



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

Blessed be God forever

**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 Ali Zambrotta at 201-825-2545 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, 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.

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2008**

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 Assurato (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 Assurato (201) 327-1393

Ministry of Stewardship & Finance

Finance Council
Michael Simendinger (201) 236-3135
Pastoral Council
Susan Bolton (201) 825-9105
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

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2008**

A Message



Dear parishioners,

What a blessing this past week has been for the parish! As I write this, we have just completed our Lenten Parish mission, "Dare to Love!" with Father Stan Fortuna, CFR as our Mission Preacher. He preached last weekend at all our Masses, and offered special presentations Sunday through Wednesday evenings. We also enjoyed his inspiring homilies at morning Mass. And I think a highlight was the prayer service he led for our parish children on Tuesday afternoon. We wish Father Stan God's blessing as he continues his traveling ministry. If you would like to learn more about Father Stan and his ministry, see www.francescoproductions.com.

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One of the shortest sentences in the Bible occurs in today's gospel – and one of the most moving: "And Jesus wept."

Jesus weeps in sadness over the death of his friend Lazarus, and over the grief of those who knew and loved Lazarus.

Here in our own parish community we also experienced the sadness of grief this past week with the sudden death of long-time parishioner Jeremiah "Jerry" Crean. Jerry died peacefully at home Tuesday shortly after assisting at morning Mass, which he did almost every day. He was frequently found here – whether opening the church doors for everyone at the 7:30 Sunday morning Mass, or serving at almost every funeral we have had in recent years. He had a great love for his family, his parish, his faith. We will miss him, and as we pray for his wife Maria and their family, we hope that Jerry will be praying for all of us.

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As we move into the final days of the Lenten Season, we find our hearts drawn by God toward reconciliation. As a reminder, every Saturday (Except Holy Saturday) a priest is available for the Sacrament of Penance from 4:30 to 5 p.m. in the Reconciliation Room, which is located through the door to the right of the tabernacle.

In addition, we have the following Lenten penance services scheduled, all in our Church: Monday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. (our parish and St. Luke's); Tuesday, March 11 at 3:45 p.m. (2nd through 5th grade); and Tuesday March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at 7:30 p.m. (6th and 7th grade). I am very grateful to all the many priests who will be visiting to assist with these liturgies.

In Christ,

Father Charlie

St. Luke's Church

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

St. Luke's Play Group

Monday Mornings – 10-11:30 AM

In the Parish Center Please call to register: Ginnie Bailey @ 201-444-0272 ext. 11

Catholic Story Hour

For young children (ages 1-5 years) and their care givers Join us to learn about our faith through story time, Singing, coloring and more! We meet Friday Mornings 9:30 – 10:30 AM – October through May St. Luke's Parish Center To sign up, please contact Ann Woods at 201-670-8856.

Spiritual Reflection for Women at St. Luke's

Please join us as we explore the Gospel of Mark

We'll utilize communal reading, reflection, journaling and discussion to learn how our Scriptures come alive in personal and relevant ways! Thursday Mornings 9:00-10:45 AM - Parish Center. Childcare is available with reservation for a nominal fee of \$5 per session per child. Women of all ages are most welcome!

A Workshop for Couples

During this 4 week workshop, we'll explore how to increase intimacy in your life, eliminate power and control struggles, balance desire for closeness and individual time, enhance communication, and so much more!

Tuesday evenings, March 4, 11, 18, 25 at 7:30 pm in St. Luke's School Auditorium.

Based on the book: "Conscious Loving" by Gay and Kathryn Hendricks: \$20 per couple, which includes one book.

Church of the Presentation

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

**GIVE YOURSELF THIS GIFT OF TIME...
AND BEGIN TO HEAL.**

If you are experiencing pain following the loss of a loved one, support is available to you through the Bereavement Ministry.

In coming together with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one, and sharing our stories in a atmosphere of faith, hope and love, with a code of confidentiality, we embark on a shared journey from grief toward healing. As participants in a eight week **Bereavement Support Group**, we will examine the many facets of grief (anger, loneliness, guilt, healing, etc.) and we will receive spiritual and emotional support from one another. The eight week session (one evening a week for eight consecutive weeks) beginning April 7th.

