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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 to schedule a visit.



Saturday September 20

4:00 PM +Frank Malvasi

Sunday September 21

8:00 AM +Ronald LaBella Jr. 10:00 AM +Michael Miller 12:00 Noon +Davide Giannobile

Monday September 22

8:00 AM +Elaine Callaghan

Tuesday September 23

8:00 AM Amarna Tolentino

(Birthday Blessings)

Wednesday September 24

8:00 AM +Mary Ann Young

Thursday September 25

8:00 AM +John E. Conlin II

Friday September 26

8:00 AM John J. Sheehy

Saturday September 27

4:00 PM +Lena Cafaro Bonfanti

(65th Anniversary)

5:30 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

Sunday September 28

8:00 AM Anne O'Mara Russell

10:00 AM +Sandra Venezia 12:00 Noon +Antonio Pecoraro

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Joseph Difiori

Sanctuary Lamp:

+Robert Morales

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

September 14, 2025

Weekend offering......\$3,934 Maintenance......\$ <u>271</u> \$4,205

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Pastor's Notes

Whenever I hear stories about pickpockets and street scammers, I can't help but wonder how much time they spent practicing their unconventional craft. Their ability to sneakily get a wallet from a person's bag, take the money and even return the wallet back in the bag without any trace was remarkable. These people are highly skilled that most of the time, it will take at least six hours of back thinking before the victim will realize that he or she was robbed or scammed.

Yes, they are scheming others which is wrong but I have to give them credit for their expertise in their field of deceit, negotiations and quick thinking. They knew what they want and they learned to do it extraordinarily well.

In today's Gospel, Jesus also commended the dishonest servant for his prudence. Since the servant already knew that he will lose his job and he doesn't have enough experience that will get him hired for regular jobs, he did what he knew best connive. With quick thinking, he used his master's resources to gain the affection of the people whom he used to torment. By appearing "kind" to them, he knew that they will somehow return the favor when he needed it.

It was indeed a clever tactic and this kind of ingenuity specially under stress was what Jesus noticed and even praised. If people can think "outside the box" and perfect their skills to do bad things, why can't we also use that determination for good?

Jesus is challenging us to be creative in matters pertaining to our faith. May we hone our talents and sharpen our skills so that we can gain heavenly riches and give glory to God.

On a side note, last September 18, 2025 was the anniversary of my Priestly Ordination. It has been 30 years since I committed to the ministry that God entrusted to me. Thank you for being a huge part of my journey. Please continue to include me in your prayers as I try to continue to be better in this mission. God bless us all.

Fr. Robert.

RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

CCD classes for the 2025-2026 will start on September 21, 2025. Registration is still open for children who are incoming Grade 1 to Confirmation.

If you have any questions, contact Evelyn by sending an email to stanneyouthformation@gmail.com

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY (Sept. 21)

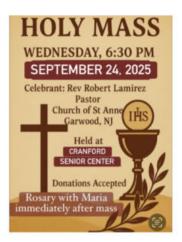
Each year, the Catholic Church in the United States designates the third Sunday in September as "Catechetical Sunday"—a day on which to celebrate and pray for the Church's mission to teach the Gospel to all people.

This year's theme is, "Always be ready to give an explanation...for a reason for your hope." (1 Peter 3:15)

As a catechist, you are responding to a call to share the gift of faith with others, even as you deepen your own faith. This call may have reached you through your pastor, the director of your parish's religious education program, or through your role as a Catholic school teacher. But know that this calling ultimately comes from God, whose Holy Spirit inspires and guides you.



We are in need of people to help with the Centennial Year marketing and solicit placements for Souvenir journal. For more information, contact Fr. Robert.



PASTORAL VISIT

If you or a loved one is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion or the Sacraments of Reconciliation or Holy Anointing, call the parish office to schedule a visit.

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

30 YEARS OF SERVICE

Fr. Robert will reach a special milestone this September. The 30th anniversary of his of Ordination as a Priest. His Thanksgiving Mass will be on September 28 at 12 noon. A gathering will follow immediately after the mass at the Bethlehem room. Everyone is invited but call the parish office to RSVP.

The event will be a potluck. Please contact Imperio or email office.stannegarwood@gmail.com for the list of food or drinks that you can bring. See you there.

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The Garwood Knights of Columbus invites you to a Picnic Fundraiser to Oct. 5, 2025 (Sunday) from 1 pm to 5 pm. As a community, let us enjoy good music, fun games & delicious food as we raise funds to support the roof replacement project of our beloved Church of St. Anne. (All proceeds will go to this cause.)

Menu includes:

Brisket or Rib plates that includes 2 sides and dessert \$25

Hotdog or Hamburger plate with chips \$6 Drink wrist brands for domestic beer, wine & soda \$15.

Food tickets are available at the door the day of the event. You can also purchase in advance at the Knights of Columbus starting Sept. 23.

From the Archdiocese of Newark

We Are His Witnesses is a pastoral initiative launched by Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, on Pentecost in June 2025. It invites all of us to walk together on a journey—a path of pastoral conversion. Inspired by the Word of God, and rooted in Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel), this initiative calls on the entire Church to reimagine parish life, mission, and ministry in response to a changing world.

For more information about this initiative, visit the official website of the Archdiocese of Newark - www.rcan.org



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