

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



July 2, 2023

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Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday - 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



St. Paul the Apostle Church

Corner of 6th & Raritan Ave.
Highland Park, NJ 08904

Guardian Angels Church

37 Plainfield Ave. (Access from Market Street)
Edison, NJ 08817

Vision Statement

The vision of Transfiguration of the Lord Parish is to have an enlightening and transforming experience of God through a greater faith and knowledge of Jesus.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Spanish Mass)
Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 8:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance by appointment

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Daily Mass: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday - 9:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION AS ANNOUNCED IN BULLETIN

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Guardian Angels Church

Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, Wednesday, St. Paul the Apostle Church

Novenas for Miraculous Medal and St. Jude: Tuesday after 9 a.m. Mass, Guardian Angels Church

Staff

Rev. Abraham Lotha, PhD, Pastor
Deacon Edward Krupa & Deacon Ubaldo Valdez (part-time)
Maria Singares: Administrative Assistant/Secretary

Parish Membership: We welcome new members to our Parish family and request you register in the Parish as soon as possible. Active membership is determined by registration, faithful participation and giving of one's time, talent and resources to this community of faith. **The parish cannot issue certificates of eligibility for sacramental sponsorship, give recommendations or character references if a person is not an active parishioner.**

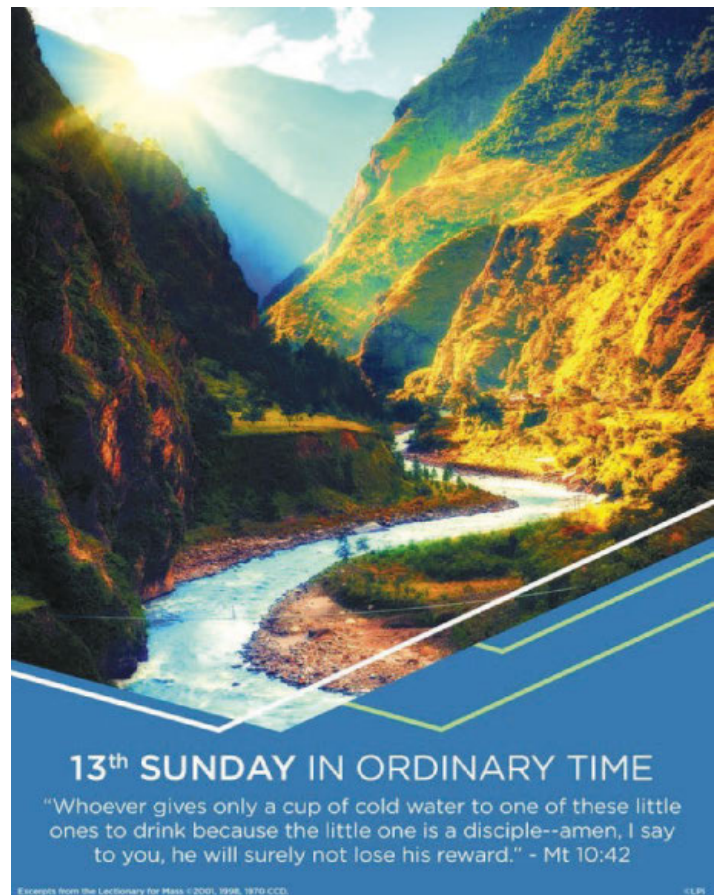
The Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptism is the celebration through which a child is brought into the faith of the Catholic Church. Parents must be registered and practicing members of the parish. Parents and sponsors are required to attend a pre-baptismal class. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics in good standing and able to obtain a certificate of eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Matrimony: The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual, intellectual and emotional preparation. Couples should arrange with the Parish Office one (1) year prior to the wedding date. Please call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor prior to making any other wedding plans.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Anyone who feels called by God to become a member of the Catholic Church participates in the RCIA Program. A series of instructions and liturgical ceremonies designed to give total formation in the Catholic Faith

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Any parishioner who is sick, aged or incapacitated may receive the Eucharist at home. Please contact the Parish Office to have a priest visit you at home or in the hospital.



