

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*  
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# **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  
**Holy Days of Obligation**  
8:00 AM and 7PM

#### **BAPTISM**

Baptisms are scheduled every 1st and 3rd 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

#### **HOLY ANOINTING**

Call the Office to schedule a visit.

#### **ADORATION & ROSARY**

**First Wednesday of each month**  
after the 8:00 AM mass  
**First Friday after 8 AM mass**  
**First Saturday after 8 am mass**

#### **RELIGIOUS ED & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

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

**Saturday January 10**

4:00 PM +Edward Pilecki  
5:30 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

**Sunday January 11**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki  
10:00 AM +Edward Pilecki  
12:00 Noon +Edward Pilecki

**Monday January 12**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

**Tuesday January 13**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

**Wednesday January 14**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

**Thursday January 15**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

**Friday January 16**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

**Saturday January 17**

4:00 PM +Edward Pilecki

**Sunday January 18**

8:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

10:00 AM +Edward Pilecki

12:00 Noon +Edward Pilecki

**Blessed Mother Lamp:**

*Unborn Babies*

**Sanctuary Lamp:**

*+Dolores & Stanley Sawicki*

**PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING**

**January 4, 2026**

Weekend offering.....	\$3,140.00
Maintenance .....	\$ 1,484.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$ 187.00
Christmas Offering.....	\$ 196.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$ 100.00
Total Offering .....	\$5,107.00

**Online Giving (month of December)**

Offering.....	\$3,364.26
Maintenance.....	\$ 519.74
Christmas Offering.....	\$3,911.26
Christmas Flowers.....	\$ 50.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$ 85.00
Total Offering.....	\$7,930.26

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## Pastor's Notes

In today's Gospel, we witnessed how Jesus exemplified the virtue of humility. Even if John the Baptist hesitated because he knew that he was not worthy to baptize the Messiah, Jesus still insisted. For true greatness is not measured by grandeur or spectacle. On the contrary, it is seen through humble acts of service.

As we launch the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration of the foundation of our parish, I can't help but share my admiration and appreciation to the eight members of the Catholic Club of Garwood, Dennis Ziegler, John and Joseph Krauss, William Gerty, Martin Burns, Arthur Pfaff, David Burke and Frank Mueller who accepted the mission of building a Catholic church to serve the spiritual needs of the people here in Garwood and to all the parishioners who entered the doors of St. Anne's.

Though our church has humble beginnings, this small parish continues to make a great impact not only in the community but to the lives of numerous people. For the past hundred years, it served not just a place of worship, but a site for celebrations, a refuge for the down and suffering, a source for spiritual education and nourishment and a home for anyone who ever felt alone.

Each smile, each "Hi", each hug, each presence, all shows that God is truly alive in this little church with a big heart.

Thank you for welcoming me to this family. Thank you for allowing me to experience God's love every day through your warmth and generosity. Thank you for sharing Jesus' humility and greatness with one another.

Together, let us honor the past, cherish the present and look forward to the future with hope. Happy 100 years to us!

*Fr. Robert*

**100 Years of Blessings, Thanksgiving & Hope**  
**Church of St. Anne**

**1926-2026**

## 2026 Church of St. Anne's Centennial Celebration Calendar

(A whole year of festivities highlighting the important milestones of the parish)

1926-2026

### January 11 2026 (Sunday)

#### Launching of the Centennial Celebration

A Holy Mass 12 noon to remember and honor the Founders and all Benefactors of the parish. Bishop James Massa, who grew up in the Westfield, Garwood and Cranford area will be the main celebrant.

### February 22, 2026 (Sunday)

#### The Commemoration of the First Wedding held at the Church of St. Anne

Holy Mass at 12 noon with Special Blessing of all couples who received the Sacrament of Matrimony in our parish and those who are celebrating their 10th, 25th, 50th and 75th wedding anniversary in 2026. Refreshments will follow at the Bethlehem room. Event is free but please RSVP before February 15 by calling the parish office or email office.stannegarwood@gmail.com.

### March 8, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Commemoration of the First Baptism that took place on March 1, 1930

All who were baptized at St Anne's are invited to attend this special 12 noon Mass to "Catch up" and renew the Baptismal promises your parents made on your behalf. It's like a get together of all the "babies" of St. Anne.

Refreshments to follow at the Bethlehem room. Event is free but please RSVP by February 28, 2026 by calling the parish office or email stannegarwood100years@gmail.com

### April 5, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Commemorate the Transfer of Property from Catholic Club of Garwood to Church of St. Anne

During the Easter Sunday Mass at 12 noon the members and heirs of the Catholic Club of Garwood will be recognized with the special blessing.

### May 2026

#### Commemoration of the First Mass & Dedication (May 1, 1927) and First Confirmation (May 15, 1932)

FIRST COMMUNION is scheduled on May 3, 2026, Sunday and CONFIRMATION is scheduled on May 15, 2026. Friday

### June 28, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Commemorate the Purchase of School and Convent Lots on June 1929

GRAND ALUMNI HOMECOMING which starts with a Holy mass at 12 noon for the Living Members of the Bernardine sisters, past teachers, staff and students of the St. Anne School. Deceased members will be also be remembered at Mass.

### July 26, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Feast of St. Anne and Commemoration of the Laying of the Cornerstone (July 25, 1926)

Thanksgiving Mass at 12 noon, followed by a procession of the Statue of St. Anne and yearly Food Truck Festival.

### August 16, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Ministry and Heritage Month Celebration

Mass at 12 noon and BINGO (organized by Spanish Ministry)

### September 13, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Commemoration of the Formal Establishment of the Parish of St. Anne (Sept. 9, 1930) and Installation of Msgr. Walsh as First Pastor (Sept. 13, 1930)

Holy Mass at 12 noon. Bishop Elias Lorenzo will be the main celebrant. Concelebrating are the priests who were assigned at St. Anne. Refreshments will follow wherein newly registered members of the parish will be welcomed by the congregation.

### October 18, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Commemoration of the Incorporation of the Church of St. Anne (Oct. 24, 1925)

Cardinal Joseph Tobin will be the main celebrant of the 12 noon mass. The Centennial Gala at The Westwood in Garwood will follow (1:30 pm-5:30 pm). Watch out for the Gala ticket sale soon.

### November 1, 2026 (Sunday)

#### Parish Memorial Mass

At the 12 noon mass, we will remember our deceased benefactors, parishioners and forgotten souls. Bells will be rung, candles will be lit and flowers will be offered for them.

### December 2026

**Christmas in our Hearts.** Throughout the month, there will be Homebound Visitation and VIATICUM. On December 27, 2026, there will be a Parish Christmas Party where the Drawing of the Centennial 50/50 Raffle will take place.



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