

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



September 8, 2024

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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.



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

MASS INTENTIONS

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 7

Guardian Angels Church

4:00 p.m. **Judi Schmitt**, *by Family Delores & Joseph Milicia*, *by Peter Milicia*
Mary O'Connell Garvey & John Garvey†, *by Cathy McComiskey*

Sunday, September 8: 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **Philomena Tracy†**, *by Dan & Betty Lou Varady*
Dorothy Wright, *by Noreen Horvath*
Albert J. Florio†, *by Knights of Columbus*
 12:30 p.m. **Eliseo Cortes†**, *by Socorro Cortes*
Félix Cabrera y su Familia
Guadalupe Ramírez, Aurelio Cordero y Vicente Daniel†, *by Érica Daniel*

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Helen McCormack**
 11:00 a.m. **Philip Bongiovanni†**, *by Sister Jennie*

Monday, September 9

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **People of the Parish**

Tuesday, September 10

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Mary & Jack Cizynski†**
Sue Dudek†, *by Bob & Edna Nellegar*

Wednesday, September 11

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **Barbara McCarthy**, *by Donna Smith*

Thursday, September 12

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Kathleen Cunningham**
Ann Belsky, *by Edison Senior*

Friday, September 13

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **Lou & Betty Antonelli†**, *by Dan & Betty Lou Varady*

Saturday, September 14

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Sr. Mary Helen Duighan, RSM†**
Sr. Mary Kevin Mulligan, RSM†
Maria Timp†, *by Cathy & Noreen*

4:00 p.m. **Michael White†**, *by Jean Bertolotti*

Sunday, September 15: 24th Sunday Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **Albert J. Florio†**, *by Bill & Ann Volpe*
 12:30 p.m. **Animas Benditas† y todos los Enfermos**, *by Socorro Cortés*
Amelia Aguayo (Cumpleaños), *by Familia*

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Zenko Family**, *by Patricia Suchanek*
 11:00 a.m. **Roy E. Day†**, *by Day Family*

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, September 14 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Catherine O'Neill
Eucharistic Minister: Hermie Tenchavez
Ushers: R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon

Sunday, September 15 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Sergio & Edna Ramirez
Eucharistic Minister: Lourdes Brizuela
Ushers: A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, September 15 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Anthony Varghese
Eucharistic Minister: Gloria Rada
Ushers: T. Sinker, J. Virrey, P. Weir

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, September 15 9:30 a.m.

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

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.

Thank you Donors for the following items for 2024

Breaking Bread Hymnals: \$2,500 Paul Bravo in memory of Paul Bravo Sr., Anacleto Bravo, Dr. Margaret Bravo and Helena Mochol, Apolonia Trinidad.
 Celebremos (Spanish Hymnals): \$500
 Wine: \$500 in memory of William & Arlene Eichler
 Hosts: \$1,500 Anonymous
 Hosts (Gluten Free): \$100 Anonymous
 Palm Leaves: \$1,000 Garlatti Family
 Candles & Candle Oil: \$500 Anonymous

Please pray for the sick and homebound

Peggy Abecker, Rodney Afonso, Ruth Bach, Dorothy Baum, Rita Beckhorn, Ann Belesky, Maryanne Boncelet, Carol Byrne, Charles Byrne, Connor Chin, Loretta Dalando, Steven Dempsey, Migdalia Diaz, Noreen V. Fitzgerald, Michael Fuzesi, Fernando Gonzalez, Gladys Gonzalez, Martha Gutierrez, Mark Iannacone, Sr., Donna Kane, Brittany Knapp, John Kriegl, Anthony Lepore, Adam Lubonski, Amarilis Maldonado, Ann Marie Mc. Manus, Donovan Mak, Antonio Mola, Giovanni Mola, Bob Nellegar, Dolores Neumann, Our Citizens and souls in Hawaii, Stephanie P., Paul Pachucki, Ellen Pelosi, Richie Rausch, Jaxson Rivera, Alena Robles, 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, Mary Ann Takash, Jean Toth, Frank Valendo, Joe Valendo, Lorretta Valendo, Christine Voorhees, Jack Wiegartner, and William B. Zalek.

Prayers for Military Personnel

Sgt. Kevin Klemick, Marines. Kyle P. Chanley, US Army. 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, Army Sgt. Michael Tutalo, 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.

The Sanctuary Candle this week is in Memory of **Mike White**.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: Registration for the 24-25 school year is fully underway. If you have not registered your child yet, please do so as soon as possible. Forms can be found at both churches and the parish office. Our first day of class will be held on Sunday, September 8th. Please join us for the 9:30 Mass that day, where there will be a blessing for all our catechists and volunteers.

Bus to Wind Creek Casino

A bus for October 3rd, is going to Wind Creek Casino. You pay \$30.00, and you get back \$25.00. The bus will leave Guardian Angels Church at 10:00 a.m. promptly. Be there at least 15 minutes before departure. To reserve a seat on the bus call Jean Bertolotti (732) 662-4322. Make a check payable to Jean Bertolotti or cash.

