



September 12, 2009 Newsletter

Dear brothers and sisters of Ss. Philip and James,

On behalf of the Cluster parishes of St. Ignatius of Antioch, St. Mark, St. Mel, and St. Vincent de Paul, I extend to you a prayer for peace. With a fervent and sincere desire to be one Church, we come to you with open arms and saddened hearts. We recognize that the changes within our Church community weigh heavy on your hearts and minds. Our desire is to share your grief and to *fully* meet your needs with steadfast devotion and tangible works.

Your involvement in the work of our Cluster parishes is important to the success the work of the Church. In an effort to assist you, we have included within this letter important information regarding our Cluster parishes. Our hope is that the information provided will make it easier for each of you to come to know better the surrounding parishes and become involved in their work.

Your commitment to your beloved Ss. Philip and James is noteworthy and cannot and will not be forgotten. We pray that these hard times will strengthen our commitment to one another, and even revitalize the faithful in our community. Already, we have discovered many opportunities, developed new relationships, and opened doors for collaboration that otherwise may not have been realized. There is still much to do and likely difficult times ahead of us, but we are stronger and will be better prepared to serve you. Our Cluster's vibrancy however does not lie in the hands of the few but of the many. We seek and covet your prayers, but we also look for you to share your talents and resources within the Cluster. Please be mindful of how you may be able to participate in making our Cluster truly vibrant.

As mentioned previously, our goal is to come up with *tangible* ways in which we can help. Whether it is through fervent prayers or with "hands on" activities we ask only that you share your needs and concerns with us. We encourage you to share your thoughts with your cluster representatives, call any one of the Pastors, or call/email Dan Vanek, NW Cluster II Chairperson. The Cluster is working on ways in which we can help, so please recognize that this memo is just a beginning of an ongoing effort to better serve you.

Additional information on cluster planning activity throughout the Diocese can be found on the www.vibrantparishlife.org. If you have questions please contact me directly at 440.773.4007 (cell) or you may speak directly with one of your parish representatives: Frank Carangio or RV Threadgill.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel W. Vanek

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Mass Schedule					
Parish	Saturday	Sunday	Weekday	Holy Day	Rite of Penance
St. Ignatius of Antioch	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mon-Fri at 8:00 a.m.	Call parish	Sat 3:30 p.m.
St. Mark	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Mon-Thurs at 8:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sat 4:00-4:30 p.m.
St. Mel	4:30 p.m.	7:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Mon & Wed at 6:45 a.m. Tues & Fri at 8:15 a.m. Thurs at 5:45 p.m.	5:45 p.m. vigil 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Thurs at 5:00-5:30 p.m. Sat at 3:00-4:00 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Mon-Fri at 8:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sat 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Address and Other					
Parish	Address	Phone	Fax	Parish House Hours	
St. Ignatius of Antioch	10205 Lorain Ave.	216.251.0300	216.251.0302	Mon-Thur 8:00 a.m– 8:00 p.m Fri 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	
St. Mark	15800 Montrose Ave	216.226.7577	216.521.0371	Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	
St. Mel	14436 Triskett Rd.	216.941.4313	216.941.1093	Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	
St. Vincent de Paul	13400 Lorain Ave.	216.252.2626	216.252.6993	Mon-Fri 9:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.	

Contact Information				
Parish	Pastor	Other	Principal	Music Director
St. Ignatius of Antioch	Rev. James McGonegal	Sr. Dianne Piunno, Pastoral Associate	Miss Marge Ricksecker	Mr. Jeffrey Moellman
St. Mark	Rev. John Miceli		Dr. Marilyn Kurnath	Mrs. Terri Prokop
St. Mel	Rev. Mark Fedor		Dr. Richard Hronek Director, Menlo Park Academy	Mr. Thomas Czajkowski
St. Vincent de Paul	Rev. John Manning	Rev. Mike Ausperk, Parochial Vicar	Mr. Thomas McFadden	Mr. Michael Wilson

General Program and Ministries

Ministry	St. Ignatius of Antioch	St. Mark	St. Mel	St. Vincent de Paul
LITURGY				
Eucharistic Ministers	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lectors	✓	✓	✓	✓
Choir	✓	✓	✓	
Instrumental Music	✓	✓		
Greeters/Ushers	✓	✓	✓	✓
Baptism preparation	✓	✓	✓	✓
First Reconciliation preparation	✓	✓	✓	✓
First Communion & Confirmation preparation	✓	✓	✓	✓
Funeral planning and luncheons	✓	✓		✓
Bereavement		✓		
Pre-Cana	✓			✓
SPIRITUAL FORMATION				
Prayer groups		✓		
Days of Recollection for Parish		✓		
Parish Retreat or Mission	✓	✓		
Eucharistic Adoration				✓
Spiritual Development Commission	✓	✓		
Prayer Line		✓	✓	
EVANGELIZATION				
Reaching out to Inactive Catholics	✓			
Welcoming and Hospitality Activities		✓		✓
Evangelization Commission	✓	✓		
EDUCATION				
Day School	✓	✓	✓	✓
PSR	✓	✓	✓	✓
Adult Education programs	✓	✓		
RCIA	✓	✓	✓	✓
Children Catechumenate	✓	✓		✓
Summer Bible School		✓		
Scripture Study	✓	✓		

