

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH



October 13, 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:

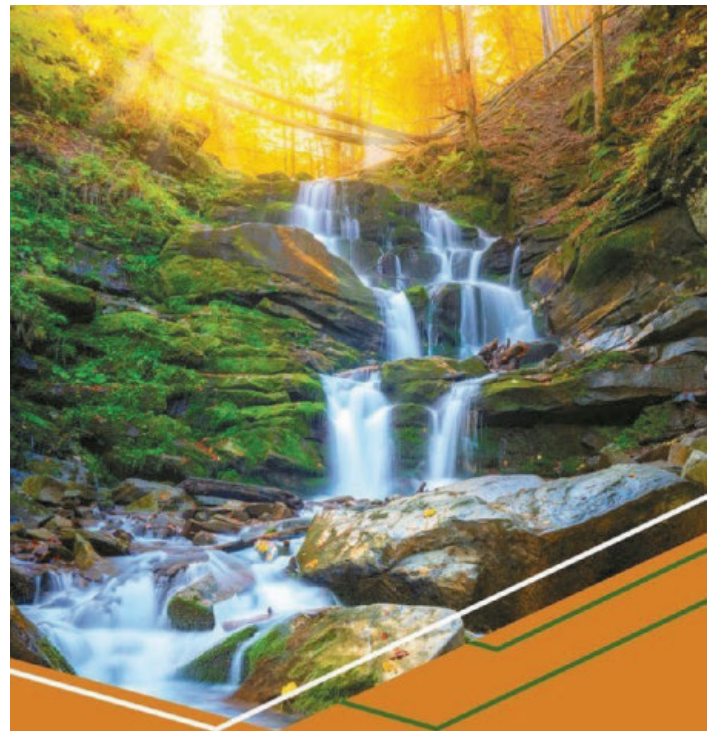
Baptism is the celebration through which a child is brought into the faith of the Catholic Church. Parents must be registered and practicing members of the parish. Parents and sponsors are required to attend a pre-baptismal class. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics in good standing and able to obtain 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.



28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God."

- Mk 10:26-27

MASS INTENTIONS

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 12

Guardian Angels Church

4:00 p.m. **Kathryn Loretta**, *by Family*
Terrence L. McComiskey†,
by Cathy McComiskey
Frances Ferraro†,
by Theresa & Jerry Rizzo

Sunday, October 13: 28th Sunday Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **The Bruschi Family**,
12:30 p.m. **Ruth M. Henderson†**, *by Rita Caponi*
Luz Darquea, *su hermana Olinda Darquea*
Rosa Nila Llontop de Florest†,
by su Esposo, sus Hijos y Nietos
Santos González†, *by Familia*

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Genevieve E. Wagnert†**, *by Wagner Family*
Frances & Alfred Lesniak, *by Family*
11:00 a.m. **Daniel Lewis†**

Monday, October 14

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **Office Closed - No Mass**

Tuesday, October 15

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Peter Thomas Garvey†**
Anthony S. White†, *by Virginia White*

Wednesday, October 16

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **No Mass - Priest Convocation**

Thursday, October 17

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **No Mass - Priest Convocation**

Friday, October 18

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. **James Geraghty**, *by Byrne Family*
Frank Shirley†, *by Family*

Saturday, October 19

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. **Anthony P. White†**, *Virginia White*
4:00 p.m. **Celia & Frank Prestileo†**,
by Tony & Dennis Deliman
Mike Whitet†, *by Jean Bertolotti*
Teresa Hernandez†,
by Lee Ann & Frank Burke

Sunday, October 20: 29th Sunday Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. **Richard Horvath**, *Noreen Horvath*
12:30 p.m. **Lucila González†**, *by Familia*

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. **Felipe Elimanco†**, *by Family*
11:00 a.m. **Bernadette M. Salgado†**, *by Sister Gloria*
George & Wendy Varkoly
(50th Wedding Anniversary),
by George & Wendy Varkoly
Herminio Santos, Miguel & Gregoria dela Cruz†, *by Isabel Santos*

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, October 19 **4:00 p.m.**

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

Sunday, October 20 **8:00 a.m.**

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

Sunday, October 20 **11:00 a.m.**

Lector: **Katie Farrar**
Eucharistic Minister: **Gloria Rada**
Ushers: **T. Sinker, J. Virrey, P. Weir**

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, October 20 **9:30 a.m.**

Lectors: **Ann Stephen**
M. Biskupek

Eucharistic Minister:

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., Anacleta 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.

