

# SERVICE SCHEDULE

## Sundays

8:30 A.M. Low Mass

10:30 A.M. Solemn Mass with Choir

## Weekdays

Mondays

8:00 P.M. Compline

Tuesday-Thursday

6:00 P.M. Evening Prayer (*online*)

Friday

12:00 NOON The Great Litany (*online*)

Feast Days

*as announced*

*See our website for details*

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# THE CHURCH OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

*An Episcopal Church*

*in the Anglo-Catholic tradition*

*where everyone is welcome*



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I am so pleased to welcome you to the Episcopal Church of Saint Ignatius of Antioch.

Our parish was founded in 1871, and we moved into our handsome neo-Gothic building in 1901. From the beginning, we have been a part of the Anglo-Catholic movement, a tradition that emphasises both serving the physical and spiritual needs of all God's people and worshipping Our Lord using a beautiful and historic form of the liturgy that traces its roots back to the early middle ages.

Saint Ignatius is distinctive in its rich heritage of catholic liturgy, excellent music, and its openness to all those who come through our doors. We strive to be a warm, loving, and inclusive community that lives out our faith in a way that connects us with the most enduring traditions of the Church. I hope you will explore all we have to offer and find a church home here.

— The Rev'd Dr Andrew C. Blume, *Rector*



## Worship

Beautiful, multi-sensory worship has been at the heart of our common life since we were founded 154 years ago.

Using the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer and other historic resources, we celebrate the sacraments according to the ancient patterns.

All our liturgies follow the customs of the historic Solemn Mass of the Western Rite. We use incense, wear traditional vestments, and always sing and chant much of the service. We mark the times and seasons with weekly Sunday masses and feast-day celebrations throughout the year. Especially powerful are the liturgies of Holy Week and Easter when we follow the Way of the Cross from Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday to Good Friday, and celebrate the mystery of the Resurrection at the Easter Vigil, a service that brings us from darkness into light.

## Music

Music and worship are inextricably bound together, and choral music, with an emphasis on early music and historic performance practice, is an integral part of all our Sunday and feast day liturgies. Our professional choir is led by Dr. Gwendolyn Toth, one of America's leading performers on early keyboards. At each service, drawing from a vast repertoire of Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque music, the choir sings a polyphonic setting of the mass, the appointed Gregorian chants, and various motets and anthems.

The excellent acoustics and intimate atmosphere make our church a highly desirable concert venue. Consequently, Saint Ignatius is home to a number of excellent vocal chamber ensembles that perform and rehearse here. Last year alone, we were host to over forty concerts.

## Christian Formation

Christian formation is a life-long process in which we seek to understand our relationship with God in Christ so that we can make meaning of our lives and better love God and our neighbor. In addition to Bible Study and other classes on the Scriptures, we offer adults a changing array of in person and online classes exploring, in recent years, poetry and Anglican spirituality, faith in the context of aging, the liturgy of the church, and other topics related to Anglican and Episcopal theology and spirituality. In addition, we organize a bi-annual retreat at Holy Cross monastery and periodic quiet days and workshops on various topics including writing a will and planning a funeral. We also offer inquirer's classes and preparation for baptism and confirmation, and we work with those are preparing for Christian marriage.



## Outreach

Service to our community and to our neighbors is an important part of the Anglo-Catholic tradition. The Saint Ignatius Soup Kitchen has operated for over forty years without interruption on Saturdays and Mondays, offering a healthy grab-and-go meal to all who come. We also work with a local shelter, delivering meals, supporting emotional wellness workshops, and volunteering and donating gifts for the annual holiday luncheon. Our outreach ministry is staffed by volunteers and funded by the parish with additional support from outside grants.

## Membership and Stewardship

Wherever you are on your faith journey, you are most welcome. We are a diverse community from many walks of life, united in a desire to deepen our faith, share in the Sacraments, and worship God in Christ through the beauty of liturgy and music. Our programs are supported primarily by contributions from parishioners. A good way to learn more about the parish is to join us after Sunday mass in the Undercroft for Coffee Hour, where we share in fellowship, conversation, and homemade treats.

