



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

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***320 Franklin Turnpike
Allendale, New Jersey 07401***

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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 Jo Ann Del Gatto at 201-981-7081 to arrange for infant baptism and parental instruction.

**SACRAMENT OF
CONFIRMATION**

Please contact Katie Cavazzini at 201-934-5554 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 - 4:30 p.m. to 5 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 Charlie 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. Charlie at 201-327-4359 or Susan Brown at 201-327-2360.

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Rentals (201) 783-5414

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
Irene Nayden (201) 327-0352
Altar Linens Jean Borzilleri (201) 818-1559
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Collection Counters Frank Anello (201) 934-1331
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Monthly Rosary Kathie Brach (201) 236-3116
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Readers of the Word (Lectors)
Robert & Patty Durso (201) 760-9169

Ministry of Faith Formation

Baptismal Preparation Ministry
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Catechetical Ministry (1-9)
Irene Nayden (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)

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RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation-Children
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Ministry of Evangelization

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Giving Tree Ministry Anna DiMiceli (201) 825-7039
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Father Charlie (201) 327-4359
Homeless Shelter Ministry Joe Zitolo (201) 934-9372
Hospitality Ministry Kathleen Lucas (201) 236-2577
Peace & Justice Ministry Gerry Del Gatto (201) 825-7383
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Rita Buedden (201) 218-5682
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Youth Group (Grades 6-8, 9-12)
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Visit www.guardianangelchurch.org for up to date information about the parish! Are you a snowbird? Moving? You can update your address by going to the About section and scroll down to Update Parish Information! Go to the calendar and be a part of all the great things happening at Guardian Angel!



A Message from the Pastor

1st Sunday of Lent
March 5, 2017

The 2017 *Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal* has begun. The appeal is something we do every year because the needs are on-going and it is our opportunity to share the gifts God gave us. This year's appeal theme is, "Be of One Mind" from 1 Peter 3:8. **Our parish goal this year is \$49,944.** Last weekend we showed the video in church. If you missed it you can find the link on the home page of our website.

We are often reminded by our Holy Father Pope Francis and Sacred Scripture that in order to love one another we must share the blessings which God has provided to us.

In this Year of Missionary Discipleship, which began in our Archdiocese on January 25, we are called to remember that we are all missionaries and that we have a responsibility to bring others to Christ, helping them to encounter the fullness of love and leading them to discipleship. In order to reach out to our brothers and sisters in Christ, we must "be of one mind: share each other's troubles with mutual affection; be compassionate and humble." 1 Peter 3:9

When we embrace this sacred scripture and show sympathy, compassion, and humility in our hearts, and equally important, in our actions towards others, we are truly able to become the Missionaries that we are called to be. Your support of the Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal is one way to concretely share in each other's troubles. You are ultimately helping to alleviate someone else's burden with compassion and humility.

Here is just a sampling of where your gift to the Annual Appeal goes:

For the homeless, the Archdiocese of Newark, through Catholic Charities, operates seven shelters. These shelters provide basic emergency assistance of food and shelter, but most important, also offer a life-line for the homeless with life skills instruction, job training and referral services, enabling the homeless to reenter society by building a life of self-sufficiency.

For those in need of food, the Emergency Food and Nutrition Network coordinates bulk food collection and distribution through a network of 75 parish-based food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters in the Archdiocese of Newark.

To educate our young people in the faith, the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office provides parishes with guidelines and tools in accord with the Magisterium, to use when providing religious education and sacramental preparation.

Through the Catholic Youth Organization, the young have an opportunity to participate in retreats, increase their knowledge of Catholicism and be involved in a variety of sports and recreation programs.

A Catholic education is provided in over 67 Catholic elementary schools, and 29 high schools, which in total educated more than 30,000 young people last year.

The Archdiocese of Newark puts a special emphasis on reaching out to students attending one of the 10 colleges located within the archdiocese.

The Archdiocesan Respect Life Office works to discourage abortions and counsels those who have had abortions.

For seniors, the appeal funds opportunities for faith sharing and fellowship with senior housing, senior centers, and parish organizations.