This is being offered by facilitators from St. Luke's, Guardian Angel and the Church of the Presentation, and will be held at the Church of the Presentation. It is open to all parishes and people of all faiths.

If you would like more information about the Bereavement Ministry and /or you are seeking support at this time, please feel free to contact the Church of the Presentation, Bereavement Ministry Hotline at 201 327-1313 ext 46, and you will be contacted.

Mass Schedule

March 9, 2008

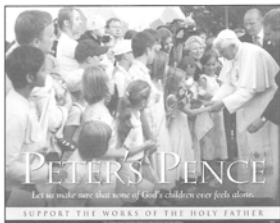
Sunday 5:30 pm (Sat.) 7:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	March 9 Elizabeth Walsh Leo Merlino John Goomas Kathleen Hylas
Monday 9:00 am	March 10 Jerry Crean
Tuesday 9:00 am	March 11 Matthew Blaszk
Wednesday 9:00 am	March 12 Rose Russo
Thursday 9:00 am	March 13 People of the Parish
Friday 9:00 am	March 14 Jerry Crean
Saturday 5:30 pm	March 15 Mary Lawrie
Sunday 7:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	March 16 Agnes Walsh John Goomas Charles T., Sr. & Elizabeth Pinyan

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession);
Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11;
Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Your stewardship of treasure for last weekend was **10,373.00**. Thank you and as stewards of our finances, everyone is encouraged to use the envelopes as a way of planning your gifts.



Let us make sure that some of God's children ever feel alone.

SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER

Today our parish participates in the Peter's Pence Collection for the Works of the Holy Father. Please help the Pope provide immediate disaster relief and emergency aid to those suffering the effects of war, natural disaster, or oppression throughout the world. In doing so, we join one billion Catholic brothers and sisters in acting to share God's love in the world. Thank you. For more information visit 222.usccb.org/ppc.

CORNERSTONE CONNECTION

THE CORNERSTONE TEAM is very excited about providing the Women of Guardian Angel an opportunity to be with other women in a relaxed, spiritual, and welcoming environment the weekend of March 28, 29. The theme WOMEN LIVING FAITH says it all. The weekend will witness to the amazing power of the Holy Spirit in bringing God's love and peace amidst the turmoil of life's events. Opportunities for PRAYER, YOGA, RECONCILIATION and FUN are shared woman to woman. With only two and a half weeks left, PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR REGISTRATION FORM, JOIN US, and GIVE YOURSELF THE GIFT OF CORNERSTONE.

Registrations forms are in the back of church where there is also a box in which to place them. Questions? Ask any of the Team Members listed below:

Mary Ann Assicurato, Carolyn Blake, Jean Borzilleri, Kathy Brach, Rita Buedden, Lucille Corbett, Jane Curti, Anna DiMiceli, Ann Dunn, Tess Frederick, Peggy Hanke, Laura Hills, Cathy Hunt, Kathy Lucas, Susan Malone, Laurie Maimone, Elayne McGill, Linda Morgan, Aurora Protano, Joan Pryor, Aleta Taylor, Ali Zambrotta

PRAY FOR US AND FOR THE CORNERSTONE WEEKEND, MARCH 28TH AND 29TH.

TO ALL WOMEN WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED CORNERSTONE

You are invited to welcome and/or serve the candidates who will be a part of this year's WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE on March 28 -March 29.

We need help with the following:

Friday, March 28: Donation of "finger food"

Desserts__ Appetizers__

Saturday, , March 29: Assist in kitchen

Breakfast__ , Lunch__, Dinner__

Name _____

Phone _____

Please return this form to the Women's Cornerstone Mailbox in the back of church or call or email Kathy Brach, 201-236-3116, kbrach@optonline.net

The collection for the Soup Kitchen will be this weekend. A basket for your donations is in the vestibule of the Church.

MINISTERING TO THE BEREAVED

As part of our New Energies Partnership, the Church of the Guardian Angel shares a ministry for those who grieve with the parishes of St Luke's and Presentation parishes. From time to time, support groups meet under the guidance of trained facilitators. For information about these groups, or about how to become a facilitator, please contact Father Charlie.



Daylight Saving time begins on Sunday March 9th at 2:00 a.m. and ends November 2. Set your clocks ahead one hour.



