

The Roman Catholic Church of St. Ignatius of Antioch

715 E Orange St Tarpon Springs FL 34689

Website: www.st.ignatius.net



2023-2024
Directory & Ministry Guide

Parish Information

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Parish Office Hours: Monday– Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday.....4:00, 6:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m. Spanish in Chapel

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.

Friday 7 p.m.

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

Please check the bulletin or website for Holy Day & Lenten Mass Times

Schedule of Confessions:

Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, and 6:00 p.m.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass - 10:15 a.m.

Every Friday beginning at 9:30 a.m. with

-Divine Mercy Prayer at 3:00 p.m.

-Confessions at 6:00 p.m.

-Benediction at 9:00 p.m.

Miraculous Medal Devotion:

Before 9:00 a.m. Mass each Wednesday



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*Our Parish mission at St. Ignatius of Antioch
is to proclaim the gospel through word and worship,
to be a welcoming inclusive community,
and to nurture God's people through
responsible stewardship and compassionate service.*

Parish Crest

Our parish crest presents our rich history of our parish family within the Tarpon Springs community.

The main colors of blue and white match the flag of Greece pointing to the rich Greek heritage of Tarpon Springs.

There are four main sections surrounding the Eucharistic host. This represents Christ at the heart of our community and as Christians we are Christ to the four corners of the world, from north to south and east to west.



In the upper left corner is wheat which recalls the words of St. Ignatius:
"I am the wheat of God. I must become the pure bread of Christ."

It is a continued reminder that we are a Eucharistic people that takes Christ into the world.

In the upper right corner is the lion that represents the martyrdom of our patron St. Ignatius of Antioch and reminds us as a community that we are always called to be witnesses of our faith.

The white cross with a blue background in the lower left represents the cross that is thrown into Tarpon Spring Bayou on Epiphany. It also symbolizes the deep Christian legacy of our Tarpon Springs community.

The pine tree in the lower right portion of the crest represents Pinellas County, which comes from the early Spanish explorers in the sixteenth century that named the area, *Punta Piñal*, Spanish for "Point of Pines" or "Piney Point".

Prominently atop the crest is the shape of our current Church.

Rev. Brian Fabiszewski and Alyssa Morris created this beautiful artistic expression for our parish.

Letter from Fr. Bill

My friends,

Thank you for choosing St. Ignatius of Antioch as your spiritual home. Whether you have worshiped with us your entire life or recently registered here, welcome! St. Ignatius of Antioch is a warm and loving parish family thanks to wonderful people like you!

We are in the midst of the Eucharistic Revival in the United States. This is a time for our Church to be renewed in the Eucharistic Lord and to be empowered to be Eucharist to others. It will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2025. Our goal as a parish is to journey with the Lord on the road to Emmaus, to recognize Him in the Breaking of the Bread, and to share the Good News of our Eucharistic Lord with others through word and deed.

While we are blessed with a phenomenal group of priests, deacons, religious, staff, and faithful volunteers, we can't do it ourselves. We need everyone to help! Throughout the world, the pandemic had a devastating impact on participation in local faith communities. That is true of our parish as well. Our attendance is about 65% of what it was prior to Covid. Each of us needs to reach out to family, friends, neighbors, coworkers, and classmates and invite them to return "home" to the Lord! Many are waiting for a good friend like you! Simply invite them to come to you and then afterwards, go to Coffee and Donuts or go out for a bite to eat. They will soon realize how much they have missed the Sacraments, the Holy Mass, and belonging to a family of faith!

St. Ignatius is a wonderful parish because of people like you, who care enough to become involved. This Parish and Ministry Directory is chock full of opportunities to help you grow in faith. My suggestion is to read this directory with a pen in hand. Circle and initial those things which are of interest to you. Pass the directory to everyone in your family and do the same. Everyone should be involved in at least two ministries. One should help you grow as a disciple of Christ. The second should focus on helping others. It is great if you serve in a ministry with your spouse or as a family. Contact the person listed in the directory or the parish office to begin!

The Eucharistic Revival is a once in a lifetime opportunity for us to grow ever closer to our Eucharistic Lord. I humbly ask you to make a commitment to:

- 1) Pray each and every day.
- 2) Go to Mass EVERY weekend. If you are already doing that, make a commitment to go to daily Mass as often as you can.

