

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH

August 30, 2026



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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

23 South 5th Ave. (Access from 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.

HOLYDAYS 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 9:00 a.m. Mass, Guardian Angels Church

Staff

Rev. Abraham Lotha, PhD, Pastor

Deacon Edward Krupa & Deacon Ubaldo Valdes (part-time)

Maria Singares: Administrative Assistant/Secretary

Bridget O'Connor: Director R.E.

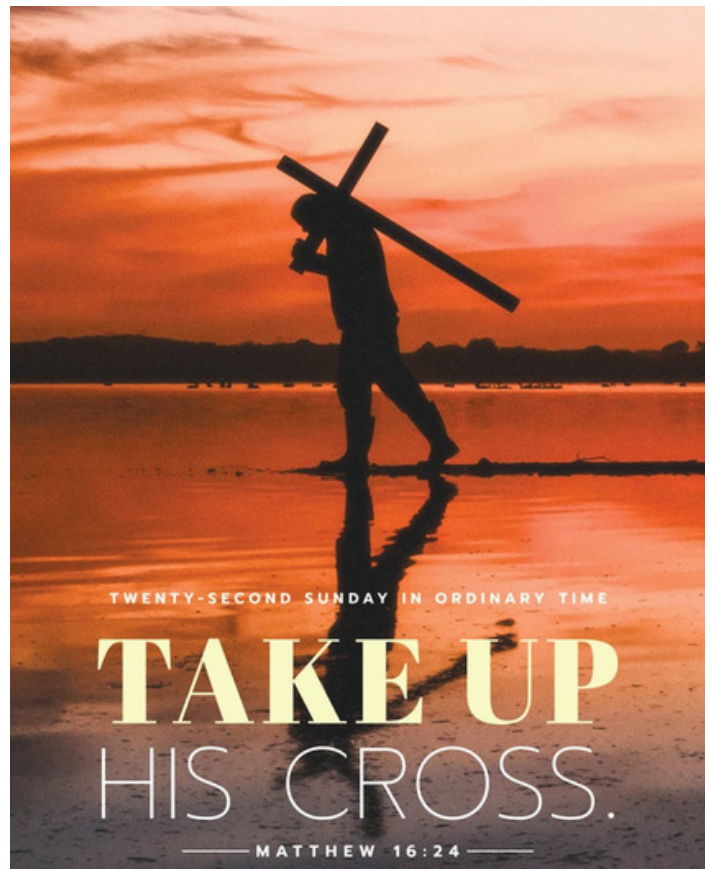
Parish Membership: We welcome new members to our Parish family and request you register in the Parish as soon as possible. Active membership is determined by registration, faithful participation and giving of one's time, talent and resources to this community of faith. The parish cannot issue certificates of eligibility for sacramental sponsorship, give recommendations or character references if a person is not 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.

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 INTENTION

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 29

Guardian Angels Church

4:00 p.m. †Noreen Fitzgerald, by Cathy McComiskey
†Stephen Sloss, by Cathy McComiskey

Sunday, August 30: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. †Jack Brennan

†Dan Varady & Family, by Karen Mohamed

12:30 p.m. †Johnny Serrano Jr., by Familia Singares

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. †Dan Varady & Bill Volpe

11:00 a.m. †Stephen Sloss, by Diane Ciotta & Tommy
Margaret & Clifton Berle, by Family

Monday, August 31

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. †Ramon de Jesus Quintero, by Ricarda Martinez

Tuesday, September 1

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. †Barbara Alves, by Virginia White

Wednesday, September 2

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. †Margaret "Peggy" Marlow (HB),
by Tom & Betty Sinker

Thursday, September 3

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. †Ruperta Borbanada, by Niece & Family

