

Founded 1926

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

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, *Guest Priest*  
Rochie De Sagun, *Pastoral Associate*  
Joseph Fernandez, *Music Director*  
Veronica Kuczynski, *Bookkeeper,*  
*Director of Religious Education*  
Marie Markovich, *Office Volunteer*

#### MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers  
Beautification  
Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers  
Garwood Knights of Columbus  
Lectors/Readers  
Hospitality  
Hispanic Apostolate Group  
Line Dancing  
Music Ministry  
Prayer Network  
Spanish Charismatic Group  
St. Anne's Rosary Society  
5 Loaves Pantry



# 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  
First Friday of the month  
8:30 pm (Charismatic Mass)

#### 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

Family Based Religious Education classes are held two Sundays a month at 10 AM

#### RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION

Saturdays: 2:30 PM

#### BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled every 2nd and 4th 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

## Saturday April 13

4:00 PM +Giovanni & Maria Monaco

## Sunday April 14

8:00 AM +Geraldine Billerman

10:00 AM +Mary & Dempsey Gurdak

12:00 Noon +Gary Sibia

6:00 PM Spanish Mass Intentions

## Monday April 15

8:00 AM +Salvatore Saladino

## Tuesday April 16

8:00 AM +Annette Litterio

## Wednesday April 17

8:00 AM +Fernando Romano

## Thursday April 18

8:00 AM +Florence Sgambati

## Friday April 19

8:00 AM +Sophie Bogusz

## Saturday April 20

4:00 PM +Rose Bonfanti-Merkel

## Sunday April 21

8:00 AM +John Bambaci

10:00 AM Megan Green

12:00 Noon +Georgina Martinez

### Special Prayer Intentions:

#### Blessed Mother Lamp:

+Sylvia Occhipinti

#### Sanctuary Lam:

+Joseph Aliseo

#### Grotto Candles:

+Susan Mitchell

+Archie Mitchell

Shanahan Family

A friend of mine who happened to be a priest too recalled his experience during the earthquake that happened last Friday. Awoken from his nap by the strong movement, he thought that he was just sitting on his massage chair. Still half asleep, he desperately tried to look for the remote to make the shaking stop.

Later that day, he found out that it was actually an earthquake after another friend told him the news.

A few days later, the solar eclipse took place during my sister's break from work. She told me she enjoyed observing while having lunch. She then recounted many more amazing phenomena (if we actually believed those were).

In the Gospel, the disciples of Emmaus recounted that their hearts were burning while an unknown man was walking and talking to them. It was only after the stranger broke bread with them that they realized that the person was actually Jesus. Then, they believed.

How many times did God walk with us but we did not even notice Him? How many times did He speak to us but we ignored him?

Once again, Jesus is inviting us to walk with him. Not to Emmaus but closer to home. Jesus is inviting us to the mission of helping our brothers and sisters in the Archdiocese through the Annual Appeal.

Jesus appears to us in the seminarians diligently studying to one day serve as a priest. He appears to us through the people being helped by food pantries, job placement offices, and safe haven for women who experienced domestic violence or unplanned pregnancies around the Archdiocese and so much more.

Unless we share and show that we care, we cannot say that we encountered Jesus.

This week, let us recount how God has walked with us and blessed us. Let us recount that in this Holy Mass, Jesus is breaking the spiritual bread of his body and is being shared among us.

Do we believe? If so, let's put it into action.

*Fr. Robert*

### PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

April 7, 2024

Weekend in-pew..... \$3,503

Maintenance.....\$2,569

Total Offering .....\$6,072

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

Easter Collection to date.....\$15,384

*"Whatsoever you do  
to the least of my brethren,  
you do it unto me."*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

April 14	7th Grade, First Communion and Confirmation Candidates (10 am- 12 noon)
April 21	Grades 1,3,4, 5 & 6 (10 am - 12 noon)
May 2	Confirmation Rehearsal 6:00 pm
May 4	Confirmation Day 11 am

## CATECHISTS AND TEACHER AIDES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

We are in need of volunteer catechists and teacher aides for next school year's Religious Ed program.

Please contact the parish office for more information.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Beautification Ministry will do their next outdoor gardening and landscaping event on May 11, Saturday starting at 9:00 am. The goal of this project is to make the grounds of St. Anne's lovely not just for Spring but for Summer and Fall as well.

Everyone, both young and the young at heart who likes to garden are welcome to help.

In line with this, we are also asking for donations of:

- \* mulch
- \* potted perennial plants such as lavender, rosemary, candyturf and phlox
- \* gardening tools - spade, shovel, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Rochie at the Parish office.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

In order to be considered a registered parishioner, an adult (persons 21 years of age or older), must submit a completed registration form. These forms can be picked up at the parish office or downloaded from the website. Completed forms must be brought to the parish in person. Please remind young adults (21 and older) that they must be separately registered with the parish. Ordinarily, for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation or Matrimony, a person must be a registered and active member of The Church of St. Anne.

## HISPANIC APOSTOLATE

There will be a mass in Spanish tonight at 6:00 pm and on April 28th, also at 6:00 pm.

Please help spread the word.

The 2024 Annual Appeal is underway! We have \$15,071 already pledged. This is approximately 36% of our \$32,331 goal.

The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship.

If you have yet to give please visit [www.rcan.org/sharing](http://www.rcan.org/sharing) or fill up the envelopes available around the church or at the parish office.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SEMINAR

St. Anne's is hosting a PGC seminar on April 25, 2024, Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Bethlehem room.

Everyone who serves, volunteers or who wish to volunteer in any activity here in Church are asked to attend the seminar. This is to ensure that our younger members (minors) will have a safe environment.

While the seminar is free, we are asking you to register to reserve your spot. Go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and sign up under St. Anne Garwood.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

## 5 LOAVES PANTRY UPDATES

- We are planning a "get together" of all the Food Pantry volunteers this April at the St. Anne's Hall. Please contact the parish office for details. If you are interested to become volunteers of the food pantry, you are most welcome to join the get together.
- The food pantry is currently low on canned soups, canned meat, pasta and sauce. If are able, please consider donating an extra can or two. Thank you.

## 2025 Mass Book

is now open

Please call or drop by the parish office to reserve your preferred dates for mass intentions.

\$15 for Saturday and Sunday mass

\$10 for weekday mass

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