Letter from Fr. Bill

3) Confess your sins monthly. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will change your life!

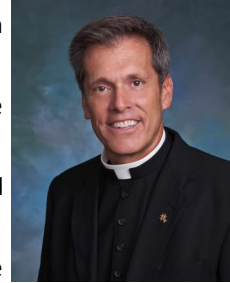
4) Go to Eucharistic Adoration as often as you can! We adore the Lord every Thursday morning and all day on Fridays!

5) Be involved in a liturgical or spiritual ministry. You'll be glad you did!

St. Ignatius is an amazing parish family thanks to people like you who have selflessly given of their time, talent, and treasure! Thank you for your prayerful and generous financial support. We would not be able to fulfill our mission if it weren't for your sacrifices. May God bless you and your loved ones!

Growing courageously with you in Christ,

Fr. Bill Swengros



Never Miss an Event!



Parish Website: www.St.Ignatius.net

Facebook Page: St. Ignatius of Antioch @stiggys

Phone App: In app stores as st. ignatius — tarpon springs,
or: <https://www.parishsolutionsco.com/ignatiustarpon.html>

YouTube Channel: St Ignatius Tarpon Springs

Instagram: st_ignatius_tarpon

Flocknote: Text "IgnatiusUpdates" to 84576 and register!
This enables us to get urgent notices or updates to our parishioners.
You will not get spammed!

St. Ignatius of Antioch



*"I am the wheat of God.
I must be ground by the teeth
of wild beasts to become
the pure bread of Christ."*

In these words, Ignatius, third bishop of Antioch, pleaded with his influential friends in Rome not to interfere with his impending martyrdom. Thus on

December 20th in the year 107, Ignatius was escorted from the Roman galley that had taken nine years to deliver its prisoner from Antioch to Rome and was brought to the Flavian Amphitheater, the Coliseum, where at the conclusion of the Roman festival he was fed to the lions.

Who was this man whose martyrdom became the example for all Christians? Who was this man whose life we here in Tarpon Springs honor and whose intercession we pray for?

Ignatius was a Syrian by birth who became attracted to the first generation of Christians. Some authors believe that he may have been a disciple of St. John the Evangelist. He certainly made friends with St. Polycarp, one of St. John's closest followers. Tradition has it that St. Peter himself made Ignatius the third bishop of Antioch, the second largest city of the entire Roman empire, only Rome being larger.

As Bishop of Antioch, Ignatius wrote seven letters that helped solidify the beliefs of our then second and third generation Church. He wrote that the Church can only preserve its unity if each member of the Church fulfills his or her role as a Christian in the world while recognizing that their bishop and priests represent Christ and His apostles. Of all the Churches, Ignatius emphasized the pre-eminence of Rome, for it was in Rome that Peter was executed.

St. Ignatius of Antioch

Ignatius wrote that in Christ we see a unity of opposites. Christ is flesh and spirit, of Mary and of God, a subject of suffering and yet incapable of suffering. Through Christ God's life, the life of Grace, has come into the world. The prophets and patriarchs of the Old Testament received portions of this grace to prepare for His coming. We ourselves can receive this grace and, like the prophets, become instruments of God. Our main means of receiving this grace is through the Eucharist, which Ignatius calls the medicine of immortality and defines as the real presence of Christ.

By 98 A.D. when Ignatius was arrested in Antioch during the persecution of Trojan, he was known throughout the Christian world. Wherever the ship carrying him to Rome touched port he was greeted by hundreds of Christians. He literally had to beg wealthy Christians not to use their political connections to prevent his martyrdom. Within thirty years of his death, he was venerated as a saint by the universal Church.

Today, St. Ignatius of Antioch is remembered in the listing of the saints in the First Eucharistic Prayer. He is remembered on his feast day of October 17th which is celebrated by the universal Church. And he is remembered by the people of the Northern-most parish of Pinellas County, Florida, who have built a beautiful Church to honor the saint who pleaded with his friends to allow him to become the pure bread of Christ.



What to do if...

