

GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

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LITURGY SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY.....4:00 PM
SUNDAY.....8:30 AM AND 11:00 AM
TUESDAY.....5:30 PM
WED., THURS. & FRI..... 8:15 AM

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day be at my side,
to light and guard,
to rule and guide.
Amen.

Epiphany of the Lord

They were overjoyed at
seeing the star, and on
entering the house they saw
the child with Mary his
mother. They prostrated
themselves and did him
homage. Then they opened
their treasures and offered
him gifts of gold,
frankincense, and myrrh.
- Mt 2:10-11



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

4:00 PM BETTY CARNEAL

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

8:30 AM MARIA GUADALUPE DELGADO

11:00 AM RITA ORTIZ

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

5:30 PM ROSARY RECIPIENTS LIVING & DECEASED

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

8:15 AM KEN PAWLOWICZ

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

8:15 AM OUR LADY OF HOPE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

8:15 AM JOSE PADILLA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

4:00 PM REBECCA CASTENEDA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

8:30 AM TOM RYAN

11:00 AM

The Week Ahead

Sunday, January 8

11:00 am Pre-School Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 11

7:00 pm RCIA Parish Hall

Thursday, January 12

6:30 pm What Catholics Believe Parish Hall

Saturday, January 14

10:00 am Holy Name Society Retreat

Sunday, January 15

9:30 am Family Faith Parish Hall

11:00 am Pre-School Cafeteria

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

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Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel at St. Agnes Church at 5250 Mission Road in Roeland Park is once again open. Christopher and Ashley Brown are coordinating this effort. If you would like to be involved, please contact the Browns at stagnesadoration@gmail.com.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember Ken Pawlowicz in your prayers. Ken who passed away 12/28/16, is the brother of parishioner Margaret Lima. Ken lived in Texas.

Please also remember Maria Guadalupe in your prayers. Maria, who passed away recently, is the mother of parishioner John Delgado.



May both Ken and Maria enjoy the fullness of God's life and may their families and friends be comforted at this time.

Retreat for Men

The Holy Name Society will have a Retreat for Men on Saturday, January 14, 2017 in the Parish Hall from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. The retreat is open to ALL men within the Parish. There is no charge for this event. Lunch (including beverages) will be provided. Reservations are not required but are encouraged. For questions or to RSVP, please contact Parrish Derickson at 816-753-4029.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees Mass

Archbishop Naumann will commemorate this day with a mass on Sunday, January 15 at 5:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church at 1086 N. 94th Street in Kansas City, Kansas. This liturgy is designed to reflect the multi-national identity of the Catholic Church by utilizing different languages and musical styles. A reception will follow the service.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK & MILITARY

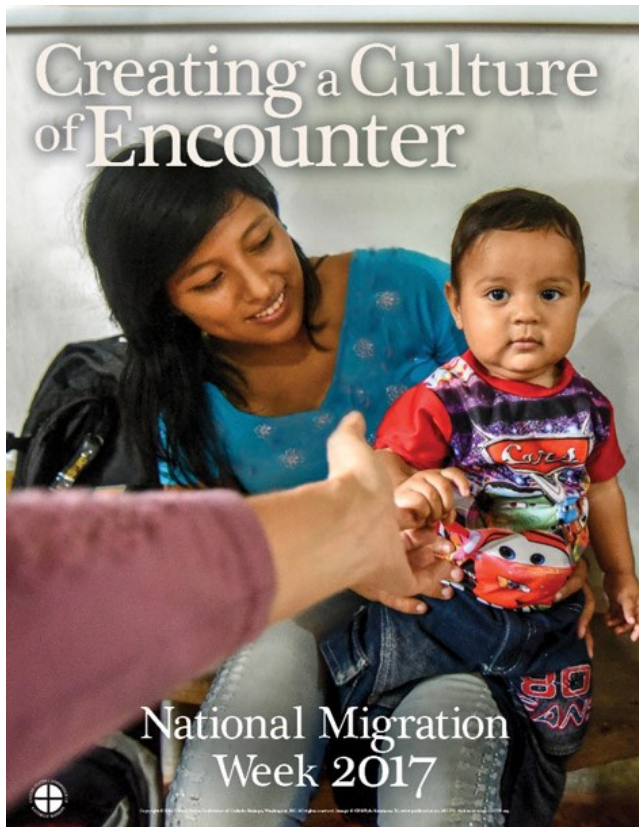
Please pray for those who are sick or recuperating:

