www.St.Ignatius.net](http://www.St.Ignatius.net) Phase three will be sent early this fall.

If you haven’t picked up your miniature replica pavers from phase 1 or 2 ; they are available in the parish office weekdays from 9 a.m. til 4 p.m.

**Lord, grant eternal rest to the souls of our dearly departed, especially for**

**TOM GRABOWSKI ,  
ANTONIO PINERO &  
GAVIN DUNCAN**

**For those we hold in our hearts who have died, may they rest in the arms of God.**

## First Friday Adoration



“Outside the Eucharistic Celebration, the Church is careful to venerate the Blessed Sacrament which must be *“reserved as the spiritual center of the religious and parish community.”* (Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*).

When we contemplate Him present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar, Christ draws near to us and becomes more intimate to us than we are to ourselves.

Remaining in silence before the Living Eucharist, it is Christ totally and really present whom we discover, whom we adore and with whom we are in contact. However, it is not through the senses that we perceive Him and are close to Him. It is faith and love which lead us to recognize the Lord, He who fully communicates to us the blessings of Redemption which He accomplished, He the Master, the Good Shepherd, the Mediator most pleasing to the Father.

It is invaluable to converse with Christ, and leaning against Jesus’ breast like His beloved disciple, we can feel the infinite love of His Heart. We learn to know more deeply the One who gave Himself totally, in the different mysteries of His divine and human life, so that we may become disciples and in turn enter into the great act of giving for the glory of God and the salvation of the world. Following Christ is not an outward imitation, since it touches man at the very depths of his being.

**Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, is the First Friday opportunity for Adoration of our divine Lord in the Living Eucharist.**

It is an excellent time to take our Holy Father at His Words, pray for those who do not know Christ or have walked away from Him, especially in our families; it is a necessary time to pray for peace in the world, the peace that only Christ can give.

*Please become an Adorer and sign the Adoration Commitment Book in the front of the Church. Adoration begins*

*at 9:30 a.m. ending with Benediction at 9 p.m.*

*“The family who prays together stays together.”*

## Caritas Corner

### Flowers...

distributed this week at Florida Hospital North Pinellas by Caritas Volunteers were donated by Paulette Ares in memory of her beloved husband, Willie.



### New Beginnings...

The next meeting of our bereavement support group will be held on Saturday, September 6th at 10 a.m. in the hall. Jean Limongello from Compassionate Friends will be the speaker. All are welcome.



### PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Offices will be Closed Monday, September 1st in Observance of LABOR DAY. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 2nd at 9 a.m.



## Women of Grace

A new season begins  
Tuesday, September 16th at  
7 p.m. in the hall.



Have you been looking for a study that will deepen your faith and strengthen your spiritual life? Are you wanting to discover your unique vocation as a woman? Do you want to be a part of a growing community of *Women of Grace*? For information, please call Teresa at 727-934-9086 or email at [ignatiuswomen@yahoo.com](mailto:ignatiuswomen@yahoo.com)

## White Mass with Bishop Lynch



**Bishop Lynch will celebrate a White Mass**

with the Catholic Physicians and Health Care Providers of our Diocese on

**September 13th at 5:30 p.m.**

at the Bethany Center. Dinner following Mass.

Please contact Dr. Diane Gowski at [DianeTG@aol.com](mailto:DianeTG@aol.com) for more information.

## Truth Seekers

### A Young Adult Ministry.



This is an opportunity for community and discussion about what it means to be a follower of Jesus in our world.

For meeting times and more info contact: Fr. Justin Paskert at 937-4050 ext. 207 or at [frjpaskert@ignatius.net](mailto:frjpaskert@ignatius.net)

Join Fr. Kevin for a Lecture Series on **CATHOLISCISM & KING HENRY VIII** beginning

September 18th at 7 p.m. in the hall.

No registration needed. Notes will be supplied.



## Little Rock Bible Study

### “WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE?”

This question has been asked by people ever since recorded history began from the most primitive times to this present day.

**LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY** will present the “**Book of Job**”, one of the oldest books of the New Testament. We will wrestle with some of life’s biggest questions. Most concern how to suffer in and with God’s presence, how to surrender to God especially when we do not have all the answers. The quest to understand these negative issues takes place, not in the academic classroom but in the weight of extreme hardship or a traumatic experience of a person crushed by a great loss, personal or communal. It is in the Book of Job, that the relationship between divine Providence and the human relationship is explored. While the New Testament refers to Job only three times, we will also look at the deeper connection of suffering in the light of Jesus, the innocent Sufferer “par excellence.”

Little Rock Sharing Sessions, small group discussions, prayer and teachings and Q&A, will take place every Tuesday Evening at 7:15 p.m. beginning September 9<sup>th</sup> and repeated Wednesday Mornings at 10 a.m. beginning September 10<sup>th</sup>. Each Session is preceded by coffee and snacks. You do not have to attend each Session since you will have materials to peruse at home but the success of Little Rock Method is personal prayer and small group discussions and sharings.

