

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.*

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- Rev. Robert Lamirez, *Pastor*
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- Hospitality
- Hispanic Apostolate
- Line Dancing
- Music Ministry
- Prayer Network
- Spanish Worship Group
- St. Anne's Rosary Society
- 5 Loaves Pantry



# Church of Saint Anne

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**100 Years of Blessings,  
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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  
9:00 AM**  
Sundays:  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12 noon  
Weekdays:  
8:00 AM  
Holy Days of Obligation  
8:00 AM and 7 PM

**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.

**ADORATION & ROSARY**

First Wednesday of each month  
after the 8:00 AM mass  
First Friday after 8 AM mass  
**First Saturday after 9 am mass**

**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

**RELIGIOUS ED &  
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

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

**HOLY ANOINTING**

Call the Office to schedule a visit.

**Saturday February 21**

4:00 PM +Nick & Tillie Spata

**Sunday February 22**

8:00 AM Michael Love

10:00 AM Gerry DiFabio

12:00 Noon +Davide Giannobile

**Monday February 23**

8:00 AM Bella Abano

**Tuesday February 24**

8:00 AM Margaret Bergin

**Wednesday February 25**

8:00 AM Milagros Donaldo

**Thursday February 26**

8:00 AM +Ann & Kenneth Jordan

**Friday February 27**

8:00 AM Frank Pypiak

**Saturday February 28**

4:00 PM +Mary & Joseph Lombardo Sr.

**Sunday March 1**

8:00 AM Mary & Anna Enz

10:00 AM Bonnie Spera

12:00 Noon +H. John Byrne

**Blessed Mother Lamp:**

*Maria Monaco*

**Sanctuary Lamp:**

*Tan Family*

**PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING**

February 15, 2026

Weekend offering.....\$4,726

Maintenance .....\$ 291

Total Offering .....\$5,017

**Thank you for your generosity.**

*Lenten Stations of the Cross  
Fridays at 5:45 pm at the Church  
Dates: February 27  
March 6, 13, 20 & 27*



Whenever I hear the word temptation, I recall the last scene of the movie, *The Devil's Advocate* when the camera focused on Al Pacino's face and he said "Vanity, it's my favorite sin." For those of haven't seen the film, every thing that happened in the movie, the series of wrong choices and doings all rooted from the tiny seed of vanity that he planted in the characters' hearts.

In today's readings, we have seen how Adam, Eve and Jesus were tempted by the evil one. In both scenarios, the desire for self admiration, praise or recognition was used.

Eve and Adam failed the test. They disobeyed God's instructions because in their hearts, they wanted to be acknowledged as God's equal.

Jesus on the other hand, passed the test not once but thrice. How did he do it? By focusing not on his personal glory but on God's. In all his responses, he chose not to think of his own qualifications but to give all the credit solely to God.

As we journey this season of Lent, may we pause and reflect on what is truly in our hearts. Why do we do the things that we do? Why do we go to church? Why do we fast? Why do we pray? Why do we help others? Why do we volunteer to numerous charities? What motivates us? What is our motives?

Is it to satisfy our need for self admiration? Is it to care for our ego? Is it to show off that we are better than others? Is it to gain the respect of the community?

As we search within for the answers, brothers and sisters, let us ask the intercession of St. Ignatius of Loyola that we may do all things for the glory of God and not ours.

*Fr. Robert*

**Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the Rosary Society.**  
**A fun afternoon of good food, live entertainment, a**  
**50/50 raffle and tricky tray.**  
**Save you seat by calling Ruth @ 908-276-6889.**  
**Please tell your friends and respond by March 9<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Price remains \$35.00/ person.**



**PARISH LENTEN RECOLLECTION**

**March 21, 2026. Saturday morning sessions that**  
**will end with parish confessions and mass.**  
**More details to follow.**



**LENTEN SPIRITUAL RENEWAL RETREAT**

**March 7, 2026, 7am to 4pm at the St. John Evangelist**  
**Church, 470 Broad Ave. Leonia, NJ. Sponsored by the**  
**Filipino Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Newark.**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Most Rev. Midyphil Billones, STD, D.D**  
**Metropolitan Archbishop of Jaro, Iloilo, Phils.**

**Lenten Meditation "7 Last Words" by Rev. Ralph**  
**Siendo, Rev. Juancho de Leon, Rev. Robert Lamirez,**  
**Rev. Arlou Buslon, Rev. Alfie Pangilinan, Rev. Dave**  
**Sison & Rev. Chris Panlilio**

**Event will be in English. Bring your own lunch. Fee: \$15.**  
**For more info, contact Fr. Robert.**



**LINE DANCING IS BACK!**

**Every Wednesday starting March 4, 2026 in the**  
**Bethlehem room at 6 pm.**  
**Event is free but we'll need you to register by**  
**contacting the parish office. Drop ins are also**  
**welcome. See you there.**



**CORNERSTONE 36**

**A 26 hour Retreat for MEN**

**Friday, March 20 at 5 pm to Saturday, March 21**  
**at 8 pm. at St. Helen Parish, 1600 Rahway Ave.**  
**Westfield, NJ.**

**Whether you are seeing deeper connections,**  
**meaningful reflection or simply a break from**  
**life's constant motion, there's a place for you in**  
**this journey. All male parishioners are**  
**encouraged to attend.**

**For more information or to register, visit**  
**sthelen.org/ministries/cornerstone**

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



Church of St. Anne  
 3 325 Second Avenue,  
 Garwood, NJ

**Church of St. Anne invites**  
**you to**  
**celebrate and commemorate**  
**the First Baptism – March 1,**  
**1930**

**Sunday March 8, 2026**  
**at the**  
**12 Noon Mass**

**Followed by Fellowship**  
**and Refreshments**  
**in the Bethlehem Room**

**RSVP to the Parish Office**  
**908-789-0280**  
**by February 28, 2026**

**Sponsored by the Welcome to**  
**the Waters**  
**Baptism Preparation Team**



**Special Thanks to our**  
**February Calendar**  
**Sponsor, Hudson**  
**Willow Coffee,**



**MEN'S DAY 2026**

**Presented by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal**  
**March 14, 2026, 9 am to 3 pm at the Most Blessed**  
**Sacrament Friary, 375 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. Newark, NJ. (Enter**  
**through the gate on 9<sup>th</sup> St.)**

**Day will consist of Holy Mass, Eucharistic Holy**  
**Hour, themed talks and Confessions. Event is**  
**Free. Donations are kindly accepted.**

**For more information, visit the website**  
**https://friendsofthenewarkmonestary.org**



**Spanish Mass**  
**next Sunday,**  
**March 1 at 6 pm**



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