



**Church of the
Guardian Angel**
A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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***320 Franklin Turnpike
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Guardian Angel Parish in the Archdiocese of Newark, are a community of Catholic Christians being formed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As a community open to the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, we strive to work, share, and enjoy life as a witness to the true meaning of Christian Living.

We believe our mission is:

- To be a community of loving and caring people.
- To teach and witness the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- To celebrate that Good News in Sacraments and Prayer.
- To minister to all people in their spiritual and physical needs.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call Deacon Rey Escalon at 201-264-0145 to arrange for infant baptism and parental instruction.

**SACRAMENT OF
CONFIRMATION**

Please contact Youth Ministry office at 201-327-4359 x204 for information about teen sacramental preparation.

**SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST
The LORD'S DAY**

Saturday Eve - 5:30 p.m.
(Sunday Obligation)
Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
WEEKDAYS: Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m.
(Rectory Chapel)
HOLY DAYS: schedule posted in bulletin.

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

Saturday - 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and by appointment.

SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and to request Communion for the homebound.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the Rectory at least one year in advance.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact Father Robert or the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973-497-4365.

***RCIA -The Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults***

If you are an adult interested in becoming Catholic, or if you are a baptized Catholic who would like to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call Fr. Robert at 201-327-4359 or Susan Brown at 201-327-2360.

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Pastoral Council

Parish Pastoral Council meets in the Rectory on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

Prayer Chain Ministry

Coordinator: Arlene Sabino (201) 934-8441

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Ministry of Worship

<i>Adult Leader for Children's Church</i>		
Frances Ferraro	(201) 327-0352	
<i>Altar Linens</i>	Anna DiMiceli	(201) 315-3023
<i>Altar Server</i>	Michael Schmidt	(201) 934-3353
<i>Collection Counters</i>	Frank Anello	(201) 934-1331
<i>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>		
June Taylor	(201) 825-8812	
<i>Monthly Rosary</i>	Kathie Brach	(201) 236-3116
<i>Music/Choir Ministry</i>		
Andrew Monticello	(201)-327-4359	
<i>Readers of the Word (Lectors)</i>		
Robert & Patty Durso	(201) 760-9169	

Ministry of Faith Formation

<i>Baptismal Preparation Ministry</i>		
Deacon Rey Escalon	(201) 264-0145	
<i>Catechetical Ministry (1-9)</i>		
Frances Ferraro	(201) 327-0352	
<i>Cornerstone - Men's Spirituality</i>		
Rey Escalon	(201) 264-0145	
<i>Cornerstone - Women's Spirituality</i>		
Carolyn Blake	(201) 825-1931	

Ministry of Faith Formation (Cont'd)

<i>RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</i>	Susan Brown	(201) 327-2360
<i>RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation-Children</i>	Frances Ferraro	(201) 327-0352

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<i>Photography Ministry</i>	Bill Konvit	(201) 825-2972
<i>Prayer Chain Ministry</i>	Arlene Sabino	(201) 934-8441

Ministry of Service

<i>Art & Environment Ministry</i>	Julia DiNardo	(201) 723-7783
<i>Computer/Data Entry</i>	Richard Shinnick	(201) 236-2112
<i>Food Pantry Ministry</i>	John Lowe	(201) 327-9397
	Sue Zitolo	(201) 934-9372
<i>Funeral Ministry</i>	John Frederick	(201) 327-3753
<i>Giving Tree Ministry</i>	Anna DiMiceli	(201) 315-3023
<i>Homeless Shelter Ministry</i>	Joe Zitolo	(201) 934-9372
<i>Hospitality Ministry</i>	Chuck Assicurato	(201) 327-1393
<i>Remembrance Mass</i>	Kathie Brach	(201) 236-3116
<i>Respect Life / Caring for Life</i>		
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<i>Soup Kitchen Ministry</i>	Chuck Assicurato	(201) 327-1393
<i>Welcome Ministry</i>	Jean Escalona	(201) 825-3817

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Ministry of Community Building

<i>Carnival</i>	Irene Nayden	(201) 327-4936
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Ministry of Youth Stewardship

<i>Festival of Carols</i>	Andrew Monticello	(201)-327-4359 x222
<i>Living Stations</i>	Andrew Monticello	(201)-327-4359 x222
<i>Youth Group</i> (Grades 6-8, 9-12)		
	Jennifer Kavanagh	201)-327-4359 x204
<i>Youth Mass Music Ministry</i>	Andrew Monticello	(201)-327-4359 x222

**Are you moving?
Do you go away for the winter?
Change your address or phone number?
Please contact us!**

You can update your information on our parish website www.guardianangelchurch.org. Go to About then Update Parish Information! If you are not great with computers - contact Lori in the rectory office at 201-327-4359 x202. Thank you!