Rest in Peace

Anthony Lepore

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen!

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.

Remembering Our Beloved Deceased Members

Special Invitation to You and Your Family to the Annual Remembrance Mass at the 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 2nd at Guardian Angels.

In a Special Way, we will remember our parishioners who have returned to God this past year and have been buried from Transfiguration of the Lord Parish between November 1st, 2023 and the end of October 2024.

At the beginning of the Mass, candles will be lit and will remain lit throughout the Mass. We look forward to being with you to join in praying for your loved one.

Mark the date: 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 2nd, Guardian Angels Church.

Columbus Day

In observance of Columbus Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 14th. There will be no Mass that day.

Annual Priest Convocation 2024

The Annual Priest Convocation for the diocese of Metuchen will be from October 15 - 17 at Spring Lake, NJ. There will be no Mass in the parish on Wednesday, October 16 and Thursday, October 17.

2024 Fall Spaghetti Dinner

The Parish is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner on October 26, 2024 in the Church hall at 5:30 p.m. The menu will consist of: salad, spaghetti, meat balls, sausage, desserts, soft drinks and water. Please feel free to BYOB. The tickets will be available in the rear of both churches and at the church office. The cost of the tickets are \$25.00 with children under 8 free. All proceeds will be used to help cover parish expenses. Hope to you there!

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. Tricky Tray Tickets go on sale starting October 26th at the Spaghetti Dinner. 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 7: Ministries Appreciation Dinner
 December 28: Year-End Party

OFFERINGS


	<u>10/6/2024</u>
Offertory	\$5,869.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 197.00
Shop Rite	\$ 50.00

Chalices Refinish Project

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

Bring a Dollar	\$1,547.00
Shop Rite	\$ 400.00
Candies Sale	\$ 43.00
Bus Trip to Wind Creek	\$ 350.00
AARP	\$ 200.00
Anonymous	\$ 400.00
Other Donation	\$ 110.00
Total (10/6/24)	\$3,050.00

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!

Second Collection

The Second Collection this weekend, will be for *Hurricane Relief*. The proceeds from this collection will be used to assist with hurricane relief efforts where and when there are needed as communities continue their recovery effort.

Second Collection

The Second Collection on the weekend of October 19/20, 2024 will be for *World Mission Sunday*. This Collection benefits the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the American Board of Catholic Mission and The Catholic Near East Welfare Association.

Bus Trip to Wind Creek: Thank you to all who participated on the bus trip to Wind Creek. The contribution to the church is \$350.00 for the restoration of the chalices.

PARROQUIA DE LA TRANSFIGURACION DEL SEÑOR

Iglesia San Pablo El Apóstol, 13 de Octubre de 2024, Vigésimo Octavo 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 & Érica Madera (10/13/2024)

Ministros Eucarísticos: Ubaldo Valdes (10/13/2024)

Lectores: Inés López y Cristobalina Gutiérrez (10/20/2024)

Ministros Eucarísticos: Ubaldo Valdes (10/20/2024)

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.

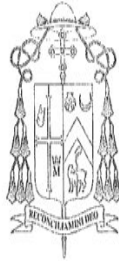
RCIA

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.

AA (Alcohólicos Anónimos) es una comunidad mundial y voluntaria donde hombres y mujeres de toda condición se reúnen para lograr mantener la sobriedad y ayudar a otros a recuperarse del alcoholismo. Para ser miembro de AA el único requisito es el deseo de dejar la bebida. No se pagan honorarios ni cuotas. Les invitamos al Grupo de AA "Los Tres Legados", en la 85 Raritan Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904. Reuniones de lunes a jueves de 8:00 a 10:00 p.m. Comuníquese a los siguientes números de teléfonos para más información: (732) 213-0370 con Noel, (732) 507-3420 con Jose Luis, (732) 912-3620 con Pedro, o al (732) 801-6832.



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Octubre de 2024

Ayudando a la Iglesia allí donde es joven, hay sufrimiento y está amenazada

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Al reunimos en comunión este Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, les hago llegar una cordial invitación del Papa Francisco, inspirada en el Evangelio: "Vayan e inviten a todos al banquete (cf. Mt 22,9)". Este llamado a la misión resuena profundamente en el centro de nuestra fe, y nos motiva a compartir el amor de Dios con el mundo.

Hace más de un siglo, nuestra propia comunidad Católica en los Estados Unidos creció gracias a la generosidad de la Iglesia a nivel mundial que contribuyó por medio de lo que hoy representa esta segunda colecta. Ahora, estamos llamados a extender esa misma generosidad a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en más de 1.150 territorios de misión en Asia, África, América Latina, las Islas del Pacífico y Oriente Medio.

