

The Roman Catholic Church of *Saint Ignatius of Antioch*



*Last year, Pope Francis established the
World Day for Grandparents
and the Elderly
for every fourth Sunday of July,
on or close to the July 26
Feast of Sts. Anne and Joachim,
the grandparents of Jesus.*

Rev. Bill Swengros, Pastor
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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:

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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Growing Together in Christ!

My friends,

Today, the Catholic Church celebrates 2nd Annual World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly." Our Holy Father has chosen "They shall bear fruit even in old age" from the Book of Psalms (92:15) as this year's theme. Pope Francis has been highlighting the importance of the elderly in his weekly audiences for several months, noting the role of the elderly throughout Sacred Scripture. In a society which tends to glorify and idolize youth, the Holy Father emphasizes how grandparents and the elderly are a value and a gift both for society and for the Church and the importance of listening to the wisdom of our Seniors. To all our Seniors, may God bless you and know that we do value you and love you!

Last week, I shared ideas on how to prepare for Mass before coming to Church. Today I'd like to share more ideas of how you can get more out of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

- 1) **Participate.** Like most things in life, you only get out of it what you put into it. The Church calls for full, active, and conscious participation. (I would add fruitful!) This means: Sing the songs. Think about what you are doing and saying. Pray the responses out-loud. Keep your focus on what is said and happening in the sanctuary. Never go on "auto-pilot."
- 2) **Read and write.** I'm a visual person, a kinesthetic learner. It helps me to write notes about what I'm experiencing ... how God is speaking to me. I get more out of the readings if I read along with the lector and to journal what is being said during the homily. God wants to feed me so I need to be ready to receive all He is sharing with me!
- 3) **Avoid distractions.** When I attend Mass in other parishes, I chose my seat so that I can hear and see well with few distractions. I want to give God my best. One of the largest distractions are our cell phones. It is so important that we turn them off or put them in "airplane mode" so that we can give God our full attention.
- 4) **Private prayers.** The Mass is a public act of worship. That being said, there is lots of room for private prayer ... especially before and after receiving the Blessed Sacrament. During Mass I always lift up in prayer in a very specific and intentional way all those who asked me for prayer or who need prayer.
- 5) **Grow up!** I believe that God wants to feed me at every Mass. I believe He wants to Transform my life through this profound encounter with Him. And so I refuse to leave the Church without being fed. What does this mean? If for any reason, I don't "get anything out of Mass," I stay there in my pew and reread the readings and ask the Lord to feed me. And He always does! You see, sometimes God spoon feeds us like infants. At other times, He wants us to pick up our knives and forks and eat like grownups. In that case, I remain in the Church until I'm satiated. Trust me, God is like an Italian grandmother, He wants us to feed us. And He ALWAYS has something to say to us.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the gift of Christ Himself as He feeds us with His Word and Sacrament. May we all grow together in Christ,

Fr Bill

Fr. Bill Swengros,
Pastor

The secret of a good sermon
is to have a good beginning and a good ending;
and to have the two as close together as possible.
- George Burns

**Holy
Humor**

July 24, 2022

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Something to think about on the way home:



The first reading and Gospel speak to the power of intercessory prayer. On the way home, share at least one time when God truly answered your prayer!

This Week's Mission

In today's Gospel... The Lord's Prayer is the quintessential Christian Prayer. It is so important, our Holy Father has asked us to dedicate the year 2024 to it! This week, compare and contrast Luke's version (Chapter 11) with Matthew's version (Chapter 5). I also challenge you to read part IV of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as it presents the Lord's Prayer. Finally, I encourage you to pray it. Every day. Slowly. And make each word count!

Faith in Action

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Lk 11:9) Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Generosity is a gift that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.



Pray for Priests! Heavenly Father, please grant to your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out your mission for the Church each day. Keep our priests close to you and continue to inspire them to serve others in your holy name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer your call and participate in the fullness that you have planned for them. Amen.

Source and Summit

"How kind is our Sacramental Jesus! He welcomes you at any hour of the day or night. His Love never knows rest. He is always most gentle towards you. When you visit Him, He forgets your sins and speaks only of His joy, His tenderness, and His Love. By the reception He gives to you, one would think He has need of you to make Him happy." – St. Peter Julian Eymard

St. Ignatius Corner:



Typical of the form used for letters, St. Ignatius begins his letters with a salutation.