MESSAGE FROM FR. ROBERT

*August 30, 2020
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Dear Friends

COVID has hit everyone hard, as we well know. I have been having my own struggles with dealing with it too. Since March, there has been a change in my health and I need to get a handle on it. As a result, in consultation with my doctor and spiritual director, I asked the Cardinal if I could take a two-month leave of absence in order to get my health under control — my physical health, my mental health, and my spiritual health. He granted that leave of absence and I will be leaving the position of Administrator here at Guardian Angel on September 14th. Rev. Tadeusz Jank will become the new permanent Administrator beginning on September 15th. Fr. Jank is currently a Parochial Vicar at St. John the Baptist in Hillsdale.

I thank you for allowing me to serve you these past nine months, and I ask that you please pray for me. I will keep all of you in my daily prayers, as well. Thank you for everything!

Fr. Robert

RCIA NEWS...

Abundant blessings and congratulations to our RCIA Candidate Timothy Harvey, as he receives the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation and joins us at the Lord’s Table for reception of the Eucharist for the first time on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at the 5:30pm Mass.

Tim was born in Massachusetts and was baptized into the United Methodist Church on July 7, 1993. His mother is Methodist and his father celebrates the Catholic faith. When Tim met Jacqueline (his fiancé and sponsor for RCIA) in 2014, he began learning more about our faith and expressed interest in converting to Catholicism.

Tim holds a J.D. from Suffolk University in Massachusetts and a B.S. in Legal Studies/Political Science from UMass, Amherst. He currently practices corporate law in Boston and he and Jacqueline are planning a May 2021 wedding at St. Patrick’s Church in Huntington, NY. Interestingly, Tim selected the name Patrick for his Confirmation name in recognition of his Irish heritage and because it is the name of the Church where he and Jacqueline will be celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony. What beautiful symmetry!

It has been a privilege and honor to journey with Tim as he faithfully walked with us, accompanied by his fiancé and sponsor, Jacqueline. We explored many facets of our Catholic faith and Tim dutifully participated in countless ZOOM and FaceTime meetings, asked many questions, and participated in online Mass with his parish, St Leonard’s in Boston’s historical North End before returning to in-person celebrations. During our time together, Tim had commented that the Catholic faith “seems to come naturally” to him.

Tim learned about the many different images of Jesus in Scripture, how to apply the “words of action” to his life and about our devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary. How fitting his celebration Mass is on August 22, 2020 where we celebrate the Queenship of our Blessed Mother! Welcome Home, Tim!

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The front rectory office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am to 4pm. Please wear a mask when coming to the office.

Daily Mass intentions are available for 2020. You can come to the rectory to get a Mass card or if you prefer to be contactless please call the rectory office at 201-327-4359 x202 and we can assist you.

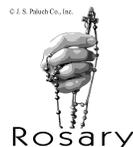
Religious Education office will be closed August 3rd to September 1, 2020.

VIRTUAL ROSARY

Every Monday evening at 7:30pm you are invited to a scheduled Zoom meeting to pray the Rosary

Go to Zoom.us and join a meeting. Enter the meeting ID and password and pray the Rosary with Guardian Angel.

Meeting ID: 453 768 0819
Password: 041275



Masses for the Week

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Saturday	August 29
9:00 am	People of the Parish
5:30 pm	Cyprian Brach
Sunday	August 30
7:30 am	People of the Parish
9:30 am	Maria Mazzola
11:30 am	Virginia Curatola
Monday	August 31
9:00 am	Cyprian Brach
Tuesday	September 1
9:00 am	Joseph McRae
Wednesday	September 2
9:00 am	Norman Sees
Thursday	September 3
9:00 am	Donata and Adam Amatuzzi
Friday	September 4
9:00 am	Constancia Serad Escalon
Saturday	September 5
9:00 am	Danny Moore
5:30 pm	Jessica Bonney-Reveley
Sunday	September 6
7:30 am	Joe Job
9:30 am	Peggy Haynes
11:30 am	Peg O'Shea

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" - MATTHEW 16:26

St. Francis of Assisi once said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else." We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

Businesses and churches are reopening, however Guardian Angel still depends your donations in church and on online donations to continue our ministry.

We prayerfully invite you to sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NJ513.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You,
Fr. Robert

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20



BAPTISMS

By Baptism we become members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

This weekend Alexander William Ferenczi, son of Alexander and Elania Ferenczi was baptized in our parish.

May Alexander always find a welcome home here at Guardian Angel Parish.

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

— Romans 12:2

CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION

The Center for Food Action continues to need our help with monetary donations and grocery gift cards. The CFA improves the lives of low-income families and individuals from over 100 towns in northern NJ. It provides a wide range of emergency and case management services so that our neighbors in need are able to put food on their tables, keep a roof over their heads, keep their lights and gas on, heat their homes. CFA advocates help provide information, referrals, counseling, assistance in accessing public programs and other community services needed to help improve their lives.