“With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.”
– Psalm 130:7

What a blessing to have gathered the Confirmation candidates and middle school teens together in one evening to listen to Fr. Stan Fortuna speak about The Love that Forgives. Fr. Stan made it a point to emphasize the call to forgive juxtaposed to the impossibility of the human person to not be hurt and not remember a wrong done unto him/her. Not capable of these two things, how do we forgive? Let us look to today’s second reading for the answer “If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.”

If we call upon the Spirit of the Lord to rest upon us, to soften our hearts, we will have the love to turn hurt into intercession. We will seek true forgiveness, which only God can give. We will ask sincerely that God forgives our trespassers.

Love intercedes. In today’s Gospel it is evident and it is a foreshadowing of the eternal life that God interjects into our death. This weekend Jesus intercedes in the lives of five of our teens: Stephen Brown, Cody Cavagrotti, Deanna Colarusso, Julius Lizardo, Tory Sandberg as well as our chaperones, Cindy Cavagrotti, Elizabeth Sandberg, and myself, as we participate in the Crossroads retreat.

In May it will be God, Who once again intercedes in the life of this parish as we confirm our teens with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Something to Think About: If we find ourselves in a situation where we cannot seem to forgive, begin with an act of love. Do something nice for the person, who hurt you. Continue to treat them well. Soon you’ll see your relationship restored, and without realizing it, forgiveness may have happened.

CONFIRMATION, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS: EVENTS!

Confirmation Classes: Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory

Living Stations: Practice: Sunday March 16, 1 – 5pm, 5pm dinner provided. Performance: Sunday, March 16, 7:00pm in the Church

Communion Breakfast: March 30, Immediately following the 10:00am mass in the auditorium. \$5 per Person, \$25 per Family

Mission Trip: Young Neighbors in Action: We have been posting information about this mission trip in the Church vestibule. Come to our Info Night, Monday, March 10 at 7:30pm and find out specifics!

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

Rejoice: Rejoice is a co-ed youth retreat and prayer festival open to young adults and teens 15 years old and older. At Rejoice, youths and young adults experience the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They gather together in prayer around the Blessed Sacrament sharing their faith gaining strength and comfort through spiritual outpouring of their peers. Through inspirational speakers, great music and most of all Jesus, participants will return to their parishes filled with God’s love. April 4-6 Cost: \$50

YOUNG ADULTS!

(20’s & 30’s: Single or Married)

Young Adult Small Christian Community: Guardian Angel and a few local parishes have united to for a regional young adult group. We meet every other Wednesday from 7:30 – 9:00pm. Our next meeting is March 12 at St. Joseph’s in Oradell

Catholic Underground: April 5: 7:30 – 10:30 PM – Join other young adult Catholics from the tri-state area for adoration and fellowship in Manhattan at Our Lady of Good Counsel

230 East 90th St, NY 10128 (between 2nd and 3rd Ave)

<http://catholicunderground.net/index.php>

If you are interested, RSVP; We meet and will leave from the Church Rectory at 6:45pm.


Spiritual Exercises Retreats: Retreats begin Friday evening at 5:00 pm and conclude by 5:00 pm Sunday afternoon.

773 Armonk Road, Mt Kisco, NY 10549 (914) 244-3685

Women: 2008 calendar coming soon! Men: 2008 calendar coming soon! http://www.olmk.org/events/sp_ex.php

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

Sam Chey, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
schey@guardianangelchurch.org
guardianangelym@yahoo.com
Telephone: 201-934-5554
Office Hours are 1-6pm MTWT and by appointment



Religious Education

The Lenten Penance Service for grades 6 and 7 will take place on this Tuesday Evening March 11 at 7:30PM in the church.

No- Sew Fleece Blankets Needed for American Soldiers
Hi, my name is Maggie Hunt (Cathy Hunt’s niece), and I am working on my Girl Scout Gold Award. For my project, I am asking people to make the no-sew fleece blankets for the wounded soldiers in Afghanistan and Iraq. If your family can help with this project, contact Cathy Hunt at the Religious Education Office 327-0352. Instructions are available and all blankets need to be dropped off to the Religious Education Office by March 26. Thank You for your support.

