



*From the Pastor's Desk*

This weekend we celebrate our patronal feast day: the Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels.

Holy guardian angels support us in fighting against temptation and evil. They assist us in discerning God's will in our lives, and they help us in cultivating healthy community among each other. Each of us has our own holy guardian angel who journeys with us through life.

Our Holy Guardian Angels parish family was established in July 2019. Since then, we have been working to strengthen the bonds between our former parishes to become one, unified community.

As a show of unity, our new parish came together last year at our south campus and processed, with Our Lord, to the north campus. We understand that our parish community is centered on Christ, who makes all things new.

We always strive to walk with Christ, to keep him near us, as we follow the way he taught us through his life and teaching.

This year, we again show our unity in Christ on this feast day, by walking together with Christ from our south campus to our north campus.

This year, with the relaxing of Covid restrictions, we will spend time with our Lord in Adoration, prior to our procession. We will also gather with Christ to worship and praise God our Father at Mass. Finally, we will gather in the Colonnade Room to share time together and to prepare ornaments for our parish Christmas tree at Brookfield Zoo.

We know that our holy guardian angels will be with us throughout our time together, being joined at Mass by an untold number of additional angels in heaven along with the saints who have gone before us.

Although we often struggle in this life to maintain our good and right relationship with God and all his holy ones in heaven, our guardian angels are with us to support, protect, and lead us in our struggle to manifest Christ's kingdom in all we do, so that we might join our heavenly family in freedom and joy at the end of our earthly lives.

As parishioners of Holy Guardian Angels, we, too, want to join the angels in supporting, protecting, and leading others to Christ's eternal life.

As agents and ambassadors of Christ's life and teaching, may our patronal feast day renew our spirit of community and evangelization.

Happy Holy Guardian Angels Day!

-Fr. Brian Kean