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
Edwin Abano, Office Assistant
Ramon Mariazeta, Finance
Marie Markovich, Office Volunteer
Lina Delmonaco, Office Volunteer
Jacqueline Karmol, Office Volunteer

#### MINISTRIES:

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Garwood Knights of Columbus
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Line Dancing
Music Ministry
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# 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 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 January 25

4:00 PM +Nettie Lupo

5:30 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

Sunday January 26

8:00 AM +Nicholas Warchol

10:00 AM Antonia Lazzaro (health blessings)

12:00 Noon +Christine Materia

Monday January 27

8:00 AM +Doris McCarthy

**Tuesday January 28** 

8:00 AM +Doris McCarthy

Wednesday January 29

8:00 AM +Roberta Roberts

Thursday January 30

8:00 AM +Antonia Stevole

Friday January 31

8:00 AM +Margaret DiCara

Saturday February 1

8:00 AM Memorial Mass Intentions 4:00 PM +Yolanda & Fronka Palmieri

Sunday February 2

8:00 AM +Richard C. Niedermaier 10:00 AM +Patrick Thomas Rice

12:00 Noon +Betty Bonczek

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Joan Brogan (Good Health)

Sanctuary Lamp:

Michael Delmonaco (Healing)

# PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

January 19, 2025

Weekend offering	33,	629
Maintenance	;	100
Fuel\$	1,7	726

Total Offering ......\$5,455 Weekly ordinary Expenses ......\$5,657

# Thank you for your generosity!

Starting February 5, our First Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration and Devotion to our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer Time will commence after the 8:00 am Mass instead of 6:00 pm. Please take note of this change.

# **Pastor's Notes**

A few weeks ago, we celebrated Jesus" birthday. The word of God made flesh. With his coming, he gave us one of the most precious gifts that is very handy in our lives - the gift of hope.

In today's Gospel, Jesus confirmed right in his hometown that He is indeed the fulfillment of the promise written in the scrolls of the Old Testament as proclaimed by the prophets. He came to bring hope to the sick, downtrodden and the desperate.

His message over two thousand years ago is still very true to us today. It is comforting to know that no matter what our situation is, we are not alone. That we have a God who is taking care of all our needs. A God who only wants what is best for us. Sometimes, we may not see or feel it, but it is there. We just need to trust His timing.



This week, I would like to ask you to join me in praying for those who are currently struggling physically, emotionally and financially. In a special way, I want to mention those people in California who are still experiencing the devastation of the wildfires. In this difficult time in their lives, I pray that they may find peace and renewed hope that God is watching over them and is working in their favor.

2025 is also the "Holy Year of Hope". I pray that we will find many reasons to trust God's plan in our lives. May this same hope encourage us to make our parish, the Church of St. Anne more vibrant as we head on to our 100th year anniversary.

# RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

January 26 - Sacramental Classes

February 2 - Religious Ed Classes Parent Meeting

February 9 - Sacramental Classes
Parent Meeting

February 16 - No Classes

February 23 - Sacramental Classes

February 27 - First Reconciliation

# HISPANIC APOSTOLATE UPDATE

February 8 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30 PM (Saturday) February 22 - Mass in Spanish at 5:30 PM (Saturday)



# YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Last January 22, Evelyn Archibald, Paul Nieves and Jim Jacisin attended a seminar on how to encourage the younger parishioners to have an active participation in the parish. The event was sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark.

Please include in your prayers the organizers and all the young members of our parish as we plan to create this new ministry here at St. Anne's.

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Church of St. Anne will celebrate it's 100th year in 2026.

# We are currently looking for volunteers

- to organize and prepare the memorabilia that we have gathered for exhibit.
- who will be a part of the Fundraising Committee
- who can do the layout, editing and work with the printers to create the Centennial Souvenir program

If you are interested, please reach out to Fr. Robert

# Did you know?

The Church of St. Anne was incorporated on October 24, 1925 and Rev. James F. McDonald was the Founding Mission Pastor.

# Jubilee Year 2025

The theme of the Holy Year is "Pilgrims of Hope." The papal bull, issued May 9, that introduced the coming Jubilee Year is titled "Spes Non Confundit," or "Hope does not disappoint,".

Drawn from Romans 5:5. "Everyone knows what it is to hope," Pope Francis wrote. "In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring. "Even so, uncertainty about the future may at times give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehensiveness, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt," he continued. "Often we come across people who are discouraged, pessimistic and cynical about the future, as if nothing could possibly bring them happiness.

For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for that hope." Pope Francis also hopes the year draws Catholics toward patience, which he described in "Spes Non Confundit" as a "virtue closely linked to hope," yet can feel elusive in "our fast-paced world, we are used to wanting everything now."

Prayer to St. Anne
Oh God, you bestowed on St. Anne such grace,
that she was found worthy to become the
Mother of Mary, who brought forth your only
begotten Son. Grant that we may be helped by
her intercession.



# 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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