"Ignatius the Image-bearer to the church at Ephesus in Asia, blessed with greatness through the fullness of God the Father, predestined before the ages for lasting and unchangeable glory forever, united and elect through genuine suffering by the will of the Father and of Jesus Christ our God, a church most worthy of blessing: heartiest greetings in Jesus Christ and in blameless joy."

In our previous weeks, we discussed Ignatius' name and the ekklesia or Church of Ephesus, today let's look at his description of the Church of Ephesus.

It is truly blessed and has been predestined or chosen (elect) by God before time to grow in holiness. The Catholic understanding of predestination does not negate free will but acknowledges that God's will is never denied. He is in control and uses all our choices, good and bad, towards His ultimate end. The Church of Ephesus is united and has been chosen to be a suffering Church so that it would be worthy of the greatest blessings. Our faith is one of great paradoxes. By giving, we receive. By surrendering our will, we are freed. By embracing our cross and carrying it up Mount Calvary, walking in the footsteps of Christ along the Via Dolorosa, we achieve the glory of the Resurrection! By suffering, we come to true and neverending joy. By being broken, we are made whole. By dying, we are born to eternal life! One last point, note that Ignatius clearly describes Jesus Christ as God. There is no confusion that God is both Father and Son. (We'll get to the Holy Spirit!)

Question: How has God chosen you? How has He used suffering to draw you closer to Him?

Life Teen



Bart Kovacic—Life Teen Director
727-251-2476 or bkovacic@ignatius.net

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.

Come to our 6 p.m. Life Teen Mass and join us afterwards in the Youth House.

**Life Teen Bible
on the Beach!
Wednesdays
from 6-8 p.m.
on Sunset Beach.**



Edge



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

Our 6-8 grade 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 and empowering them to seek Christ.

**This week,
All Middle School Youth
are invited to join us
at Catapult in Tarpon Springs,
from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. p.m.
Don't forget your Socks
or its an Extra \$3.**



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your tour. (727) 799-6724 or
mstalzer@gacsfl.com

St. Ignatius ECC



**Catholic
Pre-school for
2, 3 & 4 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 and see what makes our center outstanding!

Community Life Food Drive



**This Outreach Ministry is here
for residents and the homeless of Tarpon Springs.**

Our next drive is this weekend July 30th & 31st.

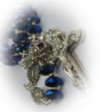
Please place items in containers in the Church.

No Paper Goods or Toiletries Please!

WE NEED EASY OPEN & CARRY PACKAGES.

Financial donations help us provide for our increased homeless numbers.

Rosary Makers



We meet Monday mornings
from 9:30 a.m. - noon in the hall.
All are welcome to join!

That Man is You

All men of the parish are invited for coffee
and Catholic teaching to strengthen families.

Wednesdays at 6 a.m. in the hall.

For more info contact Jim at
12345678wow@gmail.com



New Beginnings



The next meeting of our parish
bereavement support group, will be held
Saturday, August 6th at 10 a.m. in the hall.
Jane Frazier, RN will speak on

"The Challenges of Grief." Anyone who has suffered
the loss of a loved one is welcome.

Children & Youth Faith Formation

Let the Children Come to Me - Matthew 19:14

Summer will soon be coming to an end and we are preparing for another year of religious
education (CCD) for our parish children who are in Pre K through 8th grade. Our session
on Sunday morning is for our **Pre K through 5th grade** and Monday evening is for our **6th through 8th grade**.
We hope you have all had an enjoyable, safe summer and look forward to growing in Christ with you and your family.

Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation starts for your son or daughter in the 8th grade year and then
receiving the sacrament at the end of 9th grade. Our diocese requires two consecutive years of class/formation
for the sacrament.

Preparation for the sacrament of First Communion starts for your son or daughter in the 1st grade and then
receiving the sacrament at the end of 2nd grade. Our diocese requires two consecutive years of class/formation.

****Children 5 years of age and older who are in need of Baptism please contact Fran Morin.**

****Children 9 years of age and older who are in need of 1st Communion or teens 14 years of age and older
who are in need of Confirmation please contact Fran Morin.**

New Families and Returning Families Open Registration Weekend:

Sunday August 14th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in classrooms 2 and 3 in the Parish Life Center.

Families that were enrolled in last year's religious education program will be mailed registration forms.

Families could mail them back in or come visit us on the weekend that we have Open Registration.