For those wanting to become Catholic, the appeal funds RCIA and continuing religious education programs. For engaged couples, there are marriage encounter, and pre-cana programs.

There are also special ministries to the bereaved, separated, widowed and divorced. The appeal supports evangelization ministries that include the Men's and Women's commissions, Stewardship Day, Discovering Christ.

The Annual Appeal also helps financially-challenged parishes to remain open and continue to offer the sacraments and the saving news of Jesus Christ to their parishioners. The appeal also provides rebates to parishes that exceed their appeal goal.

The Annual Appeal also funds three seminaries, which prepare our



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday at 7:30pm in the church.
All are welcome

A NOTE FROM FATHER CHARLIE

This weekend I will go to St. Louis for a 10-day "intensive session" for a preaching course I am taking toward a doctoral degree in homiletics. Our cohort of 14 students meets with our professors for an extended study session each semester, with other classwork being done independently and in group work online. This is the sixth and final required course I am taking in St. Louis. After this I will need to take two electives of my choosing, and then complete a doctoral project and thesis (due by May 2020). This program is designed for those in full-time ministry, so that is why it is spread out over six years. The workload is heavy, but I have been enjoying learning more about preaching, and looking for ways to apply it to my preaching and to the preaching class I teach at our seminary at Seton Hall University.

While I am away, Father Don will be handling the priestly ministry, with weekend assistance (as usual) from the Salesian priests at Don Bosco High School. Please remember my classmates, my professors and me in your prayers.

*In Christ,
Father Charlie*

ECUMENICAL SOUP SUPPER STUDY SERIES

Join together with neighbors from other Allendale churches for prayer, reflection, and fellowship. Each Wednesday evening during the season of Lent we will gather for a simple meal of soup and bread, followed by a video and discussion. Supper begins at 6:30 P.M., with discussion ending by 8:00 P.M. Register (free!) for any or all online at: <https://allendalechurches.org/lent/>

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 TO 8 P.M. DURING LENT
(various Church halls)

WOMEN'S COMMISSION DAY OF REFLECTION

Saturday, March 11, 2017 - 8am - 3:30pm
Seton Hall University - 400 So. Orange Ave., South Orange NJ
Register online at: www.rcan.org/womenscommission
More Info: Catholicwomen@rcan.org / 973-479-4545
Cost: \$25.00

future Church leaders. The start of this academic year welcomed 125 men to the three seminaries throughout the Archdiocese. The Annual Appeal also provides subsidies for our two homes for retired priests, who have given their lives to the service of the church.

Your contribution to the Annual Appeal also supports the work of the Office of Vocations and its many programs and initiatives designed to help young people to hear Christ's call to give their lives in service as priests and religious.

Some people, if they anticipate an income tax refund, wait until it arrives and then donate it to the Annual Appeal. Donations of stock are also accepted. If you are employed by a company that has a matching gift program, please find out if it will match to the Annual Appeal, Catholic Charities, Immaculate Conception Seminary or Seton Hall and make your check payable to the organization that is eligible for a match.

Whatever method you choose I want to thank you! I also want to thank those who have joined me in already in making their pledge in *SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS*.

Masses for the Week

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Sunday March 5

5:30 pm Belva Jean McGee
7:30 am Joseph O'Grady
10:00 am Charles Evans
11:30 am Clement Farley

Monday March 6

9:00 am Barbara Galli

Tuesday March 7

9:00 am Hogan & Minck Families

Wednesday March 8

9:00 am Joyce Cummings - Paden

Thursday March 9

9:00 am People of the Parish

Friday March 10

9:00 am Joseph Bosco

Saturday March 11

5:30 pm Mildred Frykberg

Sunday March 12

7:30 am Barbara Poinier
10:00 am George T. Brew
11:30 am Josephine Passafiume

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity

Next week, our second collection will be for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world.

The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

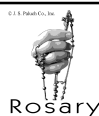
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Guardian Angel is a tithing parish. Biblical tithing means 10% of gross income to God. We ask half of this, or 5%, for your Parish Church.

The February 26th collection was \$7,893 with \$ 4,155 from the collection basket and \$3,738 from Faith Direct.