You would like to have your baby baptized:

To have your child baptized, you must be an active registered parishioner. For complete requirements and date information, contact the parish office.

You would like to get married:

Couples planning a marriage are to contact a parish priest or deacon at least 6 months before the anticipated date of the ceremony. The couple must have spiritual preparation with the priest before a date can be made definite.

You would like communion brought to someone who is sick or homebound:

Our Caritas ministry has Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers who will bring Communion to your home. Please contact the Caritas office.

You would like to arrange a funeral Mass for the recently deceased:

Please call the parish office.

You would like to arrange a Mass Intention for either the living or deceased:

If you wish to have a Mass offered for someone, please stop by during office hours. A Mass may be offered for the living or the dead. The stipend for regularly scheduled Mass times is \$20 for a weekend or Holy Day, \$15 for a weekday, \$10 for an unannounced.

You would like to have your house blessed:

Please contact a parish priest or deacon by calling the parish office.

You need to update your contact information:

If your address, phone number, email, etc...has changed, please update your information by contacting the parish office by phone or by email.

You would like to make a gift towards our Sunday Altar flowers for intentions of someone living or deceased or a special occasion:

The donation stipend is \$50 and the intentions will be printed in the bulletin for that given weekend. Please come by the parish office any weekday between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

You need to visit the parish office:

Directly across Orange Street from the main entrance to the Church. 715 East Orange Street Tarpon Springs. Follow the blue signs. Office hrs 9 a.m.– 4 p.m. weekdays.

What is an 'active member'?

What Does It Mean to be an "Active Member"...

We receive many requests from parishioners to be godparents or sponsors for Confirmation. That request is to verify that a person is an "active member" of the Parish.

An "active member" is one who:

*Has registered with the Parish Office and faithfully attends Mass on Sundays & Holy Days as demonstrated by parish envelopes

While assessments of an inquirer's status will be made individually, the above are the main factors that will be considered in making that determination. To register with the Parish, simply fill out the blue registration form found on the courtesy desk in the Church and place it in the offertory basket at Mass or visit the Parish Office. Registration forms can also be downloaded from our website.

Online Giving

Pope Francis has given us a lot to consider with his encyclical on environmental stewardship. One of the greatest ways we can protect our planet is by using less paper and conserving natural resources, especially since pulp and paper production is the third largest producer of air, water and land pollution. Please consider taking advantage of our Online Giving. Not only will you help reduce envelope waste and paper checks, you also have the ability to schedule and manage your giving all online. You can conveniently use your credit or debit card or checking account. We want to thank all of our families that are now using WeShare Online Giving service. Their support for the basic operations of the parish is never missed, even while on vacation. Please consider joining Pope Francis in our mission to protect our natural resources and visit www.st.ignatius.net and click on the 'Online Giving' link or scan the QR Code to set up your online payments today.





CHILDREN'S MASS

Our Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is geared for families with children. The little children are given an age appropriate homily and blessing.

LIFE TEEN

Our Sunday 6 p.m. Mass has a primary focus towards our teens. We celebrate with contemporary Christian style music, homilies that speak to the teenager and various dynamics to bring the message of the Sunday liturgy alive for the teen. Everyone is invited to join us. High school teens are invited to take an active part in the Mass as lectors, ushers, gift bearers, and altar servers. This is an experience teens should not miss.

For information contact Tyler D'Amico, Life Teen Director.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our **Children's Choir** is open to all children of the parish in grades 2 – 8. The children rehearse once a week and sing weekly at the 9 a.m. Mass.

Our **Adult Choir** ministers at the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass and is responsible for leading the music at most special occasions throughout the year. This choir rehearses one evening a week. The adult choir is open to all parishioners.

For information contact our Music Director.

LIFE TEEN BAND

This ministry is an adult band that plays contemporary Christian style music for the Life Teen Sunday Mass. Help us make a joyful noise unto the Lord! For info contact Life Teen Music Director.

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar Serving is open to all girls and boys from the fourth grade and up who have made their first Holy Communion and serve at all the Masses except Sunday's Life Teen Mass. There is a training session and socials for the Servers and their parents.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

The Extraordinary Ministers are members of the parish community commissioned to assist the Clergy in the distribution of the Eucharist to the congregation during Mass and to bring Communion to the sick and homebound.

