

The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Ignatius of Antioch

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

August 18, 2019 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Schedule of Confessions:

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

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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 the Month 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office
at least 6 months in advance.

Holy Orders: Please call

Rev. Chuck Dornquast at 345-3338

The Cost of Discipleship

Today's readings are difficult, very difficult. They are difficult because they present the cost of discipleship.

We began with the plight of Jeremiah who was persecuted because he proclaimed the Truth of God. It would have been so much easier for Jeremiah to have kept his prophecy to himself. But as he would protest in chapter 20:

You seduced me, LORD, and I let myself be seduced; you were too strong for me, and you prevailed.

All day long I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me.

Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage I proclaim;

The word of the LORD has brought me reproach and derision all day long.

I say I will not mention him, I will no longer speak in his name.

But then it is as if fire is burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones;

I grow weary holding back, I cannot!

Yes, I hear the whisperings of many: "Terror on every side! Denounce! let us denounce him!"

All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine.

"Perhaps he can be tricked; then we will prevail, and take our revenge on him."

Horrible things happened to Jeremiah, including his being thrown into the cistern as we heard today. But Jeremiah would not reject the burning of God's truth within his bones. It was the cost of discipleship.

The readings then present the *Letter to the Hebrews*. The author tells these second and third generation Christians to keep their eyes fixed on Jesus and persevere in running the race set before them. Jesus embraced the cross, endured the opposition of sinners and was rewarded by His Father. He did this so we can join Him in enduring the wrath of sinners. The reading also scolds these Christians who were complaining that Christianity was too demanding. It reminds them that they have not yet had to shed their blood. Perhaps they would have to. There is no limit to the cost discipleship imposes on us.

And finally we come to that most difficult Gospel. It starts off wonderfully, as the Lord says, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" But then the Lord proclaims what the fire of His Love will bring:

"Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.

From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three;

a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father,,," and so forth.

Jesus tells His disciples, and tells us that there will be a cost of discipleship.

This is not what most people, including me, want to hear. We don't want to hear that choosing Christ will put our lives so at odds with those around us that we will be persecuted, and mocked. We want our religion to be easy. We don't want to have to pay a price for living our faith.

But we have to.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his great book, *The Cost of Discipleship*, Dietrick Bonhoeffer makes a distinction between what he calls cheap grace and costly grace. He is not using the term grace as we Catholics do, as something coming from God. He is using it as another word for religion. So I'll insert religion in paraphrasing Bonhoeffer. He says that "Cheap religion is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, communion without confession. Cheap religion is a religion without discipleship, a religion without the cross, a religion without Jesus Christ." Cheap religion, Bonhoeffer says, is to hear the gospel preached as follows: "Of course you have sinned, but now everything is forgiven, so you can stay as you are and enjoy the consolations of forgiveness." The main defect of such a proclamation is that it contains no demand for discipleship.

"In contrast to cheap religion, costly religion confronts us as a gracious call to follow Jesus. It comes as a word of forgiveness to the broken spirit and the contrite heart. It is costly because it compels a man to submit to the yoke of Christ and follow Him." He goes on to say, "When Christ calls a man, He bids him come and die."

Because we have chosen Christ, we are mocked for believing in God. The pseudo intellectuals of our day treat us as though we are children and disparage the truths of our faith as children's tales. Because we have chosen Christ, we are reduced by others to being Jesus freaks. This is part of the cost of discipleship.

Because we have chosen Christ, we are confronted with difficult decisions that we need to embrace to be who we claim to be, People of God. For example: Catholics are pro-life and anti-abortion. This position is easy to hold until your seventeen year old daughter becomes pregnant, or your best friend, or you. Then it becomes a matter of loving that baby more than your plans for the future, or the plans you had for your daughter or your best friend. The Catholic who says, "I will choose love rather than death," is embracing the cost of discipleship.

Another example: it is easy to fight against substance abuse until you find yourself as one of the few around you who isn't getting drunk, smoking pot or taking some other drug. It is costly to turn away from bad situations and be scorned by others. "You think you are so much better than us," the in-crowd scoffs when we turn away from their immorality. This is just another one of the costs of discipleship.

