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:

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St. Anne's Rosary Society
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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

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 March 23		
4:00 PM +Bridget Wilson		
Sunday March 24		
8:00 AM +Ronald LaBella		
10:00 AM +Anita & Terry Dunn		
12:00 Noon Matthew Stotz		
Monday March 25		
8:00 AM +Victor D'Onofrio		
Tuesday March 26		
8:00 AM +James Magee		
Wednesday March 27		
8:00 AM +Dolores & Stanley Sawicki		
Thursday March 28		
8:00 AM +Michael Pacchia		
9:00 AM Morning Prayer		
Friday March 29		
9:00 AM Morning Prayer		
3:00 PM Veneration of the Cross		
5:00 PM Stations of the Cross		
Saturday March 30		
9:00 AM Morning Prayer		
8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass		
Easter Intentions		
Sunday March 31		
8:00 AM Easter Intentions		
10:00 AM Easter Intentions		
12:00 Noon Easter Intentions		

#### **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 Candle
- 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**

If you were asked to pick between a horse and a donkey, what would you choose?

When I was younger, I would hands down pick a horse because it is known for its speed, power and imposing statute.

In today's gospel, Jesus chose to ride a donkey to Jerusalem. Why?

Aside for the fact that Isaiah prophesied that the Savior would come riding on a donkey, in Biblical times, the donkey was an animal that symbolizes peace. The horse on the other hand, was an animal of war.

Yes, the donkey may be slower and shorter than a horse. But this animal is strong, hardworking, and has quite an endurance. It is also known as a symbol of humility.

It reminds me of Jesus our Savior. Even though he is the Son of God, he humbled himself, to take the form of a man to bring us peace, forgiveness, healing and salvation.

Jesus our king did not desire to sit on a throne and be served by conquered subjects. Instead, he knelt on the floor to wash the feet of his apostles. He taught them, "The first should be the servant of all."

This is the Jesus that we encounter today when we wave our palms while singing Hosanna.

This is the Jesus who wants to come to us in Holy Communion and wants to live in our beautiful souls.

Would you allow Jesus to embrace you this Holy Week? Attend the services line up this week and together let us experience Jesus' journey from Jerusalem to Calvary.

Fr. Robert

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING	
March 17, 2024	
Weekend in-pew	\$6,023
Maintenance	45
Flowers	1,079
Total Offering	\$7,147
Weekly ordinary Expenses	\$5,657
Collection for the Mission	
for Black & Indian	\$40

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE**

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

April 6	Confirmation Candidates Retreat
April 7	Family Religious Ed (10 am -12 noon)
April 13	7th Grade, First Communion and
	Confirmation Candidates (10 am- 12 noon)
April 19	Family Fun Night (6:30 pm - 8 pm)
April 21	Grades 1,3,4, 5 & 6 (10 am - 12 noon)
May 2	Confirmation Rehearsal 5:15 pm
May 4	Confirmation Day 11 am

#### 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 Cash or Check (payable to Church of St. Anne) only



Palm Crosses are available after each mass by the Church entrance Suggested donation \$12 each

#### ROSARY SOCIETY HIGH TEA EVENT

The Rosary Society goes to High Tea at Kean University on Saturday, April 6th. The day will include a tour of the Kean Family Mansion and then High Tea.

Limited Seating. Cost is \$50 per person. There is NO BUS. (It's off of Morris Ave. in Union)

Call Ruth 908-276-6889 to reserve a spot. Deadline is March 27th.

### The Church of St. Anne needs you!

Did you know that you can always share your time, talents and skills here at St. Anne's? Just send us an email at stannegarwood@gmail.com with your availability and what you would like to do.

#### FROM THE BEAUTIFICATION TEAM

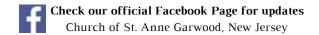
Help make St. Anne's Spring and Easter Ready!

We are accepting donations of plants or money to purchase annual or perennial flowering bulbs to brighten up the Church grounds for Easter Sunday.

If you questions or want to drop off donations, please contact Rochie at the parish office.

# Holy Week Schedule of Activities

- 1. Parish Lenten Morning Reflection and Penance
  March 23, 2024, Saturday from 8:30 am to 11:30 am
  Church
  Fr. Bill Morris will share his 55 years
- of spiritual journey and life of service.
- St. Anne's Bingo Night
   March 23, 2024, Saturday 5:30 pm Bethlehem room.
   \$30 per person (includes 3 Bingo cards and dinner).
   Call the parish office asap to reserve your spot.
- 3. Palm Blessings Celebration
  Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday
  March 24. Masses at 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon.
- 4. Tenebrae (Celebration of the Lights with Reflection)
  Holy Wednesday, March 27 7 pm to 8 pm, Church
- 5. Triduum Morning Prayer
  Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday
  9 am at the Church
- 6. Holy Thursday, Last Supper Mass March 28 at 7 pm
- 7. Holy Friday, Veneration of the Cross
  March 29 at 3 pm
  Divine Mercy Novena starts today.
  Stations of the Cross at 5pm
- 8. Easter Egg Hunt with a Twist
  March 30 at 1 pm at the Bethlehem Room
  Event is free but pre-registration is required.
  Please contact the parish office to register.
- Easter Vigil, Blessing of Fire and Water
   March 30 at 8 pm
   (Please bring your candles and items to be blessed)
   Divine Mercy Novena Day 2
- 10. Easter Sunday,
  Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord
  Masses at 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon
  and 6 pm (in Spanish)





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