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Guardian Angel with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ513.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
Fr. Charlie



Our parish will have its monthly Rosary Devotion Monday evening at 7:30 in the Church. All are welcome.

BE MY WITNESS IS HERE!

Open Our Eyes Lord and so He did as our faith sharing groups focused on Seeking Christ through prayer, video and music. As we begin the lenten journey with over 50 participants joining, we are thankful for the opportunity to connect to one another and deepen our relationship to Jesus. If you are seeking an opportunity to deepen your faith this Lent there are still openings in the following groups:

Tuesday at 1 pm • Wed at 7:15 pm • Thurs. at 1 pm

Call 201-825-1931 or email Carolyn Blake ccblake38@aol.com. Or drop off a registration form and pick up the *Be My Witness* book at the rectory.

Do you love eggs, French toast and sausage?



The **PARISH BREAKFAST IS SUNDAY, MARCH 26th** after the

10am Mass. Tickets will be sold after all Masses for the next few weekends. Tickets are \$5/person or \$25/family (5 or more people). Reserve your spot today!

Do you love cooking eggs, French toast, & sausage?

Volunteers cooks needed!! No prior large-scale cooking experience necessary. Contact Katie Cavazzini kcavazzini@guardianangelchurch.org to sign-up.

FAMILY PROMISE OF BERGEN COUNTY

Super 50/50 Cash Raffle

To benefit Homeless Working Families

Grand Prize 25% of the proceeds (up to \$25,000)
Second Prize 10% of the proceeds (up to \$10,000)
15 Third Prizes 1% of proceeds (up to \$1,000 each)

A maximum of 1,000 tickets will be sold for \$100.00 each. The drawing will be held on April 12th. A representative from Family Promise will be at the parish next weekend to sell tickets after all the Masses. You may also purchase tickets by calling 201-833-8009. Cash, credit cards and checks are accepted.

For more information visit www.bergenfamilypromise.org.

CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION

March Items Needed

85 Jars of Jelly per week

For year to date ending February 26, Guardian Angel parish donated 77 bags and 27 boxes of food and personal items weighing over 1,277 lbs and \$30 in cash donations. This total includes 204 rolls of paper towels and 445 rolls of toilet paper donated in the month of February. The Center has identified **Jars of Grape Jelly** as needed items for the month of March. Donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry in the back of the Church. The CFA cannot accept *Non-Perishable* items. 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

An excerpt from LifeTeen blog post 7 Reasons to Use Your Phone More This Lent written by Dom Quaglia

<http://lifeteen.com/blog/7-reasons-to-use-your-phone-more-this-lent/>

Approaching this Lent, I want to experience something different. Maybe you do, too. **If giving up your phone doesn't seem like a good option for you, I have another alternative in mind: Use your phone to do good.**

Sacrifice is good, and fasting is absolutely necessary. However, I worry that **if we don't learn to use things for the good of the Kingdom of God, we might be missing the boat.** It's the same with using your humor to glorify God, or using your body to glorify God, or using your music to glorify God – we can use our phones the same way. These might sound basic, but here are some suggestions of how to use your phone to do good this Lent. Warning: side effects may include deepening of friendships, growing in holiness, and seeing God in places you don't usually notice Him.

1. Text a different person every day for the 40 days. Affirm them, tell them how they make your world a better place, and ask how you can pray for them. Then, actually pray for them.
2. Set an alarm on your phone every day reminding you to pray. At that time, stop whatever you're doing and pray.
3. Read Scripture every day, and then post on Facebook daily about what stood out to you from that scripture. This will be a sacrifice especially since a lot of our Facebook friends may not know about our faith.
4. Use the iBreviary or any other app to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. This will help you stay unified with God AND the rest of the Church throughout the day. Talk about staying connected.
5. Set three different timers, spaced evenly throughout the day. At each one, stop and reflect on your day since the last timer and all that has happened. Try to see God in each moment, be mindful of His presence along the way, and thank Him.
6. Delete one song a day from your phone that probably shouldn't be there. For each one that you delete, download a worship song. Share a beautiful, inspirational image on Instagram once a week. Write a caption about how it inspired you in your faith and maybe include that you'll be praying for everyone who sees it.