We embrace the cost of discipleship when you in your marriages, and we priests and religious in our Vocations, remain committed to our vows in difficult times as well as in easy times. There are no perfect marriages because a marriage is the union of two, normal yet imperfect people. The cost of discipleship demands that you accept each other's limitations and love your spouse even during those days that you don't particularly like him or her. The cost of discipleship demands that those of us who have made vows to God keep those vows even when, especially when, we feel overwhelmed by the needs of our people as well as our own personal wants.

We embrace the cost of discipleship because we are more concerned with others than ourselves. We are more concerned with their eternal salvation than with anything they can do to us in this life.

In the beginning of today's Gospel Jesus says, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" The fire of God's love. That is what we are about. We know we are loved. We know that God wants others to join us in His Love. If we are truly going to be His disciples, then we will happily join the Lord in setting the world on fire with love. And we will do this no matter what personal cost this entails:

For the cost of discipleship is temporary, but the Treasure of God's Love is forever.

Yours in Christ,



St. Ignatius Children and Youth Faith Formation

New and Returning Families Open Registration This Weekend!
Sunday, August 18th and Sunday, August 25th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
in the Parish Life Center rooms 2 and 3.

Registration forms have been mailed out to our families that were enrolled in last year's religious education program.

Please mail them back in or come visit us on the weekends that we have Open Registration. If you did not receive one, please contact the Faith Formation office.

***First Eucharist (First Communion)** – 2 years of sacramental preparation



If your child is entering 1st grade this coming school year, it's time to start preparing for First Communion, which is then received in 2nd grade. Ordinarily a child will participate for at least one year in our parish's religious education program, then the following year entering into the immediate catechesis for the Sacrament.

*Students attending 1st grade Religious education in a **catholic school** need only attend the second year (2nd Grade) of our faith formation class.*

***Confirmation**

– 2 years of sacramental preparation

If your child is entering 8th grade this coming school year, it's time to start preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which is then received in 9th grade. Ordinarily a child will participate for at least one year in our parish's religious education program, then the following year entering into the immediate catechesis for the Sacrament.



*Students attending 8th grade in a **catholic school** need only attend the second year (9th Grade) of our faith formation class.*

****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.

We offer many opportunities for your children to grow in their faith. Sessions for Pre K through 5th grade children on Sunday mornings 10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Continuing Faith Formation sessions for 6th through 8th grades on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m – 8 p.m.

Please contact the **Faith Formation Office** for more details.

Fran Morin 937-4050 ext. 220 or fmorin@ignatius.net

Marie Day 937-4050 ext.223 or mday@ignatius.net

Faith Formation Open House/Classes Begin:

Sunday, August 25th -

Confirmation Packet/Orientation in hall at 4:40 p.m.

Sunday, September 8th -

1st Communion Open House in hall at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 10th & Wednesday, September 11th -

8th Grade Open House in hall at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 15th -

Pre K—5th Grade Open House in hall at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 17th & Wednesday, September 18th -

6th & 7th Grade Open House in hall at 6:30 p.m.



Life Teen



Life Nights

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

We get to do this with Jesus in our presence!!

We explore our Faith, Life, and being the Sons and Daughters of God. Join us at our 6 p.m. Life Teen Mass and then for our exciting Life Night!!!

For more information our Youth Ministry Director Bart at ext. 250

Edge



Our grades 6-8 ministry, **EDGE**, is a dynamic middle school youth ministry

program designed to meet the education, spiritual, and social needs of middle school youth. The ministry provides an opportunity to grow in faith by developing a meaningful relationship with Jesus through EDGE Nights and social activities.

It is about making a difference in their hearts and empowering them to seek Christ on their own.

All Middle School Youth are Invited!

Join us This Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth House Meet up with your fellow teens for a night filled with snacks, Jesus, and a fun time....



Rite of Christian Initiation Inquiry Session

Interested in eternal joy?

Know somebody who needs to finish their Sacraments?

Want to learn more about the Catholic faith?

The RCIA process to become fully Catholic

begins with 3 Informational Sessions on

Mondays August 19th, and 26th at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Email Joshua Strope at JStrope@Ignatius.net

for more details.

Bethany Shop

We will be open Sunday, August 18th
from 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Regular Shop hours resumes September 15th.

