



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

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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
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
June Taylor (201) 825-8812
Monthly Rosary Kathie Brach (201) 236-3116
Music/Choir Ministry
Andrew Monticello (201)-925-4756
Readers of the Word (Lectors)
Robert & Patty Durso (201) 760-9169

Ministry of Faith Formation

Baptismal Preparation Ministry
JoAnn Del Gatto (201) 981-7081
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)

RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
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RCLA - Rite of Christian Initiation-Children
Irene Nayden (201) 327-0352

Ministry of Evangelization

AIDS Ministry Noreen Prior (201) 236-1921
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Prayer Chain Ministry Arlene Sabino (201) 934-8441

Ministry of Service

Art & Environment Ministry
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Giving Tree Ministry Anna DiMiceli (201) 825-7039
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Father Charlie (201) 327-4359
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Hospitality Ministry Kathleen Lucas (201) 236-2577
Peace & Justice Ministry Gerry Del Gatto (201) 825-7383
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Soup Kitchen Ministry Chuck Assicurato (201) 327-1393
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Finance Council Michael Simendinger (201) 236-3135
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Youth Group (Grades 6-8, 9-12)
Katie Cavazzini (201) 934-5554
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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 be a part of all the great things happening at Guardian Angel!



A Message from the Pastor

January 7, 2018
Epiphany of the Lord

Dear parishioners,

2017 is over, 2018 has arrived! New Year's is for many people a time of looking back and looking ahead. I know I've been doing that personally and as pastor of Guardian Angel. One idea I've seen floating around among friends on FaceBook looks like a good one to me: creating a "gratitude jar." Basically, each week you write down on a slip of paper some good news from that week and write the date. Then, when the year ends, you take some time to look back over all the good news from your life. That will help stir your heart to offer prayer of gratitude to God, and also help keep these things in mind since many times we are tempted to hold onto the bad news instead.

Looking ahead in 2018, our parish staff is dedicated to partnering with you as you respond to God's call in your life. We can prepare for Sunday Mass, prepare lessons for children's catechesis, offer various programs and service opportunities ... but it all starts with you and your relationship with Jesus Christ. And it grows when we reach beyond our selves or our own families to pray and serve with others on a regular basis. It also grows when we are open to sharing the Good News with others. You don't have to stand on a street corner and shout ... bearing the love of Christ can happen in smaller and quieter ways too. If you use social media, consider occasionally letting it echo the joy of your faith or parish life. When someone asks about your weekend, consider including a mention of Mass as meaningful to you – and why. When someone asks about your Christmas, consider mentioning how you participated in helping others through our church – for example through your donation to the food pantry or giving tree. It's not bragging or proselytizing ... it's simply part of your baptismal call to live and proclaim the Good News. It's so good – how could we keep it to ourselves?

If you are looking for ways to serve or grow during 2018, please take a look at the inside cover of our weekly parish bulletin. We have many opportunities, and parish coordinators who would be happy to tell you how you can become involved, and meet other people too!

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The Church's Christmas Season comes to a close on Monday with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. We will have our annual rectory Epiphany "open house" party this weekend on Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. Everyone is invited; all ages are welcome! If you like, bring an appetizer or dessert to share. It's a time to enjoy one another's company as Christmas-time comes to an end. The rectory is the large stucco house at the back of the property. The gathering takes place in the main meeting rooms, with entrance through the porch door on the right-hand side of the rectory front patio. Our Pastoral Council serves as hosts, and I look forward to seeing you!

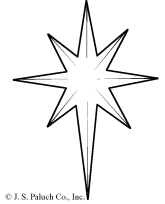
In Christ,

Father Charlie

ALL ARE INVITED

EPIPHANY "OPEN HOUSE" CELEBRATION

CELEBRATE THIS JOYOUS SEASON
TOGETHER



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Everyone is invited to bring a dessert or appetizer to share. The celebration is held in the rectory on
Sunday, January 7 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
(Enter the rectory though the porch door located on the right side of the rectory)

Hosted by the Pastoral Council

PATERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Dear Guardian Angel Church,

On behalf of the School #28 /PAGT we would like to thank you for your generous donations for the needy families that we serve here in our community. It is because of individuals like yourself that the spirit of the holiday is alive and well. To watch the faces of the students was so moving and emotional. We are incredibly grateful to you for taking time out of your busy lives to support us. Thank you so very much. We here at School #28/PAGT wish you and your families a healthy and happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nancy Castro, Principal

Mrs. Louise Albert, Project Coordinator

Be An Angel Program

Representatives from The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children will visit our Parish at next weekend Masses. A basket for support will be by the church doors.



The Scholarship Fund provides partial tuition scholarships for over 1,400 inner-city children from low-income families who attend Catholic Schools within the Archdiocese of Newark.

The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children works to make high quality Catholic education available as an alternative for these families desiring a disciplined and nurturing environment.