La ofrenda del Domingo Mundial de las Misiones apoya directamente a seminarios, futuras religiosas, catequistas, escuelas Católicas que brindan educación básica, y centros de salud que brindan atención esencial, encarnando el amor de Cristo.

Como miembros de la Iglesia Católica, que es universal por su propia naturaleza, estamos invitados a participar activamente en esta misión. Nuestras contribuciones y oraciones en el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones apoyan el trabajo vital de evangelización de la Iglesia, invitando a todos a experimentar la alegría y la esperanza que se encuentran en Cristo.

Los invito, queridos amigos, a responder generosamente a este llamado. Unámonos en oración por el éxito de las actividades misioneras de la Iglesia y por los misioneros que dedican sus vidas a difundir el Evangelio. Su generosidad es un poderoso testimonio del amor y la compasión que están en el corazón de nuestra fe.

Que este Domingo Mundial de las Misiones aumente nuestro compromiso con la misión universal de la Iglesia. Juntos, alegrémonos en la oportunidad de compartir el amor de Dios con el mundo, invitando a todos al banquete del Señor. ¡Estén seguros de mis oraciones, gratitud y amor por ustedes, y recuerden orar por mí!

Con mis mejores y renovados deseos,

Saludo en Cristo,

Reverendísimo James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
Obispo de Metuchen

Seminario Bíblico
Mujeres en la Biblia
Presentador:
P. Gustavo Amell, S.T.

Sábado
19 de Octubre de 2024
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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Christmas Trees 2025

Dear brothers and sisters,

Once again this year, our churches will be surrounded by REAL Christmas trees illuminated beautifully with lights and on each tree will be a beautiful plaque dedicating that Christmas tree as a memorial to someone who has died or perhaps as a gift for the living, or perhaps in Thanksgiving for what God has given. Throughout the Christmas season, Mass will include the intentions of all those for whom trees have been memorialized, whether living or deceased.

On Saturday, December 7th after the Vigil Mass at Guardian Angels, and 5:45 pm at St. Paul's, we will have a blessing of the trees, and after a countdown, light the trees which will then remain lit each evening during the whole Christmas season until the Feast of the Epiphany in January.

Please consider memorializing one of these beautiful trees. The cost to memorialize a tree will be \$150 each. This will cover the cost of the tree, lighting of the tree, and the memorial gift for the church.

You will find a Reservation Form inserted in the Bulletin and also in our churches which you can fill out and return to the Parish Office with your memorial offering (contribution or donation). Remember, the number of trees are limited so preserve yours as soon as possible.

God bless
Fr. Abraham



Transfiguration of the Lord
St. Vincent de Paul
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 vegetables and fruit
- pasta tomato sauce boxed macaroni and cheese
- baked beans soup peanut butter rice juice
- jelly/jam canned meat products (ravioli, stews, etc.)
- boxed or canned potatoes canned milk crackers

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

HELPERS NEEDED FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious education could not do its important work without the help of many dedicated volunteers. We are currently in need of a 6th grade teacher and, substitute teachers, classroom aides, and door monitors. If you are available to help on Sunday mornings, we would greatly appreciate having you as part of our ministry! Please let us know if you are interested so we can work on getting you placed in a position that would best suit you. If interested, please reach out to Bridget O'Connor at edisonparish@verizon.net.



Please return orders by November 3, 2024. 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 \$1,200 in sales to make a profit. No order is too small and every order counts. Any questions, please call Cathy White (732) 277-8882.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are available for the following times and dates:

- Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. Mass, St. Paul's: 10/30, 11/6 & 11/13
- Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass, GA: 11/24 & 12/1
- Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass, St. Paul's: 11/24
- Sunday, 12:30 p.m. Mass, St. Paul's: 11/17, 11/24 & 12/1

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:



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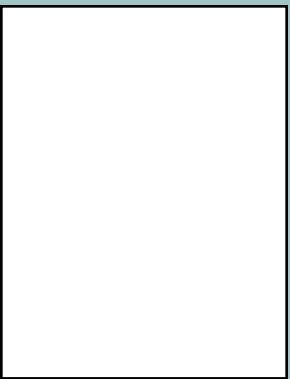
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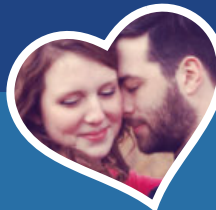
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