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 Rochie De Sagun, Pastoral Associate Joseph Fernandez, Music Director Veronica Kuczynski Marie Markovich, Office Volunteer Lina Delmonaco, Office Volunteer Jackie Karmol, Office Volunteer

#### **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



# **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 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 RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION Saturdays: 2:30 PM

#### 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 27 +Grace Peselli 4:00 PM 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 Monday April 29** +Rita Hahne 8:00 AM **Tuesday April 30** 8:00 AM +William Mazur Wednesday May 1 8:00 AM Theresa Fogel Thursday May 2 8:00 AM +Mary & Louise Friday May 3 8:00 AM +Salvatore Saladino Saturday May 4 8:00 AM Memorial Mass 11:00 AM Confirmation Mass 4:00 PM +Palma Lipis Sunday May 5 8:00 AM +Simion Karpa + Julia & Vincent D'Onofrio 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon Ryan Green

# **Pastor's Notes**

I grew up in a rural area where I enjoyed planting trees. I love rearing farm animals too. However, I have to admit, I never learned how to plant or take care of flowers. They always seem to wither and eventually die under my watch.

Maybe not because I don't have a green thumb. I think I am just lazy to talk and sing to them like most people do. Or maybe I always forget to water them.

I am glad that here at St. Anne's, each day there is always an opportunity for me to understand how flowers live. In fact, I have learned that both cut flowers and potted plants are good for decorations. The only difference is that potted flowers could be replanted and last longer.

Why? Because it still has roots which help them survive. The flowers may come back the following year if it is a perennial one.

These beautiful realities of the nature of flowering plants brought me to understand the Gospel on the Vine and the Branches.

Jesus is the Vine and we are the branches. Cut off from the main vine, we will never survive. Connected or clinging to the vine, we will grown and blossom.

Water, sunlight, air, rich soil and fertilizer make the plants grow strong and beautiful. For us, prayers, the Word of God, the sacraments especially the Eucharist nourishes us to be spiritually strong and holy.

Jesus nourishes us and sustains us to grow in his grace everyday. He is our life and in him we move and have our being.

Are we connected to Jesus? Does our soul bring joy and beauty to the eyes of the world around us?

Fr Rohert.

#### PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

April 14, 2024	
Weekend in-pew	\$3,950
Maintenance	
Total Offering	\$4,000
Weekly ordinary Expenses	\$5,657

Thank you all to the parishioners who send in their contribution to the 2024 Annual Appeal. We have \$15,071 already pledged. This is almost 50% of our \$32,331 goal.

If you haven't given your pledge yet, please prayerfully consider contributing to this cause.



#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE**

#### Please include in your prayers:

#### **Confirmandi** for May 4

- Dimitry Boris Arce
- Adriana Chevez
- Emily Sofia Cruz
- Andrew Keil Demetrick
- Oliver Francis Ficarra
- Charles Jacob Gosda
- Favian Hernandez-Ventura (Also 1st Communion)
- Collin James Maloney
- Aedan Payumo
- Jaxon Payumo
- Lily Ann Sosinski
- Gabriel Robie Wood

First Communicants for May 11

- Eleanor Ebardo Dearing
- Annabella Michelle dos Santos
- Claire Theresa Folcik
- Jane Sharon Folcik
- Alice Elizabeth Folcik
- Carlos William Galvez
- Nicolas Wilson Goni
- Scarlett Mae Heyder
- Meredith Joan LaFever
- Ryan Joseph Lyszcarz
- Brayden Albert Merdo
- Sadie Elizabeth Nicastro
- Bridget Hannah Salmon
- Giselle Cecilia Sousa
- Chiara Stacey Sumba
- Mei-Ling Tong
- Janelle Williams
- Emma Rose Anwander
- Arthur Richard Anwander
- Andrea Hernandez

#### 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.

#### **ROSARY SOCIETY UPDATE**

The next meeting is on May 9th, 7:00 pm at the Bethlehem Room.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

On May 11, Saturday, starting at 9:00 AM, the Beautification Ministry will do their next outdoor gardening and landscaping event. 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.

# 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.

# 50th Anniversary of Priesthood of Msgr. Ronald

J. Marczewski (previous Pastor of St. Anne) Sunday, May 27, 2024 Mass: 12 noon at Assumption Church, Roselle Park, NJ Reception: The Westwood, Garwood, NJ If you would like information check the information sheets found at the church entrance.

# AN EVENING WITH MARY

You are invited to watch a documentary that features the remains of Mary's house in Nazareth and shines of Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us in St. Anne's Hall on Tuesday, May 14 at 7 pm.



# **Events**

May 1 6pm - First Wednesday Intercessory Rosary, Adoration and Prayer to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

- May 3 7pm First Friday Adoration
- May 4 8 am First Saturday Memorial Mass 11 am - Confirmation
- May 5 10 am -Family Mass w/ Bishop Elias Lorenzo
- May 11 11 am First Communion
- May 12 6 pm -Spanish Mass
- May 19 10 am May Crowning Mass
- May 26 6pm Spanish Mass





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