FRIDAY ADORATION

Every Friday we offer both Eucharistic Adoration and Confession after the 9 a.m. mass. At 3 p.m., the Hour of Mercy, we pray the Chaplet. At 6 p.m. we offer confessions, at 6:30 p.m. Rosary, at 7 p.m. we offer Mass, and at 8:30 p.m. Solemn Compline and Benediction.

LECTORS

The Lectors serve the parish by proclaiming the Word of God in the Christian assembly. Children in the fourth grade or older are welcome to be ushers at the 9 a.m. Children's Mass. Adult Lectors serve at all other Masses.

USHERS

Ministers of Hospitality serve by welcoming the people at Mass, seating people, taking the collection, and handing out the weekly bulletin. Children in the fourth grade or older are welcome to be ushers at the 9 a.m. Children's Mass. Adult Ushers serve at all other Masses.

Contact the parish office for more information on these liturgical ministries at ext. 201 or email at kcreamer@ignatius.net



FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Here at St. Ignatius of Antioch the faith formation of all our parishioners is a parish priority. This particularly applies to that of our children and teens. We have many wonderful programs for our young people here, including our Early Childhood Center, our Faith Formation Program, and our Youth Ministry/Faith Formation programs, The Edge and Life Teen. Plus, we are affiliated with Guardian Angels Catholic School, Bishop McLaughlin High and Clearwater Central Catholic High.

All of our parish programs for faith formation presupposes the attendance of our families at Mass on a weekly basis. The parish can only complement the efforts of the parents. We congratulate our many families who fulfill their responsibility to be “first teachers in the ways of the faith” by worshiping on the weekends along with enrolling their children in faith formation education classes. To enroll your children in our faith formation program, you must be a family registered in the parish doing your best to attend Mass on a weekly basis.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Our Diocese of St. Petersburg, has established that children must complete a full year of faith formation education prior to being admitted into the First Communion program. The sacrament is received in the 2nd grade.

The sacraments of initiation are received in the parish, not the Catholic School.



The sacrament of confirmation is normally received in the ninth grade in the Life Teen Program. However, all high school students are welcome to be part of the program.

A high school student is eligible for this program if he or she attended faith formation education the previous year (8th grade), completed 8th grade in a Catholic School or attended Life Nights on a consistent basis the previous year.

CATHOLIC YOUTH EDUCATION

“To teach as Jesus did.” This is the challenge of our elementary Faith Formation program at St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish. Doctrine must be fostered and students prepared for Christian service.

From preschool through Confirmation, we hope to give them a beginning in their journey of faith and development.

For information contact Fran Morin, Faith Formation Director.

OCIC—ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN / TEENAGERS

This is a special program for children/teens from ages 8-16 who have not been baptized to become prepared for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist.



They participate in weekly faith formation sessions for two consecutive years at their grade level in our parish program.

Children ages 9-16 that have been baptized and are in need of the Sacrament of First Eucharist or Confirmation are to participate in our weekly faith formation sessions for two consecutive years at their grade level on our parish program. For information contact Fran Morin, Faith Formation Director.

OCIA—ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This is the process through which the needs of persons seeking to join or return to the Catholic faith are met. It is also a process where active Catholics can be of assistance, as sponsors, to those who walk this journey of faith.

For info contact Deacon Mike Waldron, Evangelization Director.

*Guardian Angels Catholic School,
Bishop McLaughlin High School
and Clearwater Central
Catholic High*



Because we are part of Guardian Angels School, parish support to the other parochial schools will only be extended to families who are unable to place their children into Guardian Angels School.

Families who wish to enter a child in one of the parochial schools must demonstrate weekly attendance for one full year prior to the parish offering parish support. Families who register into the parish or who begin using their envelopes at the time that they need a letter of parish support, will not be given parish support until the completion of one full year of their demonstration of parish support. The only exception will be families who move into our parish and who can produce a letter from their previous parish demonstrating parish attendance for the previous year.

