

Founded 1926

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

We, the parishioners of the Church of Saint Anne, in the Archdiocese of Newark, are a Eucharistic Family dedicated to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our Goal is to be a vibrant Catholic Christian Community. We are caring people. Joyfully, we recognize, encourage and accept each person's gifts.

*Spirit of God, enable us to strengthen our community of Faith for Your honor and glory.*

**SERVED BY:**

- Rev. Robert Lamirez, *Pastor*
- Rev. Michael Barone, *In Residence*
- Rev. Bill Morris, *Guest Priest*
- Rochie De Sagun, *Pastoral Associate*
- Joseph Fernandez, *Music Director*
- Veronica Kuczynski, *Bookkeeper, Director of Religious Education*
- Marie Markovich, *Office Volunteer*

**MINISTRIES:**

- Altar Servers
- Beautification
- Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers
- Garwood Knights of Columbus
- Lectors/Readers
- Hospitality
- Hispanic Apostolate Group
- Line Dancing
- Music Ministry
- Prayer Network
- Spanish Charismatic Group
- St. Anne's Rosary Society
- 5 Loaves Pantry



# Church of Saint Anne

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday  
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION**

Saturdays: 2:30 PM

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturdays:  
4:00 PM  
First Saturday of the month  
8:00 AM  
Sundays:  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12 noon  
Weekdays:  
8:00 AM  
First Friday of the month  
8:30 pm (Charismatic Mass)

**ADORATION & ROSARY**

First Wednesday of each month  
7:00 PM  
First Friday after 8 AM mass  
First Saturday after 8 am mass

**RELIGIOUS ED & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Family Based Religious Education classes are held two Sundays a month at 10 AM

**BAPTISM**

Baptisms are scheduled every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. Send an email to the parish office for the requirements and to register for the Baptism Preparation Class.

**MARRIAGE**

Couples are encouraged to contact the parish office to begin the Marriage Preparation Program. Arrangements must be made with the Pastor to ensure there is adequate preparation time for the sacrament.

**HOLY ORDERS \* RELIGIOUS LIFE**

Those who recognize the call to Religious life, the Priesthood or the order of Deacon are invited to contact the Pastor

**Saturday April 20**

4:00 PM +Rose Bonfanti-Merkel

**Sunday April 21**

8:00 AM +John Bambaci

10:00 AM Megan Green

12:00 Noon +Georgina Martinez

**Monday April 22**

8:00 AM +Dolores Benoit

**Tuesday April 23**

8:00 AM +Mary Krawczyk

**Wednesday April 24**

8:00 AM +Adelfio DiIorio

**Thursday April 25**

8:00 AM +Cheryl Pinkos

**Friday April 26**

8:00 AM +Edna Luz  
(75th Birthday)

**Saturday April 27**

4:00 PM +Grace Peselli

**Sunday April 28**

8:00 AM +Lidia & Simion Karpa  
(Anniversary)

10:00 AM +Joseph Scalzadonna

12:00 Noon Chris Green

6:00 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

*Special Prayer Intentions:*

**Blessed Mother Lamp:**

+Albert & Mary Grantuskas

This Sunday we celebrate Jesus as The Good Shepherd. At the same time, we join the whole Catholic Church in celebrating World Day of Prayer for Vocation.

Jesus as the Good shepherd is always aware that the Divine Will of the Father is to feed and protect, to gather and not to lose all that was given to him. A shepherd's calling (vocation) is to willingly give up one's life for the sheep.

This kind of dedication reminds me of those who put others first before themselves. Each time a parent brings a child to mass, that is shepherding. Each time a police officer keeps the community in peace and order, that is like keeping the flock safe. Each time a teacher spends an extra hour helping a struggling student, that is shepherding. Whatever vocation God has called us to live, doing it whole heartedly, means we are answering God's call.

As shepherds, we must know our sheep by name. By this, Jesus is telling us not only to recognize the name of the person but more importantly know them for who they are.

That is why here at St. Anne's, we begin our mass by greeting the people near us. I always encourage you to look around and say a word of welcome to the person seated beside you. By doing so, we can start building bridges among each other. After all, we belong to the same flock, we have the same Good Shepherd, and we are called to journey in the same direction.

Here's my challenge for each one of us. Get to know the names of the people that goes here at St. Anne's. By the end of the year, let us see who has the most number of new friends. Are we all in?

