TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



July 30, 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

<u>Vision Statement</u>

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

<u>Staff</u>

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.

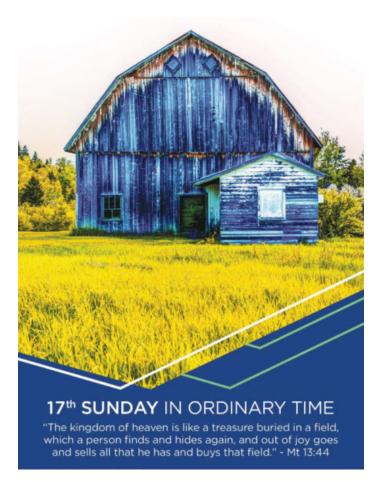
The Sacrament of Baptism:

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.

<u>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:</u> 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.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 29 **Guardian Angels Church** 4:00 p.m. Alice & George Bertolotti†, by Jean Bertolotti Arthur & Edith Mattie+, 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 Jennifer Tenempaguay, by Luis Tenempaguay **Guardian Angels Church** Art Paltz⁺, by Alice M. Sloss 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Krupa Jayaraj[†], by Swamy Family Monday, July 31 St. Paul the Apostle Church David Walsh⁺ 8:00 a.m. Peter Sheridan⁺ Tuesday, August 1 **Guardian Angels Church** 9:00 a.m. **Cleofe Elimanco†**, by Family Angel Suise (Birthday), by Patricia A. Rinaldi Wednesday, August 2 St. Paul the Apostle Church 8:00 a.m. George E. Gerhardt Thursday, August 3 **Guardian Angels Church** 9:00 a.m. Geraldine & Joseph Farrel John & Anne McTieman Friday, August 4 St. Paul the Apostle Church 8:00 a.m. Giovanni & Giovanna DeChiara†, By Tom & Debbie DeChiara Saturday, August 5 **Guardian Angels Church** 9:00 a.m. **Brother Alphonsus Heerin, CFC†** 4:00 p.m. George Lawrence, by Family Sunday, August 6: Transfiguration of the Lord St. Paul the Apostle Church Jose Colon⁺, by Sul 9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Nelson Pozot, by Daughters **Guardian Angels Church** 8:00 a.m. James M. Scanlon & Christine Scanlon⁺ 11:00 a.m. Mary & John Leitner, by Marta Afonso

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LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Guardian Angels Church		
<u>Saturday, August 5</u>	4:00p.m.	
Lectors:	Michael Romano	
Eucharistic Ministers:	Silvia H. de Colina	
Ushers: R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon		
Sunday, August 6 8:00 a.m.		
Lectors:	Peter Staples	
Eucharistic Minister:	Rodel Santos	
	Angelo Damone	
Ushers:	A. Damone, M. Mehalick	
Sunday, August 6 11:00 a.m.		
Lectors:	Ryan Salamante	
Eucharistic Minister:	Stella Salamante	
Ushers:	T. Sinker, J. Virrey, P. Weir	
St. Paul the Apostle Church		
<u>Sunday, August 6</u>	9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Britany Meklin	
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 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 Iannacone, 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.

<u>Prayers for Military Personnel</u>

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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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:

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

Feminine Genius Brunch - October 2023

Come join us for a beautiful morning set aside to marvel at the mystery of God and His plan for each of us! This event includes a presentation and book signing by Shannon Whitmore, author of the new book, "See Yourself as God Does: Understanding Holy Body Image through Catholic Scripture" (Ascension). The morning will include prayer and reflection, brunch and a review of some service ideas for women to get more involved in ministry. This event is for women of all ages and will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway from 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM. For more information and/or to register please visit <u>www.diometuchen.org/familylife</u> or call 732-562-1543.

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

	7/23/2023
Sunday Offering	\$6,399.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 180.00
ShopRite	\$ 50.00
Votive	\$ 90.00

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	
Burger Bingo	\$	1,260.00	
Donation at Burger Bingo		265.00	
Donations	\$	70.00	
Bring a Dollar	\$	643.00	
Shop Rite	\$	300.00	
Total 7/23/2023	\$1	12,538.00	



2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal:	\$48,000.00
Total Pledge Received:	\$39,684.11
Amount Received	\$33,545.86
Percent of Goal Pledged:	82.68%
Percent of goal received:	69.89%
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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 a 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, 30 de Julio de 2023, Décimo Séptimo 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: Carmen Chanez y Érica Madera (7/30/2023) Ministro Eucarístico: María García (7/30/2023) Lectores: Josefa Rivera y Luisa Torres (8/06/2023) Ministro Eucarístico: Guadalupe Díaz (8/06/2023)

<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.