Wienhusen Trust Scholarships

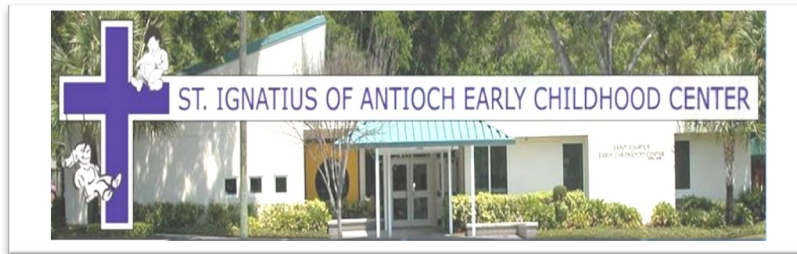
St. Ignatius was given a wonderful gift a number of years ago.

The late Marie and William Wienhusen left a trust to help children from St. Ignatius attend Catholic school.

The trust has distributed over \$70,000 a year to families who can demonstrate a full year of attendance at St. Ignatius as well as financial need.

The Wienhusen Trust is available for Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade and can be applied to any of the Catholic grade or high schools.

Applications are available from January through March each year.



EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Experienced teachers give our children the opportunity to grow spiritually, physically, emotionally and academically. We encourage activities appropriate for each age and developmental level. Our state of the art preschool building provides a safe and nurturing environment.

We are a fully licensed facility under the Pinellas County License Board. St. Ignatius Early Childhood Center is open to children ages 2 through 5 and VPK students, five days a week from 9 a.m. until noon, with before and after care available.

GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish is a member of the Guardian Angels School in Clearwater.

This high quality Catholic education is available to those who have demonstrated membership in our parish for at least one year.

For information check out their website:

www.gacs.com or contact Guardian Angels School at 727-799-6724.



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Fill out this form and drop it into the Offertory basket at Mass.

Name: _____

Home/Cell Phone # _____

Membership Envelope # _____

Email Address: _____

Please list below the family member's names and the ministries



LIFE TEEN— HIGH SCHOOL



A year round program for teens in 9th –12th grades. They meet every Sunday beginning with our awesome, interactive, and challenging 6 p.m. Life Teen Mass. Following the Mass the teens are invited to join us in the hall for our Life Night until 9 p.m.

Life Nights consist of food, fun and exciting presentations and experiences on our faith, life issues, service, and an opportunity to socialize in a Christian environment. They have an opportunity to put their leadership skills into action.

We take the teens deeper into their faith and the life of a Catholic Christian teen.

For information contact Tyler D'Amico, Life Teen Director



EDGE— MIDDLE SCHOOL



A year round program that meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth House or the hall.

Meetings are interactive with games and a spiritual message.

Pre-teens and teens in 6th, 7th, & 8th grade, come away with an opportunity to grow closer to Jesus and discover a new aspect of their faith and to have fun!

For information contact Samantha Trapp, Edge Director

CARITAS AND ITS MINISTRIES



“Do small things, with great love.”

Mother Teresa

Caritas is our community outreach ministry for the elderly, homebound, infirmed, and bereaved of our parish.

Our services include:

Communion Calls—If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness, an Extraordinary Minister will bring Communion to your home.

Care Mass— Homebound parishioners are invited to our Tuesday morning Mass and luncheon. Transportation to this Mass is provided by our volunteers.

Care Giver Support Group—Caregiver support, classes are scheduled intermittently throughout the year.

Prayer Time (Rosary)—Rosary group at Brookdale ALF, meets weekly.

Martha Ministry—Volunteers attend funeral Masses when deceased has few or no family or friends attending.

Prayer Line— Our members pray for your special intentions.

New Beginnings— This is our bereavement support group. Meetings are held monthly with guest speakers.

Caritas serves Advent Health North
Pinellas Hospital in Tarpon
Springs, plus several local nursing
homes and assisted living facilities.



CARITAS MINISTRY

For more info email Lauranne Schmit, Caritas Director,
at lschmit@ignatius.net, or call the office at ext.221

ALTAR LINENS

This small ministry purifies, washes and irons a large number of altar linens used each week in the Church and Chapel.

BETHANY GIFT SHOP

Our Church's Religious Article Store is open on Sundays 8:30 a.m. –11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. First Saturday of each Month from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Shop is located in classroom 1 in the Life Center.

