

On a Wing and a Prayer

Guardian Angels Catholic Community – Just. Faithful. Catholics.

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Pondering the name of our newsletter – *On a Wing and a Prayer* – it reminds me a lot of Richard Rohr’s Center for *Action and Contemplation*. The “action” part is our “wings” – angels called to be on the wing, in the world, active in service and love, our classes/book studies together. And the “contemplation” part is our “prayer” life together – our masses, our ecumenical/interfaith worship services, the celebration of sacraments...the healing presence we are to each other – *our beloved community*.



Attention Guardian Angels and Friends! We want your input! Please click on the link below and complete the survey! Your answers help us know how we are doing and what your dreams for Guardian Angels might be! Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GASummer2012Survey>

We will share the results in future newsletters.

ANGELS SHOWING UP TO SERVE!

Zach Grossman and his daughter J. L. at I-HELP



Check out the inspiring article about Guardian Angels from the Huffington Post below. Thanks, Zach, for sharing your I-HELP experience. We hope it inspires others to make service a part of their lives!

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/07/23/faith-inspires-guardian-angels-catholic-community_n_1690802.html



Doug Moen, Paul Huffman and Robert Longoni refill ***Humane Borders*** water stations in the scorching desert for refugees crossing on foot.



Barb Moen and Jeanie Ghan with a Furnishing Hope family.

Jeanie and Barb in action with Furnishing Hope!



A big thank you to Brenda Hickernell for her service to our community as Treasurer. Thanks to Sheila Green for stepping forward to be our new Treasurer. Welcome to the Leadership Council Sheila and also Robert Longoni. And another thank you and good-bye to Bob Longoni for his membership on the Leadership Council since its inception. So glad we'll still have a "Longoni" on the Council!

What's coming up in August!

Special guest preachers this month at Guardian Angels!

August 5 Rev. Doug Bland, Pastor, Community Christian Church

August 12 Rev. Al Gephart, retired, former Pastor of University Presbyterian

August 19 our own Fr. Ed Walsh will be with us again

Tuesday, August 7 @ 7PM in our Sanctuary: We will hold an ecumenical prayer vigil for the Sisters. As our Roman Catholic Sisters join together in St. Louis in August for their annual meeting, we will gather to pray for them as they discern the next steps in their response to the report from the Vatican.

Mass Schedule: We continue to meet for weekly mass on Sundays at 5PM and celebrate a mid-week mass on Wednesdays at 7AM through August 15. We would like to still offer a mid-week mass but we will be changing the day and/or the time. We will let you know more about this soon. Plan to join us!

Service Opportunities for August

Help support the Emergency Food Pantry at Community Christian Church

Our brothers and sisters of CCC maintain a simple food pantry to help those who come to the church in search of something to eat. The majority served are homeless people who must be able to eat outside without utensils, cooking, cooling. The pantry tries to supply bag-lunch food and drink. Angels are invited to bring food donations every week to Sunday mass but during August we are asking you to especially remember to bring something for the Pantry.

Needed Items: single serving containers of food with flip tops or easy to remove lids (Vienna sausages/other meats that do not require refrigeration); small jars of peanut butter; saltines/crackers; juice boxes/cans; protein bars, etc. Anything you might like in a bag-lunch that doesn't need refrigeration is good.



I-HELP Meal at our church, Friday, August 31 @ 4:30PM. Contact Pastor Sue (irreverendsue@gmail.com) or Carol (desertgourmet@hotmail.com) if you will be able to help with this. We served 64 people on July! So, yes, we do need your help!
We may have a special guest with us that evening!


REMINDER: The Guardian Angels JustFaith Group has decided to read a book together and facilitate a discussion of the book. Anyone is welcome participate in this opportunity. We will individually read the book this summer and then set up a discussion either later this summer or early Fall. The book is: *Our Divided Political Heart*, by E. J. Dionne. We are getting a special Book Club rate from Changing Hands Bookstore, just tell them you are with the Newman Book Club (through Jeanie). We get a discounted price and can still support a local business. For more information on this book check out the link below. <http://www.npr.org/2012/05/22/153222485/i-vs-we-the-heart-of-our-political-differences>

An important visitor is arriving:

The Most Rev. Peter Hickman, Presiding Bishop

Ecumenical Catholic Communion

Our Bishop and the Presiding Bishop of the Ecumenical Catholic Communion, the Most Rev. Peter Hickman will be with us Labor Day weekend to celebrate the Reception of Guardian Angels' Mission Church: St. Teresa of Ávila Catholic Community and its Pastor, Rev Kate Lehman into the ECC as a new AZ Parish!



Join us in celebrating the reception of


St. Teresa of Ávila Catholic Community

into the Ecumenical Catholic Communion

5pm Mass ~ Saturday ~ September 1, 2012
ShadowRock UCC ~12861 N 8th Ave ~ Phx AZ

Reception to follow
RSVP ~ rsvpsta@gmail.com

The Most Rev. Peter E. Hickman, Presiding Bishop,
Ecumenical Catholic Communion, Officiate



Please plan to attend this wonderful celebration. **RSVP to rsvpsta@gmail.com**

*We will have other opportunities that weekend to visit with our Bishop. Bishop Peter will be traveling to Tucson to visit our sister parish, St. Michael's on Sunday morning and he will join us, **Presiding and Preaching at mass our 5PM Mass Sunday, Sept. 2! There will be a reception in our Fellowship Hall in his honor following mass.***

**We have an awesome special worship opportunity coming up on
Sunday, September 9th.**

Put it on your calendars NOW! Sunday, September 9, 10:30AM

New pictures of Claire Violet!



Check out the Guardian Angels Facebook page! Regular updates, pictures and info shared on this page:

<https://www.facebook.com/GuardianAngelsCatholicCommunity>



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