

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



July 23, 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.**

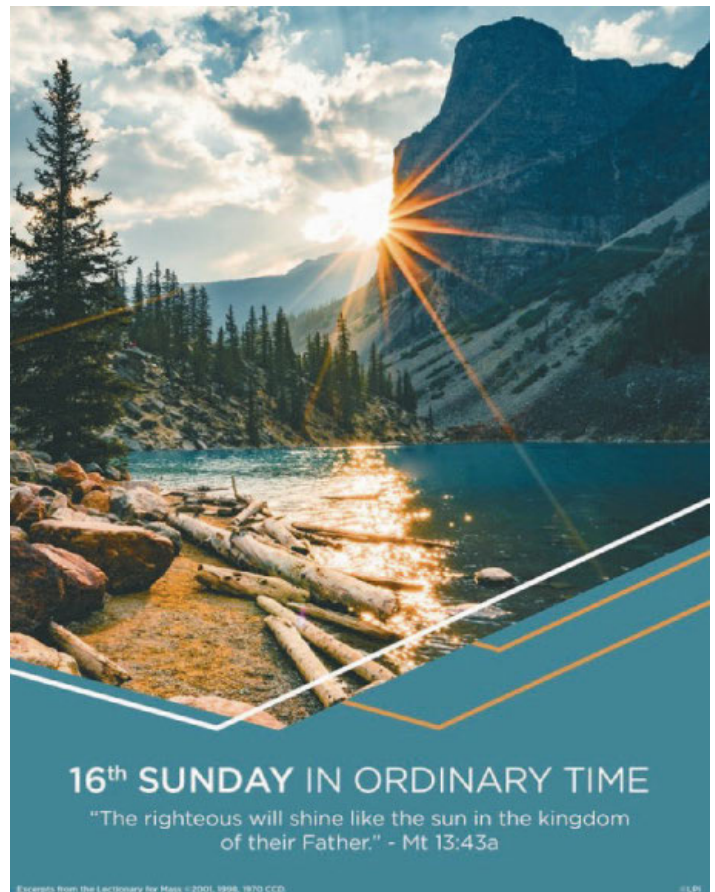
The Sacrament of Baptism:

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.



16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:43a

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 22

Guardian Angels Church

4:00 p.m. Terrence L. McComiskey†,
by Cathy McComiskey
For Special Intention
Edilberto Oliver, by Roger Requejo

Sunday, July 23: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. David Torres†, by Susan & Robert Nuñez
12:30 p.m. Fanny y su Bebe, by La Familia

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. Margaret & Clifton Berle, by Family
11:00 a.m. Josephine & Michael Caravella†,
by Jerry & Teri Rizzo
Martha De Jesús Oviedo Acosta &
Frank Farrar Jr., by Familia Farrar

Monday, July 24

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Marge Shirley†, by Alan Shirley

Tuesday, July 25

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. Delores Milicia†, by Peter Milicia
Kenneth Conant

Wednesday, July 26

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Cecelia Byrne†, by Theresa Byrne

Thursday, July 27

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. Cleofe Elimanco†, by Family
Janet Louise Criss†, by Patrick Rizco

Friday, July 28

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Mary McLoughlin Cizynski†

Saturday, July 29

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. Mimi Lauert†, by Mike & Cathy White
4:00 p.m. Alice & George Bertolotti†,
by Jean Bertolotti
Arthur & Edith Mattiet†,
by: Tom & Debbie DeChiara

Sunday, July 30: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. David Torrest†, by Angela Ianelli
12:30 p.m. Arturo Acosta Gregory, by Nelly Soransene

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. Art Paltz†, by Alice M. Sloss
11:00 a.m. Krupa Jayaraj†, by Swamy Family

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, July 29

4:00p.m.

Lectors: Mary Anne Day
Michael Romano

Eucharistic Ministers: Stella Salamante

Ushers: R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon

Sunday, July 30

8:00 a.m.

Lectors: Mike White

Eucharistic Minister: Gloria Ramirez

Ushers: A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, July 30

11:00 a.m.

Lectors: Anthony Varghese

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Barta

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

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, July 30

9:30 a.m.

Lectors: Ellen Maughan

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Lou Varady

Ushers: J. Adadevoh

Thank you to the following donors for 2023

Breaking Bread Hymnals: \$2,500 in Memory of Albert and Angelica 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 Iannaccone, Sr. Donna Kane, Brittany Knapp, John Kriegl, Anthony Lepore, Adam Lubonski, Amarilis Maldonado, 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.