2024 Fall Spaghetti Dinner

A Spaghetti Dinner has been scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. sponsored by the Parish Social Club. This dinner cost will be \$25.00 with children under 8 year old free. The menu will be as follows: Spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, soft drink, bread, butter and desserts. Come one, come all and enjoy the company of your family, friends and meet some new parishioners. Tickets will be on sale soon at church or the parish office. The deadline for purchasing tickets is October 23, 2024. All proceeds from the dinner will be used for church expenses. We hope to see you all at the dinner!

50/50 Summer Raffle

Many thanks to the participants and organizers of the Summer 50/50 Raffle. The raffle was a huge success. The total of receipts of the raffle was \$9,510.00. The following are the 3 winners of the raffle:

1 st Prize	Paul Bravo	\$2,377.50
2 nd Prize	Cathy McComiskey	\$1,426.50
3 rd Prize	Rich Marlow	\$ 951.00

Congratulations to our winners and look forward to our next raffle.

Tricky Tray 2024

Tricky Tray 2024 will take place on Sunday, November 17th at 2:00 pm. We are accepting donations of new items and assembled baskets. Already made-up baskets or items to make up baskets are needed. All new items please. You may drop off made-up baskets or new items at Guardian Angels or St. Paul's Churches or the parish office. Cash donations and Gift Cards gratefully accepted. 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 make up baskets. For more information, please contact the parish office or Cathy White at (732) 277-8882.

Upcoming Events

October 26: Spaghetti Dinner
 November 17: Tricky Tray
 December 7: Christmas Tree Lighting
 December 28: Year-End Party

OFFERINGS

9/1/2024

Offertory	\$5,946.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 211.00
Shop Rite	\$ 50.00

Chalices Refinish Project

Our next project will be for cleaning and refinish of these chalices. The estimate cost is \$4,200.00.

Bring a Dollar	\$422.00
Shop Rite	\$100.00
Other Donation	\$ 50.00
Total (9/1/24)	\$572.00

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!.

Parish Youth Group Meeting

7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 26 at St. Paul's Church Hall.
 All High School Students are welcome.

Second Collection

The Second Collection scheduled for this weekend is for **Peter's Pence Collection**. This collection is the annual Holy Father's Collection and all proceeds are designated for that singular purpose.

Senior Social Club will meet on Thursday, September 12th, at 12 Noon in Guardian Angels Church Hall. The Club welcomes all members of the Parish who are 50 years of age.

PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 8 de Septiembre de 2024, Vigésimo Tercer 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: Luisa Torres y Irene Manzanera (9/8/2024)

Ministros Eucarísticos: Ubaldo Valdes (9/8/2024)

Lectores: Érica Madera y Cristobalina Gutiérrez (9/15/2024)

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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.

Presentamos el Día de la Familia

Las familias son los cimientos de la sociedad. Las familias brindan amor, seguridad, educación y un lugar seguro para que los niños crezcan. Las familias cristianas son los lugares más importantes para nutrir y fomentar la formación en la fe de los niños. Con el fin de ayudar a las familias de nuestra comunidad parroquial a crecer en amor y fe, estamos introduciendo la práctica de un Día de la Familia. Cada familia de la parroquia está invitada a designar un día en el año (excepto el Día de la Madre, la Pascua, el Día de Acción de Gracias y la Navidad) como el **Día de la Familia**. Podría ser en un aniversario, o cualquier otro día significativo que una familia elija. Las familias que celebran el Día de la Familia serán anunciadas en el Boletín. Ese día, las familias están invitadas a venir a la Misa y habrá una bendición para ellos durante la Misa. Te invitamos a que lo pienses y lo comentes con tus familiares. Llame a la oficina si tiene alguna pregunta.

La Oficina de Evangelización Hispana y el Ministerio Pastoral busca formar líderes de evangelización en el campo de la pastoral hispana. Es por este motivo que, en forma académica y técnica, la oficina instruye a aquellos que han de trabajar con la comunidad hispana en los diferentes ministerios parroquiales.

Encuentro Diocesano del Comité Católico Negro – Sábado, 14 de septiembre de 2024


Habrà una Reunión Diocesana de Comité Católico Negro el sábado 14 de septiembre de 2024 de 10:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial Universitario y Comunitario de San Pedro el Apóstol, en la 94 Somerset St., New Brunswick. El Comité Católico Negro es un comité multiétnico de católicos apasionados que están trabajando para implementar el Plan de Acción Pastoral recomendado por el Congreso Nacional Católico Negro el pasado mes de julio. Se requiere de una donación de \$10.00 la cual cubrirá el almuerzo. Para registrarse visite: www.diometuchen.org/multiculturalministry. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con mperez@diometuchen.org o deaconrickfortune@gmail.com

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Costo:
\$40 por persona (registro incluido)
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El 3 de noviembre, es la fecha límite para registrarse.
La inscripción incluye materiales y almuerzo. No habrá cuidado de niños.

Para más información, comuníquese con:
Luz Escobar 732-243-4573 | lucobar@diometuchen.org
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Reserve la Fecha!!