Friday, September 4

St. Paul the Apostle Church

8:00 a.m. Bunny Leonard, by Patrick Rizco

Saturday, September 5

Guardian Angels Church

9:00 a.m. †Marie Kraemer, by Betty Lou Varady

4:00 p.m. †Terrance L. McComiskey, by Cathy McComiskey
†Noreen Fitzgerald, by Joan Russel
†Jacqueline Afonso, by Jean Bertolotti

Sunday, September 6: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul the Apostle Church

9:30 a.m. †Dotty Wright, by Noreen Horvath

12:30 p.m. Por la salud y el cumpleaños de la Nicolasa

Sandre y por las intenciones de Bernarda

Cortes, by Socorro Cortes

Guardian Angels Church

8:00 a.m. Zenko Family, by Patricia Suchanek

11:00 a.m. †Anthony White, by Virginia White

†Stephen Sloss, by Mary Hannah

Bill & Jean Mikita, by Karen Mohamed

Rest in Peace

Dan Varady & Bill Volpe

May their souls 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.

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday, September 5: 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Matthew Biskupek

Eucharistic Ministers: Vivian Luna

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

Sunday, September 6: 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Antony Varghase

Eucharistic Ministers: Rodel Santos

Angelo Damone

Ushers: A. Damone, M. Mehalick

Sunday, September 6: 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Luis Zappo

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Barta

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

St. Paul the Apostle Church

Sunday, September 6: 9:30 a.m.

Lector: Mary Beth Iannacone

Aaliyah Rectos

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Lou Varady

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.

Donors invited for the following items for 2026:

Breaking Bread Hymnals (Guardian Angels): Paul Bravo

Breaking Bread Hymnals (St. Paul's): Garlatti Family

Misa del Dia: \$1,000 (Hispanic Community)

Wine: In memory of Arlene & William Eichler

Hosts: Anonymous

Hosts (Gluten Free): Anonymous

Palm Leaves: Anonymous

Candles & Candle Oil: In memory of D'Amico &

Romano Families

Formore information please contact Fr. Abraham Lotha

Please pray for the sick and homebound

Rodney Afonso, Jimmy Andrade, Rita Beckhorn, Ann Belsky, Lucca Bernal, Carol Byrne, Charles Byrne, Loretta Dalando, Ernesto De León, John Dempsey, Migdalia Diaz, Sarah Esposito, Angelica Francois, Michael Fuzesi, Gladys Gonzalez, Martha Gutierrez, Mark Iannacone, Sr. Donna Kane, Maggie Keogh, Brittany Knapp, John Kriegl, Amarilis Maldonado, Ann Marie Mc. Manus, Donovan Mak, Argentina de Mauriz, Jean & Bill Mikita, Bob Nelligar, Dolores Neumann, Stephanie P., Paul Pa- chucki, Ellen Pelosi, Richie Rausch, Jaxson Rivera, Alena Robles, Antonia Sacristan, Robert F. Santoro, Jack Santos, Mickey Schiavone, Joseph Skalla, Alice Marie Sloss, Donna E. Smith, Alice Sporer, Alyssa Stagno, Christina Stevenson, Helen Szaranowski, Mary Ann Takash, Jean Toth, Frank Valendo, Joe Valendo, Lorretta Valendo, Christine Voorhees, Sean W. White, Jeanette Wiegartner, William B. Zalek, and JoAnn Zullo.

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 Bai-

ley, 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, 2nd Lt. Brennan Skirzenski

US Army.

Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member serving in the Armed Services & would like to be included.

Summer 50/50 Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the 2026 Summer 50/50 Raffle:

Carol Terry	\$1,781.00
Michael Garlatti	\$1,073.00
Lourdes Brizuela	\$ 712.00

Thank you to Cathy McComiskey for organizing the raffle. Also, thanks to Jodi Roubo, Jean Bertolotti, Kim Krupa, Maria Singares, Cathy White and the Prayer Shawl group for their help. Thanks to our parishioners for their participation. Looking forward to the 2027 Raffle.