MASSSES for the Week

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Saturday January 6

5:30 pm Tess Frederick

Sunday January 7

7:30 am Dorothy Zabatzky

10:00 am James O'Reilly

11:30 am Joseph Cinelli

Monday January 8

9:00 am Joseph Cinelli

Tuesday January 9

9:00 am Jeanne Mastronardi

Wednesday January 10

9:00 am For the intentions of Fr. Donald Sheehan

Thursday January 11

9:00 am For the intentions of Mary McRae

Friday January 12

9:00 am People of the Parish

Saturday January 13

5:30 pm Leo Minolfo

Sunday January 14

7:30 am Charles M. Coen

10:00 am Helen M. Walker

11:30 am Justo Diminich

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Rosary

MONTHLY ROSARY

Our parish will have its monthly Rosary Devotion on Monday January 8th at 7:30pm in the Church. All are welcome.

CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION

JANUARY ITEMS NEEDED

85 Rolls of Paper Towels per week

85 Bottles of Pancake Syrup per week

Donations can be dropped off at the St. Anthony Food Pantry in the back of the Church. Monetary donations are always welcome and can be placed in the orange bucket at the Food Pantry. Please note that *Perishable Items Cannot Be Accepted*. 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.



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.

Weekly Offering

December 31st collection was \$7,797 with \$4,073 from the collection basket and \$3,724 from Faith Direct.

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful Feast of Epiphany. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ513.

Fr. Charlie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28 or Mk 1:14-20 and Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Everyone is invited for a special hour of Eucharistic Adoration in the Church on Tuesday January 16 from 8 to 9 p.m. You will be joining our Confirmation candidates, who are making this Holy Hour as part of their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation this May.

BUDDIES OF NEW JERSEY, INC.

Dear Fr. Charlie and our dear Friends of Guardian Angel Church,

THANK YOU! Because of YOU, we will be able to help address the many nutritional and hygienic challenges faced by the poor of the HIV/AIDS community here in Bergen County. Your wonderful gifts of Ensure, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Toiletries, Gift cards and beautiful men's sweatshirts will go directly to answering the needs of our 400 clients and their families.

The GUARDIAN ANGEL AIDS MINISTRY has been helping Buddies of New Jersey, Inc. to make a *real* difference in the lives of the clients we serve. We applaud the enthusiasm and hard work of the ministry's coordinators, Noreen Prior and Arlene Sabino who so clearly reflect the passion and commitment of the parishioners of the Church of the Guardian Angel.

Truly you are our *Guardian Angels*!

Buddies of New Jersey, Inc. is North Jersey's oldest and largest HIV/AIDS resource center serving an ever increasing client base of 400 people in Bergen and Passaic counties. Our clients depend on us for many life sustaining services including licensed substance abuse treatment, oral health, mental health therapy, case management, housing, transportation, and food pantry, all of which play a critical role in helping our clients maintain a healthy quality of life.

Thank you for caring.

Sincerely,
Mark Anderson
Executive Director

YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Info for Katie
Cavazzini - inside cover
of bulletin

Pivotal Players

Bishop Robert Barron is on a new journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people. **CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players** is a multi-part film series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players is open to the entire parish! This program is also **family catechesis** for Confirmation candidates and their parents.

Monday, January 8, 2018

Topic: St. Thomas Aquinas at 7:00pm Rectory

Leadership Retreat

Anyone interested in being a Peer Ministers for the Fall 2018 Confirmation Retreat is **STRONGLY** encouraged to attend the **Capuchin Youth Leadership Training Retreat** held at Capuchin Youth and Family Ministries (CYFM) Retreat Center in Garrison, NY the weekend of **Friday, January 19 – Sunday, January 21, 2018**. This leadership training retreat will allow peer ministers to grow in their faith while learning specific skills such as oral communication, collaborative skills, time management, leading discussions, group dynamics, Christ-like Leadership. CYFM's Leadership Training empowers teens with skills useful in school, youth group, parishes, and in life. This retreat is also a time of fun and spiritual growth for the peer ministers before being asked to lead others through a retreat. Guardian Angel will subsidize the cost of this vital training weekend. Contact Katie for more information.

COMING SOON...