13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

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JULY 2, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 3

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Frank Shirley†

Requested by: Alan Shirley

Owen McCormack†

Tuesday, July 4

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. For the Country

Wednesday, July 5

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Robert Cella†

Requested by: Dan & Betty Lou Varady

Thursday, July 6

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. John McLoughlin†

Friday, July 7

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Richard Horvath†

Requested by: Noreen Horvath

Saturday, July 8

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. David Walsh†

4:00 p.m. Jean Scanlon Petraglia†

Thomas & Dolores Sadowski

(60th Anniversary)

Requested by: Thomas & Dolores Sadowski

Sunday, July 9: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. Kimberly Kennedy†

Requested by: Shawn & Melanie O'Connell

12:30 p.m. The Suan Family

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. Leon Zukosky†

Requested by: Lee Ann & Frank Burke

11:00 a.m. Pacita M. Manulapig

Requested by: Daughter, Gloria

Mass for a Loved One

It is a good Catholic tradition to have a Mass said for the repose of the soul of a loved one, for a person who is ill, for a special intention, for a celebration such as birthdays or anniversaries, and in thanksgiving. The normative offering for an announced Mass in the Diocese of Metuchen is \$10.00. Please use the form below to submit requests by mail or place this form in the Sunday collection basket. Please call the parish office, (732) 572-0977 for any questions.

Requested by: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Name of the person for the intentions (deceased or living): _____

Or Special Intention (please specify): _____

Date, Time & Church for Mass: _____

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, July 8

4:00p.m.

Lectors:

Peter Staples

Carl Tenchavez

Eucharistic Ministers:

Hermie Tenchavez

Ushers:

R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon

Sunday, July 9

8:00 a.m.

Lectors:

G & S Ramirez

Eucharistic Minister:

Rodel Santos

Angelo Damone

Ushers:

A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, July 9

11:00 a.m.

Lectors:

Karen Mohamed

Eucharistic Minister:

Judy Barta

Ushers:

T. Sinker, J. Virrey, P. Weir

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, July 9

9:30 a.m.

Lectors:

Joan Jobbins

Eucharistic Minister:

Carla Guerreiro

Ushers:

J. Adadevoh

Thank you to the following donors for 2023

Breaking Bread Hymns: \$2,500 in Memory of Albert and Angelica Garlatti and Maria Harrison.

Celebremos (Spanish Hymns): \$900 (Anonymous) and \$100 by Catherine O'Neill

Wine: \$500 in memory of William & Arlene Eichler

Hosts: \$1,500 by Paul Bravo

Hosts (Gluten Free): \$100 (Anonymous)

Palm Leaves: \$600 by Jose and Lydia Salamante

Candles & Candle Oil: \$500 (Anonymous)

Sanctuary Candles

It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or a special intention at either Guardian Angels or St. Paul's for a donation of \$25.00. Enclose your offering in an envelope with information and put in an envelope with information and put in collection basket or mail or bring it to the Parish Office.

Please pray for the sick and homebound

Peggy Abecker, Ruth Bach, Dorothy Baum, Rita Beckhorn, Maryanne Boncelet, Carol Byrne, Charles Byrne, Theresa Byrne, Connor Chin, Steven Dempsey, Migdalia Diaz, Dee Donnelly, Martha Gutierrez, Mark Iannacone, Sr. Donna Kane, Brittany Knapp, John Kriegl, Anthony Lepore, Adam Lubonski, Donovan Mak, Dolores Neumann, Stephanie P., Paul Pachucki, Ellen Pelosi, Richie Rausch, Jaxson Rivera, Antonia Sacristan, Robert F. Santoro, Jack Santos, Mickey Schiavone, Martha Schumacher, Joseph Skalla, Steve & Alice Marie Sloss, Alice Sporer, Christina Stevenson, Helen Szaranowski, Jean Toth, Frank Valendo, Joe Valendo, Jack Wiegartner, and William B. Zalek.

