

Founded 1926

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, *In Residence*
- Evelyn Archibald, *Youth Faith Formation*
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- Lina Delmonaco, *Office Volunteer*
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MINISTRIES:

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



First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

Church of Saint Anne

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 2:00 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

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

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

RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION

Saturdays: 2:30 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.

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 ANNOINTING

Call the Office

A Message from Fr. Bill

Saturday November 30

4:00 PM +Frances & Walter Silver

Sunday December 1

8:00 AM +Danny Valenti

10:00 AM Homebound Parishioners

12:00 Noon +Franco Origliato

Monday December 2

8:00 AM +Mary & Louise

Tuesday December 3

8:00 AM +Silvestor Capone

Wednesday December 4

8:00 AM +Albert Jekelis Sr.

Thursday December 5

9:00 AM +Silvestor Capone

Friday December 6

8:00 AM +Rogelio De Sagun

Saturday December 7

4:00 PM +Luigi, Angela & Letizia Della Serra

Sunday December 8

8:00 AM +Simion Carpa

10:00 AM +Anthony Lombardo

12:00 Noon +Geraldine Doyrne

Special Prayer Intentions for:

Blessed Mother Lamp:

+Richard & Bridget Wilson

Sanctuary Lamp:

+Cynthia DaSilva

Bread and Wine:

+Cynthia DaSilva

Dear Friends,

Here we are again! The remembrance of the birth of Jesus not just in time and history but in our hearts. He has come and we are blessed with His presence each day. Christmas should be a time of reflection and thanksgiving for His love in our lives. His presence is always here, His spirit is within each of us. This year we can be more appreciative for all God's gifts and His love and share our love with family and friends.

I am so happy that I can here at St. Anne's Church for mass for a few weekends each month. It is great to be back in Union County. Now, I feel support in both Ocean and Union counties. I will do this while my health allows me. I am so grateful for Fr. Robert Lamirez who invited me to St. Anne's and all the people of St. Anne's for welcoming me. It is a joy and also, a great opportunity to be more present with the many friends in the area and to make new ones.

My health is not always cooperating. It is harder to navigate both locations without driving and yet so many people have helped. I am so grateful. But, having 12 doctors and negotiating appointments and tests has been a nightmare - that's been my, "Bah, Humbug.". So please pray for me.

So, I wish all of you a blessed Christmas and a holy and happy new year. Be aware of my prayers all the year through.

Love,
Fr. Bill

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

November 24, 2024

Weekend offering.....\$3,352

Total Offering\$3,352

Weekly ordinary Expenses\$5,657

Thank you for your generosity!

ADVENT RECOLLECTION & PENANCE SERVICE

This year's recollection will be on December 7, Saturday from 9:00 AM to 12 noon. Bro. Bill Lavigne will facilitate the event. Penance Service will be at 11 am and there will be a few priests available for confession.

Pre-registration is required. Forms are available at the back of the church or call the parish office.



*December 8 falls on the
Second Sunday of Advent
this year.*

*The Feast of the
Immaculate Conception will
be celebrated on Monday,
December 9.*

*Since it is a Holy Day of
Obligation, there will be a
mass at 8:00 am and
7:00 pm.*

RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

Sunday School Classes:

December 1 - Regular Classes

December 8- Sacramental Classes

December 15 - Regular Classes

December 22 - Sacramental Classes



HISPANIC APOSTOLATE UPDATE

December 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

5:00 PM Mass

There will be a procession and fellowship after the mass.

December 14 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30PM

Saturday

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

The Rosary Society will be holding their Annual Christmas Party on December 6 (Friday) at 6:00 PM. Price for this event is \$35.00 which includes dinner and a performance by the Cranford High School Madrigals.

Please contact Lina Delmonaco at 908-272-8047 for more information. All Ladies are invited to join.



Christmas Wreath, Grave Blanket and Pillow Sale will take place on December 1 (Sunday), 7 (Saturday) and 8 (Sunday) after each mass at the parking lot by the garage doors.

Prices are as follows:

Wreath: \$35, Grave Blanket: \$40, Pillow: \$30

We can only accept cash or check payable to The Church of St Anne during the sale.

Thank you to all who donated turkeys last weekend. Because of your generosity, our adopted families were able to have an abundant spread on their table last Thanksgiving.

The holiday season can be very stressful especially if one experiences food insecurity.

If you know someone or a family who needs help with their groceries, please email with information about to office.stannegarwood@gmail.com so that we can include them in our list of adopted families.

"Advent has a two-fold character, for it is the time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight."

SIMBANG GABI 2024

The Church of St Anne is excited to host the Simbang Gabi (Night Mass) on December 19, Thursday at 7:30 PM.

The Filipino tradition of Simbang Gabi, a nine-day novena of Masses leading up to Christmas, is rich in spiritual and cultural significance. In the Philippines, it begins on December 16 and concludes on December 24, with the final Mass traditionally celebrated at dawn, referred to as Misa de Gallo or the "Mass of the Rooster." However, in Filipino communities abroad, such as in the U.S. and parts of Europe, adaptations have been made to accommodate local schedules and customs.

Light refreshments will be served at the Bethlehem room after the mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

Did you know that the Bethlehem Room is available for parties or other events? Please contact the parish office for more information.

Looking for a place to park your car during the day? There are parking spots available for rent here at St. Anne's. For more information, contact the parish office.



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