Guardian Angels Parking Lot Repair: Patching, Cracks cleaning and filling, and restriping

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2026

September 26: Spaghetti Dinner
October 4: Communion Brunch
October 9: Bingo Burger
November 15: Tricky Tray
November 14/15 & 21/22: Thanksgiving Offering
December 5: Christmas Tree Lighting
December 5: Ministries Appreciation Dinner
December 27: Year-End Party

OFFERINGS

8/23/2026

Offertory:	\$5,571.00
Shop Rite:	\$ 75.00
Bring a Dollar:	\$ 171.00

Parking Lots Repair

Shop Rite	\$ 525.00
Bring a Dollar	\$ 1,680.00
Other Donations	\$ 9,320.00
Total (8/23/2026):	\$11,525.00

Guardian Angels Parking Lot Repairs Final Cost. Repairs (patching) in several sections. Strip off first layer of Asphalt sweep clean and apply tack coat Install 2 to 3 inches of black top: \$19,141.00.

Cleaning cracks of all dirt and debris, all grass removed, cracks filled with hot vulcanized rubber and leveled off: \$10,862.

Total cost: \$30,003.00

Bakeless Bake Sale

Saturday, August 29 & Sunday, August 30
At All Masses

Too Hot to Bake?

◆ Donate the amount you would normally spend on baking ingredients.

◆ Contribute the value of the baked goods you would usually prepare.

Your support helps our parish ministries—without turning on the oven!

Thank you for your generosity & support!



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Religious Education

Registration forms for our **2026-2027 Program Year** can be found in both churches and the parish office. Should you have any questions, you can email Bridget O'Connor, PCL at edisonparish@verizon.net or call (732) 572-7497 ext. 13.

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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 Cristobalina Gutierrez
(8/30/2026)

Ministro Eucarístico: Guadalupe Lucero(8/30/2026)

Lectores: Bertha Rojas y Guadalupe
Díaz (9/6/2026)

Ministro Eucarístico: Maria Garcia (9/6/2026)

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.

LE INVITAMOS A REZAR EL ROSARIO TODOS
LOS DOMINGOS A LAS 11:30 A.M.



Los formularios para nuestro Programa 2026-2027 de Educación Religiosa están disponibles en ambas Iglesias y en la oficina parroquial.

Si tiene alguna pregunta favor comunicarse con Bridget O'Connor al email: edisonparish@verizon.net o llamando al (732) 572-7497 ext 13.

INSCRÍBANSE PARA LA EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

EXHORTACIÓN APOSTÓLICA

DILEXI TE

DEL SANTO PADRE LEÓN XIV

SOBRE EL AMOR HACIA LOS POBRES

La Iglesia y la educación de los pobres

71. Muchas Congregaciones femeninas fueron también protagonistas de esta revolución pedagógica. Las ursulinas, las monjas de la Orden de la Compañía de María Nuestra Señora, las Maestras Pías y muchas otras fundadas especialmente en los siglos XVIII y XIX ocuparon espacios donde el Estado estaba ausente. Crearon escuelas en pequeños pueblos, en los suburbios y en los barrios obreros. La educación de las niñas, en particular, se convirtió en una prioridad. Las religiosas alfabetizaban, evangelizaban, trataban de cuestiones prácticas de la vida cotidiana, elevaban el espíritu a través del cultivo de las artes y, sobre todo, formaban conciencias. Su pedagogía era sencilla: cercanía, paciencia, dulzura. Enseñaban a través de la vida, antes que con palabras. En tiempos de analfabetismo generalizado y de exclusión estructural, estas mujeres consagradas eran faros de esperanza. Su misión era formar el corazón, enseñar a pensar, promover la dignidad. Combinando una vida de piedad y dedicación al prójimo, combatieron el abandono con la ternura de quien educa en nombre de Cristo.