Shirley Andrade, Larry Clark, Candy Colorado, Cathryn Dugan, Teddy Elmer, Jose Padilla Enriques, Joe and Ruby Falk, Pat Garcia, Ruth Romaine Glass, Sylvia Harral, Marie Hash, Antoinette Marie Hernandez, Leo Hernandez, Nick and Rita Hernandez, Adri Jordison, Dolores Kiefer, Major John King, Phil Lima, Mary Jo Lister, Erma Lopez, Kathy Luna, Lupe Luna, Fr. Glenn Mueller, Kathy Neal, James Norbury, Carol Oropeza, Celia Padilla, Jose E. Padilla, Rose and Joe Padilla, Pete Pierron, Margaret Reid, George Reutter, Theo Stephen Ridenour, Jessie Ruiz, Lois Ruocco, Betty and Tom Ryan, Jim Scanlon, Pat Sullivan, Susan Tarwater, Beverly and Bob Tumberger, Socorro Velo, Michael Weaver, Pat Woodrum, La Vera Young, and for all the sick and infirmed.

Please pray for those serving in the military:

James Reyes (Marines)

January 8-14, 2017



Pope Francis New Years Day Message

In his blessing on New Years Day, Pope Francis urged leaders around the world to work together to fight the “plague of terrorism” that is happening around the world. The Pope specifically cited the Istanbul nightclub attack that killed at least 39 people. “I ask the Lord to sustain all men of good will to courageously roll up their sleeves to confront the plague of terrorism and this stain of blood that is covering the world with a shadow of fear and a sense of loss,” said the Pontiff. “Violence is not the cure for our broken world. Countering violence with violence leads at best to forced migrations and enormous suffering.”



Pope Francis ended by saying “In 2017, may we dedicate ourselves prayerfully and actively to banishing violence from our hearts, words and deeds, and to becoming nonviolent people and to building nonviolent communities that care for our common home. Nothing is impossible if we turn to God in prayer. Everyone can be an artisan of peace.”

Parish Support

Sunday, December 25, 2016

Envelopes.....	\$3,590.00
Plate	\$1,876.00
Total.....	\$5,466.00

Sunday, January 1, 2017

Envelopes.....	\$2,969.00
Plate	\$1,681.00
Total.....	\$4,650.00

“God cannot be outdone in generosity.” St. Ignatius of Loyola

Food Pantry

We feel very fortunate at Guardian Angels to have a Food Pantry to help with the needs of the hungry in the Westport/Roanoke area. This is because of your generous support and we thank you.

Food Pantry Requests

Ravioli, Tuna, Mac and Cheese, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Lasagna Canned Vegetables, Spaghetti Rings, Crackers, Canned Fruit, Fruit Juice, Bar Soap, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Body Wash, Toilet Paper, Shampoo, Laundry Soap, Dish Detergent.



Please be sure and pick up your Guardian Angels 2017 contribution envelopes in the back of church.

Is your Marriage on Track?

Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about our upcoming Kansas City Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Hutch Battreall at (816) 244-2177 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com



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Guardian Angels Mission Statement

Guardian Angels is a culturally rich Catholic community strengthened and united in faith and worship. We strive to be messengers of hope, making God's Word active in our everyday lives. We promote unity and self-growth, provide outreach to individuals in need and welcome all for fellowship and worship.

Festival Meeting

We will have a preliminary Festival meeting on Wednesday, January 18th at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. If you have worked on any portion of the Festival in the past, please plan to attend this meeting. If you would like to be involved in the Festival, you are invited to attend also.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your help!

