

The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Ignatius of Antioch

May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter



*He is the Vine,
we are
the branches.*

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Tarpon Springs, Florida 34689

Mass Schedule:

Saturday.....4:00 and 6:30 p.m.
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday.....7:00, 9:00, 11:30 a.m. and
6:00 p.m. Life Teen

Weekdays.....7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday.....9:00 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

In Church Reconciliation Rooms

Saturday.....3:00– 3:45 p.m.

and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass

Chapel Open for Prayer:

Monday through Friday...7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Holy Orders: Please call

Rev. Chuck Dornquist at 345-3338

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursdays after 9 a.m. Mass until 10:15 a.m.

First Friday of the Month 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Mary and Molly and the Experience of Christ

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

Mary tried too hard, but she didn't try hard enough. Let me explain. Mary grew up in a Catholic family that took their faith very seriously. Only sickness kept them from Mass. They even said bedtime prayers together most nights, calling them family night prayers when the kids got older. Mary was quite active in the Youth Group when she was in high school. She joined the campus ministry program in college. But during her sophomore year she found herself too busy to be a regular attendee at Mass. By her senior year, the only time she went to Mass, or prayed at all, was when she was home.

Six months out of college, Mary finally got a job in her field. She always wanted to help others, make a difference in people's life, so she had studied to be a social worker. After a number of unsuccessful interviews, an agency in a big city up north hired her to work the phones and occasionally visit some of the elderly poor confined to apartments in the city. It wasn't exactly what Mary trained for, four days a week she sat in an office calling fifty clients, making sure they had food, heat, took their medicine, arranging transportation to the doctor, etc. One day a week, though, she was able to leave the office and visit the people. With fifty clients, she only could see people once a month, but it was something. It was also a day she enjoyed.

Except when she had to visit Molly McPherson. Molly was not nice. In fact she was downright nasty and sometimes even rude. The first time Mary visited, Molly complained, "They send me a kid with her pretty smile and empty head and think that I should be pleased. And then you say you can't stay too long because you have others to see. Well, don't bother with me. I didn't ask you to come." That was how the relationship started. It got worse. It became an absolute struggle for Mary to knock on Molly's door.

Mary went home for Thanksgiving and was able to get an appointment to speak with her pastor. She told him about her problems with Molly. She went on and on. Finally, she stopped and waited for his response. "So, Mary, how active are you in the faith when you are not home?" he asked. "Do you pray every day? Do you go to Mass every week?"

"Typical priest," Mary thought. "He's missing the whole point of why I'm here." So she answered, "I don't know what that has to do with this, but I'm still looking for a Church."

"It has everything to do with this, Mary," the priest responded, "how do you expect to bring the love of Christ to others if you are not overflowing with it yourself? You see, Mary, you are trying hard, but you are not trying hard enough. In some ways, you are doing too much, thinking that you can do it all yourself. You need to be thoroughly united to Christ and then let Him to the work."

Mary didn't expect to get that sort of a talking to, but she did take the priest seriously. She started praying every day, and found a parish near her apartment. Actually, it was just down the block, but she never bothered to notice it. She went back to her younger days, and became active there, lecturing at Sunday Mass.

One day at the end of January, the temperature had raised up to 45 degrees. Now that might seem cold to us Floridians, but when you are living in 20 to 30 degree temperatures for months, 45 degrees feels like summer. They call this the January thaw. Mary visited Molly and decided to use the warmer weather to try to get off on a pleasant foot. "It sure is nice outside, Molly. Why don't you take a stroll before winter kicks in again. I'll walk with you." That just started Molly up again. "You think that just because you have a coat and scarf and gloves, that everyone can go outside. I haven't been out since September. And here's why." Then Molly took out a coat that was so threadbare it couldn't even serve much use as a blanket. Molly then hissed, "Why don't you just go back

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to your fantasy land. I've had enough of you for today." As I said, Molly was not nice. Mary ran to the Church in tears and asked God to help her not be bitter to the elderly lady.