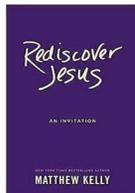
Rosary Makers



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

Book Club

Our Book Club style discussion group continues... Share your thoughts of the book with others on Tuesday mornings, Aug 20th, 27th, Sept 10th, 17th (no class on Sept 3rd) at 10 a.m -12 p.m. in classroom 1. Questions? Contact Terri St. George at 727-773-5004.



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.



Patriotic Rosary



Join in praying the Patriotic Rosary On Wednesday mornings after the 9 a.m. Mass.

Scouts



Boy Scouts meet this Friday in rooms 2,3,4.
Girls Scouts meet this Friday in classrooms 6 & 7.



This week's Altar Flowers were donated for the Special Intentions of the Westcott Family



Word In Action Classes Continue The Bible Time Line - Second Semester Presented by Deacon Sam Begins September 5th!

The Word In Action Group will be continuing their study of the "Bible Time Line", a Narrative reading and study of the Old and New Testament.

This is a reminder for the returning students from the last semester. Registration is not required.

New students will be required to register, so that workbooks can be ordered.
(See Below)

This is the second half of the Journey through the Bible and will complete our study.

Classes will resume on September 5th and conclude on November 21st. All classes will be held on Thursday mornings, in rooms 2 & 3, beginning at 10:30 a.m. and will be repeated again on Thursday evenings, in room 9, at 6:30 p.m. You may chose to attend either session.

All are invited.

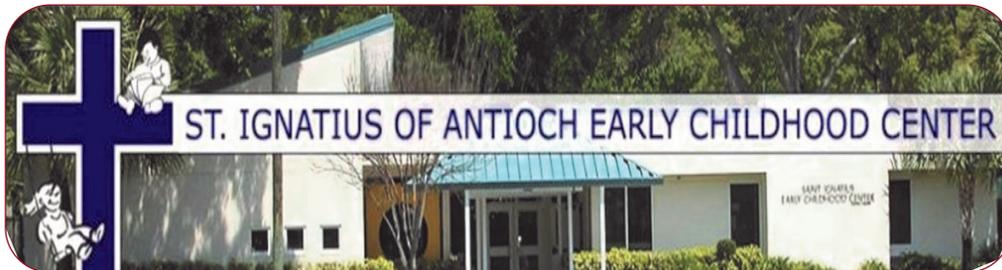
Registration :

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Workbook Offering: \$35.00

Please make checks out to St. Ignatius and submit it with this registration.



Dear Partners in Faith and Education,

Partners in Faith and Education program partners business, industry, civic and church organizations with our school in a financial function. The monies received will be used in our classrooms for educational materials and for the continuing education of our staff.

Another way of donating is our scholarship program, which is a continuing fund to be used by families in need of financial aid. Simply complete the attached form and the donation amount of your choice and it will be used for needed scholarship. Note that these types of donations are eligible for matching gift monies through many of our partners' places of employment.

Our goal is to have a quick turnaround from our partners so that we can give our teachers the opportunity to utilize funds early in the school year. If we can provide any further information about these worthwhile programs, please contact the school at (727) 937-5427.

God bless you for your generosity. Our children benefit a great deal from these particular programs, and I am confident you'll want to be a part of their enhanced learning. With the promise of our prayers and best wishes for the year, we remain,

Your Partners in Faith and Education,

Sharon Nease Monsignor Joseph Pellegrino
 Administrator Parish Pastor

Donor Name _____ Phone # _____

Address: _____

What is your affiliation with the school? _____

Please indicate your choice of Partners in Education or Scholarship Program.

Education Program	Scholarship Program
___ \$50	___ \$50
___ \$100	___ \$100
___ \$150	___ \$150
___ Other	___ Other

Thank you for your donation.

As a nonprofit organization, contributions to the school are tax deductible.