Ministry	St. Ignatius of Antioch	St. Mark	St. Mel	St. Vincent de Paul
PARTICIPATING				
Women's Guild		✓	✓	
Men's Club				
Altar & Rosary	✓			✓
Holy Name Society		✓		✓
Senior Social Club	✓	✓	✓	
Boosters		✓		
Brownies & Girl Scouts	✓	✓	✓	
Cub and Boy Scouts		✓		✓
Knights of Columbus		✓		
Coffee & Donuts	✓	✓	✓	
Youth Ministry	✓	✓		
12 Step Programs	✓	✓	✓	
Sports	✓	✓	✓	✓
SOCIAL JUSTICE / SOCIAL CONCERNS				
Social Justice Commission	✓	✓		
Education Programs		✓		
St. Vincent de Paul Society				✓
Ministry to the Homebound	✓	✓		✓
Ministry to Nursing Homes		✓		
Pro-Life		✓		
Food Pantry	✓		✓	✓
Ministry to Senior Adults	✓	✓		
Hot Meal Program	✓			
Parish Nurse		✓		
Church in the City	✓			

SPECIAL NEEDS, REQUEST, AND OTHER AREAS YOU MAY CONSIDER IN PARTICIPATING:

St. Ignatius of Antioch

- Serve on any of the following *Response Committees* (focus groups) to make recommendations to Parish Council in the areas of communications, community/cluster, development, evangelization, facilities, or stewardship. These committees were recently formed in an effort to develop recommendations to enhance the vibrancy of our parish. For general comments and questions please contact Dan Vanek at 440.773.4007.
- We are seeking more active involvement in: *Ushers, Multi-cultural Awareness and Prayer Groups, Martha's (volunteers who clean the church on Friday's), Food Pantry volunteers (a large Church in the City program distributing food to several hundred families each month)*

St. Mark

- Seeking to expand the Evangelization Commission to possibly include door-to-door evangelization.

St. Mel

- Seeking *Funeral Mass Servers*. Any man or women, young or old, former server or not who is regularly available on weekday mornings between 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Contact Sue Sererak at 216-941-4313 (between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.).

St. Vincent de Paul

- To be announced.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES OR OTHER NOTES OF INTEREST:

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- RCIA sessions: October through May
- A Cluster Advent Penance Service will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at 7:00 pm at St. Mel Church.
- A 'Welcome Home' program for alienated Catholics will possibly be held in Lent or the Spring, 2010.
- The St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Lenten Adult Education Series will become a cluster Lenten Adult Education Series for Lent, 2010.
- The St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish Share-A-Meal will seek more volunteers from the cluster parishes. Cluster parishes have offered to financially support the Share-A-Meal project. This program provides approximately 600 meals each month to those in need.
- The Senior Groups of St. Ignatius of Antioch, St. Mark, St. Mel and Sts. Philip and James will be encouraged to combine into a cluster senior group.
- Leadership of the St. Mark Youth Group and the soon to-be-formed St. Ignatius of Antioch Youth Group to collaborate on events, programs and projects.
- St. Ignatius of Antioch Sports Program to include the cluster parishes in their announcements and invitations for participants.

St. Ignatius of Antioch

- The choir has begun practice and welcomes new members. It is not necessary to read music or to have formal musical training. Weekly practice is on Tuesday nights for two hours beginning at 7:00pm in the choir loft at St. Ignatius.
- Journey Through Scripture is a weekly Bible study on Wednesday evenings through the end of November. Meetings are in the basement of the Parish House beginning at 6:30pm.
- Virtus training is offered three times during September for those planning to work with children in Church programs. Call the Ignatius Parish House at 251-0300 for details.
- The annual Boulevard Bash is hosted by the Alumni Association on Oct. 17 to benefit the Parish. The annual Clam Bake is scheduled for Nov. 8 and also benefits the Parish. Night at the Races is scheduled for Nov. 14 and is a fundraiser for the neighborhood athletics outreach program which serves over 300 youth. Call the Parish House 251-0300 for details.

St. Mark

- Anointing of the Sick at 5:00 PM Masses on October 17, 2009 and April 17, 2010.
- Youth group is going on a Mission Trip in 2010.

St. Mel

- Legion of Mary One Day Bus Trip: Tuesday, October 13, 2009. Trip and dinner cost \$35.
- THE MOST HOLY ROSARY is recited every Tuesday morning at 11:00 AM.

St. Vincent de Paul

- FIRST SUNDAY BENEDICTION SERVICE is held every 1st Sunday of the Month at 3:00 PM. Service includes Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and the Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Holy Rosary.
- EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT takes place every Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 PM.
- NOVENA TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS takes place every Friday after the 8:30 AM Mass.
- THE MOST HOLY ROSARY is recited every Monday through Friday at 8:10 AM.
- HONDURAS MEDICAL MISSION: Medical personnel travel to Honduras to serve the healthcare needs of underserved people in rural and mountain villages.