

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



September 24, 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.**

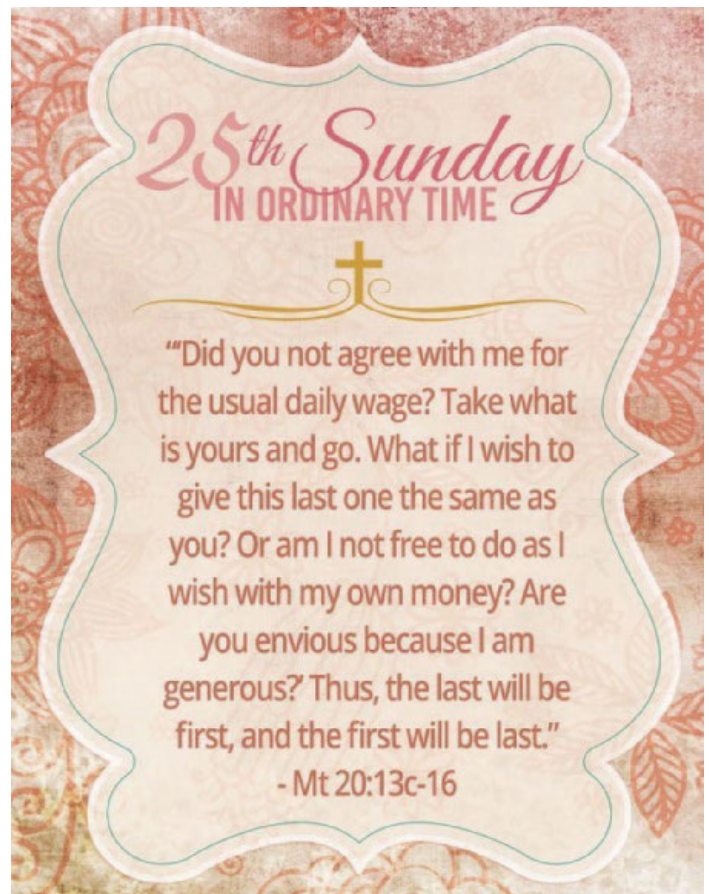
The Sacrament of Baptism:

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.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 23

Guardian Angels Church

4:00 p.m. **Briska Family**, by Patricia Suchanek
Norman Neri Glassman†,
by Maria Ciccolini

Sunday, September 24, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **Josephine Adadevoh†**,
by Adadevoh Family
Ronald Monaco†,

by Shawn & Melanie O'Connell
12:30 p.m. **Robert McGall, Pilar Velásquez & Luis Alemán Mena**, by Mari McGall

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Religious Sisters of Mercy**
Manuel López†, by Nilda I. Pérez

11:00 a.m. **Jill Santoro†**,
by Anna & Ron Cunningham
Donald E. Rowe†,
by Angela Ianelli

Monday, September 25

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **Mary Elizabeth Deet†**

Tuesday, September 26

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Rommel Bulanhaguit†**,
by Friends & Family

Wednesday, September 27

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **Catherine McMorro Kealey†**

Thursday, September 28

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Mary & Guido Ambrosi**,
by Corinne Ambrosi
The Deceased Members of the Scanlon Family†

Friday, September 29

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **James M. Scanlon†**

Saturday, September 30

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Julia A. Farmer†**, by Family
Jerry Demalderis†, by Angelo Damone

4:00 p.m. **John D. Garvey (5th Anniversary)†**,
by Cathy McComiskey
Eleanor & Edilberto Zoleta & Family†,
by Josie, Eden & Fely

Sunday, October 1, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **John Byrne†**, by Theresa Byrne

12:30 p.m. **Carmen Cabrera & Robert Cabrera†**,
by Felix Cabrera

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Leonard Buniewski†**, by Family

11:00 a.m. **Souls in Purgatory**, by Gery Flanagan
John Wojciechowski†,
by Pete & Pat Staples

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, September 30

4:00p.m.

Lectors: Mary Anne Day

Eucharistic Ministers: Hermie Tenchavez

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

Sunday, October 1

8:00 a.m.

Lectors: Joan Guetti

Eucharistic Minister: Rodel Santos

Angelo Damone

Ushers: A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, October 1

11:00 a.m.

Lectors: Peter Staples

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Barta

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

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, October 1

9:30 a.m.

Lectors: Brittany Meklin

Orianna Terrado

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 Iannacone, Sr. Donna Kane, Brittany Knapp, John Kriegl, Anthony Lepore, Adam Lubonski, Amarilis Maldonado, Donovan Mak, Bob Nellegar, Christine Nellegar, Dolores Neumann, Our Citizens and souls in Hawaii, Stephanie P., Paul Pachucki, Ellen Pelosi, Richie Rausch, Jaxson Rivera, Joann Russell, 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, Christine Voorhees, 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.