Prayers for Military Personnel

Sgt. Kevin Klemick, Marines. Captain Hayes Cozza, Marines. First Lieutenant Santino Cozza, Air Force. Corporal Thomas G. Monahan, Marines. SPC. Brandon D'Souza, Airman Tamari Bailey, Air Force. Captain Michael Asprocola, Marines. Sgt. Preston Zalek, Army. Chief Petty Officer Joseph M. Zalek, Navy. SR Cullen McArdle, Navy. Sgt. Juan A. Alejandro, Army. Jake Loftus, USN.

Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member serving in the Armed Services & would like to be included.



July 4th Holiday: In observance of Independence Day, the parish office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th. Please join us for Mass at 9:00 am at Guardian Angels to thank God and pray for our country.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of food because our supplies are running low. Canned or dry soup, tuna fish, pasta, peanut butter and cereal would be gratefully accepted.

Continued from last week....

**National Eucharistic Revival: Parish Phase,
June 2023 to June 2024**

Invitation #1: Reinvigorate Worship

All members of the Church – ordained ministers and the faithful – enter into and should be formed by the Liturgy. “We are required every day to rediscover the beauty of the truth of the Christian celebration” (Desiderio Desideravi, no. 21). “Efforts must also be made to encourage a sense of community within the parish, above all in the common celebration of the Sunday Mass” (Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 42). The beauty of the Liturgy should engender in us wonder, which leads us to adoration.

Eucharistic Revival Parish Phase: Adoration at St. Paul's

From Friday, July 14, 2023 to June, 2024, there will be Adoration from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM on the second Friday of every month at St. Paul's Church. There will be prayers in Spanish but all parishioners are welcome.

Coming Sooon Burger Bingo!

Friday July 21st at Guardian Angels Hall, 6:00 p.m.
Fundraise to pay for the Guardian Angels Roof



Annual 50/50 Summer Raffle Mailing

It is time of year when the 50/50 Raffle books have been mailed to our active parishioners. We ask that you try to buy or sell the raffle tickets as the proceeds will help in covering church expenses. Please return all raffles taken and untaken in the weekly collection baskets in an envelope, via mail or drop off at the church office. The drawing will be on Sunday, August 6th in the Guardian Angels Church Hall at 12:00. Remember you have to be in it to win it! If you have any questions, please call Cathy McComiskey at (732) 572-4129.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, July 21, Burger Bingo, 6:00 pm, Guardian Angels
Sunday, August 6, Parish Feast & Annual 50/50 Raffle
Sunday, Nov. 19, Tricky Tray
Saturday, December 9, Christmas Trees Lighting
Saturday, December 30, Year-End Party

OFFERINGS

6/25/2023


Sunday Offering	\$4,908.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 157.00
ShopRite	\$ 50.00

Guardian Angels Hall Roof Repair

We resume the project to repair the Roof for Guardian Angels Hall. The cost estimate for the south side of the roof is \$24,240.00.

Donation: Metuchen Comitium	\$ 200.00
Donation: Nick Mitlo	\$ 500.00
Donation: Paul E. Bravo	\$ 150.00
Donation: Bob & Maryann Takash	\$ 4,000.00
Donation: Anonymous	\$ 7,130.00
Donation: AARP	\$ 150.00
Donation: Other	\$ 1,560.00
Donation: Rosary Altar Society	\$ 1,500.00
Donation: Picnic	\$ 1,022.00
Knights of Columbus	\$ 200.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 3,480.00
Shop Rite	\$ 1,300.00
Total 6/25/2023	\$21,192.00

eGIVING

 eGiving lets you streamline your stewardship and support Transfiguration of the Lord Parish grow the ministries you care about most. eGiving provides steady, consistent support so we can empower our mission in support of our parish families and our community. Sign up at faith.direct/NJ1058 or call their toll-free number 866-507-8787. Thank you for your support our parish!

