

Founded 1926

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 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  
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Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers  
Garwood Knights of Columbus  
Lectors/Readers  
Hospitality  
Hispanic Apostolate Group  
Line Dancing  
Prayer Network  
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 February 3**

8:00 AM First Saturday Memorial Mass  
4:00 PM +Charles Riordon

**Sunday February 4**

8:00 AM +Georgina Martinez  
10:00 AM +Mark Sussek  
12:00 Noon +Gary Sibilla

**Monday February 5**

8:00 AM +Jenny & Lina Guzzo

**Tuesday February 6**

8:00 AM +Della M. Gavin

**Wednesday February 7**

8:00 AM +Helen & Edward Finn

**Thursday February 8**

8:00 AM +Doug Furlong

**Friday February 9**

8:00 AM +Mary & Rock Musillo

**Saturday February 10**

4:00 PM +Mary Jane Bergen

**Sunday February 11**

8:00 AM +William Bagusz  
10:00 AM +Mary & Joseph Lombardo Sr.  
12:00 Noon +Christine Materia

*Special Prayer Intentions for:*

Blessed Mother Lamp:

Joan Brogan (*Birthday*)

Today's readings reminded me of a quote by Bishop Checchio which is "Our relationship with God is personal yet not private."

Job and Jesus both showed their deep and personal relationship with God through their prayer times. Job, without hesitation cried out his worries, frustration, struggles and agony to God. Jesus, even though He himself is God, spent early mornings in solitude to pray. Being human, I'm sure he told God his experiences - how tiring it is to travel, how uncomfortable it must be healing so many people with varied diseases, how happy he felt after seeing the sick get healed and so on.

By constantly communicating to God and spending alone time with Him, not only were they able to voice out their innermost feelings, they too, were able to hear God's specific message for them. The messages that became their driving force as they fulfill their purpose here on earth.

Take note, they did not keep the messages to themselves. They even went out, shared it and most of all lived it.

As we work on our own prayer time, I pray that you will consider supporting this year's Annual Appeal.

Personally, my family and I were helped by the funds from Annual Appeal. Years ago, when I was looking for my oldest child's first school, a big part of me really wanted her to go to a Catholic school. After all, my formative years from kindergarten to college were in Catholic schools.

However, as a young mom with three children under 7, this "dream" was almost like mission impossible due to the financial requirements. After speaking to my then Pastor, he encouraged me to still submit an application. Back then, I didn't know that the Diocese actually allots funds to help those who want to have Catholic school education.

Through the generosity of people like you, my two girls were able to receive grants which helped them experience Catholic school education even for just a few years. Though they didn't get to finish all the schooling in a Catholic school (sadly, their school closed too), the value of the Catholic faith and service were instilled in their hearts.

I may not know the names of the donors who contributed to my daughters' education but I am forever grateful because they not only touched my life, they helped form my daughters too.

Just like Job and Jesus, we too, can have a special relationship with God. He is already waiting. What are we doing?

*Rochie*

**PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING**

January 28, 2024

Weekend in-pew..... \$3,560

Fuel..... 358

Total Offering .....\$3,918

**Weekly ordinary Expenses .....\$7,224**

Communicating God's Word Collection..... \$343

**2024 CALENDAR RAFFLE**

Get a chance to win \$1,000 every month from February 2024 to June 2024 for just a \$50 donation.

We still have 100 tickets available. You can get one at the church entrance or at the parish office.

**First Wednesday devotion - February 7 at 7 pm**  
**Eucharistic Adoration, Intercessory Rosary & Our**  
**Lady of Perpetual Help Novena**

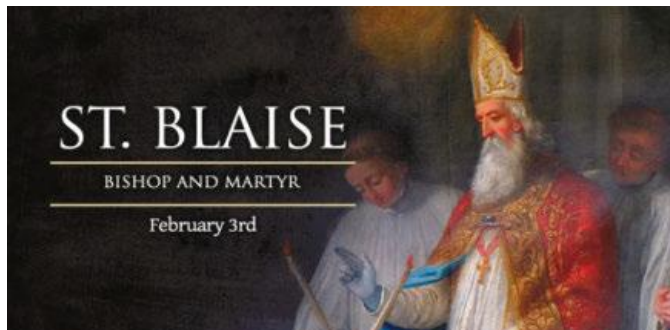
## 5 LOAVES PANTRY

- Is your child/teen looking for service hours? We always need extra hands to organize the pantry, prepare food bags or deliver. Send an email to [office.stannegarwood@gmail.com](mailto:office.stannegarwood@gmail.com) to schedule.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

February 4	- Family Religious Ed (10 am -12 noon)
January 11	- 7th Grade, First Communion and Confirmation Candidates (10 am- 12 noon) - Reconciliation Practice
February 16	- Family Fun Night (6:30 pm - 8 pm)
February 22	- First Reconciliation (6 pm)
February 25	- Grades 1,3,4, 5 & 6 (10 am - 12 noon)



### AA MEETINGS

The Church of St. Anne is home to 4 Alcoholic Anonymous(AA) Support Groups. The schedule of meetings is as follows:

Mondays at 12 noon

Tuesdays at 12 noon

Wednesdays at 1:00 pm

An all-women group meets every Wednesday at 7 pm

**The 100th Year Committee is hosting a Valentine Dinner and Dance on February 10, 2024 , 7pm - 11pm at the Knights of Columbus Columbian Club in Garwood, NJ.**

**\$60 per person includes a Royal Buffet Dinner, music, dancing, 50/50 raffle and more.**

**To RSVP, fill up the form and send payment on or before Feb.4**

**Forms are available at the back of the church or at the parish office.**

## Lenten Schedule



February 14 (Ash Wednesday)

8:00 AM Mass & Distribution of Ashes  
12 noon Distribution of Ashes only  
5:00 PM Distribution of Ashes only  
7:00 PM Mass & Distribution of Ashes

Stations of the Cross (Fridays)

February 16 7:00 pm

February 23 7:00 pm

March 1 7:00 pm

March 8 7:00 pm

March 15 7:00 pm

March 22 7:00 pm

### LENTEN & EASTER COURSE WITH BRO. BILL

Bro. Bill is back! This time, he will help us read and understand the "Passion Narratives" and the Resurrection.

This 6-session course will be at 7 pm in the Bethlehem room. There will be a \$20 fee for materials (books). Sign up forms are available at the back of the church or at the parish office. Please register and remit payment by February 1st so that the books can arrive in a timely manner.

Lenten Course schedule: Feb. 27, March 5, 12 and 19

Easter Course schedule: April 9 and April 16

### MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to Mass intentions for your loved ones you may also remember them through the following memorial opportunities:

- Blessed Mother Lamp
- Sanctuary Lamp
- Our Lady of Lourdes of Grotto
- Memorial Contribution
- Bread & Wine for Liturgies
- Altar Candles
- Flowers
- Please remember St. Anne's in your estate planning

Please contact the parish office for more details



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