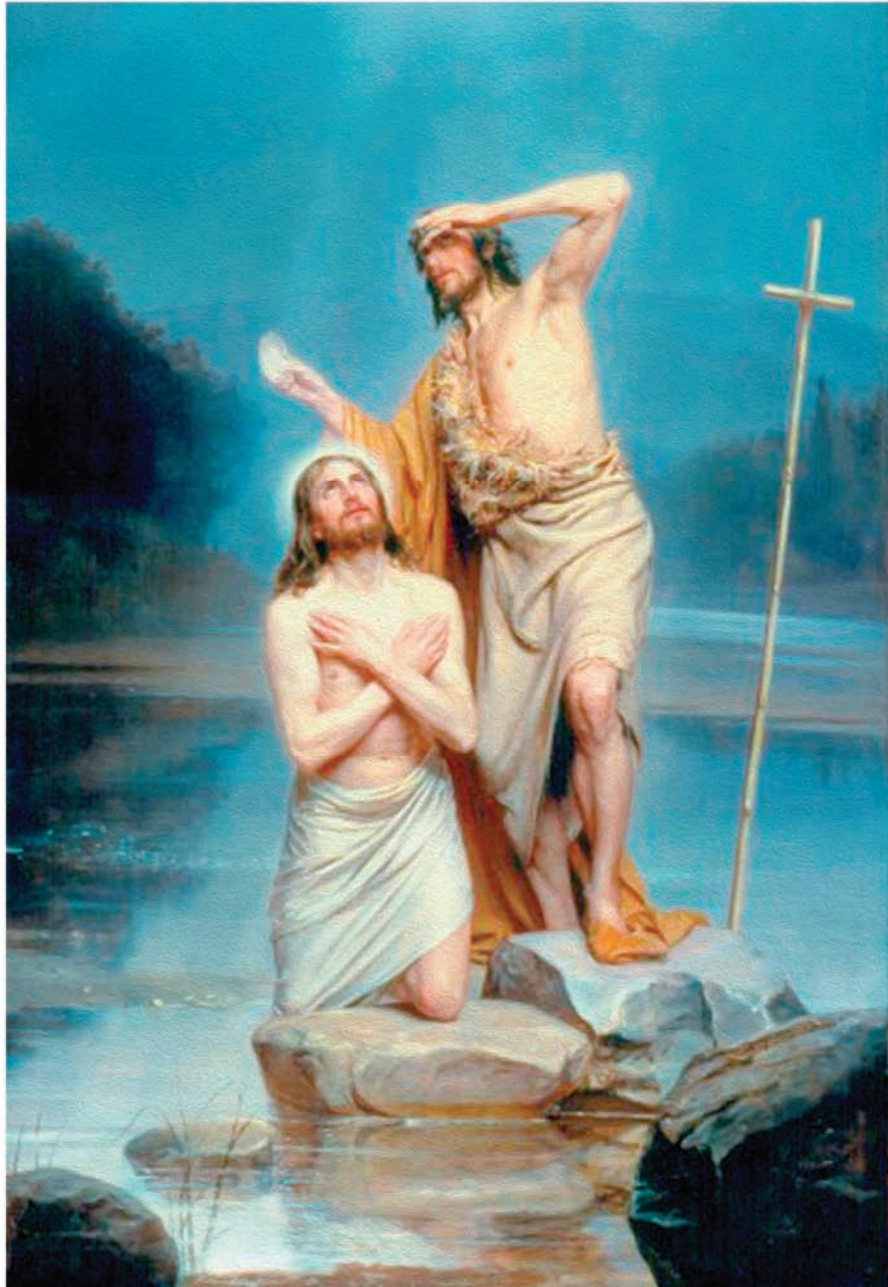


BAPTISM OF THE LORD



CHURCH OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

11 JANUARY 2026

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD | 11 JANUARY 2026

CHURCH OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI
114 MOUNT VERNON STREET
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY 07660

PARISH DIRECTORY

Rev. Fr. Lynx J.M. Soliman
Administrator
frlynx@stfrancisrp.org

Rev. Fr. Bartley P. Baker
Parochial Vicar
frbart@stfrancisrp.org

Rev. Msgr. C. Anthony Ziccardi
Sunday Assistant

Deacon Victor Conversano, Jr.
Respect Life Coordinator & Director of the Food Pantry
deaconvic@stfrancisrp.org

