

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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**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



Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

# Church of Saint Anne

**325 Second Avenue Garwood, New Jersey 07027**

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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 ANNOINTING**

Call the Office

**Saturday March 15**

4:00 PM +Nick Spata

**Sunday March 16**

8:00 AM +Gianna Bambaci

10:00 AM +Maureen Toth

12:00 Noon +Rita Manaco

**Monday March 17**

8:00 AM +Alberta Tolimiero

**Tuesday March 18**

8:00 AM +Fred Riccio

**Wednesday March 19**

8:00 AM +John E. Conlin

**Thursday March 20**

8:00 AM George Peter Doeringer Jr.

Cathy Lynn Seidenstein

**Friday March 21**

8:00 AM +Mariel Clark

**Saturday March 22**

4:00 PM +Betty Billota

(1st Anniversary)

**Sunday March 23**

8:00 AM +Marie Hartung

10:00 AM Pasqualina Zuena

12:00 Noon +Frank P. Malvasi

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Souls in Purgatory

Sanctuary Lamp:

*Unborn Babies*

**PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING**

**March 9, 2025**

Weekend offering.....\$3,667

Maintenance .....\$ 147

Total Offering .....\$3,814

**Weekly ordinary Expenses .....\$5,657**

Other Collection:

For Eastern Europe.....\$703

**Thank you for your generosity!**

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Visit the parish website [www.stannegarwood.com](http://www.stannegarwood.com)  
to set up.*

The Gospel of Luke 9:28b-36 tells us that Jesus' appearance became dazzling white, and his disciples saw his glory. Why the Gospel on transfiguration during Lent? Is not Lent a more subdued celebration?

By this transfiguration event, Jesus was preparing his disciples to an impending unbearable sacrifice—his passion, crucifixion and death. However, the peak of the story would not end there on the cross, but in his victory, his resurrection. The disciples' glance of his glory was a preview of Christ's risen glory, an assurance and a source of hope for them.

Like Advent, Lent is a season of preparation. We prepare our souls for the Easter glory through fasting, prayer and almsgiving. We are all invited to a deeper relationship with God and with others through acts of charity.

In Line with this, I am inviting you all to participate actively in our Lenten parish events.

Next Sunday, March 23, join us at the Lenten Music and Reflection. On March 30, come back and enrich your faith at the Parish Lenten Recollection. On April 4-5, the men in our parish are encouraged to join the Cornerstone at St. Helen's. Spare some time to visit pilgrim churches.

As God has continually blessed us, may we remember to reach out to those who have less by supporting our Annual Appeal. Every sacrificial gift will never be unnoticed by God.

Together, empowered and assured of his promised glory, let us all respond to the challenge of Christ to be a light to the darkened world. Illumine and shine like Jesus.

*Fr. Robert*



## RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

March 16 - Religious Ed Classes  
March 18 - Family Stations of the Cross  
March 23 - Sacramental Classes  
March 29 - Passover - Easter Session  
March 30 - Religious Ed Classes

## HISPANIC APOSTOLATE UPDATE

March 22 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30 PM  
(Saturday)

*Our yearly Parish Lenten Recollection will be on  
March 30, 2025, Sunday from 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm.  
Event is free but you must register at the parish  
office. Dinner will be served.*

## AN AFTERNOON OF REFLECTION & MUSIC

Guest organist Joseph Hill, a member of the American Guild of Organists will perform an hour long program interspersed with Lenten Scripture. Sunday, March 23 at 3 pm.

We welcome a free will donation toward the 2026 Centennial Celebration.

## YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

The next meeting is on Saturday, March 22, at 6 p.m. in the Bethlehem room.

Open to all 7th graders to high school seniors  
Please contact Jim and Gabriell at [ygstanne1926@gmail.com](mailto:ygstanne1926@gmail.com) with any questions.  
We're always looking for more volunteers!

## CATHOLIC WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Office for Family Life Ministry of the Archdiocese of Newark will honor couples celebrating their 5th, 25th, and 50th Catholic wedding anniversary at a Mass celebrated by Cardinal Tobin on Sunday, June 1, at 3 p.m. in Newark's Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. For more information contact Joanne DePasquale-Parent at [joanne.depasquale-parent@rcan.org](mailto:joanne.depasquale-parent@rcan.org). Interested couples must register before May 10, 2025.

*Everyone is invited to attend the Jubilee  
Eucharistic Congress at Saint Helen Parish in  
Westfield. Thursdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3,  
and 10, 2025; 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM*

## Lenten Schedule

March 18 - Family Stations of the Cross  
March 23 - Afternoon of Music & Reflection  
March 30 - Parish Recollection  
April 4 - 5 - Cornerstone Men's Retreat  
(St. Helen's Church, Westfield)  
April 13 - Palm Sunday  
April 16 - Tenebrae  
April 17 - Holy Thursday  
April 18 - Good Friday  
April 19 - Easter Vigil  
April 20 - Easter Sunday

Stations of the Cross  
Every Friday at 3:30 PM

Triduum Morning Praise (Lauds)  
Holy Thursday, Good Friday &  
Holy Saturday at 9 AM

## Attention Scrapbookers!

In preparation for the coming 100th year anniversary, the parish is in need of volunteers who can arrange the donated pictures and memorabilia that will be exhibited in the St. Anne's Hall next year.

For more information, please contact Fr. Robert or the parish office.

*Do you have fundraising or sales experience?  
Our Parish needs your talent and skills!*

Next year, our parish will be 100 years old. While this is a great achievement, we can't deny that our facilities which are mostly original are now in need of some TLC.

In particular, the bell tower has water damage and the beams and walls must be repaired to avoid further damage. The flooring of St. Anne's Hall (Lower Church) needs to be replaced due to water damage. The church roof needs to be repaired. Since these repairs don't come cheap, we really need to raise funds for these projects.

If you would like to help or be a part of the Fundraising Committee, please let Fr. Robert know.



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