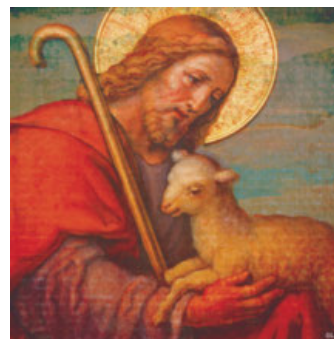
*Fr. Robert*

The 2024 Annual Appeal is underway! We have \$15,071 already pledged. This is almost 50% of our \$32,331 goal.

The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship.

If you have yet to give please visit [www.rcan.org/sharing](http://www.rcan.org/sharing) or fill up the envelopes available around the church or at the parish office.

Please prayerfully consider contributing to this cause.



**PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING**

April 14, 2024

Weekend in-pew..... \$4,095  
Maintenance.....\$344

Total Offering .....\$4,439  
**Weekly ordinary Expenses .....\$5,657**

Easter Collection to date.....\$23,277

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

April 21	Grades 1,3,4, 5 & 6 (10 am - 12 noon)
May 2	Confirmation Rehearsal 6:00 pm
May 4	Confirmation Day 11 am
May 11	First Holy Communion 11 am

## CATECHISTS AND TEACHER AIDES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

We are in need of volunteer catechists and teacher aides for next school year's Religious Ed program.

Please contact the parish office for more information.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Beautification Ministry will do their next outdoor gardening and landscaping event on May 11, Saturday starting at 9:00 am.

Everyone, both young and the young at heart who likes to garden are welcome to help.

In line with this, we are also asking for donations of:

- \* mulch
- \* potted perennial plants such as lavender, rosemary, candyturf and phlox
- \* gardening tools - spade, shovel, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Rochie at the Parish office.

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SEMINAR

St. Anne's is hosting a PGC seminar on April 25, 2024, Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Bethlehem room.

Everyone who serves, volunteers or who wish to volunteer in any activity here in Church are asked to attend the seminar. This is to ensure that our younger members (minors) will have a safe environment.

While the seminar is free, we are asking you to register to reserve your spot. Go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and sign up under St. Anne Garwood.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

## 5 LOAVES PANTRY UPDATES

Next weekend, April 27-28 is our monthly food collection. The food pantry is currently low on

- canned soups
- canned meat
- pasta and sauce
- peanut butter/hazelnut spread/sunbutter
- salad dressings/mayonnaise/cheese spread
- sugar/coffee/tea

. Thank you.

You are cordially invited to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Priesthood of Msgr. Ronald J. Marczewski

Saturday, May 26, 2024

Mass: 12 noon at Assumption Church, Roselle Park, NJ

Reception: The Westwood, Garwood, NJ

Msgr. Ron served in St. Anne's parish from 2016 to 2022. If you would like information on obtaining tickets or sending a congratulatory Ad; Contact Agatha [agatha.niemiec@gmail.com](mailto:agatha.niemiec@gmail.com) or 908-720-0832. Information sheets may be found at the church entrance.

## FEAST OF ST ANNE'S RAFFLE

Starting this weekend, raffle tickets will be sold after each mass and also at the parish office during office hours.

The proceeds of this fundraiser will go to our Religious Education program and fund other activities specially meant for the youth in our parish.

\$10 donation for each ticket and the drawing will July 26, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

## AN EVENING WITH MARY

During the month of May, the church will be celebrating two of Mary's feasts: her apparition at Fatima on the 13th and the Visitation to Elizabeth on the 31st.

In Bishop Barron's classic popular program, "CATHOLICISM" - there is one session entitled "Mary, Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast". Using this resource, there will be a showing of this documentary where Bishop Barron journeys to the humble remains of Mary's house in Nazareth to the ruins of the ancient city of Ephesus and to the great Marian shrines of Lourdes and Guadalupe to explain the Church's teachings about Mother as the Mother of God, the Immaculate Conception and the Assumption.

Join us in St. Anne's Hall on Tuesday, May 14 at 7 pm.

## HISPANIC APOSTOLATE

There will be a mass in Spanish on April 28th, at 6:00 pm. Please help spread the word.

## ROSARY SOCIETY UPDATE

The next meeting is on May 9th, 6:00 pm at the Bethlehem Room.



Check our official Facebook Page for updates  
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