Patricia A. Acosta
Parish Secretary & Business Manager
pacosta@stfrancisrp.org

Facundo López
Director of Music
flopez@stfrancisrp.org

Milagros López
Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
mlopez@stfrancisrp.org

Mariuxi Naula Quizhpe
Administrative Assistant of Faith Formation
mnaula@stfrancisrp.org

Rita Murray-Cottone
Parish Custodian
rcottone@stfrancisrp.org

Richard LaTour
Director of the Physical Plant
rlatour@stfrancisrp.org

Anthony Tedesco
Assistant Director of the Physical Plant
ttedesco@stfrancisrp.org



HOLY MASS

Mass of Anticipation, Saturday Evening at 5:00pm
Sunday Morning at 8:00am & 10:00am
Misa en Español a las 12 del mediodía
Monday to Friday at 7:30am
Saturday Morning at 8:00am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second Sunday of month at 2:00pm in English
Third Sunday of month at 2:00pm in Spanish
Please contact the parish office for more information,
registration must be done **one month** in advance.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturdays at 8:30am and 4:00pm, or by appointment.
Confessions end once the last person in line is heard.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made **six months** in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the parish office when someone is very ill,
especially near death, to receive the necessary sacraments.

PARISH CENTER

125 Park Street, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660
Telephone 201.641.6464 | Fax 201.641.2282
Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
Thursday Evenings to 8:00pm
Fridays in July & August, 9am to 2pm
Closed on Saturdays and Sundays
www.stfrancisrp.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 10

5:00 + Alicia Orozeo

Sunday, January 11

The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 People of the Parish

10:00 + Justo De LaTorre

12:00 + Avida Beato

Monday, January 12

7:30 + Nyurka Valle

Tuesday, January 13

St. Hilary

7:30 + Steven Fernandez

Wednesday, January 14

7:30 + Nyurka Valle

Thursday, January 15

7:30 + Fred Monaghan

Friday, January 16

7:30 + Fred Monaghan

Saturday, January 17

St. Anthony Abbot

8:00 + Edmund Ferri

SACRAMENTAL MEMORIALIZATIONS



The Host will be
consecrated in Memory of:
+Nyurka Valle

The Wine will be
consecrated in Memory of:
+ Nyurka Valle

The Sanctuary Lamp
will burn in Memory of:
+Lucia Ziccardi

The Altar Candles
will burn in Memory of:
+Nyurka Valle

Mass Celebrant & Homilist Schedule*

Saturday, January 17

8:30 Confession: Fr. Lynx

4:00pm Confession: Fr. Tony

5:00pm Fr. Tony

Sunday, January 18

8:00am Fr. Lynx

10:00am Fr. Bart

12 Noon (SPA) Fr. Lynx

**Schedule subject to change without notice.*



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Communicating God's Word January 25

New Year's Resolutions for my Soul

1. Daily mass
2. Eucharistic Adoration
3. Pray the rosary daily
4. Read the Bible
5. Spiritual reading

Online Giving THROUGH

VANCO

We offer Online Giving!

Your offerings can be automatically sent to the parish, without the need for an envelope, using a credit or debit card, or by electronic debit from your checking or savings account, monthly or weekly.

You can make a difference in your Parish!

For more information, visit our website:

www.stfrancisorg

Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

EVENTS

WHAT'S ON THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, January 12

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church
Bible Study in English 7:00pm

Tuesday, January 13

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church
Bible Study in Spanish 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 14

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church
Baptism Prep Class in English 7:00pm

Thursday, January 15

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church
Hispanic Prayer Group 6:30pm
Healing and Loss Ministry 6:00-7:00pm
Sisters In Spirit 7:30pm (L.C.)
Choir Rehearsal—All

Friday, January 16

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Saturday, January 17

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church
Men's Group 6:30am (P.C.)
Confessions 8:30am and 4:00pm

Sunday, January 18

Baptism in Spanish 2:00pm

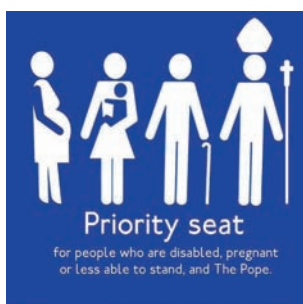
Monday, January 19 | Martin Luther King Jr.