<u>El sacramento del bautismo</u>

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.

<u>RCIA</u>

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.

Educación Religiosa

Las inscripciones, para el programa de educación religiosa 2023-2024, están ya abiertas. Las clases se llevarán a cabo en el centro parroquial en Highland Park, de 10:30 a 11:45 de la mañana. La primera clase se impartirá el domingo 10 de septiembre. Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles en la oficina de la parroquia y en las dos Iglesias. Actualmente necesitamos maestros, sustitutos y custodios de puerta. No se necesita experiencia previa, solo la voluntad de compartir su fe con los niños de la parroquia. Se proporcionará toda la capacitación. Por favor, considere cómo formar parte de nuestro importante programa de educación en la fe. Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial o Bridget O'Connor, que es la directora de educación religiosa de nuestra parroquia.

Misa de la Herencia Hispana

Acompaña al Obispo Checchio en la celebración de la Misa de la Herencia Hispana en español, **el viernes 15 de septiembre de 2023 a las 7 p.m. en la Catedral de San Francisco de Asís**, Metuchen NJ (32 Elm Ave, Metuchen NJ 08840). Ven a compartir con la comunidad Hispana, y juntos daremos gracias a Dios por nuestra diócesis y por la oportunidad de vivir nuestra fe a través de nuestras tradiciones. Información: Lescobar@diometuchen.org o llame al (732) 243 4573.

AÑO DEL AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL



ESCUELA BÍBLICA HISPANA *de la Diócesis de Metuchen*

Dirigida a los laicos de las comunidades Hispanas.

El programa completo ofrece 9 cursos, cada uno aproximadamente de 7 clases. Allí podrán leer, estudiar y profundizar en los aspectos humanos y divinos de las Sagradas Escrituras.

INSCRIPCIONES ABIERTAS

CURSO I INTRODUCCIÓN A LAS SAGRADAS ESCRITURAS

Jueves de 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm, Del 14 de Septiembre al 19 de Octubre de 2023 Costo: \$35 por persona Centro Pastoral St John Neumann 146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway

Registro e información www.diometuchen.org/taller-de-biblia-introduccion Lescobar@diometuchen.org o al 732 243 4573



Descubriendo a Dios en Nuestros Hermanos

Te invitamos a una charla sobre la Doctrina Social de la Iglesia y el llamado a cuidar de nuestros hermanos y del entorno

Miércoles y 9 de Agosto, de 7 - 9 pm No tiene costo

Lugar: St. John Neumann Pastoral Center (146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ)

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OFICINA DE EVANGELIZACIÓN HISPANA - DIÓCESIS DE METUCHEN

Religious Education

Enrollment for our 2023-2024 parish religious education program is now open. The first class will be on Sunday, Sept. 10th. Classes will be held in the parish center in Highland Park from 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Registration forms are available in the parish office and in both our churches. We are currently in need of teachers, substitutes, and door monitors. Previous experience is not needed, just a willingness to share your faith with the children of the parish. All training will be provided. Please make a prayerful consideration on becoming a part of our important faith education program. Contact the parish office or Bridget O'Connor the director of religious education in our parish.

Burger Bingo: THANK YOU!

Our parish Burger Bingo was a great success! Thank you to the organizers Henry and Marge Santos, Bill and Jean Mikita, all the volunteers, donors, and all who participated in the event. Thank you all. May God bless you!



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.

Continued from last week....

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

INVITATION #2

Monthly "Encounter Nights" That Help Parishioners Encounter Jesus in the Eucharist Personally

During the Year of Parish Revival, the National Eucharistic Revival proposes that every parish begins a monthly hour of Eucharistic adoration for "encounter", so that every parishioner has the opportunity to meet Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. As the year begins, an "Encounter Night" guide will be provided along with other resources to give a detailed template that could be used , a list of liturgical items needed, appropriate prayers, and suggested options for songs.

These holy hours of Eucharistic adoration are planned for the evening or during the weekend—preferably a time that most members od the parish could attend-in a desire for every Catholic to encounter the Lord anew. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is encouraged to be offered, and appropriate reading or talks could be given.

It is powerful to see this movement already taking place across the country and the world. St. Peter's Basilica in Rome has started their own monthly nights of Eucharistic adoration in the square. At the heart and home of the Church, our Pope is preying alongside his people for Jesus' presence to be made known.



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