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
Imperio Mormile, Safety Officer
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#### MINISTRIES:

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Music Ministry
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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 Holy Days of Obligation 8:00 AM and 7PM

#### **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

#### 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 ANOINTING**

Call the Office



Saturday July 26

4:00 PM +Anita Tolentino

5:30 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

Sunday July 27

8:00 AM +Milagros Garcia

10:00 AM +Joan & Chester Lewis

12:00 Noon +Edward Pilecki

Monday July 28

8:00 AM +Shirley Swayze

Tuesday July 29

8:00 AM +Shirley Swayze

Wednesday July 30

8:00 AM +Shirley Swayze

Thursday July 31

8:00 AM +Mary Briody

Friday August 1

8:00 AM Special Intention

Saturday August 2

8:00 AM Memorial Mass Intentions

4:00 PM +Paul W. Ewing

**Sunday August 3** 

8:00 AM +Shirley Swayze

10:00 AM +Anthony Branchetta

12:00 Noon +Edward Pilecki

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Parishioners of the Church of St. Anne

Sanctuary Lamp:

Alexander D'Addio Sr.

#### PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

July 13, 2025

Weekend offering	\$2,963
Maintenance	\$ 155
Total Offering	\$3.118

July 20, 2025

Weekend offering	\$2	,961
Maintenance	\$_	308
Total Offering	\$3.	269

Other Collections

Retired Priests\$	536
AC maintenance\$1,	420

#### **Pastor's Notes**

"Ask and you shall receive ... "

A friend once told me, Father, I have been asking something from God for over ten years now and I still haven't received anything. Curious, I inquired about his request. He said "the \$1 Billion mega millions jackpot!" We both laughed.

Today's Gospel is one of the most commonly used verse from the Bible. Oftentimes, it was meant to bring hope to someone in who is in need of something desperately.

Going back to my friend's statement, it isn't true that he did not receive anything after praying. You see God answers all our requests. Unlike the genie in the lamp (remember Aladdin?) who automatically grants whatever his master wishes, God gives us one of these three replies: a YES. a NOT YET. or "I HAVE SOMETHING BETTER FOR YOU". Why is that? Because He already knows what we exactly need at a particular time. He knew if the thing we wanted can make us better or worse harm us.

Yes, it can be frustrating if the response we get from Him was not the same thing we kept asking for. However, let us put into heart that what God has planned for us will be way more than we can imagine. His only request is for us to trust Him completely and allow Him to reveal His amazing plan for us.

This Sunday, we are celebrating the Feast of Jesus' grandmother, St. Anne. She, along with her daughter, our Blessed Mother showed us how to let God reveal His magnificent plan for us. No matter how impossible or incomprehensible it may seem, the God who loves us will deliver what is best for us.

I pray that we will all continue to have the childlike faith of asking the Father and trusting that we'll receive what we is for our good.

Fr. Robert

#### **RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES**

Registration for the 2025-2026 Religious Ed program is now ongoing. Open to incoming Grade 1 to Confirmation Forms are available at the back of the Church or in the parish website. (Take note that the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation require a 2 year sacramental preparation as outlined by the Archdiocese of Newark.

We are looking for Catechists and teacher assistants for the coming school year. If you have any questions, contact Evelyn by sending an email to stanneyouthformation@gmail.com

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 11-14 from 10 am to 12 noon at the Church of St. Anne Garwood NJ.
Open to children in Kindergarten to Grade 6.

The program is free but registration is need by August 5. Forms are available by the church entrance or in the website.

For more information, contact Evelyn, stanneyouthformation@gmail.com

Special Thank you to Dr. Jason Marx, Mrs. Mary Emmons, Mrs. Tamara Benc and the Students of Lincoln School here in Garwood who once again chose the 5 Loaves Pantry as the recipient of the \$500 grant they earned from Albertsons Companies Foundation through the Nourishing Neighbors program.

Your generosity and contribution to the Pantry has blessed so many who are living in and outside of our town.



Happy Feast of St. Anne!

#### Check our official Facebook Page for updates Church of St. Anne Garwood, New Jersey

### FEAST OF ST ANNE & $2^{nd}$ FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

July 27, 2025, Sunday from 1 pm to 5pm along 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. between Walnut and Cedar Streets in Garwood, NJ. Event starts with a mass at 12 noon. Followed by a procession. There will be games for kids, 50/50 raffle, music and more. Try and enjoy great food from:

- · Cousins Main Lobster
- · Kona Ice
- · Ice Cream Creations
- · Paolo's Kitchen
- Summer Made Fresh
- · House of Cupcakes
- · Il Forno Pizza

The Centennial Committee thanks the sponsors for this event: Galluzzo Brothers Carting, Accent Electric, Cranford Plumbing, Heating & Cooling Co., Westfield Pediatric Dental Group, Marano & Sons Auto Sales, Mr B's Grooming and Pet Supplies, Rudy's of Garwood, On-site Industries, Garwood Knights of Columbus and Hirth Paving.

#### **DINNER AND BINGO IS BACK!**

August 16, Saturday at 5:30 pm. Entrance fee is \$40 which includes dinner, door prize and 5 bingo cards.

Tickets are available before or after each weekend mass. Portion of the proceeds will go to the Centennial Committee fund to be used for next year's 100th year activities.

#### The Church of St. Anne hits 100

In 2026, our parish will be reaching a major milestone - our 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary! Since this will be a historic occasion, we are going to have a full year of celebration. We are inviting the families of our founding members and benefactors, past parishioners, those who were baptized, confirmed, married or had the first communion here at St. Anne's to come back home. There will also be a Grand Alumni Homecoming for the past students and graduates of St. Anne School.

Volunteers are very much needed for the planning and committees. Please contact the parish for more information.



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