Por favor reserve la fecha y acompañenos en las siguientes celebraciones, Estas son expresión de nuestra tradición como comunidad Hispana en la Diócesis de Metuchen. El 11 de Octubre de 2024. Misa de la Herencia Hispana a las 7 pm en la Catedral San Francisco de Asís en Metuchen. Esté atento para más información.

El sábado 21 de septiembre de 2024, Roberto Albuja y Edgar Teller (Coordinador de Salud de Stroke Scan Plus) han programado un evento de Prevención de Salud, en coordinación con nuestra Parroquia, de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en el Salón de la Iglesia de los Ángeles Guardianes.

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Diocese of Metuchen

Summary Information:

Goal:	\$48,000.00
Total Pledge & Received:	\$37,737.25
Recurring Gift:	\$0.00
Recurring Received:	\$0.00
Amount Received	\$34,209.00
Over/(Under) Goal:	(\$10,262.75)
Percent of Goal Pledged:	78.62%
Percent of goal received:	71.27%
Average Gift Amount:	\$288.07

On Saturday, September 21, 2024, Robert Albuja & Edgar Teller (Health Coordinator) has scheduled a Wellness Ultrasound Screening event at Transfiguration of the Lord Parish with room availability from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Guardian Angels Hall.

2025 Mass Book

The 2025 Mass Book will open on Thursday, September 12. 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.

Mass Times:

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Mon, Wed, Fri., St. Paul's
9:00 a.m. Tue, Thurs., Sat., Guardian Angels
Weekends: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil) Saturday, Guardian Angels
Sundays: 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Guardian Angels
9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Spanish, St. Paul's

Requested by: _____

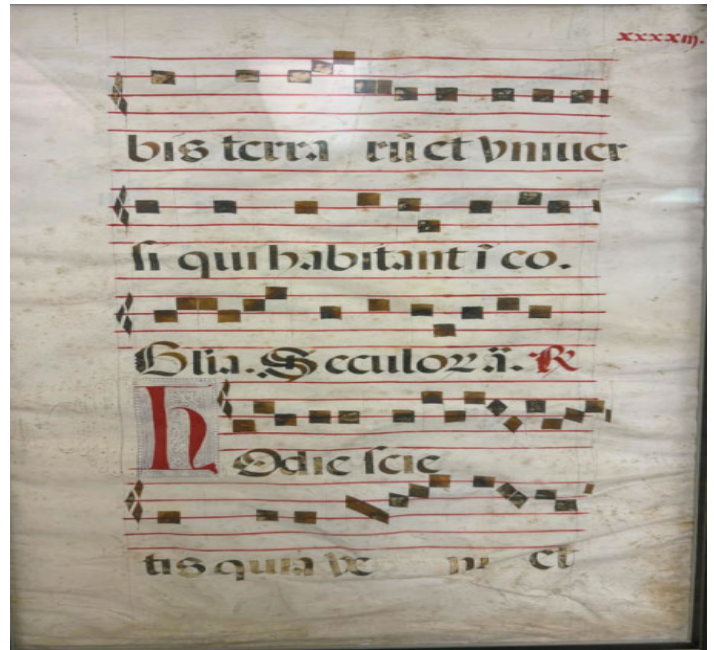
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Name of the person for the intentions
(deceased or living):

Or Special Intention (please specify):

Date, Time & Church for Mass:



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5 Year, Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 5th, 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 20, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. **This year the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage.** Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-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 11, 2024.

Bus trip to the Mass and March – Call Angela at 732-562-1543 or email amarshall@diometuchen.org

You are invited to New Jersey's

Mass for Life

Thursday, September 26, 2024
9:30 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Mary
of the Assumption
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton



CELEBRANT
Cardinal Joseph W.
Tobin, CSSR



HOMILIST
Bishop David M.
O'Connell, C.M.



No RSVP • Seating 1st come 1st served

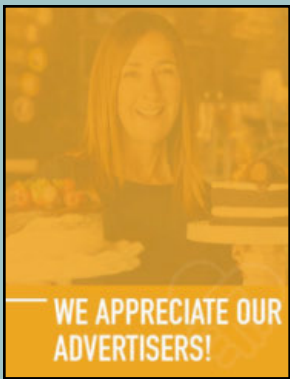
**NEW JERSEY
MARCH FOR LIFE**

*Mass will end in time to walk to the Statehouse Annex for the NJ Rally & March for Life



For full information, visit: dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life





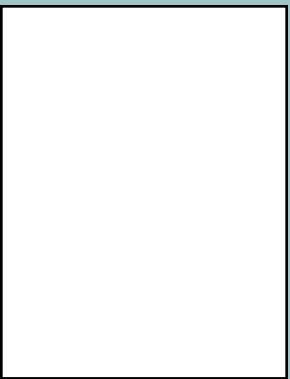
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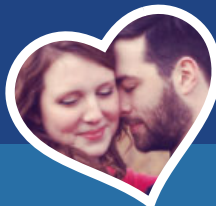
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