There are three easy ways to donate.

- 1) Place your donation of cash, check or grocery gift card (please indicate value of the card) in the lock box attached to the St. Anthony Food Pantry at the entrance to the Church
- 2) Checks and grocery gift cards (please indicate value of the card) can be mailed to: Center for Food Action, 192 W. Demarest Ave., Englewood, NJ 07631
- 3) If you wish to donate by Credit Card, please go to www.cfanj.org and click on the Donate Button.

If you have any questions or comments feel free to contact Sue Zitolo at 201-934-9372, szitolo@aol.com or John Lowe at 201-327-9397, john.lowejr@att.net.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Dear Young Friends,
Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus are the two Saints we celebrate on August 31st and have something to teach us about taking risks to follow Jesus. As influential Jewish leaders, they are a testament to Jesus' ability to make disciples of anyone who is open to Him. Joseph demonstrated courage by asking for the body of Jesus, to place it in his own tomb. Nicodemus, a follower of Jesus "in secret" eventually spoke on His behalf at His trial and was also present at His death. Their actions beg the question, "What social conventions are you willing to risk, so that people may know that you are Jesus' disciple?"

Contact information for Jennifer:
jkavanagh@guardianangelchurch.org
201-327-4359 x204

LET BC COME TO YOU

Bergen Catholic will share a virtual Open House on Tuesday September 22nd. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For more information please contact Matt Rosa '08, Director of Admissions at mrosa@bergencatholic.org.

Attention Prospective 8th grade families: Bergen Catholic will be holding personal one on one tours for interested families Monday-Friday. Registration is required on the website, and a maximum of 10 families will be permitted per day. For more information please contact Matt Rosa '08, Director of Admissions at mrosa@bergencatholic.org.

The Eyes of a Child

I frequently see signs on churches inviting everyone to come. Often they advertise that they are a contemporary, casual church. One thing that concerns me is that they do not add "challenging" to that description. Some people try to teach that since Jesus is risen from the dead, we should also be able to live that way: Rejoicing, but never sorrowing. But if we preach resurrection without the cross, we are acting like Peter in the Gospel.

Peter had just proclaimed that Jesus was the Messiah, but he failed to understand that Jesus' mission was not to bring wealth and glory to Israel. Jesus knew that being messiah required him to give his life for all people. In a sense, Peter was tempting Jesus to avoid the painful death and use his divine power to bring prosperity. Like Satan's temptations in the desert, he wanted Jesus to take the easy way to glory.

Instead, Jesus challenges us to deny ourselves. Today this phrase is not very popular with those who say we should be free to satisfy all our desires, or with motivational speakers who say that everyone is able to achieve financial success and live a comfortable life. As long as we

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS OPEN.

Please continue to register for our Fall Religious Education program. You can visit our website to download and print our registration forms. Completed forms along with payment can be mailed to us at: Guardian Angel R.C. Church; 320 Franklin Turnpike; Allendale, NJ, 07401. We will closely follow the guidelines set forth by Governor Phil Murphy and the Archdiocese of Newark and of course, we will keep you posted as to how we will move forward for our Fall Program. Please know that whatever format we use we will continue to offer you the highest quality Religious Education for your children.

We currently need catechists in our Religious Education Ministry. Many thanks to our generous parishioners who give their time, energy and gift of faith to our youngest members! Please see our CATECHIST PAGE on our website for further information. Please direct any questions to Frances Ferraro at 201-327-0352; fferraro@guardianangelchurch.org.

FIRST COMMUNION: Our First Communion celebrations will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 11am and 2:30pm; Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 11am and 2:30pm and finally, September 26, 2020 at 11am and 2:30pm. We are VERY EXCITED to see our children take this big step in their faith life. In your love and kindness please pray for our First Eucharist candidates.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE:

The Religious Education office will be closed for the month of August. We will return on Tuesday, September 1, 2020. We will periodically monitor our email and voicemail.

"Love is our true destiny. We do not find the meaning of life by ourselves alone - we find it with another."

Thomas Merton

center our lives on our own pleasure and comfort, we are rejecting the cross. To deny oneself means to choose God's will over our own. It means to be willing to suffer for being honest. It means giving God the first place in our lives. It means we get more joy from serving others than serving ourselves. This is what Paul is talking about in the second reading when he says to offer ourselves as a "living sacrifice." Or as Jesus says, we lose our life for his sake, only to find it in loving and serving him. That is one reason I like the image of God as father. Parents will lose much of their freedom--and much sleep--when they bring a child into the world. But they find a new joy in the eyes of that child. We are all called to lose our selfish lives and find the joy of living for Jesus. Tom Schmidt, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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