Parish Center Office Closed today

FRONT PEW OF OUR CHURCH

While not officially reserved, let's try to leave the front pew on either side of the aisle open

for those who have a difficulty in walking. Holy Communion will be brought directly to them.



Thanks for your cooperation!



2025 Year End Tax Statements

Year-end contribution statements will be mailed upon request beginning on January 26th

If you would like yours mailed to you, please call the Parish Center

Monday – Friday

10AM-4PM after January 20th

You may also leave a voice message with your name and address.



We are women who want to grow: spiritually in our faith, closer to God, and in fellowship with one another!

Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of every month 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the Lower Church

Bring a Friend — All women are welcome!
(Group is not limited to the parishioners of St. Francis)

Our next gathering will be on Thursday, January 15th
It will be "Book Club and Exchange"

Mark your calendars and check back with the bulletin for future dates.

For more information, contact:
Celeste Farrell | 201.410.8759
Join us for fun, snacks, and laughter!



*Join Fr. Lynx as we
delve into the
Gospel of
Matthew*

**Every Monday, beginning January 12 at 7:00pm
in the Lower Church.**

**Bring a Bible and a Notebook
Fr. Lynx will be using the
Revised Standard Version of the Scriptures**

HOMEWORK: READ CHAPTER 1

NATIVITY SCENE TO REMAIN IN THE CHURCH UNTIL FEBRUARY 2ND!

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd is the 40th day after Christmas and is considered a "Christmas Feast Day." In some countries, it is not unusual to retain some Christmas decorations until the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Pope Saint John Paul II would make his last visit to the crib in St. Peter's Square after celebrating the evening Mass on February 2nd. After this visit, the Nativity scene was dismantled. This corresponds to a longstanding custom in which Candlemas was the day for removal of Christmas decorations, especially those made of greenery.

Our parish will observe the tradition of keeping the Christmas Crèche until the Lord's Presentation. This will be a concrete reminder of how the Word was made Flesh for you!





The St. Francis Respect Life Ministry promotes the Catholic Church's teaching on the respect, care, and protection of human life from conception to natural death. The Ministry also aids in affirming the dignity of life and providing support to people in need.

ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord celebrates the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. His divine identity revealed, and our own baptismal call to be "light in the world."

The Respect Life movement connects to this by emphasizing the sanctity of *all* God-given life, from conception to natural death, viewing it through the lens of our baptismal dignity as children of God, urging protection against abortion, suicide, and violence, and promoting *compassion*.

The Baptism of the Lord *starts our* journey as God's children, and *Respect Life* calls us to *live out* that identity by cherishing and defending the life God has given to everyone.



As we begin the New Year, please continue praying for our **91 Spiritually Adopted Babies**. May God continue to hold them in His hands and protect them from all harm. May He also bless and protect the Mothers of our babies who carry the miracle of life within them.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Respect Life Ministry, contact:
Deacon Victor Conversano, Jr.
201.641.6464 ext. 206

St. Lazarus Healing & Loss Ministry

Those who are dealing with the loss of a loved one are invited to our Winter Support Group Meetings.

January 15 *How do I handle anger?*

January 22 *How am I dealing with Guilt and Regret?*

January 29 *Am I managing my sadness?*

February 5 *Am I healing and rebuilding my Life?*

Meetings are held at the St. Francis Parish Center

125 Park Street in Ridgefield Park

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Registration is recommended for the

5-Week Support Group,

contact Deacon Victor Conversano, Jr. 201.641.6464



You aren't alone, let's walk together.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish



EMMANUEL
COMMUNITY

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

WITH THE EMMANUEL COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

2:30 PM TO 3:30 PM

JOIN THE MEMBERS OF THE EMMANUEL COMMUNITY AS THEY
LEAD A HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER, MUSIC, AND SILENCE BEFORE
THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST.