The next day was Mary's pay day, a whole \$800. She could barely pay her rent and food out of that. Mary cashed her check and then she had a wonderful thought. She still had a little graduation money in the bank for emergencies. She could use some of that to get by. Mary thought about Molly. She put \$200 in an envelope, and sent it anonymously to the bitter old lady with a note, "Please buy yourself a winter coat." A few days later the agency received a letter addressed to young Mary. The letter contained \$50 and read, "I know that you must have sent me the money, because no one else knew about my coat. I'm sorry for being so mean. I was able to find a coat for \$150. Please give the other \$50 to someone else who has needs. Looking forward to your next visit. Love, Molly."

Mary thought that Molly could have used that extra \$50 herself. She also thought that Molly could have continued her mean streak, but instead she wanted to be generous to someone. Mary realized that Christ had indeed worked on Molly. Molly had been touched by the love of Christ. Molly now felt the love of Christ in her own life. Now this love was flowing through her and needed to touch someone else. Molly wanted someone else to have that \$50.

We hear the message of the vine and the branches every year at Easter time. It seems so obvious to us that we need to be united to Christ to bring Him to others, but then we get so busy in doing things for our family, our spouses, or others, that we forget where the real Power of Love comes from. Like Mary, we try too hard, but we don't try hard enough. Instead of strengthening our union with Christ and letting Him work through us, we go about a myriad of tasks without spending time on the work that really matters, growing in the love of Christ. We have God's life, God's love within us. When we are united to this love, even the mean old Mollys of the world, or the mean old Mollys of our families, will come in contact with the Love of Christ. And once the Love of Christ flows into them, it will flow through them to others.

What really matters in our lives? Is it the way others treat us? Often that motivates us to return negative for negative. But what others say and do is really secondary to what really matters in life. What matters is the Love of Christ that we have been empowered to make real in the world. When that love becomes our focus, then we really don't care about ourselves. We just want others to experience this love.

During Easter time we celebrate the gift of the Lord's life we received at Baptism. We need to be determined to strengthen this life within us. We need to be more faithful, more prayerful. We need to try harder in our prayer life. That is how we are called to bring God's love to others.

He is the Vine; we are the branches.

Yours in Christ,

Mary Joe

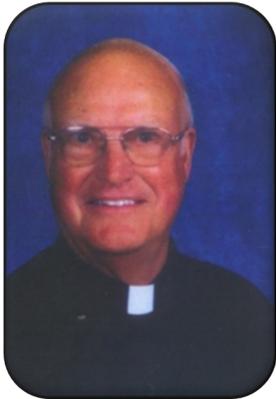


**This
Sunday morning,
We Welcome
All New Parishioners!**

**WELCOME
NEW PARISHIONERS**



Have you registered within the last month or two?
If so, join us this Sunday, May 2nd at 10:15 a.m. in classrooms 2 & 3
to learn everything the parish has to offer and to answer any questions.
If you have not registered yet, registration forms are available
on the courtesy desk in the Church, in the Parish Office and
on our website St.Ignatius.net



Our St. Ignatius Women's Council
is hosting a

**Reception for
Fr. Kevin Molloy**

this Sunday, May 2nd
following the 11:30 a.m. Mass
in the Parish Hall

Fr. Kevin will be returning to
St. John's, New Foundland at the end of this week.

He has been a Priest, mentor and a friend
here at St. Ignatius for the past 16 years.

For the safety of everyone in our faith family,
all need to wear masks
that cover both their mouth & nose,
plus practice social distancing while
inside the Church, Chapel & all buildings.

All Masses:
Weekday (7 a.m. & 9 a.m.)
Weekend (Saturday & Sunday)
are now
LIVE STREAMED!

Join us at the regular scheduled Mass Time! Video will begin shortly before Mass Time
Go to Our Website... st.ignatius.net and click on Live
Or Go to our YouTube page...
St Ignatius Tarpon Springs



Those who are ill, elderly, have underlying health conditions, or are leery to come to Church are urged to stay home. A dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still in effect for all who cannot leave their home.



**Come & Pray
in the Chapel...**

Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Saturday from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

The Bloodmobile
will be here
Sunday, May 16th
from
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Please come Share A Pint!

Stay informed!