Orientations:

Sunday, August 21 - 1st grade and First Communion 10 a.m. in the hall.

Sunday, August 21 - 9th grade Confirmation 4:30 p.m. in the hall.

Sunday, August 28 - Pre K through 5th grade 10 a.m. in the hall.

Monday, August 29 - 6:30 p.m. in the hall.

Classes starting in September. Questions? Contact Fran Morin 937-4050 ext. 220 or fmorin@ignatius.net

RCIA Sessions Begin

Do you know of anyone
who would like to become Catholic?
Or would you like to learn
more about your Catholic Faith?



If so, join Deacon Mike for an Information Session about the
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Information
Sessions will be held on two Tuesday evenings, August 16th
and August 23rd, in classroom 2 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to
attend either or both! This will be an open session to come
and learn about the process of becoming Catholic, as well as
the process for those who want to complete their Sacraments.
This is not for children to receive their sacraments.

Please spread the word to family and friends who might be
interested. That is the way most inquirers come to
the Church – **through YOU!**

Contact Deacon Mike at mike.waldron51@gmail.com
or the Church office.

Weekly meetings begin Tuesday, Sept. 6th at 7 p.m.



The National Congregations Study 2021

reported that Catholic congregations are younger,
are more likely to have recent immigrants, and are more involved
with the social justice issues of our day than our Protestant counterparts.
For more information see sites.duke.edu.

The Eucharistic Revival

“Christ held Himself in His hands when He gave His Body to His disciples saying: ‘This is My Body.’ No one partakes of this Flesh before he has adored it.” – St. Augustine



The Catholic Bishops of the United States of America have called us to a National Eucharistic Revival which will culminate in a Eucharistic Congress in 2025. “The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church.” is a wonderful introduction to the Eucharistic Revival. Download your copy at USCCB.org as well as our own St.Ignatius.net.

We continue to present a paragraph at a time...

4. As Christians we know that we need Christ to be present in our lives.

He is our very sustenance as He reminded us:

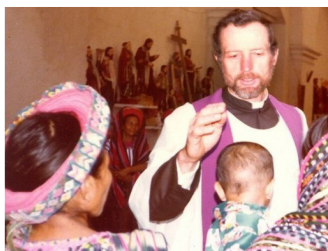
unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you (Jn 6:53).

Prayer Before Holy Communion:

**Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof;
But only say the word, and my soul will be healed. (3 times.)**



Saints of God:



Wednesday is the Feast of Blessed Stanley Francis Rother. Stanley was born And raised on a farm in Okarche, Oklahoma, and was ordained in 1963.

In 1968, he responded to the call to be a missionary, or Fidei Donum priest, and drove to Guatemala where he served the poor. He translated the New Testament into the native dialect and shared his knowledge of agriculture with the people. All the while, a civil war was raging. When his name appeared on a death list, he was recalled to Oklahoma. He stayed only a short time, telling his brother “A shepherd cannot run from his flock.”

Three months after his return to Guatemala, on July 28, 1981, he was martyred.

In 2016, he was beatified as the first native-born martyr of the United States. Blessed Stanley, pray for us!

Join the Revival on First Friday

JESUS IS THE EUCHARIST

Day and night Jesus dwells in the Living Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to Him.

“Christ is reserved in our Churches as the spiritual center of the heart of the community, the universal Church and all humanity, since within the Host Christ is contained, the invisible heart of the Church, the Redeemer of the world, the center of all hearts, by Him all things are and of whom we exist.” (Pope Paul VI, Mystery of Faith)

On Friday, August 5th, Adoration begins at 9:30 a.m. in our Chapel and ends with Benediction at 9 p.m.

Please be a witness to praise and thank God in the Eucharist by signing the Adoration Book in the front of the Church as you leave Mass.



Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus!



Next year, March 13-23, 2023, Fr Bill will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

We will be visiting Bethlehem, Nazareth, Mt. Tabor, Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, the Dead Sea, Qumran, Jericho, Jerusalem ... There is also an option extension to Jordan!

It will be an awesome experience of God's grace which will change your life forever. Spaces are limited. For more information, contact IgniteYourFaith@Ignatius.net.