Now these were just some suggestions. Hopefully this got your brain working on some cool ways you can use your phone a little differently this Lent. Who knows, you may end up forming a lifelong habit. Be God's.

PARISH BREAKFAST

The Parish Breakfast is Sunday, March 26th after 10am. **All** Confirmation candidates **must** participate on the **day of** this event or the Spaghetti Dinner in April. How can these large group service projects generate opportunities for individual service? Extra shifts, participating in both events, or ticket sales! **Ticket sales will be held after all the Masses for the next three weekends.** Selling tickets after two Masses is one hour of individual service. Another great parent service opportunity as well! Please see the shift descriptions in the Components of Confirmation Program Packet and contact Katie Cavazzini to sign-up.

FAMILY CATECHESIS

The next Family Catechesis sessions will be Thursday, March 9th 7:00-9:00pm and Saturday, April 9 10:00am-12:00pm in the Barn. All Confirmation candidate and at least one parent/guardian must attend TWO Family Catechesis sessions.

COMING SOON....

Sun., March 5	Youth Mass & Parish Breakfast Ticket Sales Begin	11:30am Church
Tues., March 7	Confirmation Class #5	7:30pm Rectory
Wed., March 8	Youth Group	7:30 Rectory
Thurs. March 9	Family Catechesis	7:00pm Barn
Sun. March 12	Parish Breakfast Ticket Sales	
Tues. March 14	Confirmation Class #6	7:30pm Rectory
Wed., March 15	Youth Group	7:30 Rectory
Sat., March 18	Large Group CCD - Make-up day	3:00 Rectory
Sun. March 19	Parish Breakfast Ticket Sales Living Stations of the Cross Practice	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Sunday, the children who will receive Eucharist for the first time this spring will participate in a special retreat to help them focus on God's love and their growing relationship with Jesus. Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their preparation for this special day.

This Lent our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program that invites us to encounter anew ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

On Tuesday the children who participate in Religious Ed classes were given a rice bowl to bring home. If you do not have a child in Tuesday Religious Ed classes you may still join our parish community – and nearly 14,000 Catholic Communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's rice bowl from the display in the vestibule of the church after Mass this weekend, and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app!

ENCOUNTER INNOVATION

We encounter the Singh family in India, where a mother and father are using innovative farming techniques to feed their family amidst a flood. How is God inviting us to think outside the box in service to others this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Religious Ed registration for the 2017 – 2018 school year is ongoing during the regular Religious Ed office hours of Monday to Thursday 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

If you would like your family to participate in Summer Angel Wings, you must register by this Tuesday March 7th.

All families, including those who plan to attend Summer Angel Wings, Tuesday afternoon or Junior High School Tuesday evening programs are encouraged to register at these times along with any Home School families. If you have any questions please contact the Religious Ed office at 201-327-0352 or inayden@guardianangelchurch.org. Or check the parish website www.guardianangelchurch.org.

REGISTRATION FEES ARE:

FOR ALL PROGRAMS:

	Register by	May 2, 2017	AFTER May 2
FAMILY FEE:	One Child	\$200	\$250
	Two Children	\$250	\$300
	Three or more	\$300	\$350

PLUS ADDITIONAL FEES:

FIRST EUCHARIST RETREAT FEE	\$50
GRADE 8 RETREAT FEE	\$50
ANGEL WINGS ART FEE	\$10 PER STUDENT
CONFIRMATION RETREAT FEE	\$200

As of now the dates for Summer Angel Wings are June 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, July 6 & 7, 2017. The hours are 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Summer Angel Wings is open to all children who will be in grades 1 – 5 in September 2017.

LOVE TO SEW....

We are looking for parishioners who sew and can assist in making the Baptismal garments for babies that are baptized at Guardian Angel. Each lovingly made garment is a beautiful keepsake for the families. Training is available. Please contact the rectory office at 201-327-4359 x202 if you are able to assist with this ministry.