Crocheting With Faith + MINISTRY

The "Crocheting with Faith Ministry" knit and crochet healing shawls and lap blankets. These are distributed at our annual Healing Mass. They also crochet white Baptismal blankets that are gifted to the newly baptized of our parish.

The group meets on the third Monday of the month, 4:00pm to 6:00pm, in the Lower Church

The Crocheting with Faith Ministry will meet again on Monday, January 26.

No experience necessary,
Both Men and Women
are welcome to join!

For more information contact:
Sophie Cole at 201.281.2645



I BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER FOR REPENTANCE.
BUT AFTER ME COMES ONE WHO IS MORE
POWERFUL THAN I, WHOSE SANDALS I AM NOT
WORTHY TO CARRY. HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH
THE HOLY SPIRIT AND FIRE.

MATTHEW 3:11

WELCOME NW PARISHIONERS!

It's always a good idea to register in your parish.

Registration is required to enroll your child in the Faith Formation program, to become a godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, and to obtain any official parish letters.

Place this completed form in the collection basket or return it to the parish center & we'll be in touch!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Welcome to Saint Francis of Assisi!

LA VOZ HISPANA

El Bautismo del Señor 11 de Enero del 2026

SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO

Segundo domingo de mes a las 3:00pm en inglés
Tercer domingo de mes a las 3:00pm en español
Contacte la oficina parroquial para inscribirse
con **un mes** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTO DE LA CONFESIÓN

Sábados a las **8:30am & 4:00pm**, o por cita.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Arreglos se hacen con **seis meses** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTO DE LA UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial cuando alguien
esté muy enfermo, especialmente cerca de morir,
para recibir los sacramentos necesarios.

MISIÓN PARROQUIAL

*La comunidad parroquial de San Francisco de
Asís, se compromete al trabajo unificador del
Espíritu Santo, en la medida en que se
manifiesta en la Tradición viva de la Iglesia.
Nos comprometemos a dar testimonio de ese
trabajo en nuestras vidas diarias, sirviendo a
Dios y al prójimo, siendo misioneros de nuestra
Fe, llegando a quienes estén necesitados, y siendo
las manos acogedoras de Cristo para todos.*



ENERO

mes dedicado al

Santísimo Nombre de Jesús

Tiempo para honrar y venerar el nombre santo
que encierra poder, amor, salvación y misericordia.

PRÓXIMAS SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

25 de enero

Comunicar la palabra de Dios

BANCO DELANTERO DE NUESTRA IGLESIA

Aunque no está oficialmente reservado,
dejemos abierto el banco delantero a
ambos lados del pasillo
para aquellos
que tienen dificultad
para caminar.
La Santa Comunión
llegará directamente a
ellos sin tener que
moverse.

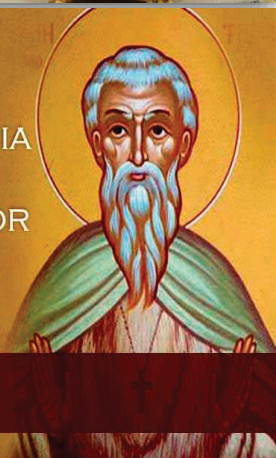


¡Gracias por su cooperación!



TE ROGAMOS NOS
CONCEDAS LA GRACIA
QUE TE PEDIMOS Y
CON ELLO UNA MAYOR
CORRESPONDENCIA
DE TU AMOR

Oración a San Hilario
de Poitiers



Declaraciones de impuestos 2025



Las declaraciones de contribuciones de fin de año se enviarán por correo a pedido a partir del **26 de enero**.

Si desea una declaración, llame al Centro parroquial de lunes a viernes de 10 a.m. a 4 p.m. después del 20 de enero. Deje su nombre y dirección y se le enviará una declaración por correo.

Unidos en Su Nombre

Parroquia San Francisco de Asís
114 Mt. Vernon St. Ridgefield Park, NJ

Te invita a nuestra primera tarde de alabanzas del año 2026

Tema:
Olvidando lo que quedó atrás.

