



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

Blessed be God forever

***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 email Deacon Rey Escalon at escalonr@hotmail.com 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., 9:30 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 Tad 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. Tad 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

Adult Leader for Children's Church
 Frances Ferraro (201) 327-0352

Altar Linens Anna DiMiceli (201) 315-3023

Altar Server Michael Schmidt (201) 934-3353

Collection Counters Frank Anello (201) 934-1331

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 June Taylor (201) 825-8812

Monthly Rosary Kathie Brach (201) 236-3116

Music/Choir Ministry
 Andrew Monticello (201)-327-4359

Readers of the Word (Lectors)
 Robert & Patty Durso (201) 760-9169

Ministry of Faith Formation

Baptismal Preparation Ministry
 Rectory Office (201) 327-4359 x202

Catechetical Ministry (1-9)
 Frances Ferraro (201) 327-0352

Cornerstone - Men's Spirituality
 Rey Escalon (201) 264-0145

Cornerstone - Women's Spirituality
 Carolyn Blake (201) 825-1931

Ministry of Faith Formation (Cont'd)

RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
 Susan Brown (201) 327-2360

RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation-Children
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Ministry of Evangelization

AIDS Ministry Noreen Prior (201) 236-1921
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Art & Environment Ministry
 Sophia Boniello (201) 803-6459
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Computer/Data Entry Richard Shinnick (201) 236-2112

Food Pantry Ministry John Lowe (201) 327-9397
 Sue Zitolo (201) 934-9372

Funeral Ministry John Frederick (201) 327-3753

Giving Tree Ministry Anna DiMiceli (201) 315-3023

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Finance Council Michael Simendinger (201) 236-3135

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Ministry of Community Building

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Ministry of Youth Stewardship

Festival of Carols Andrew Monticello (201)-327-4359 x222

Living Stations Andrew Monticello (201)-327-4359 x222

Youth Group (Grades 6-8, 9-12)
 Jennifer Kavanagh 201)-327-4359 x204

Youth Mass Music Ministry
 Andrew Monticello (201)-327-4359 x222

**Are you moving?
 Do you go away for the winter?
 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. TAD

September 20, 2020
Twenty-Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time



Hi, this is Father Tad, the new Parish Administrator. I pray that you and your families are doing well and staying healthy during this extended situation we find ourselves in. First and foremost I want to express my deepest gratitude and excitement for the opportunity to join this welcoming community and family of Guardian Angel Parish.

This time of transition is a challenge for all of us. In addition, we are living through a COVID-19 pandemic and everything feels uncertain. I'd love to ask you to join me in prayers for our church, our nation and the whole world in this time of uncertainty because our God, Jesus Christ never leaves us. He is always with us and cares for us always; "Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you". Keep your faith in Him. Let's be connected to one another wherever we are because together we are the church and one family. Until we meet in person, may God's peace be with you all.

In Christ,
Fr. Tadeusz (Tad) Jank

CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION

The Center for Food Action continues to need our help with monetary donations and supermarket gift cards. Your support is critical to CFA's ability to provide a variety of essential services that help local families and individuals who are struggling to put food on their tables and keep a roof over their heads.

There are three easy ways to donate.

- 1) You can place your donation of cash, checks made payable to the Center for Food Action, or grocery gift cards (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 made payable to the Center for Food Action 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) Credit Card donations can be made by going to: <https://cfanj.org/donate-funds-today>.

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.

MASS ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

Due to the recent State and Archdiocesan guidelines increasing the number of people allowed in indoor (150 people or 25% of capacity whichever is less) settings we are working on expanding the number of parishioners being able to attend Mass in person while following liturgical guidelines. We will be emailing parishioners and posting the new plans on our website. We plan to have the guidelines in place for Masses next weekend.

If you are not receiving our email communications and would like to receive email from Guardian Angel please send us your email at gachurch@guardianangelchurch.org.

We are very excited about the changes and look forward to see you soon!!

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.

IHA Open Houses – Oct. 25 and 29

Will you be a member of IHA's Class of 2025?