Celebración Diocesana

DE LA HERENCIA HISPANA

18 de Septiembre

6:20 PM
CORONILLA A LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA

7:00 PM
MISA VOTIVA A SAN FRANCISCO DE ASÍS

COMPARTIR EN EL BASEMENT DE LA CATEDRAL

Catedral St Francis of Assisi
32 Elm Ave., Metuchen, NJ 08840

Oficina de Evangelización Hispana
¿Información? Llame al 732 243 4573
o escriba a Lescobarediometuchen.org

**APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION
DILEXI TE
OF THE HOLY FATHER LEO XIV
TO ALL CHRISTIANS
ON LOVE FOR THE POOR**

The Church and Education of the Poor

71. Many female congregations were protagonists of this pedagogical revolution. Founded in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the Ursulines, the Sisters of the Company of Mary Our Lady, the Maestre Pie and many others, stepped into the spaces where the state was absent. They created schools in small villages, suburbs and working-class neighborhoods. In particular, the education of girls became a priority. The religious sisters taught literacy, evangelized, took care of practical matters of daily life, elevated their spirits through the cultivation of the arts, and, above all, formed consciences. Their pedagogy was simple: closeness, patience and gentleness. They taught by the example of their lives before teaching with words. In times of widespread illiteracy and systemic exclusion, these consecrated women were beacons of hope. Their mission was to form hearts, teach people to think and promote dignity. By combining a life of piety and dedication to others, they fought abandonment with the tenderness of those who educate in the name of Christ.

Season of Creation: September 1 to October 4

The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (September 1) and the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4). In Pope Leo XIV's message for the 2026 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, the Holy Father invites us "to contemplate the gift of life and to cherish the earth that sustains it, for they are tangible ways of offering praise to our Creator." Pope Francis instituted the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation in 2015, noting that this time for creation offers "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."



SILVER and GOLD
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 18, 2026 - 3:00 PM

Couples celebrating their 5th, 25th, 50th or 50+ wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this special prayer service. Registration is required. Free-will offerings are appreciated. For questions, please email magnese@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi
32 Elm Ave. Metuchen, NJ 08840




Blue Mass 2026

Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi
548 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840

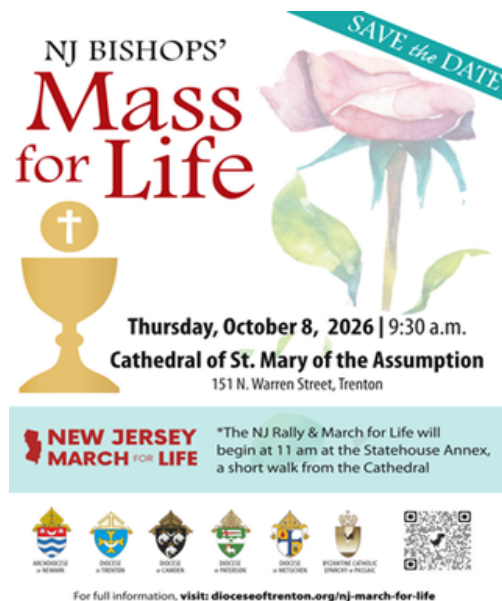
**Wednesday, October 21, 2026
at 10:30 a.m.**

* Law enforcement officials are asked to be seated in the Cathedral by 10:15 a.m. sharp.

Very Rev. Jonathan S. Toborowsky will celebrate the 24th Annual Blue Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen. Gathered together with local, county, state, and federal law enforcement officials, we will honor and pray for those law enforcement officials of all faiths who live and work in the Diocese of Metuchen.

**New Jersey Department of Corrections
2026 Host Agency**

Scan for more information and to Reserve Attendance
732-243-4581 or visit www.diometuchen.org/bluemass



NJ BISHOPS' Mass for Life

SAVE the DATE

Thursday, October 8, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

*The NJ Rally & March for Life will begin at 11 am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral

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

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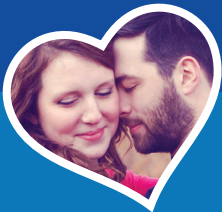
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