Predica:
Hmo. Milton Lopez
Radio sagrado Corazón de Jesús



Fecha: 18 de Enero, 2026
Hora: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Música:
Enmanuel y Johana Chávez,
Misioneros Caminando con Jesús



Lugar: Sotano de la iglesia
Donación: \$10 (comida incluida)

"Olviden las cosas de antaño; ya no vivan en el pasado. ¡Voy a hacer algo nuevo!" Isaías 43:18-19

LALY: 201 449-4697/TATY: 646 289-0738



*Nuestra Señora
de la Altagracia
Protectora del pueblo
Dominicano*

21 DE ENERO

*"Una mujer
vestida del sol,
con la luna
debajo de sus pies,
y sobre su cabeza
una corona
de doce estrellas".*

**Misa a las
7:00pm**

*Celebración después de Misa
en el sótano de la iglesia*

¡EL PESEBRE PERMANECERÁ EN LA IGLESIA HASTA EL 2 DE FEBRERO!



La Festividad de la Presentación del Señor, el 2 de febrero, es el cuadragésimo día después de Navidad y se considera un "día festivo de Navidad".
En algunos países no es inusual conservar algunas decoraciones navideñas hasta la Presentación del Señor. El Papa San Juan Pablo II hacia su última visita al pesebre de la Plaza de San Pedro después de celebrar la Misa vespertina del 2 de febrero.
Después de esta visita, el pesebre fue desmantelado. Esto corresponde a una antigua costumbre en la que la Candelaria era el día en que se retiraban las decoraciones navideñas, especialmente las hechas de vegetación.

Nuestra parroquia observará la tradición de mantener el pesebre navideño hasta la Presentación del Señor. ¡Este será un hermoso recordatorio de cómo el Verbo se hizo carne por ti!



¿Quieres crecer en la fe?

¡Haz de la misa diaria un hábito!

**lunes a viernes
a las 7:30 a. m.**



Santuarios Marianos

PORTUGAL
FRANCIA-ESPAÑA
OCT.29-NOV.7

\$4,390
PASAJE AEREO INCLUIDO

GUÍA ESPIRITUAL
RVDO. FERNANDO L. GALVEZ L.

- ✓ SALIDA: NEWARK (EWR)-LISBOA/REGRESO:BARCELONA-NEWARK (EWR)
- ✓ VISITAREMOS: LISBOA, FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, LEON, GARABANDAL, BILBAO, LOURDES, MONSERRAT, BARCELONA Y MAS.
- ✓ ADEMÁS: HOTELES 4 ESTRELLAS
BUS - GUÍA - MEDIA PENSION
- ✓ ENTRADAS A MONASTERIOS,
SANTUARIOS, SAGRADA FAMILIA, ETC.

INFORMES
1-407-680-6157
www.toursdeperegrinos.com
toursdeperegrinos@gmail.com

PAGO EN CUOTAS
RESERVA CON SOLO
\$500 P/P
basado en doble ocupación
seguro opcional

CUPO LIMITADO

*Únase al padre Lynx al
estudio del Evangelio de
San Mateo*

**Todos los martes,
a partir del 13 de enero
a las 7pm
en el sótano de la Iglesia.**



**Traiga su Biblia y su cuaderno
Se utilizara la Biblia de Jerusalén Latinoamericana**

TAREA: LEA CAPITULO 1

Solemnidad del

Bautismo del Señor

pildorasdefe.net

Se oyó una voz del cielo que
decía: "Este es mi Hijo muy
amado, en quien me complazco".
- Cf. Mt 3,16-17



¡BIENVENIDOS NUEVOS FELIGRESES!

Siempre es una buena idea matricularse en su parroquia.

**Matricularse es necesario para inscribir a su hijo/a en el programa de la catequesis,
para ser p/madrino de bautismo o confirmación, y para obtener cartas oficiales de la parroquia.**

**Coloque este formulario, con su información, en la canasta de la colecta o devuélvalo a la
oficina parroquial, y le enviaremos por correo un formulario de inscripción más detallado.**

Nombre _____

Dirección _____

Ciudad _____ **Estado** _____ **Código Postal** _____

Teléfono _____

¡Bienvenido a la Parroquia de San Francisco de Asís!