Immaculate Heart Academy's Fall Open Houses are Sunday, October 25 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and Thursday, October 29 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Decide if you belong @theheart by attending our 2020 Fall Open Houses; online registration is requested at www.ihanj.com. Please check the website and social media pages for any potential changes in our Open Houses due to ongoing COVID-19 circumstances. For more information, contact Ms. Alexis Fatigati'07, director of admissions, at 201.445.6800, ext. 112 or afatigati@ihanj.com. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ, 07676.

Masses for the Week

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Saturday September 19
 9:00 am People of the Parish
 5:30 pm Sally Babbilonia & Teresa Favata

Sunday September 20
 7:30 am People of the Parish
 9:30 am Lawrence Salameno
 11:30 am Lawrence Salameno

Monday September 21
 9:00 am People of the Parish

Tuesday September 22
 9:00 am People of the Parish

Wednesday September 23
 9:00 am Michael Blake

Thursday September 24
 9:00 am People of the Parish

Friday September 25
 9:00 am People of the Parish

Saturday September 26
 9:00 am People of the Parish
 5:30 pm Giovanna Palmeri

Sunday September 27
 7:30 am Lawrence Salameno
 9:30 am Mildred Frykberg
 11:30 am William Carney

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“So the last will be first and the first last”.

MATTHEW 20:16

You’ve heard the saying “it’s not where you start, but how you finish.” This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live “God-centered” lives and not “self-centered” lives.

Fall is here along with our traditional season of stewardship. However, this year has been anything but typical, which is why we are reaching out to our parishioners.

This year people throughout our community have turned to us for help. However, Guardian Angel can only continue to meet that need with your assistance. Your valuable online donations help us to continue our ministry to answer their call for help.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing 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.

Fr. Tad

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a
 Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45
 Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

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

MASS INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE

Mass intentions are available in the 2020 Mass book. An intention may be for the living or deceased, or in thanksgiving, and the requested offering is ten dollars. The Mass intention is listed each week in the bulletin and read aloud during Mass. In addition, you may request to memorialize the sanctuary lamp, altar bread, or altar wine for a given week, with the suggested offering of fifteen dollars. These are printed in the corresponding week’s bulletin.



YOUTH MINISTRY



Dear Young Friends,
 September 23rd is the Feast of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, a very well-known modern Saint, famous for the “stigmata” or wounds of Christ, and many healings through his intercession. Perhaps his greatest ministry however, was the hearing of confessions, which he did for several hours each day. In recent months, this intrinsically important sacrament of healing has been limited, presenting us with an opportunity to appreciate God’s Mercy as we perhaps had not before. How liberating it is to be able to confess anything and be accepted by a loving God over and over! Let Padre Pio’s example of healing the spirit help us strive to journey ever closer to holiness by accepting God’s Grace.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Fall Registration: We continue to welcome Fall registrations for our ANGELS@HOME Hybrid Religious Education Program and our Home Study program: **CUTOFF FOR REGISTRATION IS October 6th.** Contact our office at 201-327-0352 if you'd like assistance in discerning which program may be best for your children. Please visit our website to download and print the Religious Education forms. Completed forms along with payment can be mailed to our office at: Guardian Angel R.C. Church; 320 Franklin Turnpike; Allendale, NJ 07401; alternatively, you can drop your registration materials into the mail slot of the Rectory front (red) door.

If you haven't yet picked up your ANGELS@HOME or Home Study Religious Education Kits from the Rectory front porch, please contact our office so we can make arrangements for you to pick it up at your convenience.

The first day of the ANGELS@HOME Hybrid class is Tuesday, September 29. Grades 1-5 meet (via ZOOM) from 4pm-5:30pm; Grades 6-9 meet (via ZOOM) from 7:30pm-9pm.

Religious Education Help Desk: To support and assist our Religious Education families during the catechetical year, we have set up a Religious Education Help Desk. Details to follow.

We Need You! We continue to be in need of catechists – please prayerfully consider sharing your gifts and talents with our Religious Education Ministry. Please visit our website and click on the Catechist Page for more information. All that is required is a heart filled with God's love!

First Holy Communion: I am delighted once again to share with you that this weekend, 10 more of our parish children will take their place at the Table of the Lord. In your love and kindness, please pray for: *Ryan Giannisis; Brendan Siano; Lucy Sym; Deklan Mazzola; A.J. Weiss; Pierce Dunn; Aiden Petrow; Joseph Zrebic; Teddy McCarthy; and Alek Kohler* – that all may come to grow in faith and in friendship with our Lord, Jesus.

