# TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



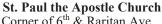
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#### **Guardian Angels Church**

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

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.

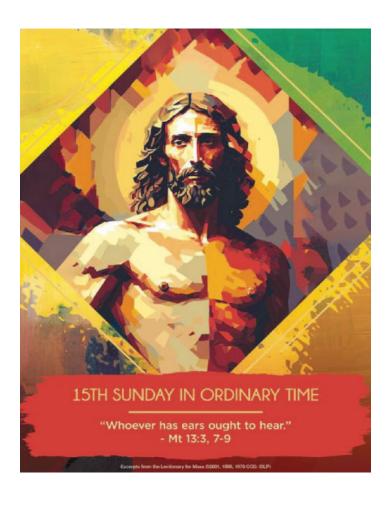
### The Sacrament of Baptism:

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.



### TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, July 17

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Tuesday, July 18

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. Cleofe Elimanco+

Requested by: Legion of Mary Guardian Angels

Wednesday, July 19

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Fr. Abraham Lotha

Requested by: Danny & Betty Lou Varady

Thursday, July 20

**Guardian Angels Church** 

9:00 a.m. Fr. Abraham Lotha

Requested by: Ed & Kim Krupa

Friday, July 21

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Beverly Wagner

Requested by: Richard Wagner

Saturday, July 22

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. Sr. Helen Callahan, SC† 4:00 p.m. Terrence L. McComiskey†

Requested by: Cathy McComiskey

For Special Intention
Edilberto Oliver†

Requested by: Roger Requejo

Sunday, July 23: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. David Torres†

Requested by: Susan & Robert Nuñez

12:30 p.m. Fanny y su Bebe

Requested by: Familia

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. Margaret & Clifton Berle

Requested by: Family

11:00 a.m. Josephine & Michael Caravella+

Requested by: Jerry & Teri Rizzo

Martha De Jesús Oviedo Acosta &

Frank Farrar Jr.

Requested: Familia Farrar

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#### LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

**Guardian Angels Church** 

Saturday, July 22 4:00p.m.

**Lectors:** John Melnick

Matthew Biskupek

Eucharistic Ministers: Hermie Tenchavez

Ushers: R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon Sunday, July 23 8:00 a.m.

Lectors:Ryan SalamanteEucharistic Minister:Rodel Santos

Angelo Damone

**Ushers:** A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, July 23 11:00 a.m.
Lectors: Katie Farrar

**Eucharistic Minister:** Vivian Luna

**Ushers:** T. Sinker, J. Virrey, P. Weir

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, July 23 9:30 a.m.

Lectors: Mary Beth Iannacone
Eucharistic Minister: Carla Guerreiro
Ushers: J. Adadevoh

#### Thank you to the following donors for 2023

Breaking Bread Hymnals: \$2,500 in Memory of Albert and An-

gelica Garlatti and Maria Harrison.

Celebremos (Spanish Hymnals): \$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.

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 accept-



Vincent de Paul St. Food Pantry

Hunger does not recognize a special time of the year and doesn't happen to just the poor. It does not recognize color or religious beliefs, but it happens. When jobs are lost, or when illness brings unplanned medical expenses, it happens. It happens to your friends, your neighbors, and even members of your own family. You might not know about their plight, but it is there. We do our best to help them and when our pantry is full, we can.

The types of food needed are:

cereal	tuna fish	canned vegetable	es and fruit
pasta	tomato sauce	boxed macar	oni and cheese
baked be	ans soup	peanut butter	rice juice
jelly/jam	canned med	t products (raviol	li, stews, etc.)
boxed or	canned potatoe	s canned milk	crackers

Hunger happens 365 days a year. Please help us feed those who need help. Thank you and God Bless Youl

#### Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Save the Date! You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:30 PM. Registration is required. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-goldanniversary-celebration. If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 6, 2023. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversarycelebration or calling (732) 562-1543.

#### Day for Grandparents and Seniors

The Diocese of Metuchen is pleased to host a Celebrate Life Event - A Day for Grandparents & Seniors (55+) on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway. The morning will include, breakfast, fellowship, and a guest speaker presentation followed by Eucharist Adoration and Holy Mass. This event is an outreach to our aging Catholic community and promises to be an upbeat day! There is no fee but registration is required. For more information or to reghttps://www.diometuchen.org/ visit: humanlifeanddignity.



### **Coming Soooon Burger Bingo!**

Friday July 21st at Guardian Angels Hall, 6:00 p.m. Fundraise to pay for the Guardian Angels Roof Repairs. Cost: \$15 per person. Please see sign up sheet at the back of the Church.

#### **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**

	7/9/2023	
Sunday Offering	\$4,779.00	
Bring a Dollar	\$ 205.00	
ShopRite	\$ 100.00	
Assumption	\$ 35.00	

#### Guardian Angels Hall Roof Repair

As of June 30th, we reached \$22,232.00, towards our goal of \$24,240.00. Thank you very much for your continuing support and generosity. From the weekend of July we will raise funds for the North Side of the Hall Roof repair. The cost is \$20,200.00.