VORHEES INGWERSEN

FUNERAL HOME

59 MAIN STREET • RIDGEFIELD PARK

vorheesingwersen.com

201-342-2350

DONALD J. INGWERSEN
Owner/Manager
N.J. Lic. No. 4157

ANNMARIE TUBITO
Director
N.J. Lic. No. 5391

Parishioner

CANDY'S RESTAURANT & DELI

Catering Spanish Food ★ Comida Para Fiesta

201-296-0400 147 Washington Avenue • Little Ferry



RUDE LET US CATER YOUR NEXT EVENT

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

YUMMY FOOD

201-674-8086

RUDY ATKINSON
rude.rudedawgz@gmail.com

DAWGZ BOOK RUDE DAWGZ FOOD TRUCK

Ann's Place

UNISEX HAIR CUTTING

Established 1989

15 MT. VERNON STREET • RIDGEFIELD PARK • 201-440-8555

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY
8:30AM-5:30PM
SATURDAY
7:00AM-2:00PM

Appointment Only

Infant • Toddler • Pre-K

Rainbow Nursery School

201.641.1114

62 Cedar Street • Ridgefield Park
www.bambiniprograms.com

INCOME TAX PREPARATION • ELECTRONIC FILING • DIRECT DEPOSIT • ACCOUNTING & BOOKKEEPING • NOTARY PUBLIC



Marilu Hernandez • 201-870-6200
mhernandez@preciselytax.com
72 MOUNT VERNON ST. • RIDGEFIELD PARK



Call or go online to get free, confidential help for suspected poisonings.

1-800-222-1222 poison.org

The Blu

flower shop + gift

201.870.6363

222 Main Street • Ridgefield Park
www.thebluflovershop.com

JOHN H. ANLIAN
ATTORNEY AT LAW

FULL LEGAL SERVICES
at fees you can afford

201-943-1110 • JohnAnlian.com
187 Anderson Avenue • Fairview

ADVANCED LASER & SKIN CANCER CENTER, LLC

DERMATOLOGY, LASER AND MOHS SURGERY

~ BOARD CERTIFIED IN DERMATOLOGY ~

Gangaram Ragi, MD, Director

Henry Heaton, MD, FAAD

www.advancedlaserandskincancercenter.com

Phone 201-836-9696 • Fax 201-836-4716

870 PALISADE AVENUE • SUITE 302 • TEANECK, NJ

NEED A LAWYER? INJURED?



★ Call For A Free Legal Consultation ★

MARC J. BRENNER ESQ.
973-326-8902

Personal Injury • Workers' Compensation • Social Security Disability
lawmarcbrenner.com • marc@lawmarcbrenner.com

222 RIDGEDALE AVENUE • CEDAR KNOLLS, NJ 07927

Neil's

Body Shop & Auto Repairs

125 Railroad Avenue
Ridgefield Park
440-2625



Discover a brighter, healthier smile!

- Open Saturdays
- Same-Day Emergency
- Care for Adults & Kids
- New Patient Special
- Spanish Available
- Cash Patient Discount



Grace Shuang
Guo, DDS

201.641.1111

SmileWithGraceDental.com
195 Euclid Avenue
Ridgefield Park



Habla Español



Emmanuel Ochoa
Agent

17 Winant Avenue
Ridgefield Pk, NJ 07660-1925
Bus 551-497-5189 Fax 551-233-2907
emmanuel.ochoa.vaaeyc@statefarm.com

Here to help life go right.®

The greatest compliment you can give is a referral.



Parishioner

Tell your friends
and family!



Gloria Hernandez & Ted Crocco
Gloria's mobile: (201) 679-4517
Ted's mobile: (201) 615-3777
bergencountyrealty@verizon.net



221 Main Street, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660
www.bergencountyrealty.com

SCHIFANO LANDSCAPING

(201) 641-3199

Spring Cleanups
Weekly Lawn Maintenance
Landscaping Renovations
Tree & Stump Removal
Retaining Walls
Driveway & Patio Pavers

Free Estimates
Fully Insured

Licensed, Bonded & Insured

LAUER

PLUMBING & HEATING,

Water Heaters

Hot Water Boilers

Complete Plumbing

New Jersey Master Plumbers
License No. 7646

Parishioner

RIDGEFIELD PARK

201-641-4040