Summer hours will vary.

COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRY



This outreach ministry is established to help those in the Tarpon Springs community with material needs such as food and basic essentials.

Some suggested items:

CANNED MEATS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES,
BEANS, MACARONI, CEREAL, COFFEE, TEA, RICE, IN-
STANT POTATOES, SPAGHETTI SAUCE,

PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY

**WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF SMALL EASY TO
OPEN & CARRY PACKAGES.**

Financial donations welcome.

Our Parish also has a special fund for needy parishioners that is administered by one of the Priests. Each month our Parish has a monthly food drive for non-perishable food items. Please do not bring paper goods or toiletries. Please watch the bulletin for exact weekend each month.

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT

Our Early Childhood Center provides a mother's morning out throughout the school year on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. in classroom 8 of the Life Center. \$10 per visit or 6 for \$50 for ages 1 and walking to age 36 months.

OFFICE ANGELS

These volunteers are needed to help in the parish office with large bulk mailings and bulletin stuffing throughout the year.

ROSARY MAKERS

Join in on Monday mornings from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon in the hall with this group to make new friends and create rosaries for the parish and various charities.

UPPER PINELLAS PREGNANCY CENTER

This ministry promotes the sanctity of life in all its stages.

The Center is an outreach of the Church that provides pregnancy testing, confidential counseling, maternity, infant and baby clothing, diapers, wipes, baby furniture and accessories.

Referrals for medical care, community services, adoption resources and post abortion counseling are also available.

All services are free and confidential.



For more information on any of these ministries please contact the Parish Office at ext. 201 or email kcreaer@ignatius.net

Check our social media venues or bulletin for next meeting dates!

ADULT SACRED SCRIPTURE CLASSES

Our parish offers multiple opportunities to study Sacred Scripture in a relaxed atmosphere. New topics each year.



BROTHERS IN CHRIST

Our men's ministry invites all men of the parish to meet every Wednesday morning at 6 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

We seek to delve deeper into our relationship with Jesus Christ through the Church He founded. Come learn, grow, forge new friendships and be inspired with our world-class faith formation resources.

COMEBACK CATHOLICS

Been away from the Church? We welcome any Catholic who has been away from their faith and has the desire or has questions about coming home. We meet first Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m. in the Evangelization Room in our Life Center or contact us at Comeback@ignatius.net

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE

This growing ministry of prayer, study and corporal works of mercy, meets the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Evangelization Room in our Life Center.

Our Divine Mercy painting prominently displayed in our Church was graciously donated to our parish by Sr. Briege McKenna.

SEPARATED & DIVORCED GROUP

Our ministry provides various opportunities to meet, network and discuss topics relevant to our separated and divorced parishioners. We meet the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Evangelization Room in our Life Center

This ministry is part of our Courageously Living Initiatives.

WORD IN ACTION

Fall and spring biblical studies presented by Deacon Sam Moschetto. Classes meet Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the Life Center.

BOY SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts of America is for young men from 11 to 17 years of age. This organization teaches them to work as a group and become leaders in their community.

CUB SCOUTS

The predecessor to the Boy Scouts for young boys from Kindergarten through 5th Grade.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7621

The principles of the Knights of Columbus are

Charity—Fraternalism—Unity—Patriotism.

All Catholic men are encouraged to join.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

This active group assists in various projects, parish activities and functions as needed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

These men and women review the parish budget and fiscal reports, make recommendations regarding maintenance of parish property and plan for the future development of our Parish.

PARISH COUNCIL

This group assists and advises the Pastor in guiding the Parish to be in total alignment with the vision and mission of St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church.

"I am the wheat of God.

I must become the pure bread of Christ." (St. Ignatius)

BAPTISM

Baptism is the door to life and to the kingdom of God. Christ entrusted this sacrament and the gospels to His Church when He told His apostles: "Go, make disciples of all nations and baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit."



Who may be baptized at St. Ignatius of Antioch Church?

1. Children from families whose parents are registered at St. Ignatius of Antioch and are practicing the faith.
2. Parents who are not practicing the faith must give evidence of their desire to return to the faith by attending Church regularly for three months before baptism.
3. Children from families registered in other parishes. Parents must present a letter from their pastor stating permission to have their child baptized outside their canonical parish.
4. First-time parents must attend a baptism class.