Second Collection

The Second Collection on this weekend will be for the **2023 Missionary Cooperative Plan** to help the Archdiocese of Freetown in Sierra Leone West Africa. The Archbishop's Office supports the financially weak communities with proceeds from the mission appeals. It is our hope that the proceeds from the 2023 appeals would support the church building project of St Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Community in Campbell Town, outside Waterloo. The Archdiocese will also support social programs - Hospital and Clinics, including orphans, vulnerable and marginalized.

Rev. Peter Konteh is a priest of the Archdiocese of Sierra Leone, West Africa. He is the Executive Director, Caritas Freetown. Fr. Peter as he is fondly called, began social work over 30 years ago. Fr. Peter Konteh is the Chairman and Technical Supervisor in Sierra Leone for the Healey International Relief Foundation, an American (New Jersey- based) humanitarian organization that works on child protection, education, health, and social services in Sierra Leone. Rev. Fr. Peter duly leads the development arm of the Catholic Diocese of Freetown. His commitment to continue his pastoral duties, support for the work of the church and care for others is manifested in his drive to raise funds and seek sustainable development interventions at both community and national levels, in and out of the church. It reaffirms his role as the Executive Director of the Archdiocesan Development Office/ Caritas Freetown, as a solid partner for peace and development.

PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 2 de Julio de 2023, Décimo Tercer Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario
Le invitamos a rezar el Rosario todos los domingos a las 12:00 medio día

Nuestra Visión Parroquial

La visión de la Parroquia de la Transfiguración del Señor es vivir una experiencia de Dios que nos ilumine y nos transforme a causa de un mejor conocimiento de Jesús y una Fé mayor en Él.

Lectores: Ámbar Ortega y Luisa Torres (7/2/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: Efraín Zambrano (7/2/2023)

Lectores: Josefa Rivera y Érica Madera (7/9/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: Diacono Ubaldo Valdez (7/9/2023)

Membresía Parroquial

Nuevos residentes de la comunidad son bienvenidos a registrarse como feligreses. También les pedimos que cualquier cambio de dirección, correo electrónico o número de teléfono sea sometido a la oficina de la parroquia con prontitud.

El sacramento del bautismo

El bautismo es la celebración a través de la cual un niño es llevado a la fe de la Iglesia Católica. Los padres deben estar registrados y practicando miembros de la parroquia. Los padres están obligados a asistir a una clase pre-bautismal. Los padrinos deben ser católicos practicantes y poder obtener un certificado de elegibilidad de su parroquia.

RCIA

Cualquiera que se sienta llamado por Dios para convertirse en miembro de la Iglesia Católica participa en el programa RCIA. Una serie de instrucciones y ceremonias litúrgicas diseñadas para dar buena información en la fe católica.

Cuidado pastoral de los enfermos

Cualquier feligrés que esté enfermo, envejecido o incapacitado puede recibir la eucaristía en casa. Por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia.

Le invitamos a la

**“Hora de Adoración al Santísimo”,
cada segundo viernes del mes,
de 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.,
comenzando en Julio 14, 2023,
en la Iglesia de San Pablo el Apóstol**

Seminario

La Experiencia del Exilio

Padre. Gustavo Rodríguez y Padre Gustavo Amell

Sábado 8 y 15 de Julio de 2023

9:00 am a 12:00 m

Centro Pastoral St John Neumann

(146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ, 08854)

Registro general por persona: \$20.00

Registro estudiantes de la escuela de Biblia: \$10.00

Charla: Descubriendo a Dios en Nuestros Hermanos

Te invitamos a conocer más sobre la Doctrina Social de la Iglesia y nuestro llamado al cuidado de las demás y de nuestro entorno.

Miércoles 2 y 9 de Agosto de 2023

De 7:00 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

El evento no tiene costo, pero requiere registro previo.

