The Guardian Angel, Marcantonio Franceschini
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**Archdiocese of Boston**

**St. Camillus Church**

1185 Concord Turnpike (Rt. 2), Arlington

Celebrant & Homilist: Bishop Peter J. Uglietto, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia

**Sunday, October 6, 2019**

11:00 a.m.

For more information: ProLifeOffice@rcab.org or 508-651-1900

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**If you are interested in joining our choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on Saturdays, please email Kim at kim.araiza@gmail.com. Rehearsals are at 4:45 PM every Saturday.**

**If you are interested in joining our choir for the 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays, please email Michael at michaelenwright@me.com.**
A Reflection on the Guardian Angel  
by Fr. James Doran, OMV

In the Bible, the word Angel means messenger, a pure spirit, close to God to adore Him and follow His orders and deliver messages to humans.

As early as the 2nd century, Origen said; “We Christians believe that God assigns an angel to each of us to guide us and protect us. It was the Catholic Church in England that first celebrated the feast of the Guardian angels. That famous prayer, “Angel of God, my guardian dear...” dates from 1111.

In 1608 the Pope made the Guardian Angel feast universal for the whole Church and put it on Oct 2nd.

St Bernard, in the year 1010 gave a sermon on the guardian angels saying:
1st Respect his presence, by behaving ourselves.
2nd Be grateful for his help, for his help is so much more than we can imagine.
3rd Trust in his help, for he is more powerful than the demons that attack us and our passions which betray us.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church:
331 Christ is the center of the angelic world. They are his angels: "When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him..."
191 They belong to him because they were created through and for him: "for in him all things were created in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities - all things were created through him and for him."
192 They belong to him still more because he has made them messengers of his saving plan: "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation?"
193 Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life."
203 Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God.

Prayer to Your Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here,
Ever this day, be at my side,
To light and guard, Rule and guide.
Amen.

Mass Intentions This Week

Sunday, September 29
8:00 AM + Francis Doherty
9:15 AM Andrew Riely
10:30 AM + Roger Rice, Sr. — birth anniversary
11:45 AM St. Francis Novena Enrollees
1:15 PM (esp.) + Consuelo Torres de Bustamante — 70 mes difunso
4:00 PM John Valleli — health
5:30 PM + Edgar Castillo

Monday, September 30
8:00 AM St. Francis Novena Enrollees
12:05 PM Sr. James Madeline
4:45 PM Jeanne Hossenlopp

Tuesday, October 1
8:00 AM Br. Francis, FPO
12:05 PM + Ann Hegarty
4:45 PM St. Francis Novena Enrollees

Wednesday, October 2
8:00 AM Guadalupe Torres
12:05 PM St. Francis Novena Enrollees
4:45 PM Dorothy Sullivan — birthday

Thursday, October 3
8:00 AM + Selma Postar
12:05 PM + Connie Hatfield
4:45 PM St. Francis Novena Enrollees

Friday, October 4
8:00 AM + Frank & +Genevieve Palermo
12:05 PM + Connie Hatfield
4:45 PM St. Francis Novena Enrollees

Saturday, October 5
9:00 AM + Most Rev. Francis X. Roque, D.D.
12:00 PM + Ercilia Nuñez
4:00 PM + Paul McKevitt
5:30 PM + William A. Melvin
7:00 PM (esp) + Anna Bertilda Mendosa

Feast Days This Week

Sept. 30: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Oct. 1: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Oct. 2: Holy Guardian Angels
Oct. 4: St. Francis of Assisi
Oct. 5: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
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The OMV US Province House is at St. Clement’s in Boston.

The OMV motto, “MARIAM COGITA, MARIAM INVOCAT” “THINK OF MARY, CALL ON MARY” is taken from a homily by St. Bernard.