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 **Hispanic Ministry** Hospitality **Line Dancing** Prayer Network St. Anne's Rosary Society **5 Loaves Pantry**



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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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION

Saturdays: 2:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are arranged by appointment with the Pastor. Families may register in the parish and attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Send an email to the parish office for additional information.

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 January 13

4:00 PM +Della M. Gavin

Sunday January 14

8:00 AM +Jose Laguda

10:00 AM +Edward Olenick Sr.

12:00 Noon +Greg Bednarz

Monday January 15

8:00 AM +Dolorez & Stanley Sawicki

Tuesday January 16

8:00 AM +Romeo Family

Wednesday January 17

8:00 AM +Jay & Andy Palmieir

Thursday January 18

8:00 AM +Mary Grantuskas Friday January 19

8:00 AM +Mary & Rock Musillo

Saturday January 20

4:00 PM +Margaret Neer

Sunday January 21

8:00 AM +The Borowick Family

10:00 AM +Maureen Toth 12:00 Noon +Antonieta Bofill

In Loving Memory of:

Blessed Mother Lamp: +Greg Bednarz

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

For the week of January 7, 2024 collection report is not available in time for printing. Please see next week's bulletin.

As always, thank you for your generous support to the Church of St. Anne.

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

Pastor's Notes

For this weekend reflection, I would like to focus on God's invitation to us. In the gospel, Jesus invited Andrew and another disciple to "come and see" after they asked where He was staying.

By accepting the invite, they "found" the Messiah, and their lives were changed forever. Andrew, being so moved, was not able to keep the good news to himself. He shared the experience to his brother Simon. The very Simon who became Peter, the Apostle called "the Rock". The Peter who became the first Pope of our Church.

In the first reading, Samuel while in his sleep was called by God not once but three times. When he finally replied, God came and revealed His presence.

Just like in those stories, all of us are called by God. Not only in general but individually, by name. Each with a specific purpose. Some are called for great things like King David, Peter or St. Teresa of Calcutta. Others are called for simpler tasks like Andrew, who became the messenger to Peter.

The question now is, "What is God inviting you to do?"

I pray that we can all be like Samuel who replied, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening."

Fr. Robert

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next class on January 18, Thursday at 6:00 pm in the Bethlehem room.

Parents are required to attend a class before their chosen date of baptism. For more info call the parish office.

Let us welcome our newly baptised members

Jefferson Santos Isaac Santos Francesca Gamma Curta

SPANISH MINISTRY

Spanish Mass - January 28 at 6 pm Spanish Charismatic Group - every Saturday at 6 pm

Every First Wednesday at 7pm
Exposition and Adoration, Intercessory Rosary
and Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

5 LOAVES PANTRY

- Bread and pastries are available Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays at the parish office. Feel free to get some for you or for someone whom you think will like some.
- Food Collection will be on the last weekend of the month (January 27-28). We are always in need of non-perishables like pasta, pasta sauce, canned soup, cereal, rice, canned meats & cooking essentials like olive oil, seasonings, salt and vinegar.
- We are always in need of volunteers to help organize the pantry, prepare the food bags or deliver. If you or your group is interested, please contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Religious Ed (FRE) Schedule:

January 7 - Family Religious Ed (10 am -12 noon)

January 14 - 7th Grade, First Communion and

Confirmation Candidates (10 am- 12 noon)

January 19 - Family Game Night (6:30 pm - 8 pm)

January 21 - 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

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

GARWOOD DAY OF SERVICE

January 15 (MLK Day) 12 pm - 2 pm at the Garwood Firehouse. Activities include Card Making for the Troops and Seniors, Make Sandwiches for the Homeless (BYO cold cuts, cheese) and crafts.

*5 Loaves Pantry will be providing the bread for the sandwiches

To volunteer: email recreation@garwood.org

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL CORNER



Charles Lombardo has been a resident of Garwood and parishioner of St. Anne's since 1975. In addition to being a member of the Parish Pastoral Council, he is also currently a Trustee/Officer of the Garwood Council of the Knights of Columbus and is the Coordinator/Chairman of the St. Anne's Centennial Committee.

Charles holds a B. A. degree in Business Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Kean University. He has been active in the Borough of Garwood as a Councilman for over 20 years and was its Mayor for four years. He is an Eagle Scout and also held the office of Scout Master for Boy Scout Troop 75 which was sponsored by St. Anne's during the 1980's.



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.

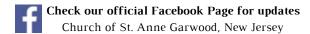


FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a free movie night in the Bethlehem room on January 19 from 6:30 pm - 8pm.

The whole family will get to watch a classic - David and Goliath while enjoying some popcorn and snacks.

If your child is not currently enrolled in the Religious Ed program, please call or email the parish office to RSVP.





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