Centro Pastoral St John Neumann (146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ).

Para más información contáctanos en Lescobar@diometuch.en.org o llamar al (732) 246-4573

AÑO DEL AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL

JUNIO 2023 – JUNIO 2024



Encuentro personal

Cerca de las costas de Galilea, las palabras de Jesús a sus primeros discípulos fueron: "Vengan y vean". En aquel momento de Encuentro, algo cambió en el corazón de aquellos hombres para siempre. Algo en sus vidas y en sus corazones cobró por fin sentido al encontrarse con Jesús: se cumplió una promesa. ¿Recuerdas la primera vez que te encontraste con Jesús en la Eucaristía? ¿Qué le pasó a tu corazón, a la dirección de tu vida, a los deseos que tenías?

Los encuentros con Jesús nos cambian. Durante este Año del Avivamiento Parroquial, queremos que todos los fieles sean invitados a "venir y ver", con la esperanza de que encuentren verdaderamente la presencia de Jesús, vivo en la Eucaristía.

¡Cristo ha resucitado! Como Sus discípulos, estamos llamados a salir y difundir las buenas nuevas de la resurrección de Cristo. Los ministerios fructíferos en nuestra parroquia son ejemplos de cuántos de ustedes han respondido, y continúan respondiendo, ese llamado. Para garantizar que dicho trabajo pueda continuar se requieren no solo regalos de tiempo, sino también de ayuda financiera. Les pido que consideren en oración apoyar a nuestra parroquia con donaciones electrónicas a través de Faith Direct. Puede registrarse en línea en [faithdirect/FD2](https://faithdirect.org), o llamar al servicio al cliente de Faith Direct al 866-507-8757. Nos brindará un apoyo constante que nos ayudará a estar siempre listos con programas, servicios y ministerios para las familias de nuestra iglesia y para los necesitados en toda la comunidad. Gracias por su continuo apoyo a nuestra familia parroquial.

Padre Abraham

PARISH PICNIC: THANK YOU!

Our parish picnic was a grand success! About 300 people attended the picnic. THANK YOU to all who made it successful - the Social Committee, volunteers, donors, and all who attended the picnic. May God bless all of you!



2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal:	\$48,000.00
Total Pledge Received:	\$38,339.11
Amount Received	\$31,950.11
Percent of Goal Pledged:	79.87%
Percent of goal received:	66.56%

BEHOLD: a 3-night encounter with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

By Array of Hope, in collaboration with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

7:00 PM, August 3 and 4 (Thursday and Friday)

3:00 PM Saturday, August 5

Location: Guardian Angels Church

The nights include talks, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and music provided by Array of Hope.

Night 1: 7:00 Thursday, August 3

The Eucharist and Healing

This evening focuses on how Jesus' saving mission is a mission of healing, and how the Lord calls us to come to Him in the Eucharist to receive the life and healing He wishes to give us.

The night includes a talk, the highlighting of a Eucharistic saint and miracle, a special Eucharistic healing service with live music, and confessions will be available.

Night 2: 7:00 PM, Friday, August 4

The Eucharist and Awe

This night includes a talk, the highlighting of a Eucharistic saint and miracle, a time of stillness and silence before the Real Presence, and confessions will be available.

Night 3: 3:00 PM Saturday, August 5

The Eucharist and Communion

This afternoon includes a talk, the highlighting of a Eucharistic saint and miracle, and confessions will be available. The Talk will be followed by the 4:00 Vigil Mass



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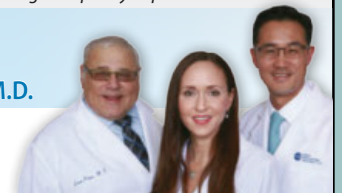
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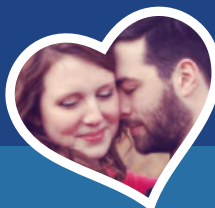
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