



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

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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.

## **PASTORAL STAFF** 201-327-4359

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Youth Ministry (201) 934-5554  
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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

*Altar Server* Michael Schmidt (201) 934-3353

*Collection Counters* Frank Anello (201) 934-1331

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*  
Mary O'Flaherty (201) 652-5286

*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*  
Susan Brown (201) 327-2360

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*Photography Ministry* Bill Konvit (201) 825-2972

*Prayer Chain Ministry* Arlene Sabino (201) 934-8441

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*Food Pantry Ministry* John Lowe (201) 327-9397  
Sue Zitolo (201) 934-9372

*Funeral Ministry* John Frederick (201) 327-3753

*Giving Tree Ministry* Anna DiMiceli (201) 825-7039

*Grounds & Maintenance Ministry*  
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

*Remembrance Mass* Kathie Brach (201) 236-3116  
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*Respect Life Ministry* Veronica Lenzi (201) 962-3027

*Soup Kitchen Ministry* Chuck Assicurato (201) 327-1393

*Welcome Ministry* Jean Escalona (201) 825-3817

### **Ministry of Stewardship & Finance**

*Finance Council* Michael Simendinger (201) 236-3135

*New Energies* Susan Bolton (201) 825-9105

*Pastoral Council* Elaine Kehoe (201) 818-3946

*Stewardship Committee* Jean Escalona (201) 825-3817

### **Ministry of Community Building**

*Carnival* Irene Nayden (201) 327-4936

### **Ministry of Youth Stewardship**

*Festival of Carols* Andrew Monticello (201)-925-4756

*Living Stations* Andrew Monticello (201)-925-4756

*Youth Group (Grades 6-8, 9-12)*  
Katie Cavazzini (201) 934-5554

*Youth Mass Music Ministry*  
Andrew Monticello (201)-925-4756

Visit [www.guardianangelchurch.org](http://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

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
February 19, 2017

Dear parishioners,

*Each weekend, our parish is assisted at weekend Mass by the Salesian priests from Don Bosco High School in Ramsey. From time to time, we share with you some spiritual reflections by one of their members, Father Steve Ryan. He is currently assigned to their ministries in Florida.*

### **Be Strong, Humble, Courageous** By Fr. Steve Ryan, SDB

When young John Bosco was just nine years old, he had a dream. The dream had a profound influence on his life because it showed him his mission to serve poor young people and because the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him and gave him some instructions on how he was going to do just that. The mission was clear: It was for the young, especially those who are marginalized and on the periphery of society. The instructions were also succinct: Be strong, be humble and be courageous.

Be strong. Don Bosco, in his lifetime, demonstrated the determination and strength of steel. In his dealing with obstacles that he faced along the way, he remained steadfast and determined at every step:

- Getting himself an education despite his family having no money
- Starting his Oratory without even having a place to gather the young people
- Facing harassment from civil authorities during a time when there was strong anti-Catholic sentiment throughout all of Italy
- Being misunderstood even by ecclesiastical authorities and friends

The Salesian family throughout the world, in order to be true to our founder, must continue to be strong. We have been tasked to continue the Salesian mission. Disciples with strong personalities and a tough work ethic are needed for this crucial work today. If we want to continue to make our Salesian ministries homes, schools, parishes and playgrounds where people can come to know the love of God and the love of a family (like Don Bosco's Oratory), we need to be strong workers. As a matter of fact, we need to be strong prayers as well. Only sustained by a strong spirituality, can a person do this difficult mission over the course of a lifetime.

Be humble. Humility is a virtue that is not always easy to live. The Lord kept Don Bosco humble by allowing him to face many obstacles in fulfilling his mission. As Don Bosco's fame spread throughout Italy and Europe, he remained humble. He never depended on his own efforts and instincts; rather, he had tremendous trust in God's providence and in the guiding hand of the Blessed Mother for his mission.

Have we learned to remain humble? The Salesian family is challenged to grow in prayerfulness, to work together with other groups who are concerned for the young and the poor and to keep the mission going despite the limited resources that are sometimes available. We need to be creative and flexible while always maintaining our joy.

## **JOIN FR CHARLIE FOR A SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

Please join me Wednesday February 22 for an informal look at a passage from the Bible. We'll read it together and reflect on what the passage means to us. It's a great way to grow in comfort with finding spiritual nourishment in the bible, and in hearing what others think. We'll meet from 8 pm to 9 pm in the rectory. Please call 201-327-4359x201 or email cpinyan@guardianangelchurch.org to let me know you're coming!

