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
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Rev. Bill Morris, In Residence
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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



Saturday December 14

4:00 PM +George McMahon

Sunday December 15

8:00 AM +Msgr. Walsh

10:00 AM +Gregory Lombardo

12:00 Noon Jean Kufta Monday December 16

8:00 AM +Karl DeVoe Sr

Tuesday December 17

8:00 AM +Margaret H. Jarnagin

Wednesday December 18 8:00 AM +Dhana Bagyam Thursday December 19

8:00 AM +Theresa Nyitray

7:00 PM Simbang Gabi Intentions

Friday December 20

8:00 AM +Judy Keiper Saturday December 21

4:00 PM +Tillie Spata Sunday December 22

8:00 AM +Georgina Martinez

10:00 AM +Maria & Giovanni Monaco 12:00 Noon +Elizabeth & Edward Conlin

Special Prayer Intentions for:

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Maria O'Brien (Health Blessing)

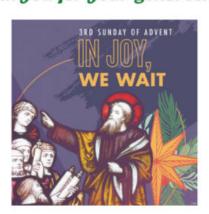
PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

December 8, 2024

Weekend offering	\$3,799
Maintenance	\$1,360
Immaculate Conception	\$ 752
Total Offering	\$5,911
Weekly ordinary Expenses	\$5,657

Retired Religious.....\$ 811

Thank you for your generosity!



Pastor's Notes

"What should we do?"

Ten more days till Christmas! If you are a last minute person, I'm sure you are already feeling the stress of the holiday season preparations. There are so many things that we want to do yet there seems to be so little time to do them.

Just like the people in the Gospel, they were very anxious and restless. They don't know what to do or if what they are doing is right.

The amount of uncertainty doubles or even triples when we are asked to wait. Whether it's a child asking "Are we there yet" or a grown person stuck in traffic, the stress of waiting is something most of us have in common.

This Sunday is Gaudete Sunday. We are reminded that we should be happy during this time of wait for the coming of Jesus, our Savior. Instead of focusing on material things, let's prioritize the preparation of our hearts. After all, that is the gift that Jesus really wants for His birthday.

Rejoice!

Fr. Robert



December 24 (Tuesдay) Christmas Vigil Mass 4 pm & 10 pm

Christmas Day (Wednesday) Mass 8 am, 10 am & 12 110011

January 1, 2024 (Wednesday)
Octave Day of Christmas: Mary, the Holy
Mother of God 10 am & 12 noon



RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

Sunday School Classes:

December 15 - Regular Classes
Parents Session

December 22 - Sacramental Classes

HISPANIC APOSTOLATE UPDATE

December 28 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30 PM (Saturday)



We would like to thank everyone who shared their time, talents and treasure to make the celebration of the Feast Day of the Our Lady of Guadalupe extra special and memorable.

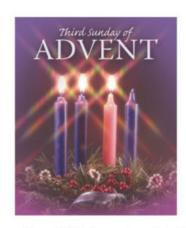
Special mention to Ping Panlilio who lent the statue of the Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe that was displayed here at St. Anne's

We are excited to once again team up with Garwood Coins Inc & Jewelry Exchange (located in 401 North Ave. Garwood) for a fundraiser.

If you have any old jewelry that you want to turn into cash, simply go to Garwood Coins and mention that you are from the Church of St. Anne. For every customer transaction, St. Anne will receive a donation. It's that simple.

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 send an email 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 safely 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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