What are the qualifications for a Godparent?

1. A Godparent must be a confirmed Catholic who is at least 16 years old and who practices the faith. This must be verified with the Godparents home parish with a sponsor certificate prior to the baptism.
2. There is to be one male and one female Godparent.
3. A non - Catholic who is baptized may act as a Christian witness instead of one of the Catholic Godparents.
4. A proxy must stand in to represent either Godparent if they are unable to attend the baptism.

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday of the month after the last morning Mass. Everyone should be at the Church 15 minutes ahead of time.

Please contact the Parish Office to set up a date for a baptism and a baptismal class.

EUCCHARIST (First Communion)

“Christ Himself left us the sacrament of the Eucharist when it took place at the Last Supper.” (Mt.26:26)

Children must have attended at least one year of religious instruction before being enrolled for First Communion classes.

CONFIRMATION

***The gift of the spirits is linked to Baptism, which is a
“bath of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit.” (Tit. 3:5)***

Confirmation is celebrated for our young people in High School through our Life Teen Ministry. The young people must be in religious instruction the year previous (8th grade) or must have attended Life Nights on a regular basis.

PENANCE (Reconciliation)

***“As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.
Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins you shall
forgiven; and whose sins you shall retain, they
are retained.” (Jn. 20:21-23)***



The sacrament of Penance may be received each Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. You are welcome to call the parish to make arrangements for this sacrament at other times.

ANointING OF THE SICK

***“Is anyone among you sick? Let him bring the elders of the church
and pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.”
(St. James 5:14)***

The Anointing of the Sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death.

Last 'Rites' are a set of sacraments which include Anointing of the Sick, Penance and the Eucharist and should be administered at the beginning of a serious illness.

Priests are on call for emergencies, visit the hospital and nursing homes on a regular basis and celebrate a Mass with the Anointing of the Sick every Lent.

Campus Map

1. St. Ignatius of Antioch Roman Catholic Church

Church front doors face Orange Street

Handicap parking spots and accessible ramps located
on east & west sides of Church