Angels in Action – Angels in Action is a new parish wide service project to share in the directive that we are, indeed, our brothers' keeper. Please check the bulletin for information about this important ministry. September and October is our Breakfast Food Drive. We ask for donations of nonperishable breakfast items (boxed cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast bars, PopTarts, canned fruit, etc.). All donations will be given to our partners at the Center for Food Action. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am – 2:30pm. Please contact the Religious Education Office at 201-327-0352 with any questions you may have.

Welcome, Fr Tad – We thank our Lord for your arrival and will pray for you as our pastor and spiritual guide. May God bless you at Guardian Angel R.C. Church.

ANGELS IN ACTION

Guardian Angel R.C. Church
Family Catechesis

The Guardian Angel R.C. community recognizes the importance of living our faith and sharing our good fortune with our local communities.

Throughout the catechetical year, our students and families will participate in a parish wide service project to share in the directive that we are indeed, our brothers' keeper.

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Breakfast Food Drive

We ask you to please focus your thoughts and prayers on those families who may not be able to provide breakfast for their families. To that end, we ask for donations of nonperishable breakfast items (boxed cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast bars, PopTarts, canned fruit, etc.) All donations will be given to our partners at the Center for Food Action. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

NOVEMBER

Center for Food Action/AIDS Ministry

This year, we are collecting frozen turkeys, checks and grocery store gift cards for the Center for Food Action. If you are writing a check, please write "CFA" in the memo portion; if you are purchasing a grocery store gift card, please indicate the amount of the card. Frozen turkeys can be dropped off at the Barn from 9am-2:30pm, Monday Nov 2 – Thursday, Nov 5 and again Monday, Nov 9 – Nov 12. Please place your frozen turkeys in the freezer.

Also, November is AIDS Ministry Month. We are collecting checks and grocery store cards for this ministry of support and love. We ask you to please write "AIDS Ministry" in the memo portion and please indicate the amount of the grocery store gift card. Please contact Noreen Prior at noreenprior@aol.com with any questions. Please place your grocery gift cards or checks in an envelope and mail it to us at Guardian Angel R.C. Church; 320 Franklin Turnpike; Allendale, NJ 07401 or if you'd like, you can place it in the mail slot at our Rectory front door (red door).

DECEMBER

The Advent Giving Tree

Another beautiful and meaningful tradition at Guardian Angel R.C. Church! Details to follow.

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JANUARY

Winter Coat Drive

During the dark, winter days of January, we ask you to focus your thoughts and prayers on those who might be cold because they don't have a warm coat. We ask you to please donate your gently used winter coats – all sizes are needed. These will be donated to our partners in the Archdiocese of Newark and distributed to those most in need. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

FEBRUARY

Soup-er Bowl Canned Soup and Crackers Drive

During this month, we ask you to please focus your thoughts and prayers on those who may not have enough to eat. We ask you to please donate cans of hearty soup (containing meat, chicken, etc.) and crackers (saltines, for example). All donations will be given to our partners at the Center for Food Action. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

APRIL

Peanut Butter and Jelly Month

We ask for donations of jars of peanut butter and jelly (any variety) during this month. All donations will be given to our partners at the Center for Food Action and be distributed to those most in need within our communities. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

MAY

Several Sources Shelter

Several Sources Shelter, located in Ramsey, NJ provides a home and care for unwed mothers. After delivery, the mother and her child may reside at the shelter for up to three years while the mother establishes financial stability. We ask for donations of (new) infant clothing (onesies, bibs, socks, outfits, diapers of all sizes, formula, etc.). Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

JULY

Backpacks/String Backpacks/Back to School Supplies

During these summer months, we ask for your thoughts and prayers for those students returning to school. We ask you to please donate your gently used backpacks and "string" backpacks (these are typically light-weight nylon bags that close with a string). We are also asking for donations of pencils, pens, pencil boxes, rulers, folders and single subject notebooks. All donations will be distributed to those families in need in the Archdiocese of Newark. Kindly drop off your donated items to the Rectory front porch area (there will be a sign posted outside), Monday through Thursday from 9am-2:30pm.

As always, we ask you to please contact the Religious Education office at 201-327-0352 with any questions you may have.



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