*Previous Bible Study not necessary!*

### Little Rock Bible Study REGISTRATION FORM

(Mail ins insure book materials for 1st Session)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Book of Job Materials are \$14.00  
(check should be made out to St. Ignatius  
Church/Little Rock Scripture Sessions)

You may enroll at door

Contact Deacon John Edgerton for more details at  
937-4050 ext. 222.

## The Letter to the Galatians

### “SET FREE TO LIVE”



“Paul’s letter to the Galatians speaks directly to the ears of the Christians at Galatia and addresses the most important questions we can ask: “What must we do to be saved?”

This short yet fascinating letter reveals the merciful love that God the Father has for us; His children. The Letter to the Galatians is a study that will reignite your love for God as you learn of the astonishing love God has for you.”  
Deacon Sam’s classes begin Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> and continue through to October 23<sup>rd</sup>. There are two opportunities; Thursday mornings at 10:20 a.m. and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. We meet in rooms 2 and 3. Each session last one and a half hours. Class consist of a short lecture, the presentation of a video with Jeff Cavins and a Q&A period to go over class questions. The Student Study Guide will be \$21.00 each. Please register below and return with a check or cash to the Parish Office. Checks are to be made out to “St. Ignatius of Antioch Church.”

### Word in Action Registration:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Workbook Offering: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_

Check Class Preference:

Thursday Morning \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday Evening \_\_\_\_\_

For information contact Deacon Sam at 9374050 ext. 210.

## Seeking New Altar Servers



**ALTAR SERVERS  
TRAINING  
begins Saturday,  
September 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.  
in the Church.**

All girls and boys, from the 4<sup>th</sup> grade through high school are invited to join the St. Ignatius Altar Servers Corps.

We welcome Servers with previous parish experience.

Please contact Deacon John at the Parish Office,  
ext. 222 or email [jedgerton@ignatius.net](mailto:jedgerton@ignatius.net)  
or Jennifer McIlveen at 787-1834  
or email [altarservers.stignatius@gmail.com](mailto:altarservers.stignatius@gmail.com)

## Events of the Week

### MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1



**PARISH OFFICES  
CLOSED  
IN OBSERVANCE  
OF LABOR DAY**

### TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2

6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leader Meeting (c2&3)  
7:00 p.m. **Forward in Faith Reception  
in the hall**

### WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 3

9:30 a.m. Mothers Morning Out (c8)  
7:00 p.m. **Forward in Faith Reception  
in the hall**  
7:15 p.m. Close to Heart (Evang. Office)

### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 4

9:30 a.m. Mothers Morning Out (c8)  
10:15 a.m. Word In Action (c2&3)  
7:00 p.m. Word In Action (c2&3)

### FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5



**First Friday Eucharist Adoration  
9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Chapel**

6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Trp 1142 (c7)  
7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Trp 1124 (c6)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (c2,3,4)  
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (c8-12)

### SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6

9:00 a.m. Girl Scouts Leader Training (c2)  
10:00 a.m. Polish School (c7-12)  
10:00 a.m. New Beginnings (hall)  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Leader Training (c2)

### CATHOLIC SERVICES ON FIRE



Join us Wednesday's from  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Do you play an acoustical instrument? Are you comfortable speaking to small groups about your Catholic Faith? Come Spread the Good News about God's Love and Mercy! Contact Prison Ministry 727-344-1611.

**GUARDIAN ANGELS SCHOOL...** We would love the opportunity to show you what your Catholic school has to offer in providing a faith-filled education for your children.



If you wish to schedule a tour of the school, please contact Cindy Malinski at [cmalinski@gacsfl.com](mailto:cmalinski@gacsfl.com) or at 727-799-6724. Scan our QRcode

### DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG FAMILY GROUP DAY AT TROPICANA FIELD; RAYS VS. WHITE SOX...



Join your Parish and other members in the Diocese for a memorable day at the Field, September 21st at 1:40 p.m. Each ticket purchased will receive a T-Shirt. Lower level ticket is \$25 and upper level ticket is \$18. Deadline is September 11th. Order forms on courtesy desk in the Church and in the Parish Office.

### THE MAGNIFICAT OF ST. PETERSBURG...



invites women of all ages to a prayer breakfast on Saturday, September 13th, from 9 a.m. to Noon at the Bayou Club at Bardmoor, 7979 Bayou Club Blvd. in Largo. Our speaker is Fayza Mikhail. Come hear her story of faith and struggle.

Tickets are \$16 each and may be reserved by sending a check to Cathy Schwartz, 3571 66th Way N St. Petersburg, FL 33710. Make check payable to Magnificat. Payment for reservations must be received by September 6th. Check-in at door. Tickets will not be mailed nor sold at the door.

### The Bethany Gift Shoppe

will re-open on Sunday, September 7th.

#### New Store Hours:

Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. &  
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



Come see our selection for  
First Communion, Confirmation,  
Weddings Gifts!



## Accepting Applications

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

for 2 & 3 year olds as well as Free VPK for the 2014-2015 school year.

**Reserve your child's place today! LIMITED SPACE!**