Religious Education News

Enrollment for the 2023-24 school year is now open! Registration forms are available in both churches and in the parish office. Our classes began on September 10th, we will be accepting new students until September 29th.

Volunteers Needed! Please consider becoming a volunteer for our religious education program. We are currently in need of substitutes, and door monitors. No experience is necessary, all training will be provided to you.

If interested, please email the Religious Education Coordinator at edisonparish@verizon.net or call (732) 572-0977, ext. 14.

St. Francis' Feast Day and Blessing of animals

On the occasion of **St. Francis' Feast Day**, we will have a blessing of animals at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 1st at Guardian Angels.

Prayer of blessing:

"Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired Saint Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet. By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen."



**Thanks to Carla Guerreiro and Maria Propst.
The Grotto looks beautiful!**



Please return orders by Oct. 29, 2023. Please place orders in collection basket. Payment by cash or check. CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT **Catherine White** (not Transfiguration of the Lord or Gertrude Hawk). Be sure to include your phone number and address on the order form. Keep pink copy for your records. We need at least \$1,000.00 in sales to make the profit. No order is too small and every order count. Any questions, please call Cathy White at (732) 277-8882.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 1, Communion Brunch
Sunday, November 19, Tricky Tray
Saturday, December 9, Christmas Trees Lighting
Thursday, December 14, Eucharist & the Incarnation. A talk by Fr. Joseph Costantino SJ
Saturday, December 30, Year-End Party

OFFERINGS

	9/17/2023
Sunday Offering	\$4,689.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 77.00
Maui Relief	\$2,903.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 164.00
ShopRite	\$ 50.00

Guardian Angels Parking Lot

Our next project will be to repair the parking lot at Guardian Angels. When it rains, it look like a nice waterfront property, but after it dries up there are plenty of potholes. The cost for the repair will be \$16,000.00. We hope to have the work finished by the middle of September. Thank you for your understanding and generous support.

Bring a Dollar	\$ 943.00
Shop Rite	\$ 350.00
Super 50/50 Raffle Winner Donation	\$ 80.00
Donation from Edison Pizza	\$ 68.00
Anonymous Donation	\$ 500.00
Anonymous Donation	\$ 200.00
Anonymous Donation	\$ 300.00
Total 9/17/2023	\$ 2,441.00



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!



Would any parishioner be interested in donating mums for the season? It can be for intentions such as anniversary, birthday, remembrance of a loved one, etc. If yes, please bring them when you come for Mass on the weekend.

PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 24 de septiembre de 2023, Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del 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 Fe mayor en Él.

Lectores: Cristobalina Gutiérrez & Érica Madera
(9/24/2023)

Ministros Eucarísticos: Domingo Chanes (9/24/2023)

Lectores: Guadalupe Díaz y Josefa Rivera (10/1/2023)

Ministro Eucarístico: Guadalupe Lucero (10/1/2023)

Noticias de Educación Religiosa

¡Las inscripciones para el año escolar 2023-24 ya están abiertas! Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles tanto en las dos iglesias como en la oficina parroquial. Nuestras clases empezaron el 10 de septiembre, estaremos aceptando nuevos estudiantes hasta el 29 de septiembre.

¡Se necesitan voluntarios! Por favor considere convertirse en un voluntario en nuestro programa de educación religiosa. Actualmente necesitamos maestros sustitutos y cuidadores de puerta. No se necesita experiencia, se le proporcionará toda la capacitación.

Si está interesado, por favor envíe un email al Coordinador de Educación Religiosa al siguiente correo: edisonparish@verizon.net o llame al (732) 572-0977, extensión 14.

Seminario - El Evangelio de San Marcos

En preparación para el nuevo año litúrgico, la Oficina de Evangelización Hispana invita a la comunidad Hispana al seminario sobre el Evangelio de San Marcos.

Sábado 30 de Septiembre de 2023

De 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m.

Donación \$20.00, descuento especial para los asistentes a la Escuela Bíblica Hispana.

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

Registro en: diometuchen.org/hispanicevangelization

Para más información contáctenos en

Lescobar@diometuchen.org o llame al (732) 243-4573.

Viviendo Nuestra Fe

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y vivir nuestra fe,
siguiendo las
enseñanzas de la
Doctrina Social de
la Iglesia.

Sábado 14 de Octubre de 2023

9:00 am a 12 medio día.