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World Day for Grandparents and Elderly transferred to the first weekend after Labor Day in September

In 2021, Pope Francis established the celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and Elderly on the fourth Sunday of July, near the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus (July 26). The theme for the 2023 celebration selected by the pope is "His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50).

The U.S. bishops have approved the transfer of the celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in the U.S. to the first weekend after Labor Day in September to coincide with National Grandparents (and the Elderly) Day in the United States as many local communities, schools, and parishes have celebrated for some time.



Congratulations! John Melnick

Bishop Checchio has informed us that John Melnick has been accepted into the diaconate formation program in the diocese. We are happy for John for saying YES God's call and to his wife, Gertrude, for her support. John is currently the coordinator for the lecturers in our parish. He and Gertrude also teach Religious Education to our parish children. Our prayers are with you John and Gertrude.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 6, Parish Feast & Annual 50/50 Raffle
Saturday & Sunday, August 12 & 13, Bakeless Bake Sale
Sunday, Nov. 19, Tricky Tray
Saturday, December 9, Christmas Trees Lighting
Saturday, December 30, Year-End Party

OFFERINGS

7/16/2023

Sunday Offering	\$4,646.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 130.00
ShopRite	\$ 100.00
Roof Repair	\$ 70.00
Votives	\$ 100.00

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
Donations:	\$ 70.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 463.00
Shop Rite	\$ 250.00
Total 7/16/2023	\$10,783.00

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!

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.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to sell ShopRite cards on Saturday and Sunday after each mass at Guardian Angels. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the church office. Thanks you for your consideration.

PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 23 de Julio de 2023, Décimo Sexto 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: Luisa Torres y Guadalupe Díaz (7/23/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: Domingo Chanes (7/23/2023)

Lectores: Carmen Chanez y Érica Madera (7/30/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: María García (7/30/2023)

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.

AÑO DEL AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL

JUNIO 2023 – JUNIO 2024



EJEMPLOS INSPIRADORES



En la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, la Iglesia Santa María de Newburg ha estado planeando noches mensuales de hora santa llamadas noches de "Avivamiento". Dirigidas por los Frailes Franciscanos de la Renovación (CFR), sus horas santas mensuales están programadas por la tarde para el primer viernes de cada mes. Incluye un tiempo de adoración, música, predicación y confesiones.



A pocos kilómetros de distancia, la Parroquia de la Santa Cruz, en el Bronx, celebra misas mensuales de sanación que concluyen con un tiempo de adoración y procesión eucarística. Celebradas en español e inglés, estas Misas invitan a todos los fieles a una experiencia vibrante y apasionada de adoración y oración de intercesión. Jesús en el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa, y verdaderamente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento, se acerca a cada persona en la iglesia por medio de la procesión. También se ofrece el Sacramento de la Reconciliación y equipos de oración durante el tiempo de adoración eucarística.

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OFICINA DE EVANGELIZACIÓN HISPANA – DIÓCESIS DE METUCHEN



Adoración Eucarística en San Pablo el Apóstol,
14 de Julio de 2023

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

Let us pray that Catholics place at the center of their lives the Eucharistic Celebration, which transforms human relationships profoundly and opens up an encounter with God and their brothers and sisters.

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 register, visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>.

Summer Family Rosary

The Office of Family Life is sponsoring a Summer Family Rosary on Zoom in July and August at 7 p.m. July dates are the 10th and 24th and August dates are TBD. Engaged and married couples and kids are welcome! For details and link information, please get in touch with Cristina at cdaverson@diometuchen.org.



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?

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

RETROUVAILLE 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@helpurmaccriage.org.

PARISH FEAST: Sunday, August 6th

1. Eucharistic Revival Retreat: August 3th to 5th 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.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

Continued from last week....

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

Personal Encounter: Near the shores of Galilee, Jesus' words to his first disciples were "Come and See." In that moment of Encounter, something changed in the hearts of those men forever. Something in their lives and hearts finally made sense in meeting Jesus—a promise was fulfilled. Do you remember the first time you met Jesus in the Eucharist? What happened to your heart, the direction of your life, the desires you had? Encounters with Jesus change us. During this Year of Parish Revival, we want all the faithful to be invited to "Come and See" in hopes that they truly Encounter the presence of Jesus alive in the Eucharist.



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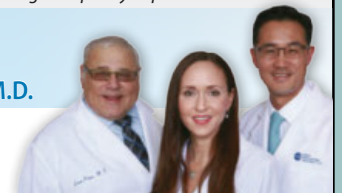
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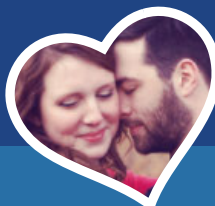
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