

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*
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- 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



First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

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 ANNOINTING

Call the Office

Saturday March 8

4:00 PM +Margaret McMahon
5:30 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

Sunday March 9

8:00 AM Shirley Virgili
10:00 AM Tanna Branchetta
12:00 Noon +Frank P. Malvasi

Monday March 10

8:00 AM +Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday March 11

8:00 AM +Silvestor Carpone

Wednesday March 12

8:00 AM +Luz Maria

Thursday March 13

8:00 AM Geraldine Yu, Robert Pilleren &
Cornelius Pilleren

Friday March 14

8:00 AM +George Peter Doeringer Sr. &
Mary Jane Doeringer

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 Monaco

Blessed Mother Lamp:
Souls in Purgatory

Sanctuary Lamp:
Unborn Babies

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

March 2, 2025

Weekend offering.....\$3,611

Maintenance\$2,444

Total Offering\$6,055

Weekly ordinary Expenses\$5,657

Thank you for your generosity!

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*Visit the parish website www.stannegarwood.com
to set up.*



How do we spend the Penitential Season of Lent that has just begun with the observance of Ash Wednesday?

The season of Lent is a forty-day journey that reminds us of the graciousness and mercy of our God, and His transformative power. As an act of gratitude and also sincere repentance, the church asks us to do penance, and to live out the Gospel.

Traditionally, the church encourages us to practice these three - fasting, praying and alms giving.

While most associate fasting with food, it is more than that. It is essentially giving up something for a period of time in order to focus our thoughts on God. It could be scrolling less on social media and using those saved minutes reading the bible or avoiding negative thoughts so we can appreciate the good things happening around us. What you give up is totally up to you.

During this time of Lent, we are asked to pray more. Check our Lenten Schedule for events that you can attend and participate in. Also, our church is open every day between 8 am and 2 pm. Feel free to come and spend some quiet time with God.

Lastly, almsgiving. We're all aware that the prices of food, particularly eggs went up. I just went to a Diner and they had to charge an extra dollar for breakfast dishes that include eggs. While all of us are affected, those with lesser income struggle more. We even had an increase in our Food Pantry's adopted families.

Did you know that 39% of the Annual Appeal collection goes towards the Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable in our Archdiocese? If you are able, I pray that you will consider supporting this project this Lent.

Fr. Robert

RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

- March 9 - Sacramental Classes
 - Parent Meeting
- 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 8 & 22 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30 PM
(Saturday)

Our yearly parish lenten recollection will be on April 6, 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.

CORNERSTONE 35 - MEN'S RETREAT

April 4 (Friday) - April 5 (Saturday) St. Helen Parish, 1600 Rahway Ave. Westfield, NJ.
For more information or to register, visit sthelen.org/ministries/cornerstone

Lent is a season for prayer, fasting and abstinence

What is

FASTING ABSTINENCE

Catholics@Work

One full meal per day and two smaller meals if added together would not exceed one full meal.

Refraining from eating meat. Fish, seafoods, egg, and milk are allowed.



WHEN

✓ Ash Wednesday
✓ Good Friday

✓ Ash Wednesday
✓ Good Friday and
✓ All Fridays of Lent

WHO ARE REQUIRED

18-59
years old

14
years old and above

Lenten Schedule

- March 18 - Family Stations of the Cross
- March 23 - Afternoon of Music & Reflection
- April 6 - Parish Recollection
- 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

Morning Praise (Lauds)
Everyday during Holy Week
at 9 AM



Centennial Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for the 100 years of faith, love and community here at the Church of St. Anne. As we celebrate our Centennial Year, we would like to honor the past, cherish the present and look forward to the future with HOPE.

Please guide us as we continue to grow in faith and service. Bless all who have been part of our Parish Family and inspire us to live out Your Message with joy and dedication. We ask this through the intercession of St. Anne and the Blessed Virgin Mary. In Jesus name. AMEN.

COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS



The project is almost finished. There are still room for more Bricks to be dedicated.

If you would like to get a Brick (\$150 each), please contact the parish office.



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