Online...www.st.ignatius.net

FlockNote: text IgnatiusUpdates to 84576 and register

Facebook: [Facebook.com/stiggys/](https://www.facebook.com/stiggys/)

Instagram: [st_ignatius_tarpon](https://www.instagram.com/st_ignatius_tarpon)

myparishapp: simply text APP to 88202

YouTube: [St Ignatius Tarpon Springs](https://www.youtube.com/StIgnatiusTarponSprings)



**Mother's Day
Collection
May 8th & 9th**

This Mother's Day, show your support for women who have chosen life and motherhood. Our needs include baby care products such as diapers sizes 4, 5 and 6, clothing size 6-24 months, layette items, nail clippers, hair brushes, washcloths, bottles, wipes, shampoo, washes, lotions, or monetary donations for the purchase of cribs. Please place new items in the pack n play at the Church Entrance.



Events Notice...

Most hall & classrooms have resumed scheduled events.
Social mandates- masks that cover both nose & mouth worn at all times, plus social distancing- are still in effect.

Life Teen

Bart Kovacic—Life Teen Director
727-251-2476 or ignatiuslifeteen@tampabay.rr.com



Life Teen Nights:

Every Sunday our Life Teen group meets for a night filled with food & friends.

We explore our Faith, Life, and being the Sons and Daughters of God.

Join us this Sunday, May 2nd...
Come to our 6 p.m. Life Teen Mass and join us afterwards outside the Youth House!

Life Teen Bible Café
Wednesday, May 5th
at the Youth House
from 6-8 p.m.



Rosary Makers



Join us every Monday morning from 9:30 a.m. - noon in the hall.
All are Welcome to join in.

Abide in Me

This Monday in the Evangelization Office at 2 p.m.



Edge

Samantha Trapp—Edge Director
727-251-2476 or strapp@ignatius.net



Our grades 6-8 ministry, known as EDGE, is a dynamic middle school youth ministry. Edge provides an opportunity to grow in faith by developing a relationship with Jesus through social activities. It is all about making a difference in their hearts & empowering them to seek Christ.

All Middle School Youth are invited to join us on May 6th at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth House!!

Brothers in Christ



All men of the parish are invited on Wednesdays at 6 a.m. in the hall.

For more info contact Geoff at 813-728-2082.

Deacon Sam's Class

Class meets Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. and at 6:30 p.m. in rooms 2 & 3.



Comeback Catholics

Been away
from the Church?
Join us May 5th
at 7 p.m.



in the Life Center Office.

We meet the first Wednesday
of each month.

Want more info? Call 727-773-5004
or email comeback@ignatius.net

First Friday Adoration



Friday, May 7th
is the
First Friday of May.

We will have
Exposition of the
Sacred Host in the
Fr. John LaTondress Chapel
from 9:30 a.m. til 2:30 p.m.

This is an opportunity for our parish
families, singles (young and old),
workers, and retired to spend time
in conversation, face to face, with
our Risen Lord, Brother and Friend,
to pray, to listen to His Word and
to speak from our hearts to
His Sacred Heart.

Please sign our
Adoration Commitment Book
in the front of the Church
for whatever hour
you choose to visit with Our Lord.

Scouts

Cub Scouts...

meet this Friday in rooms 8-12
and the field.



Boy Scouts...

meet this Friday in rooms 2-4.

Polish School



Polish School meets this
Saturday May 8th
at 9 a.m. in rooms 7-12

Divine Mercy Cenacle



Join us
Saturday, May 8th
and every second Saturday
of each month at 9:45 a.m.
in rooms 2, 3, 4.

We invite ALL on our faith journey.

Come & See

We invite you to a
Lay Carmelite Community
meeting to learn about
Carmelite Spirituality.



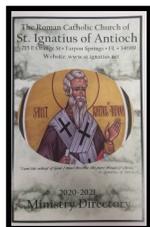
Our Lady Queen of Carmel
will meet Saturday, May 8th
after the 9 a.m. Mass in room 6.

For information, contact Pat Mermelstein
at 727-534-5729.

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Our Annual Ministry Book Advertising Opportunity



We are in the process of updating our annual Ministry Book for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, etc.

This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Church Office.



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

ALL WHO HAVE DIED FROM CORONAVIRUS plus DOROTHEA EVERY, LAWRENCE FLORIDI, RONALD DVOJACK, FERN GRANAMAN & NICHOLAS CONSTANTINE

and for all those we hold in our hearts who have died, may they rest in the arms of God.



St. Ignatius is a Catholic school for two, three and four year olds.

