



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

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

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 Laurie Maimone at 201-934-1811 to arrange for infant baptism and parental instruction.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Please call Sam Chey 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.

(Rector's 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 Rector's Office for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and to request Communion for the homebound.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the Rector's Office 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 Marge Mannion at 201-825-2131.

August 3, 2008

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTORAL STAFF

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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
Tess Frederick 201-327-3753

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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Ministry of Worship

Altar Server
Patrick Donahue (201) 962-2119
Altar Linens
Tillie Ascher (201) 818-3371
Adult Leaders for Children's Church
Robin & Brian Galvin (201) 327-0889
Counters
Lucille Corbett (201) 327-3958
Eucharistic Ministers
Mary O'Flaherty (201) 652-5286
Music/Choir Ministry
Susan Zaremba Malone (201) 585-8578
Readers of the Word (Lectors)
Robert & Patty Durso (201) 760-9169

Ministry of Faith Formation

Catechetical Ministry (1-9)
Cathy Hunt (201) 327-0352
Women's Spirituality/Cornerstone
Carolyn Blake (201) 825-1931
Men's Spirituality/Cornerstone
Rey Escalon (201) 934-7436
Rite of Christian Initiation – Children
Cathy Hunt (201) 327-0352

Ministry of Evangelization

AIDS Ministry
Noreen Prior (201) 236-1921
Arlene Sabino (201) 934-8441
Sunshine Ministry
Elayne McGill (201) 327-1547

Ministry of Service

Art & Environment Ministry
Sheila Lopez (201) 785-0175
Lynn Novak (201) 825-8090
Bereavement Ministry
John & Tess Frederick (201) 327-3753
Communication/Marketing
Jerry Del Gatto (201) 825-7383
Computer/Data Entry Ministry
Mary Russell (201) 327-2586
Giving Tree Ministry
Anna DiMiceli (201) 825-7039
Grounds & Maintenance Ministry
Father Charlie (201) 327-4359
Homeless Shelter Ministry
Chuck Assicurato (201) 327-1393
Hospitality Ministry
Kathleen Lucas (201) 236-2577
Office Help Ministry
Noreen Prior (201) 236-1921
Social Concerns Ministry
Gene Meehan (201) 327-7857
Soup Kitchen Ministry
Chuck Assicurato (201) 327-1393

Ministry of Stewardship & Finance

Finance Council
Michael Simendinger (201) 236-3135
Pastoral Council
Debra Capua (201) 934-1441
Stewardship Committee
Noreen Prior (201) 236-1921

Ministry of Community Building

Carnival
Irene Nayden (201) 327-4936
Senior Group
Ann Dunn (201) 327-5865

Ministry of Youth Stewardship

Youth Group
Sam Chey (201) 934-5554

August 3, 2008
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Dear parishioners,

There are many prayers that are part of the rich tradition of our Catholic faith. Among these is the Angelus. Traditionally, this is a way to pause from our routines of the day and contemplate in prayer the faith of the Blessed Mother, seeking her intercession.

For a copy of how to pray the Angelus prayer:

<http://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/prayers/Angelus.htm>

For a history of the development of this tradition:

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/01486b.htm>

In an address during his pastoral visit to Australia last month, Pope Benedict offered the following reflection on this devotion:

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Dear Young Friends,

In the beautiful prayer that we are about to recite, we reflect on Mary as a young woman, receiving the Lord's summons to dedicate her life to him in a very particular way, a way that would involve the generous gift of herself, her womanhood, her motherhood. Imagine how she must have felt. She was filled with apprehension, utterly overwhelmed at the prospect that lay before her.

The angel understood her anxiety and immediately sought to reassure her. "Do not be afraid, Mary The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Lk 1:30, 35). It was the Spirit who gave her the strength and courage to respond to the Lord's call. It was the Spirit who helped her to understand the great mystery that was to be accomplished through her. It was the Spirit who enfolded her with his love and enabled her to conceive the Son of God in her womb.