Join our new pastor, Fr. Bill Swengros on a special pilgrimage
to Montreal and Quebec from October 14th-19th.
We will be visiting St. Joseph's Oratory, the Cathedral of Mary,
Queen of the World, Notre Dame de Bon Secours, and the Basilica of Notre Dame in Montreal.
We will head to Our Lady of the Cape. Afterwards, we will visit the Basilica Cathedral,
St. Anne de Beaupre, and much more in Quebec City!
For more information, contact IgniteYourFaith@Ignatius.net.



The poster features a large image of the Basilica of Notre-Dame in Montreal. In the foreground, there is a portrait of Fr. Bill Swengros, a man with grey hair wearing a white clerical collar and a green stole. To the right of the portrait is a circular inset showing a religious painting of St. Joseph holding the Christ Child. The text on the poster includes the title 'Celebrating St. Joseph', the subtitle 'Canada - Montreal & Quebec', the dates 'October 14 - 19, 2022', the spiritual leader 'Fr. Bill Swengros', and the group leader 'Maritza Reyes'. A logo for '206 PILGRIMAGES TOURS Est. 1985' is in the top right corner. At the bottom, the website www.pilgrimages.com/frswengros is listed.

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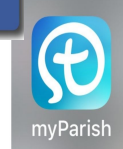
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go to www.st.ignatius.net and click on Live or go to our YouTube channel at 9 a.m. Weekdays, 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Saturdays & 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 6 p.m. Sundays.

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

CAROL OSTAPCHUK

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



American Flags

If you have received an **American Flag** in honor of a loved one's military service and would like it flown here at the parish in front of the Fr. John LaTondress Chapel, please donate your flag at the parish office.

Dropped your Landline? New Address?

Other Changes?

Please keep the Parish Office informed. Send an email to: kcreamer@ignatius.net or drop a note in the offertory basket.



Please note:

Our Bethany Gift Shop will be closed for the Summer through August 14th.



Hurricane Season is here!

Please note of our hurricane procedures.

Mass will not be celebrated *if* the government restricts travel to emergency vehicles and/or orders an evacuation of the Tarpon Springs area.

Eucharistic Ministers will not distribute communion to the homebound or hospitals.

Parishioners with special needs, please call Laura at ext. 221 for shelter forms.

<i>DATE</i>	<i>MASS INTENTIONS</i>	<i>EVENTS</i>
Saturday, July 23rd	4:00 p.m. + Ray Mahoney 6:30 p.m. + Theresa Dorff	Confessions 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Sunday, July 24th <i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13</i>	7:00 a.m. + Shane Slobada 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Donald Britton 6:00 p.m. + Clarence O'Hara	7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night after Mass At the Youth House
Monday, July 25th <i>St. James</i> <i>2 Corinthians 4:7-15 Matthew 20:20-28</i>	7:00 a.m. + Ed Schenk 9:00 a.m. + Al Cannon	9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers - hall
Tuesday, July 26th <i>Sts. Joachim & Anne</i> <i>Jerimiah 14:17-22 Matthew 13:36-43</i>	7:00 a.m. + Carmen Castiglione 9:00 a.m. + Jon Mozes 10:30 a.m. + Dina Ecklund	
Wednesday, July 27th <i>Jerimiah 15:10-21 Matthew 13:44-46</i>	7:00 a.m. + For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life 9:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Brian & Teresa Werthmiller	6:00 a.m. That Man is You - hall 6:00 p.m. Life Teen - Sunset Beach
Thursday, July 28th <i>Jerimiah 18:1-6 Matthew 13:47-53</i>	7:00 a.m. + Catherine Kessuk 9:00 a.m. + Jean Rooney	6:30 p.m. Edge - Catapult
Friday, July 29th <i>St. Martha</i> <i>Jerimiah 26:1-9 John 11:19-27</i>	7:00 a.m. + Pauline Capanna 9:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Paula Delano	Early Childhood Center Closed Parish Office Closes at Noon
Saturday, July 30th <i>St. Peter Chrysologus</i> <i>Jerimiah 26:11-24 Matthew 14:1-12</i>	9:00 a.m. + Deceased Members of The Phelps and Churchill Families	
Saturday, July 30th	4:00 p.m. + Rosemary Gregor 6:30 p.m. + William T. Joyce	Confessions 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass Food Drive this Weekend
Sunday, July 31st <i>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Ecclesiastics 1:2-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21</i>	7:00 a.m. + Mary Debenedetto 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Pavel Nacheva 6:00 p.m. Special Intentions of Felisberto Jimenez	7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night after Mass - Youth House

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