Entrada Gratuita

Auditorio Centro Pastoral

146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ

Regístrate en:

diometuchen.org/HispanicEvangelization

"En verdad les digo que cuanto hicieron a uno de estos
hermanos míos más pequeños, a mí me lo hicieron"

Matco 25, 40

Para más información comuníquese al 732 243 4573

o escriba a Lescobar@diometuchen.org

OFICINA DE EVANGELIZACIÓN HISPANA - DIÓCESIS DE METUCHEN



AÑO DEL AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL

JUNIO 2023 - JUNIO 2024



EJEMPLOS INSPIRADORES



Las Arquidiócesis de Detroit y Saint Louis participaron en campañas de evangelización en las que las parroquias planearon formas creativas de invitar a amigos y familiares a volver a Misa durante la Navidad. Antes de extender la invitación, se organizaron reuniones para enseñar hospitalidad, cómo invitar y tácticas sencillas sobre cómo hacer que alguien nuevo se sintiera bienvenido. Dentro de un tiempo litúrgico tan ungido, la Navidad era una invitación natural. Las diócesis utilizaron videos, recursos virtuales y el don de la conexión para invitar de nuevo a los católicos. Los párrocos prepararon sus homilias en consecuencia y organizaron sencillos actos de hospitalidad.

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish

Les invita a Tres Días de Retiro

"Reavivamiento Eucarístico"



Jueves 5, Viernes 6 y Sábado 7 de Octubre de 2023

A las 7:00 p.m.

Te esperamos, no faltes!

2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal: \$48,000.00
Total Pledge Received: \$39,589.11
Amount Received: \$34,707.86
Percent of Goal Pledged: 82.48%
Percent of goal received: 72.31%

TRICKY TRAY 2023

Tricky Tray which will take place on Sunday, November 19th, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Doors open at noon. Tickets are \$10.00 per person. Ticket sales begin October 2nd, 2023.

We are accepting donations of new items and assembled baskets. Bring your own food and beverage. Already made-up baskets or items to make up baskets are needed. All new items please. Cash donations and Gift Cards gratefully accepted. You may drop off made-up baskets or new items at Guardian Angel's or St. Paul's churches or the parish office. Monetary donations and Gift Cards can be placed in an envelope marked "Tricky Tray" and placed in the offering collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. These will be used to fill out baskets. For more information please contact the parish office or Cathy White at 732-277-8882.

National Catholic Mental Health Campaign Novena

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development has announced a National Catholic Mental Health Campaign Novena. The novena will begin on October 10 (World Mental Health Day) and conclude on October 18 (the Feast of St. Luke, patron of physicians). It comes as no surprise that we've seen a spike in mental health issues, particularly following the Covid lockdowns. Bishop Checchio thought parishioners, those struggling with their mental health as well as those with a friend or family member struggling, might find comfort in praying the Novena, and perhaps you could make it available in your bulletin and/or Social Media presence.

Mass for a Loved One

The 2024 Mass Book opened on Tuesday, September 12th, 2023. 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. If you have any question call (732) 572-0977 (Parish Office).

Requested by: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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

Or Special Intention (please specify):

Date, Time & Church for Mass:

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 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 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 #4:

'Invite One Back' and Accompany Those in Need and on the Margins

The second part of this invitation encourages us to consider how we can identify and accompany those in need and on the margins. As part of the Mystical Body of Christ, Catholics all over the country can become the hands and feet of Jesus to bring his Good News to the mission field of their neighborhood and parish. The Church reminds us that "the Eucharist commits us to the poor" (CCC, no. 1397). "A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is intrinsically fragmented" (Deus caritas est, no. 14). Let us seize this moment as the great missionary opportunity of our time. When we hear the words, "Go forth, the Mass is ended," our work as missionary disciples begins anew as we respond to the Lord's command to "go and make disciples" by the faithful witness of our lives—by reaching out to the lost, the least, and the last. With confidence, let us entrust ourselves to the care and guidance of the Holy Spirit to bring about a Eucharistic Revival at this time in the life of the world!

The Rosary Altar Society would like to thank everyone who made the "Cake Sale" a success. We are grateful for our generous parishioners who support us.

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Annual Parish Brunch

October 1, 2023

12:00 Noon

Guardian Angels Church Hall



GUEST SPEAKER :
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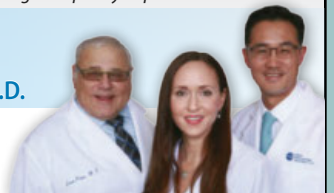
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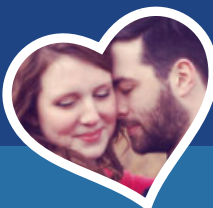
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