This scene is perhaps the pivotal moment in the history of God's relationship with his people. During the Old Testament, God revealed himself partially, gradually, as we all do in our personal relationships. It took time for the chosen people to develop their relationship with God. The Covenant with Israel was like a period of courtship, a long engagement. Then came the definitive moment, the moment of marriage, the establishment of a new and everlasting covenant. As Mary stood before the Lord, she represented the whole of humanity. In the angel's message, it was as if God made a marriage proposal to the human race. And in our name, Mary said yes.

In fairy tales, the story ends there, and all "live happily ever after". In real life it is not so simple. For Mary there were many struggles ahead, as she lived out the consequences of the "yes" that she had given to the Lord. Simeon prophesied that a sword would pierce her heart. When Jesus was twelve years old, she experienced every parent's worst nightmare when, for

three days, the child went missing. And after his public ministry, she suffered the agony of witnessing his crucifixion and death. Throughout her trials she remained faithful to her promise, sustained by the Spirit of fortitude. And she was gloriously rewarded.

Dear young people, we too must remain faithful to the "yes" that we have given to the Lord's offer of friendship. We know that he will never abandon us. We know that he will always sustain us through the gifts of the Spirit. Mary accepted the Lord's "proposal" in our name. So let us turn to her and ask her to guide us as we struggle to remain faithful to the life-giving relationship that God has established with each one of us. She is our example and our inspiration, she intercedes for us with her Son, and with a mother's love she shields us from harm.

While this was spoken primarily to young people, I believe it is a good message for us all.

In Christ,

Father Charlie

New Energies
PARISH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

St. Luke's Church

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

Church of the Presentation

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

Eucharistic Devotion

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Wednesday from noon to 9:00pm in the little chapel just inside the front entrance of the church. All are welcome.

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS

During July and August, the rectory offices will close on Fridays at 2 p.m. The offices will open as usual at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday, and close as usual at 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. To obtain a Mass card during other hours, please phone ahead to make arrangements with a priest. Hours for the offices of Religious Education and Youth Ministry may vary; please phone ahead. Thank you!

RECTORY HELP WANTED

A realignment of some duties of the rectory support staff means we are now looking for an additional part-time office employee. This paid position will involve approximately 12 daytime hours per week (Monday-Thursday) and may include additional "on-call" responsibilities. Applicants should be well-organized, have good typing and phone skills, and be comfortable with computer work - both word processing and data entry. For more information, please contact Father Charlie. For an employment application, please contact Martha DiBenedetto.

Mass Schedule

August 3, 2008

Sunday 5:30 (Sat.) 7:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	August 3 Mary Viglione Celia Backer Susan Barrett Andrew Radoslovich
Monday 9:00 am	August 4 People of the Parish
Tuesday 9:00 am	August 5 Paula Luberto
Wednesday 9:00 am	August 6 Andrew & Marie Oleksak
Thursday 9:00 am	August 7 Thomas Rider -5 th anniversary-
Friday 9:00 am	August 8 Michael Barbriere
Saturday 5:30 pm	August 9 Jane Leonard
Sunday 7:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	August 10 Celia Backer John Krantz Patricia Bess

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
Mt 14:13-21
Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36 or
Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5;
Mt 14:22-33

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Your stewardship of treasure for last weekend was **\$5,357.00**. Thank you and as stewards of our finances, everyone is encouraged to use the envelopes as a way of planning your gifts.

Reflections on Stewardship

“The hand of the Lord feeds us,” sings the psalmist; “He answers all our needs.” Often, though, it is with the open hands of generous stewards willing to share His many gifts that God’s people are fed and their needs met.



PARISH PICNIC RETURNS THIS FALL!