Please Make Checks Payable to: St. Ignatius ECC
 Mail to: St. Ignatius of Antioch Roman Catholic Church
 Attn: ECC Partners in Faith and Education Program
 725 E Orange St. Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

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

**EVELYN REINMILLER,
J.E. HURLEY, HARRY FESSLER,
& TIMOTHY McCORMICK**

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

Autism Support

Contact Mike Lavery for the
next online meeting or
for any Autism Support needs.
Contact Mike at mlavery1@yahoo.com



THE CATHOLIC BULLS ALUMNI SOCIETY &
THE CATHOLIC STUDENT UNION
INVITES YOU TO OUR



AUGUST 24 | FOLLOWING 5 PM MASS WE WILL HAVE
LIVE MUSIC, FOOD TRUCKS, AND REFRESHMENTS

AUGUST 25 | 10 AM RED MASS WITH BISHOP
PARKES FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP AND FUN

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE DETAILS OR TO CONTRIBUTE TO
CAMPUS MINISTRY VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
CATHOLICUSF.ORG

Altar Server Training



Have you ever considered becoming
an Altar Server?

Open to all in grades 4 and up, who have
made their First Holy Communion.
Need only 1 training session to serve.

Upcoming trainings:

**Wednesday, August 28th at 6 p.m. &
Sunday, September 15th at 1:30 p.m.
in the Church.**

Hurricane Season

Be Prepared!

It is hurricane season.

Please take 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 should call
Laura at ext. 221 for forms for shelters.

Changes ???

DROPPED YOUR LANDLINE PHONE ?
E-MAIL CHANGE, OTHER CHANGES?



Name _____

Address: _____

Phone _____

Envelope Number _____

Email address _____

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	EVENTS
Saturday, August 17	4:00 p.m. + Jackie King 6:30 p.m. + Kathleen Kingsland	Food Drive this Weekend
Sunday, August 18 <i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Jeremiah 38:4-10</i> <i>Hebrews 12:1-4</i> <i>Luke 12:49-53</i>	7:30 a.m. + John Astrab, Sr. 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Salvatore Benanti 6:00 p.m. + Raquel Marrah	8:30 a.m. Bethany Shop is open til 11 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Faith Formation Registration in rooms 2,3 til 1 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night in the hall
Monday, August 19 <i>St. John Eudes</i> <i>Judges 2:11-19</i> <i>Matthew 19:16-22</i>	7:00 a.m. Special Intentions of The Astrab Family 9:00 a.m. + Arnold Organ	9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers in the hall 7:00 p.m. RCIA Inquiry Session in the hall
Tuesday, August 20 <i>St. Bernard</i> <i>Judges 6:11-24</i> <i>Matthew 19:23-30</i>	7:00 a.m. For An End to Abortions 9:00 a.m. + Kathryn Zufall 10:30 a.m. Special Intentions of James Margarella & Family	10:00 a.m. Rediscover Jesus Book Group in room 1
Wednesday, August 21 <i>St. Pius X</i> <i>Judges 9:6-15</i> <i>Matthew 20:1-16</i>	7:00 a.m. For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life 9:00 a.m. + Amancio & Remedios Gacrama	6:00 a.m. Brothers in Christ in the hall 9:30 a.m. Patriotic Rosary in the Church
Thursday, August 22 <i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Judges 11:29-39</i> <i>Matthew 22:1-14</i>	7:00 a.m. + Robert Bressie 9:00 a.m. + Mary Lou Jasulevich	6:30 p.m. Edge in the Youth House
Friday, August 23 <i>St. Rose of Lima</i> <i>Ruth 1:1-22</i> <i>Matthew 22:34-40</i>	7:00 a.m. + Harold Kempton 9:00 a.m. + Margaret Elayne Shaffer	6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts in rooms 6,7 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in rooms 2,3,4
Saturday, August 24 <i>St. Bartholomew</i> <i>Revelations 21:9-14</i> <i>John 1:45-51</i>	9:00 a.m. + Ronald A. Sokol	9:00 a.m. Cub Scouts Legos in the Hall
Saturday, August 24	4:00 p.m. + Gavin Duncan 6:30 p.m. + Ninfa Prince	
Sunday, August 25 <i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Isaiab 66:18-21</i> <i>Hebrews 12:5-13</i> <i>Luke 13:22-30</i>	7:30 a.m. + Patrick Rogan 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + James & Martha Carson 6:00 p.m. + Irene Rubenstien	10:00 a.m. Faith Formation Registration in rooms 2,3 til 1 p.m. 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Orientation in hall 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night in the hall

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