Tues., March 21	Confirmation Class #7	7:30pm Rectory
Wed., March 22	Youth Group	7:30pm Rectory
Sun., March 26	Parish Breakfast - Stations of the Cross Practice	
Tues., March 28	Penance Service	7:30pm Church
Wed., March 29	Youth Group	7:30PM Rectory

Katie Cavazzini - Coordinator of Youth Ministry
kcavazzini@guardianangelchurch.org - 201-934-5554,
 201-327-4359 x204

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR 2017

The Archdiocese is honoring couples who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian Marriage in the year 2017. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 30, 2017 3pm 5 and 25 years (All Counties)
May 7, 2017 3pm 50 years (All Counties)

Registration forms can be picked up in the rectory office. Once the registration is received by the Family Life Office acknowledgment of the reservation will be communicated directly with the couple.

If it is the desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couple will give favorable witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

CATHOLIC SINGLE PARENT SUPPORT GROUPS:

According to US Census data, 30% of children living in New Jersey currently live in a single parent household. Single Parenting is difficult, non-stop and often goes unappreciated. For many single parents, they are a provider, nurturer and disciplinarian. It can be overwhelming trying to carry out each of these roles. The Family Life Office has created and is offering a support group specific to the needs of single parents. Below is a list of parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark who offer this support group for single parents. If interested in attending, please call the phone number listed to register!

Notre Dame RC Church	North Caldwell, NJ	973-226-0979
St. Mary of the Assumption	Elizabeth, NJ	(Spanish) 908-352-5154
St. John the Baptist	Jersey City, NJ	201-653-8814
St. Matthew	Ridgefield, NJ	201-945-3500

Contact Lauren Egan 973-497-4327 to find out how to add your parish to the list or for more information!

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

March 5, 2017 - 1st Sunday of Lent

"It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." MATTHEW 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. How is God calling you to serve?

YOUR HEARTS ARE VERY GIVEN AND OURS VERY GRATEFUL! THE LOURDES KIDS THANK YOU

Thank you to all parishioners for your contributions and support. American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group, (ASCPG). The ticket sale raffle raised \$750.00 for the disabled children's pilgrimage trip on April 15, 2017. Thank you for your generosity. We will be praying for many blessings for our Guardian Angel family. God Bless you!

IMPORTANT CHURCH WEBSITES:

Church of the Guardian Angel Website:

www.guardianangelchurch.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/GuardianAngelChurchAllendale/

The Archdiocese of Newark **www.rcan.org**

The Catholic Advocate **www.rcan.org/advocate**

Away for the weekend? Go to: www.masstimes.org

New Energies

PARISH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

St. Luke Church:

Visit www.churchofstluke.org for more information and parish bulletin.

Church of the Presentation:

Visit the website at www.churchofpresentation.org for more information, and the parish bulletin.

"13th"

Film Screening and Discussion

"13th" an Oscar-nominated documentary film will be shown on **Monday, March 6th at 7:00 p.m.** and **Tuesday, March at 9:30 a.m.**

The film takes a sweeping, unflinching look at the history of race in the US. It poignantly links an overlooked clause in the 13th Amendment to today's crisis of mass incarceration which many say is the new form of Jim Crow.

This movie is named for the 13th Amendment, ratified in 1865, which abolished slavery but contained a loophole: "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction." In other words, slavery isn't permitted - but only for people who aren't convicted of a crime. This clause depends on a just court system in which every person accused of a crime is treated fairly and equitably - which, in turn, depends on a policing system that accuses people in the same manner, with no consideration for their race, class or gender.

Film Screening and Discussion at the Church of the Presentation, 271 West Saddle River Road, Upper Saddle River.

2017 Stewardship Project Needed: New or Used Communion Dresses and Suits

For the 4th year the Archdiocese of Newark Office of Development and Stewardship will be collecting gently used, in good condition, Communion dresses/veils, suits and shoes for our inner city parishes and the Religious Sister at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart who know families in need. Last year over 400 dresses and 200 suits were distributed. If you would like to donate please bring your item(s) to the religious education office. The collection will be ongoing through March 17th.

FATIMA 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF APPARITIONS

St. Elizabeth Church and Guardian Angel Church are sponsoring a one-day pilgrimage to National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima on Saturday, May 20th from 8:30am to 5pm. Cost is \$35pp. Reserve your spot - contact 201-891-1122 Dotsy Pomroy ext. 260. More information is in the rectory office.

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