Mark your calendars and get ready for some fun! Our annual parish picnic will be held on Sunday

October 5th from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the meadow between the Auditorium and the Church. We also set up tables in the auditorium for those who prefer to stay out of the sun. As usual, we will provide the grilled meats and the beverages - you are invited to bring salads and desserts to share. There will be lots of food, contests for the kids (and adults!) and the chance to meet old friends and make new ones. No tickets are required, and we hope to see you there! Our Parish Coordinator is Guy Delle Bovi. Please let Father Charlie know if you would like to be part of the Parish Picnic committee.

Missionary Cooperative

Next weekend, **August 9 and 10**, Father Jess Owens, C.S.B. will be here to speak at all Masses about the work of the Priests of the Basilian Fathers Missions among the poor and needy they serve in their Latin American Apostolate. There will be a special collection to help them in their efforts to bring the Gospel of God’s love to the poor and needy. Please be generous in your prayers and sacrifices. Thank you.

JOINING THE MINISTRY OF “READERS OF THE WORD”

One of the liturgical ministries is that of “Reader of the Word,” or Lector. Those in this ministry prepare during the week to proclaim the First and Second Readings at Mass. They also are called upon to lead us in the Prayers of Intercession, and to read any announcements at the end of Mass. We have a great team of lectors, but we are always ready to train new ones. The training is two-part: the first is by the archdiocese, and the follow-up is at the parish. The next Archdiocesan training will be Saturday morning, September 27 in Newark, so if you are interested or want to know more, please contact Bob and Patty Durso (Lector Ministry coordinators), at 201-760-9169. - Father Charlie



Guardian Angel Parish will be collecting school supplies **August 16/17 & August 23/24** for the benefit of the Center for Food Action, Mahwah, NJ. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for details of items needed for donation. Thank you for your generosity.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

The AIDS Ministry would like to thank all the families in the Angel Wings Program who made a donation of toiletries. These items will be going to St. Bridget’s shelter in Newark and to Buddies in Hackensack.



YOUNG ADULTS!
(20's & 30's: Single or Married)

“Brothers and sisters:
What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us.” Rom 8:35

There are many daily occurrences that can cause us worry. We get to choose whether to dwell on those, or the just as many occurrences that we ought to celebrate. On our mission to Chicago, we were pushed out of our comfort zones and called to serve in ways that stretched us, yet no one complained. In actuality, there was much celebration. We felt the presence of God in serving His people and were connected to humanity in a way that is only possible through Him. We thank all those from this community, who assisted us in preparing for our mission!

Something to Think About: The Allendale community is constantly serving its members and neighbors. Serving the impoverished and homeless in first hand experiences is life-changing. A great family activity this summer is to break from the norm and spend some time at a soup kitchen or shelter.

CONFIRMATION, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS:

EVENTS!

Retreat Team Members: Wednesday, August 6: White House (Halo) 7:30 pm. This year’s Confirmation retreat will be held September 19 -21. If you are an adult or teen, who would like to assist, please call the youth ministry office. (Teens must have already received the Confirmation to be on team). We will meet Wednesday evenings throughout the summer.

Chicago Mission Trip: After all masses: Young Neighbors in Action: Come meet the Young Neighbors in the vestibule of the Church and hear about their mission!

Rafting: Saturday, August 9: Open to all Middle and High School Teens. More info. coming!

Youth Ministry Needs: Office Help: We are seeking teens to volunteer at the office between the hours of 3-5pm on Mondays & Wednesdays.

Retreat Opportunities: To be announced.

<http://www.newarkoym.org> is the official site for youth & young adult events in the Archdiocese.

For more information on any event, please call or email me!

Grace and Peace,

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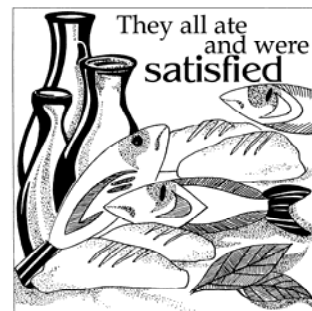
Office Hours are 1-6pm MTWT and by appointment

NEW SACRISTANS AT GUARDIAN ANGEL

Each weekend in our church, it is the Sacristan who has many responsibilities - often behind the scenes - to help us be ready for worship. From unlocking the church to checking the heating or air conditioning ... from stuffing parish bulletins to organizing the collection, the sacristan helps Mass run smoothly.