Father Charlie

## **RAFFLE TO BENEFIT AMERICAN SPECIAL CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE GROUP**



### **(LOURDES KIDS) TICKETS ON SALE THIS WEEKEND AFTER ALL MASSES**

ASCPG is a non-profit organization 100% run by volunteers. Its mission is to bring a group of disabled children to Lourdes each year. The intention is to provide a respite from the disability for the children and their families. The disabled child is brought to Lourdes by volunteers from ASCPG. Family members do not go on the trip. The trip provides a rich, joyful, and memorable experience for the child enhancing their lives.

#### **COST PER TICKET IS \$10.00 TAX DEDUCTIBLE**

#### **PRIZES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

<b>FIRST PRIZE</b>	<b>\$2,500 TRAVEL CERTIFICATE</b>
<b>SECOND PRIZE</b>	<b>\$750 ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATE</b>
<b>THIRD PRIZE</b>	<b>\$500 RESTAURANT CERTIFICATE</b>

THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY - APRIL 8, 2017- AT 9:00 ST. TERESE SCHOOL CRESSKILL, NEW JERSEY  
*Winner need not be present.*

If paying with check please make it payable to ASCPG. If you are unable to purchase a ticket please consider a donation. Thank you for your support! Please bring your petitions for Our Lady of Lourdes as we will be bringing them to her.

## **SPECIAL MEMORIAL MASS**

A memorial Mass will be held at Guardian Angel Church on Monday, February 20th at 11am for George Zandalasini, Jr., son of long time parishioner George Zandalasini, Sr.

Be courageous. Don Bosco certainly showed a lot of courage in his lifetime. He built schools, oratories and churches without having money and relying totally on divine providence. He founded two religious orders – the Salesian priests and brothers (the Salesians of Don Bosco) and the Salesian sisters (the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians) – as well as a third leg of the Salesian family: the Salesian Cooperators. In 1875, he also sent the first group of his Salesians to Argentina, thus beginning the missionary efforts of the Salesians that today is the largest missionary congregation in the world.

Like Don Bosco, we need courage to be risk-takers for the young and the poor today and to maintain his broad vision. It is not always easy. We ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen us and we continue to ask God for the gift of courage. Let's be open to God's grace because in life there will always be challenges to face.

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## MASSSES for the WEEK

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 19</b>	
5:30 pm	Louise Repetto	
7:30 am	George and Anna Halas	
10:00 am	John Hollands	
11:30 am	Guelfo Orsini	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 20</b>	(Rectory Offices Closed)
9:00 am	Raquel Romero	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 21</b>	
9:00 am	Michael Smith	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 22</b>	
9:00 am	Epifania Dahil	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>February 23</b>	
9:00 am	Ross Alu	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>February 24</b>	
9:00 am	People of the Parish	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 25</b>	
5:30 pm	Michael Santo Realbuto	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 26</b>	
7:30 am	Frances Indelli	
10:00 am	Mattie Davis	
11:30 am	Sondra Marra	

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
Monday:	Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday:	Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

### STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

#### February 19, 2017 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you...” MATTHEW 5:44

Love your enemies, easier said than done, no doubt. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from “me” and moves it towards God and others. It allows us to have a little more empathy for “our enemy”. When we pray for others, even “our enemies”, maybe it softens their hearts as well

### 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 12th collection was \$8,154 with \$ 4,416 from the collection basket and \$3,738 from Faith Direct.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ513. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! Fr. Charlie



### IT IS NOT TOO LATE!

Register now for BE MY WITNESS faith sharing group, Groups will meet once a week for the 6 weeks of Lent beginning March 1, Ash Wednesday.

#### There are still openings at the following times:

- \* Tuesday at 1pm, facilitator, Ann Dunn, (201-327-5865)
- \* Wednesday at 10am, facilitator, Carolyn Blake, ccblake38@aol.com
- \* Wednesday at 7pm, facilitator, Katherine Bleckman, dlbleck@aol.com
- \* Wednesday evening, facilitator, Michelle Branigan, makb0313@yahoo.com
- \* Thursday morning with facilitator, Dina Braun (Full)
- \* Thursday at 1 pm, facilitator, Irene Nayden, inayden@guardianangelchurch.org
- \* Thursday at 7:30pm, facilitator, Chuck Assicurato, chuckassicurato@gmail.com
- \* Facilitator, Ali Zambrotta, abzambrotta@yahoo.com.

