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 Rev. Michael Barone, In Residence Rev. Bill Morris, In Residence Rochie De Sagun, Pastoral Associate Joseph Fernandez, Music Director Evelyn Archibald, Youth Faith Formation Imperio Mormile, Safety Officer Ramon Mariazeta, Finance Marie Markovich, Office Volunteer Lina Delmonaco, Office Volunteer Jacqueline Karmol, Office Volunteer Rosalyn Argonza, Office Volunteer

MINISTRIES:

Altar Servers Beautification Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers 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



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 July 27 Thomas C. Griffin 4:00 PM Sunday July 28 8:00 AM +Frank & Anne Criscola 10:00 AM +Fernando Romano 12:00 Noon +Dorothy Schreiner 6:00 PM Spanish Mass Intentions Monday July 29 8:00 AM +Joanne Rehak **Tuesday July 30** 8:00 AM +Rose Thottan Wednesday July 31 8:00 AM +Mary Briody **Thursday August 1** 8:00 AM +Mary & Louise Friday August 2 +Loretta Spina 8:00 AM Saturday August 3 8:00 AM Memorial Mass +John Giovanni 4:00 PM Sunday August 4 8:00 AM +Robert & Geraldine Billerman 10:00 AM +Loretta Spina 12:00 Noon +Silvester Capone

Special Prayer Intentions for: Blessed Mother Lamp: Ada & Pacifico DiFabio

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

July 21, 2024	ŀ
Weekend offering	\$3,750
Online Giving	\$685
Maintenance Donation	\$202
Airconditioning	
Total Offering	\$6,352
Weekly ordinary Expenses	\$5,657

Other Collection	
For the Retired Priests	\$941

Thank you for your generosity!

Starting August 11 , the mass in Spanish will be at 2 pm instead of 6pm.

Reflections

by the Pastoral Associate

This week's Gospel about the multiplication of bread is probably one of the more well known stories from the bible.

As a youngster, I really wondered how five thousand men, not including women and children were fed from just five loaves of bread and two fishes, with baskets of leftovers to spare. Does that mean every time a person picks a piece of bread from the basket, another piece magically appears? Back then, I wasn't allowed to question so I left it at that.

When I was in college, I finally got a chance to talk to one priest about the parable. At first, he thought I was joking when I told him that I totally believe that pieces of bread just appear out of nowhere. Then he explained this.

People during the time of Jesus, no matter how poor they are, will bring some food (at least of loaf of bread) with them when they travel. Why? Because travelling was not convenient. There were no stores in every corner like we do now. Food is scarce and some times one has to walk for miles on rough roads without any signs of vegetation.

According to him, the actual miracle is not much about the bread but the change in the hearts of the people. Strangers willingly shared whatever little they have so that everyone can rest, eat, listen to Jesus' teachings and be healed.

Last week, we had the Summer Food Drive to replenish our own 5 Loaves Pantry here at St. Anne's. Yes, our pantry's name was inspired by this parable.

It has been one year and six months since our pantry was formed. Though it remained privately funded, we are able to provide monthly food deliveries to almost 50 families and supported three non-profit organizations almost on weekly basis with snacks for their special needs students.

Because of your generosity of sharing your time, talent and treasure, no matter how many people knock at our doors, our pantry never goes empty.

To some, it might be just dropping an extra box of pasta or sauce in the collection bin. For others, it's just putting stuff in the bags to be delivered. For the few, it might be just delivering the bags to the home of an adopted family. Nothing really special.

But to our recipients, it is healing. Not just for their physical hunger but spiritual needs as well. Each bag for them is an answered prayer that gives them hope that things will be better. More importantly, each bag made them feel God's love. Thank you for being a part of this miracle and allowing me to witness it.

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RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is ongoing. Our Religious Ed program is open to students entering 1st grade until 12th grade. Religious education is needed if the parents wish their child to receive the Sacrament of the First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation.

For more information, contact Evelyn at stanneyouthformation@gmail.com

5 LOAVES PANTRY UPDATE

A Big Thank You to everyone who supported the Summer Food Drive last weekend. Your donation of non perishable food and gift cards will help make sure that our adopted families will continue to have their monthly food assistance.

We would like to give a special mention to Mrs. Evelyn Archibald, Mrs. Colleen Hay, Mrs. Jennifer Galluzo, Mrs. Imperio Mormile, Mrs. Maureen Conlin and their team of Teen Volunteers who gathered, sorted and arranged all the donations in our pantry. They did an amazing job organizing the two rooms!



If you missed the food drive, you can still drop off donations at the entrance of the church near the statue of St. Anne or at the parish office.

FROM THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Thank you to all the volunteers who gave their time and energy to help clean up the weeds and put mulch around the church property. You truly make our grounds look lovely!

We would also like to thank Don Luis Landscaping for their donation of mulch and also donating their time to help maintain the church grounds clean.

STORYTIME AT ST ANNE'S

Starting August 1st, we will have a story hour event (every Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 pm) for children ages 4–9 years old at the Bethlehem room. Every session, the kids will get a chance to know a "Hero" from the Bible.

Event is free but registration is needed so that we'll know how many kids per session.

Forms are available at the back of the Church or the parish office.



Do you like to sing? Do you like to share your musical talent and skills?

St. Anne's would love to have you!

We are currently looking for Cantors who can sing or instrumentalists who can play during weekend masses and other liturgical celebrations.

For more information, please contact the parish office

BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS SALE

There will be a sale of handmade religious items on August 10 after the 4 pm mass and after all the masses on August 11.

END OF SUMMER BINGO

The much awaited DINNER & BINGO hosted by the Hispanic Apostolate will be on August 24 (Saturday). Doors will be open at 5:30 pm. Tickets are now available at the parish office for \$40 per person.

100 YEARS COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS

As part of our efforts to raise funds for the St Anne's Heritage Fund Campaign, we will be selling 100 bricks that will line the borders of the walkway to the Grotto. Each brick which costs \$150 each will be engraved with a name or message of your choice. What a great way to remember or honor a special someone or event!

Forms are available in church or the parish office. Please return the forms with payment as soon as possible. For more information, contact the parish office.