At Guardian Angel parish, it is a longstanding tradition to hire parish teenagers for this important work. This summer we say farewell to several sacristans as they graduate from high school: Matt Clark, Adam Fernandez, Joy Forlenza, Patrick Merli and Zachary Taylor. Continuing will be Stephen Brown and Mike Zoeller. Now we welcome the new sacristans: Connor Brady, James Donahue, Brian Fenton, Dan Galvin, Jimmy Langan, Jim Merli, and Will Zoeller.

We also thank Irene Nayden for her many years of service in scheduling this ministry, and welcome Brian and Robin Galvin as the new Sacristan coordinators.



Vocation Reflections

The multiplication of the loaves and fishes is a precursor to the later Sacred Meal Christ will give His Apostles, His people and His Church—The Eucharist, which is His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity taking the appearance of bread and wine.

As a priest or religious the duty is to guide people to Christ and salvation, and the basic means of this is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, which is the Eucharist, the sacrament of salvation. Are you willing to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the meal by which we receive Christ truly present in the bread and wine, for God’s people daily? If so, you may have a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. Pray for God’s grace and strength as He provides it to humanity in the Eucharist and contact the Vocation Office at 973.497.4365 or email kellybar@rcan.org.



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Course Offerings in September

LET GOD TOUCH your life through prayer, study and reflection. Eight-week courses in spirituality are offered at a parish near you beginning the week of September 15. Register for a course: The Old Testament and Spirituality; The Church; Spirituality and Ministry. For information and a brochure, call 973 497 4350 or e-mail [mailto:stantovi@rcan.org]stantovi@rcan.org

ATTENTION STUDENTS WHO WILL APPLY TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL THIS FALL!

In order to apply to the 32 Catholic high schools in the four counties within the Archdiocese of Newark, students in the 8th grade must take the 2008 COOP Exam. The exam will be given on Friday, November 7, 2008. For more information, visit www.coopexam.org or call 1-888-921-COOP.

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www.rcan.org/plannedgiving.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As the Latin Mass evolved in the first six centuries, the central prayer, what the Greeks called the *anaphora* and what we call today the Eucharistic Prayer, became fairly standard almost everywhere in the West. What we now know as Eucharistic Prayer I, or the Roman Canon, took a complex shape, not at all like the fluid and spontaneous prayers of early Rome, but a real architectural construction.

The city of Rome was in a terrible condition by that time, and a series of political upheavals, plagues, and invasions swept through. Not much of Rome's former glory was left standing, except for the pope, who became a symbol of protection and hope for the troubled people. The structures of law and administration were swept away in the chaos, and the pope gradually assumed authority to restore and maintain order. Soon, the public liturgy of Rome became the city's only glory. The Romans wanted "good order" not only in their civic life, but in their liturgy. One prayer, increasingly enriched by music (although when the music tried to overtake the prayer the pope banned musical instruments entirely) was the new rule of the day. That one prayer, the Roman Canon, was solidly in place when the first liturgical book we have, the Leonine Sacramentary of 540, was compiled.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. John Mary Vianney
Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome
Wednesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord; Hiroshima Memorial Day
Thursday: St. Sixtus and companions; St. Cajetan
Friday: St. Dominic
Saturday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross; Blessed Virgin Mary; Nagasaki Memorial Day

IMPORTANT CHURCH SITES ON THE INTERNET:

The Holy See
www.vatican.va
The Archdiocese of Newark
www.rcan.org
The Church of the Guardian Angel
www.guardianangelallendale.parishesonline.com
Traveling and looking for Mass schedules?
www.masstimes.org