Don't Miss Out--Do something positive for Lent and grow closer to God. Put your form in basket and we will contact you.



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Next weekend at the 11:30am Mass we will witness the **RITE OF SENDING** with our adult candidate, Alexandra Acaster. It is our privilege to recommend Allie for recognition at next week's **RITE OF CALLING CANDIDATES TO CONTINUING CONVERSION** celebration. At this ceremony to be held on Saturday, March 4th at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, candidates from parishes throughout the Archdiocese are presented to Most Rev. Archbishop Joseph Tobin who, on behalf of the Church, recognizes their desire to complete their Christian initiation and calls them to continued conversion. Allie has faithfully journeyed with us in the RCIA process, and has grown in her knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. She is preparing to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation during the Easter season. We send her with our prayers and support. Please remember her in your prayers as she continues her journey of faith with us at Guardian Angel.

For more information about our RCIA process please call Fr. Charlie at the Rectory 201-327-4359 or Susan Brown 201-327-2360.



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The Collection Counting committee is looking for a few new members. There are currently 3 counting teams that rotate each week to count the weekly collection. The time commitment is minimal and on average once a month. If you are interested in this ministry, have any question or are willing to share your time please contact Chairperson, Frank Anello at (201) 934-1331. As the old adage goes... “many hands make light work”!

# YOUTH MINISTRY

## Parish Breakfast

All Confirmation candidates participate in one of two large group service projects – either the Parish Breakfast or the Spaghetti Dinner. The Parish Breakfast will take place in the auditorium on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> after 10am Mass. 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.....

Tues., Feb. 21	NO CONFIRMATION CLASS	
Wed., Feb. 22	NO YOUTH GROUP	
Tues., Feb. 28	Confirmation Class #4	7:30pm Rectory
Wed., March 1	Youth Group	7:30pm
	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS	8:00pm Church
Sun., March 5	Youth Mass & Parish Breakfast	11:30am Church
	Ticket Sales Begin	
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	
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

## Archdiocesan Young Adult Mass, Fellowship and Discussion Nights

Come join us once a month as we look to gather young adults ages 21-39 to spend some time in Adoration, celebrate Mass, and then enjoy some fellowship while we have a different short discussion on various aspects of our Catholic Faith!

Mass will be held in the Marian Chapel of the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center.

**Wednesday, February 22, Wednesday, March 29  
Wednesday, April 26, Wednesday, May 31**

Adoration with confessions offered 7-7:30pm, Mass at 7:30pm,  
Fellowship and discussion to follow until 9pm

Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center  
99 Belgrove Drive, Kearny, NJ

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

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This past week we began Session 3 of 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade Tuesday Evening Religious Ed. The 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> graders met together with a group of young people and Fr. Thomas McNamara from the Capuchin Youth and Family Ministries in Garrison, NY. It was an inspiring presentation about Relationships – Friends, Family & God. Perfect for Valentine's Day.

This week, why not consider coming to weekday Mass during school break? It is a great opportunity to participate in an intimate Mass experience in the rectory chapel and counts as one of your Home School or Summer Angel Wings school year requirements. Mass is at 9:00 AM in the rectory chapel. Just show up and be sure to place a host in the bowl on your way into the chapel. Hope to see you there!

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. 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
<b>FAMILY FEE:</b>	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

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

## **CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION**

### **February Items Needed**

**85 Rolls of Paper Towels per week**

**85 Rolls of Toilet Paper per week**

Donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry in the back of the Church. Donations for the week ending February 12 included 24 Rolls of Paper Towels and 77 Rolls of Toilet Paper. 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.



## **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.

## **ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?...DO YOU RECEIVE MAILINGS FROM THE PARISH?...DO YOU RECEIVE FR. CHARLIE'S E-BLASTS?...DID YOU MOVE RECENTLY?...ARE YOU A SNOW BIRD?**

If you answered yes to any of the above questions please contact the rectory office and make the necessary changes. We try very hard to keep our records up to date but we need your help! Contact Lori at 201-327-4359 x202 or email us at gachurch@guardianangelchurch.org. A change form is also located on our website www.guardianangelchurch.org under About.