Reception to Honor Parishioner Legacies

Each Spring, Archbishop John J. Myers hosts a prayer service and tea reception to honor all those who have included their individual parish or the Archdiocese of Newark in their will, or have made some other type of planned gift. This year's Legacy Circle Tea will be held on **Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at 2:00 PM** at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. A reception hosted by Archbishop Myers will take place immediately following the prayer service in the Residence. Anyone who has named the parish in his or her will is eligible to be enrolled in the Legacy Circle Planned Giving Society. If you have named the parish in your will, or are considering doing so, please contact the Planned Giving Office at the Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4048. Legacy Circle members receive special invitations to Archdiocesan events held throughout the year as well as important updates and information.

Men's Day of Retreat

The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal are again sponsoring a Day of Retreat for Men and their Friary in Newark at 375 – 13th Ave. The theme of the Day is "Husbands Love Your Wives," and will be held on **Saturday, March 15th from 8 am to 5 pm.** The Day will include speakers, reflections, Mass, opportunity for Confession, and a light breakfast and lunch. The Friars are asking for RSVPs by March 8th in order that they may adequately prepare. Interested parties should call the Friary at 973-622-6622. Please share the information of this Spiritual opportunity as you deem appropriate. We are blessed to have the Friars among us and thank God for their special ministry in our Archdiocese.

Bereavement Eight-Week Training program

Are you interested in becoming part of the ministry to the bereaved in your parish? An eight-week training program is offered by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark and is now open for registration. Participants will explore the stages and tasks of grief and mourning and develop their communication and group facilitation skills. Sessions begin in March and continue into May and are offered on Tuesday mornings or on Thursday evenings. For class locations, registration and fee information, please contact the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark at 973-497-4327. Pre-registration is required; class size is limited.

Bereavement Retreat

Are you grieving the loss of the loved one?

Join us for a day retreat of discussion, prayer and healing, sponsored by the STEPS program of the Institute for Christian Spirituality of Immaculate Conception Seminary.

Saturday, March 29, 2008

Time: 9:30a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Mass celebrated at 2 p.m.)

Location: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Ridgewood, NJ

Cost: \$25 (refreshments and lunch included)

Space is limited. Registration requested by March 17.

To register or to obtain more information, contact Jo-Anne Lieder STEPS Coordinator at (973) 313-6331 or liederjo@shu.edu.

You are cordially invited to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Ridgewood, NJ

March 14, 2008 at 7 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC LENTEN RETREAT with Fr. Bill Halbing

Talk, Adoration, Confession, Benediction

Free will offering

For more information call 201-447-3150

'Tis A Grand Night

Ciaran Sheehan and Gay Willis of the PBS hit "From Galway to Broadway" and Broadway's "Phantom of the Opera" with Eily O'Grady Patterson, accompanist and Strings of Tara, Celtic harpist will perform on Saturday, March 15th at 7:30 p.m. at George Washington Middle School in Ridgewood, NJ. Tickets are \$30 and available at Irish Eyes, 1 Cottage Pl. in Ridgewood. Make checks payable to *Siochain Enterprises*. Portion of proceeds to benefit the National Theatre Workshop of the Handicapped. For more information call 201-445-4504 or email abcstokes@rcn.com.

Reflections on Stewardship

When Jesus heard about the illness of His friend, Lazarus, He responded, "This illness is not to end in death; rather it is for God's glory, that through it the Son of God may be glorified." Every aspect of our lives – our gifts as well as our sufferings – can, if surrendered to Christ, lead to blessing for others and ourselves.

Parish Teens Lends His Voice in *Jesus Christ Superstar* to Raise Money Homeless Teens

Teenagers from surrounding communities will offer their time and talents in Jesus Christ Superstar in concert on March 14th, 15th, and 16th at St. Joseph Regional High School located at 40 Chestnut Ridge Road in Montvale. The proceeds from all performances will be donated to Covenant House New Jersey, an organization providing assistance for homeless youth. Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's moving rock opera which debuted on Broadway in 1971, chronicles the last weeks of Jesus' life as seen through the eyes of a conflicted Judas. Performance dates and times are March 14th at 8 p.m., March 15th at 2 and 8 p.m., and Palm Sunday at 3 p.m. Ticket prices are A\$25 for adults and \$15 for persons 18 years or younger. All seats are reserved. For ticket reservations call 845-353-2407. For group rates and more information, please visit www.sjrtheater.com.

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