Extra Church parking on east side of Huey Street behind Walmart

2. Parish Office

Priests Offices

Administrative Offices

Music Director Office

3. Early Childhood Center

4. Parish Life Center

Classrooms, Hall, Kitchen

Caritas Office , Evangelization Office,

Faith Formation Office, Deacon John Room,

Bethany Gift Shop

5. Community Life Food Pantry

6. St. Theresa, the Little Flower Shrine

7. Fr. John LaTondress Chapel

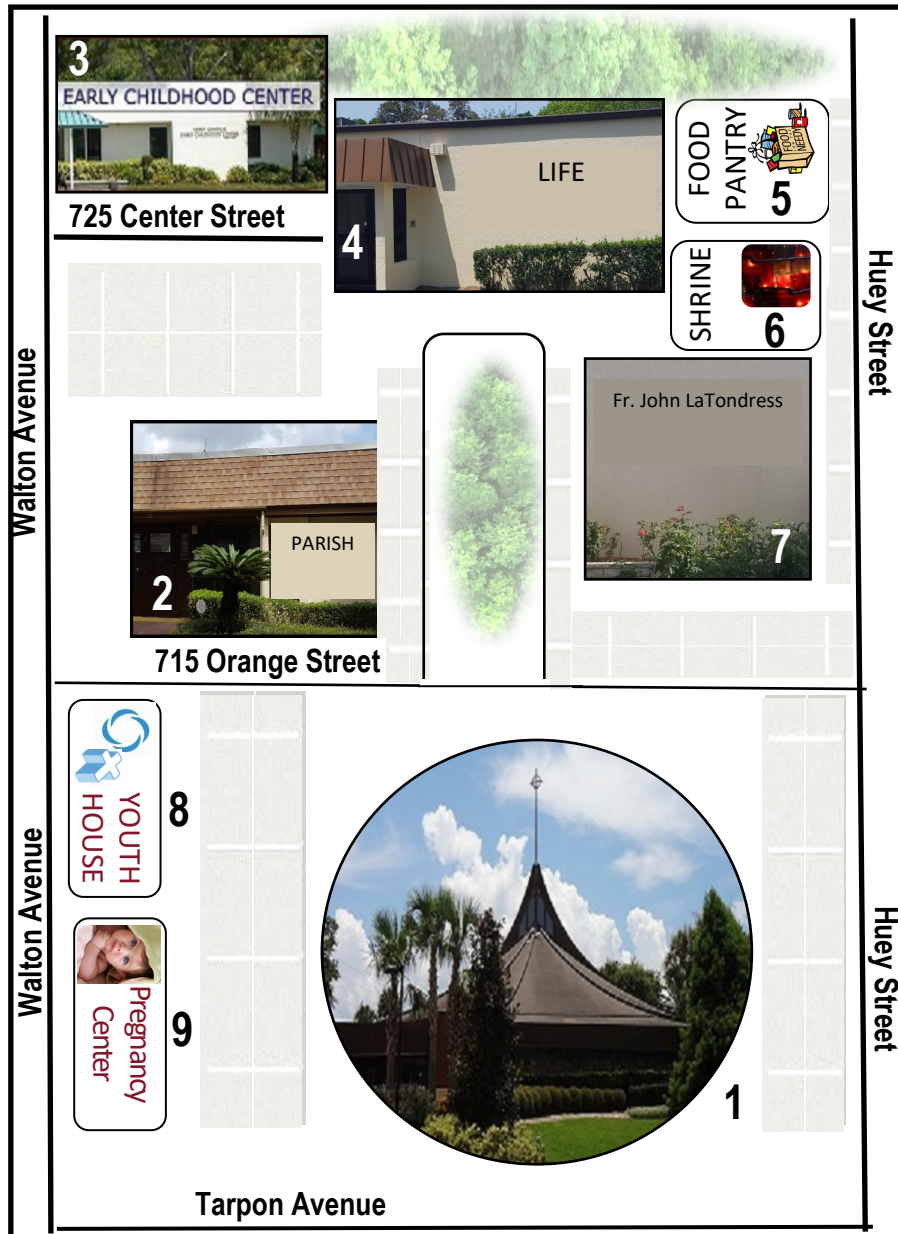
8. Youth House

Life Teen High School Youth Ministry

Edge Middle School Youth Ministry

9. Upper Pinellas Pregnancy Center

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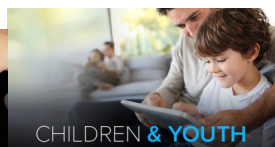
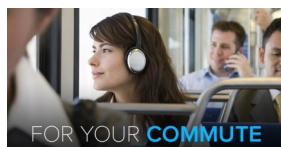
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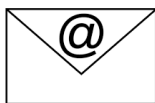
CHANGES?

Please keep the Parish Office informed.

Send a note to kcreamer@ignatius.net



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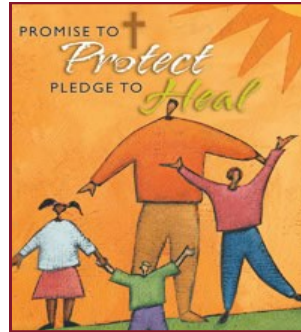


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Safe Environment Policy

*Mandatory screening for ALL VOLUNTEERS
working with Children and Vulnerable Adults*

It is the policy of
the Diocese of St. Petersburg,
and St. Ignatius of Antioch Church,
to require a background check and
Safe Environment Program (SEP)
training for all volunteers.



This policy covers all volunteers including all school volunteers; all volunteers in programs that include children; and all volunteers who visit hospitals, nursing homes and the elderly or infirm homebound.

Safe Environment Program Training is available online with the Diocese. Please go to <http://stpetersburg.CMGconnect.org> for the training. The program takes approximately 1 hour to complete. Once completed please provide a copy of your Certificate of Completion with the ministries you are serving.

Recertification of Background checks and Safe Environment Classes are required every five years.

If you are unsure if you need this screening and training, please contact the Parish Office at ext. 201 or email kcreamer@ignatius.net

The intent of the policy is to do everything within our power to protect our children, youth, the elderly and the infirmed from any abuse or neglect.