We are dedicated to the goal of providing developmentally appropriate programs aimed at the total child.

Contact Sharon Nease at (727) 937-5427 or snease@ignatius.net to schedule a tour.

Stop by the school and see what makes our early childhood center outstanding!

Guardian Angels



A STREAM Certified School

Enrolling K-Grade 8

Contact Mary Stalzer to schedule your tour today!

Phone: 727-799-6724 or email: mstalzer@gacsfl.com

Located at 2270 Evans Road Clearwater, Florida

All men of our parish are invited to join Faith & Ale Catholic Ministry for Men & our Knights of Columbus for a special evening of Fellowship & Dinner on Thursday, May 13th

at Christ the King Catholic Church - 821 S Dale Mabry Hwy, Tampa, FL 33609

Major General Karl Horst, US Army (Ret), President of Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation will speak on

‘COMMON SENSE LEADERSHIP’

Dinner/Fellowship begins at 6 p.m.

\$15 in advance or \$20 at door –

RSVP, pre-register, or for carpooling contact jkossoff@live.com or at 727-543-5901

<i>DATE</i>	<i>MASS INTENTIONS</i>	<i>EVENTS</i>
Saturday, May 1	4:00 p.m. For the Special Intentions of our St. Ignatius Women's Council 6:30 p.m. For the Special Intentions of Bishop Emil Wcela	Confessions inside the Church 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Sunday, May 2 <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Acts 9:26-31</i> <i>1 John 3:18-24</i> <i>John 15:1-8</i>	7:00 a.m. + Robert Weber 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + For the Deceased Members of The O'Neill Family 6:00 p.m. + Maureen Southcomb	10:15 a.m. Welcome New Parishioners Gathering in rooms 2 & 3 12:15 p.m. Reception for Fr. Kevin in the hall 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night following Mass at the Youth House 
Monday, May 3 <i>Sts. Philip & James</i> <i>1 Corinthians 15:1-8</i> <i>John 14:6-14</i>	7:00 a.m. + Jacquelin Schafer 9:00 a.m. + Lawrence Lindsey	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers in the hall 2:00 p.m. Abide in Me in Evangelization Office
Tuesday, May 4 <i>Acts 14:19-28</i> <i>John 14:27-31</i>	7:00 a.m. + Nicolette Kantas 9:00 a.m. + Deceased Members of the Camisasca Family 10:30 a.m. + Kevin Ashcraft	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leader Meeting in hall
Wednesday, May 5 <i>Acts 15:1-6</i> <i>John 15:1-8</i>	7:00 a.m. + Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life 9:00 a.m. + Mary Voiland	6:00 a.m. Brothers in Christ in hall Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Life Teen Bible Café-Youth House 6:30 p.m. Comeback Catholics in Life Center Office
Thursday, May 6 <i>Acts 15:7-21</i> <i>John 15:9-11</i>	7:00 a.m. + Anthony Wnuk 9:00 a.m. + David Witeck	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m. Deacon Sam's Class in rooms 2,3,4 6:30 p.m. Edge at the Youth House 6:30 p.m. Deacon Sam's Class in rooms 2,3,4 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir in Church
Friday, May 7 <i>Acts 15:22-31</i> <i>John 15:12-17</i>	7:00 a.m. For All Life, Conception to Natural Death 9:00 a.m. + Cheryl Brudvig	First Friday Adoration in the Chapel 9 a.m.— 2:30 p.m.  6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts in rooms 9-12 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in rooms 2-4
Saturday, May 8 <i>Acts 16:1-10</i> <i>John 15:18-21</i>	9:00 a.m. + Terry & Patricia Field	Pray in the Chapel 9 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Polish School in rooms 7-12 10:00 a.m. Divine Mercy in rooms 2,3,4 10:00 a.m. Lay Carmelite Community in room 6 Confessions inside the Church 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday, May 8	4:00 p.m. + Sam Bellotte 6:30 p.m. + Margaret Farano	
Sunday, May 9 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Acts 10:25-48</i> <i>1 John 4:7-10</i> <i>John 15:9-17</i>	7:00 a.m. + John Kelly 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Frank Randazzo 6:00 p.m. + Connstance Bullock	 Happy Mothers Day! 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night following Mass at the Youth House

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