Sunday, Jan. 7	Sponsor Retreat 8:30am Red Barn
	Youth Mass 11:30am Church
Monday, Jan. 8	Pivotal Players 7:30pm Rectory
Tuesday, Jan. 9	Large Group Confirmation Prep 7:30pm Red Barn
Wednesday, Jan. 10	Youth Group 7:30pm Rectory
Tuesday, Jan. 16	Large Group Confirmation Prep 7:30pm Red Barn
Wednesday, Jan. 17	Youth Group 7:30pm Rectory
Friday, Jan. 19-21	Capuchin Youth Leadership Training Retreat
Tuesday, Jan. 23	Large Group Confirmation Prep 7:30pm Red Barn
Wednesday, Jan. 24	Youth Group 7:30pm Rectory
Tuesday, Jan. 30	Small Group Confirmation Prep 7:30pm Rectory
Wednesday, Jan. 31	Youth Group 7:30pm Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Believe it or not Religious Ed registration for the 2018 – 2019 school year will be here before you know it! Registration begins on Tuesday January 16th at 10:30 AM. If you would like your family to participate in Summer Angel Wings, you must register by Tuesday March 6th. Registration will be held in the rectory during the regular Religious Ed office hours of Monday to Thursday 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM. On Tuesdays during January, we will be in the rectory from 7:30 PM until 9:00 PM for those who cannot make it during the day. Families who plan to attend Tuesday afternoon, Junior High School Tuesday evening programs or our home school program are encouraged to register at these times too. If you have any questions please contact the Religious Ed office at 201-327-0352 or inayden@guardianangelchurch.org.

Children's Church has continued to be very popular this year and after a short break will resume this weekend at 11:30 Mass. This is an opportunity for young children to participate in a special liturgical experience created just for them.

- All children in grades K – 3 are invited to participate at 11:30 Mass on Sundays.
- The children come to Mass and sit with their families at the beginning of Mass.
- They are then called forward and process with the adult team to the vestibule.
- For the readings and homily, the children hear the same scripture as the older participants, but the language is on their level.
- Usually a question and answer period follows the Gospel reading.

After a short closing prayer the children return to their families during the offertory to celebrate Mass together. We hope that your children will participate in this on a regular basis. Since we understand that 11:30 Mass may not be the most convenient time for your family EVERY week, please know that participation in this program does not require a weekly commitment to this particular Mass. We are always looking for adult volunteers to help with this ministry. If this is something that might be of interest to you, please contact the Religious Ed office.

There is a meeting for parents of all 2018 First Eucharist candidates on Thursday, January 18th. This meeting will be in the rectory at 10:00 AM and at 7:00 PM. Please attend the meeting which is most convenient for you. Prep classes begin on Sunday January 21st. If your child is in our Summer Angel Wings or Home School program, you may choose to have your child attend Prep class on Wednesdays or Sundays. You may sign up at the parent meeting.

The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2018

*All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.*

-- Psalm 72:11



Immaculate Heart Academy cordially invites you to a presentation by a nationally-recognized speaker

Dr. Leonard Sax, author of *Girls on the Edge*

Dr. Sax will present advice and insight into the issues facing young women today. Please join us at 7 p.m. on January 18th in the school's Performing Arts Center at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ 07676. Please call IHA for further information at 201.445.6800.

The Epiphany of the Lord Little Drummer Boy

Did you know that the only reason we say that there were three wise men is that they brought three gifts? The Bible never says their number or their names. The gifts tell us about the givers. And these special gifts--gold, frankincense, and myrrh--tell us much. When one king visited or sent an ambassador to another, he would give a gift of gold to show that he acknowledged the kingship of the other. So the first gift of the wise men tells us they recognized Jesus as King. The second gift is a type of incense, which was used in Jesus time to worship God. So this gift shows the wise men paying homage to Jesus' divinity. The gift of myrrh is oil used to anoint the dying. It reminds us of Jesus suffering and death on the cross.

So what gifts do we have for Jesus? Maybe we can take a hint from the wise men. If we acknowledge Jesus as king, maybe a better gift than gold would be to pledge our obedience to him. Each day we can promise to live our vocation as best we can, to love those around us, and forgive those who hurt us. A better way than burning incense to pay homage to Jesus' divinity is to take time to pray throughout the day. Some people are able to attend daily Mass, others spend time in adoration before the Eucharist, or even a few minutes of their lunch break to say the rosary. As for the gift of myrrh, we can give Jesus the crosses we bear each day. When we accept suffering in our lives, especially that caused by our sins, we give ourselves to Jesus as he gave himself for us on the cross.

The song "Little Drummer Boy" reminds us that the best gift is not necessarily the most expensive. Instead, it is the simple gift that only we can give. Let Epiphany remind us to offer our lives to Jesus each day.

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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.

DO YOU GRIEVE THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, St. Luke's invites you to attend eight weekly sessions of mutual sharing and support in a spiritual, caring and *strictly confidential* setting.

This group is led by a trained facilitator certified by the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Although this a Christ-centered group experience, bereaved of all faiths are welcome and invited to attend.

THE 2018 WINTER/SPRING BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETS:

Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

In the (white) House of the Divine Mercy at St. Luke's
February 21, 28 March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4 & 11

There is no fee, however, registration is required.

If you are interested in registering or would like more information, please contact Elaine at 201-444-0272.

All calls are confidential.

Church of the Presentation:

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

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY REFLECTION

January 7, 2018

Epiphany of the Lord

"..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - MATTHEW 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

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Silvana Anello Rental Coordinator @ 201-783-5414 or

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