Knights of Columbus Council No. 4885 \$10,000.00 Bring a Dollar 333.00 **Shop Rite** 150.00 Total 7/9/2023 \$10,483.00

#### **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 parish families a 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!.

#### 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal: \$48,000.00 Total Pledge Received: \$38,339.11 Amount Received \$32,725.11 Percent of Goal Pledged: 79.87% Percent of goal received: 68.18%

#### 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.

#### Remember Your Parish: Bequests

The purpose of a will is to ensure the financial security of your loved ones. Once that has been achieved, you can plan to give a gift to Transfiguration of the Lord Parish. It can be a monetary sum, a property, stocks or bonds. These are precious gifts for the parish.

#### PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 16 de Julio de 2023, Décimo Quinto 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: Cristobalina Gutiérrez y Carmen Chanez (7/16/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: Diacono Ubaldo Valdez (7/16/2023)

Lectores: Luisa Torres y Guadalupe Díaz (7/23/2023) Ministro Eucarístico: Domingo Chanes (7/23/2023)

#### <u>Membresía Parroquial</u>

Nuevos residentes de la comunidad son bienvenidos a registrarse como feligreses. También les pedimos que cualquier cambio de dirección, correo electrónico o numero 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



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AÑO DEL AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL ENCUENTRO PERSONAL QUIERES PROFUNDIZAR MÁS? Planifica la música para ayudar al culto Invitar a equipos de oración Equipa a los feligreses con el lenguaje para invitar a otros Planifica una procesión eucarística para el Corpus Christi ¿Cómo lo hará tu parroquia? · Planifica un retiro parroquial de Avivamiento Eucaristico Estas noches de Encuentro son para toda tu parroquia y Hable con su nárroco sobre las formas. en que su parroquia puede establecer su cultura única y personal. un espacio para la adoración eucaristica continua.

¡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 faith.direct/FD2, 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

OFICINA DE EVANGELIZACIÓN HISPANA - DIÓCESIS DE METUCHEN

# Third World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly on July 23, 2023.

The Apostolic Penitentiary has granted a Plenary Indulgence (under the normal conditions of detachment from sin, reception of sacramental confession and Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff) to grandparents, the elderly, and all the faithful who, motivated by the true spirit of penance and charity, celebrate and participate in the Third World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly on July 23, 2023.

For those sick elderly, or others unable to leave their homes for serious reasons, they may spiritually join in the sacred celebrations of the day by offering their prayers, pains, and sufferings particularly while remotely participating in a liturgical celebration.

#### Children's Choir Summer Camp August 21st to August 25th

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi's Office of Sacred Music, in conjunction with the Diocesan Office of Liturgical Music, will be hosting a Children's Choir Summer Camp program from August 21st to August 25th on the Cathedral's campus in Metuchen. All rising 3rd through 8th graders from any parish in the diocese are invited to participate. Participating Choristers will learn the basics of Music Theory, Gregorian Chant, do fun composer-based projects, and will sing for daily 12:10 Mass at the Cathedral. The week will end with a festive Ice Cream Party. Registration deadline has been extended to July 10.



**Stress In Your Marriage?** Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse?

<u>RETROUVAILLE</u> is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

<u>RETROUVAILLE</u> consists of a weekend end experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is August 18-20, 2023. All inquiries are confidential.

For further information, please contact: Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email: 3024@helpurmacciage.org.

### PARISH FEAST: Sunday, August 6th

- 1. Eucharistic Revival Retreat: August  $3^{\rm th}$  to  $5^{\rm th}$  at Guardian Angels Church.
- 2. Saturday, August 5th: Coffee and Cake after 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass organized by the Social Committee.

#### Sunday, August 6th:

- 3. Breakfast and Social at Guardian Angels Hall after the 8:00 a.m. Mass organized by the Rosary Altar Society.
- 4. Breakfast and Social at St. Paul's after the 9:30 a.m. Mass sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.
- 5. Coffee and Cake and Social at Guardian Angels Hall after the 11:00 a.m. Mass organized by the Social Committee.

#### Continued from last week....

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

#### Want to go deeper?

- 1. Encourage a renewed reverence for liturgical silence.
- 2. Invite parishioners to consider daily Mass attendance.
- 3. Host a catechetical formation series on the Eucharist.
- 4. Provide confession before celebration of the Holy Mass.
- 5. Encourage the sharing of witness stories about powerful experiences of the Holy Mass.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Guardian Angels Church. We invite all our parishioners to take part in this special prayer time. If you are attending Mass and there is no Altar Server, Lector or Eucharistic Minister and you are part of that ministry, please step forward to serve. If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Altar Server, please call the Parish Office.

**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.

# 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.

If you are away during this season, please travel safe. You can also look at our parish website: transfiguration-parish.com, to learn of events in our Parish.

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