## Fathers Who Have Lost A Child Support Group

*The needs of fathers who have suffered the loss of a son or daughter are unique.*

The Office of Family Life Ministries invites all bereaved fathers to a morning of prayer and discussion in the hope it will provide place of understanding and healing. The Support Group for Fathers Who Have Lost A Child will meet on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at Notre Dame RC Church (Bennett Room), 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell between 10am and 12pm. Please call Lauren Egan 973-497-4327 for any questions.

### **Come for a day of Faith, Fellowship and Prayer!**

*All are welcome! Bring a friend!*

#### **Catholic Men's Conference**

**Saturday, March 4, 2017, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm,  
Cost: \$25, Seton Hall University.**

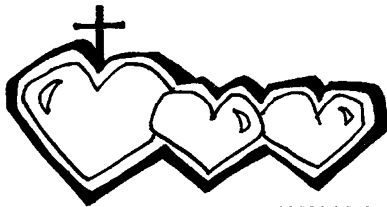
This year's theme is "**Be Not Afraid: Becoming Missionary Disciples!**" Speakers for the English track will be **Cardinal Sean Patrick O'Malley**, Archbishop of Boston, and **Joe Lombardi, Jr.**, quarterback coach for the New Orleans Saints. Spanish track speakers will be **Cardinal Sean Patrick O'Malley**, **Pepe Alonso from EWTN**, and **Mario J. Paredes**. His Eminence **Joseph W. Cardinal Tobin** will be celebrating the Mass!  
Register at [www.NJCatholicMen.org](http://www.NJCatholicMen.org)

#### **Women's Commission Day of Reflection**

**Saturday, March 11, 2017, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm,  
Cost: \$25, Seton Hall University.**

This year's theme is "**Alive in Christ as Missionary Disciples.**" **Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart**, founder and mother servant of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, Archdiocese of Boston, and **Lisa Hendey**, founder and editor of CatholicMom.com, are the keynote speakers for the English track. The Spanish track will feature **Kathia Arango**, director of the Office for Hispanic Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, joined by the musical talents of **Freddy Flores and Shaddai**.  
Register at <http://www.rcan.org/womenscommission>

**Both events include continental breakfast and lunch**



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### **CATHOLIC ADVOCATE E-EDITION**

The February 15 Catholic Advocate E-Edition link is available. .

[http://www.editions.us.com/catholicadvocate\\_0217](http://www.editions.us.com/catholicadvocate_0217)

#### **IMPORTANT CHURCH WEBSITES:**

Church of the Guardian Angel Website:

[www.guardianangelchurch.org](http://www.guardianangelchurch.org)

Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/GuardianAngelChurchAllendale/](http://www.facebook.com/GuardianAngelChurchAllendale/)

The Archdiocese of Newark

[www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org)

The Catholic Advocate

[www.rcan.org/advocate](http://www.rcan.org/advocate)

**Away for the weekend? Go to: [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)**

## **New Energies** PARISH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

### **St. Luke Church:**

Visit [www.churchofstluke.org](http://www.churchofstluke.org) for more information and parish bulletin.

### **Church of the Presentation:**

Visit the website at [www.churchofpresentation.org](http://www.churchofpresentation.org) for more information, and the parish bulletin.

### **BEREAVEMENT SPRING WORKSHOP**

*The spousal loss sessions will begin on  
Monday, March 6th*

*The mixed loss sessions will begin on  
Wednesday, March 8th at*

*Church of the Presentation, Upper Saddle River, NJ.*

Has someone you love died recently? Do you feel lost or numb or angry or sad or hurting? The Church of the Presentation, Guardian Angel Parish and St. Luke's Parish is offering a Free Eight-Week Bereavement Group, run by trained and compassionate facilitators in a safe and confidential environment. You will find a way through the grieving process with others who have experienced a similar loss. There is no fee but Registration is required. Call for more information at 201 327-1313, ext. 872.

### **NOT ASKING THE IMPOSSIBLE**

The final line in today's Gospel can seem confusing: "be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." "Perfect" is sometimes imagined as "flawless," as in a flawless diamond. But the Greek word used here, as used elsewhere in the New Testament, means something different: to become mature, whole, or healthy.

Jesus is not asking us to be flawless, nor does he want us to say, "Well, that's impossible, why bother then?" He is inviting us to grow into full Christian maturity. For most of us, Jesus' words in today's Gospel are very challenging. We need to resist the temptation to dodge his challenge by calling it impossible.

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