Thoughts from Guardian Angels

The Change Starts with Us

I was reflecting on the theme of **creating the culture of encounter** and I wondered what could be a possible starting point. I will try to develop a general theme, and I will try not to be specific.

From my point of view, creating a welcoming attitude starts with an accurate perception of "the other," of our neighbor... observing what are her/his needs.

Then, I try to remember when I observed a person with a welcoming attitude and how did that person act? I had the privilege to observe such a person, and I must say that what was different from other peoples attitude was the genuine willingness and readiness to help — despite living in a society that promotes self-sufficiency where we all are trained to help ourselves.

Isn't it a sign of weakness to ask for help? But aren't we all in a position to ask for help from time to time, or even daily, in our prayers?

"The more you give, the more you will receive," includes a subtle paradox: can you give to another if you are not an

expert in a specific are but you still have a willingness to help? I think the key is to want to help others and a process to show people our willingness to help.

Before we can change how others perceive us, we need to take a critical look at ourselves and determine what we want to change about ourselves to become welcoming to others.

In psychology, one theory of change states that we need to be in a state of dissatisfaction in order to effectively make changes. As long as we are content and happy with the "status quo," most likely change will not happen. But when we are not happy with the way things are, we have a good environment for change. Thus, in order to have a change in a certain domain we could start with a real individual assessment. But the key point is an inner willingness to make change.

Once I can accept and make changes on an individual level to be welcoming, change in a group level and then community level can follow. In conclusion, a culture of encounter starts with a willingness to help others, and that willingness has to come first from within.

Procedures, Sacraments and Information for Guardian Angels Parish

Baptism

Contact the parish office after your baby is born, in order to schedule the baptismal class and the date of the baptism.

Confirmation, Eucharist & Reconciliation

Preparation for this sacrament is offered yearly. Contact the parish office for more information.

Funeral

Contact the parish office at the time of the death.

Marriage

Parishioners who have been registered for six months or longer should contact Fr. Bob Hagan at least nine months before an intended marriage date.

Penance

Saturday afternoon between 3:00 and 3:45 pm and by appointment at the parish office.

Religious Education

Sessions for children and families are held monthly. Contact the parish office for more information.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Sr. Linda Barringer at the parish office for information on this process.

Sick or Hospitalized

Contact the parish office when your loved one is sick or admitted to the hospital.

Parish Hall Rental

Parishioners who have been registered for one year or more, should contact Ms. Linda Battle in the parish office for rental information.

School Cafeteria Rental

Contact Ms. Linda Battle in the parish office.

Bulletin Announcements

Items to be included in the bulletin need to be sent to Kate Riha in the parish office no later than Monday before that Sunday's intended inclusion date.

Newcomers

Registration Forms are located in the literature holders in the back and at the north entrance to the church. When completed, these can be returned to the parish office or placed in the collection baskets at Mass. Welcome!

Mass Intentions

Please call the office during business hours.

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School

(next door to Guardian Angels on Mercier)
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Quinceanera

Please contact the office nine (9) months in advance to schedule a preparation class with Deacon Tyrone.

Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect abuse:

- Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-(800) 392-3738, if the victim is under 18 years of age.
- Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911
- After reporting to the aforementioned law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Kathleen Chastain, Diocesan Victim Advocate at (816) 392-0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Homilist for upcoming masses:

January 14-15 Deacon Tyrone Gutierrez
January 21-22 Fr. Bob Hagan

Altar & Rosary Society Gift Shop

The Altar and Rosary Society Gift Shop is open after all weekend Masses. Stop by & see our selection of small, reasonably priced Christian merchandise.



Saturday, January 14..... Holy Name Society Retreat
Tuesday, January 17..... Pastoral Council Meeting at 6:15 pm
Tuesday, January 24..... Green Team Meeting at 5:45 pm
Tuesday, January 24..... Finance Council Meeting at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, March 1 Ash Wednesday
Friday, March 10..... Holy Name Society Lenten Dinner
Sunday, March 19 St. Joseph's Table