

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
- 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 March 2
8:00 AM	Memorial Mass Intentions
4:00 PM	+Guiseppe Lazzaro
	Sunday March 3
8:00 AM	Mary Roberts
10:00 AM	Michele Stotz
12:00 Noon	+Pietro Pecorino
	Monday March 4
8:00 AM	+Souls in Purgatory
	Tuesday March 5
8:00 AM	+Mary & Louise
	Wednesday March 6
8:00 AM	+Dolores Benoit
	Thursday March 7
8:00 AM	+ Keith Nugent
	Friday March 8
8:00 AM	+Angelina Casabona
	Saturday March 9
4:00 PM	+Nick Spata
	Sunday March 10
8:00 AM	+Gianna Bambaci
10:00 AM	+ Rita Monaco
12:00 Noon	+Georgina, Tomas and Luz Maria Martinez

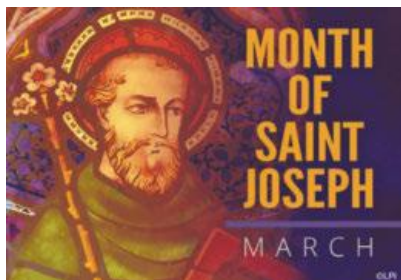
Special Prayer Intentions:
Blessed Mother Lamp: +Pietro Pecorino

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



**St. Joseph,
Pray for us.**

In today's Gospel, we saw the other side of Jesus. The very human side when he got angry to the animal sellers and money changers in the temple.

When I was young, I used to question the weekly collections, second collections and even fundraisers hosted by the church. All due to this gospel reading. In my mind, the church should not get involved with money. After all, it is a place of worship.

As I became more active in my parish, (and got older), I realized that "Faith isn't free." It takes a lot of money to maintain the church - electricity, heating, air conditioning, snow removal, prayer books, candles, albs for altar servers, salaries of the staff, cleaning supplies, toilet papers, hosts.... Then there are things needed to be repaired - roof, walkways, plumbing and the list goes on.

To be able to have an activity, there will be expenses to be incurred.

Why then was Jesus upset? The people turned the temple into a marketplace. The sellers were there for personal profit. Not only did they took advantage and overpriced everything, they even sold inside the temple. More importantly, the money changers extorted people in the name of religion.

Instead of focusing on worship and acts of kindness, it became a place of "dirty" commerce. Their actions were no longer for God but to cheat on people for personal gains.

How many times have we used the name of God for personal glory or advantage?

Have we ever intentionally used the church as an image booster to gain other's trust and eventually cheat on them?

This season of lent, let us examine our hearts closely to see what really is in it.

I hope and pray that the Right One is in it.

Rochie

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

February 25, 2024

Weekend in-pew.....	\$4,461
Maintenance.....	73
Total Offering	\$4,534
Weekly ordinary Expenses	\$7,224
 Light Shining Collection	 \$173

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

March 3	Family Religious Ed (10 am -12 noon)
March 10	7th Grade, First Communion and Confirmation Candidates (10 am- 12 noon)
March 15	Family Fun Night (6:30 pm - 8 pm)
March 17	Grades 1,3,4, 5 & 6 (10 am - 12 noon)

5 LOAVES PANTRY

Thank you for your generous donations last weekend. Our adopted families really appreciate your kindness and support to this project.

If you would like to volunteer or knows a family who can be helped by our pantry, please send an email to office.stannegarwood@gmail.com or call the parish office.

BINGO NIGHT

March 23, 2024, Saturday 5:30 pm at the Bethlehem Room.

\$30 per person which includes 5 Bingo games and Dinner. Registration forms are available at the Church entrance and the parish office.

Event is sponsored by the Hispanic Apostolate of St. Anne

FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH ACTIVITIES

In this year of the National Eucharistic Revival, we are asked to spend time before Christ's special presence in the Blessed Sacrament. Here at St. Anne's, we have a special week.

Every First Wednesday at 7pm, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration on the altar in the monstrance where we can spend some time to kneel or sit quietly and speak with Jesus. He wants to hear about our lives, our joys and our sorrows. We can thank him and tell him that we love him.

After a few minutes of reflection, we pray together the Intercessory Rosary and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena. The Divine praises are said followed by a concluding prayer and hymn.

Following the 8am Mass every First Friday is the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Novena and Benediction.

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Get to experience an hour of reflection and community prayer during the mentioned days. Everyone is encouraged to join the services.

PARISH LENTEN REFLECTION

On March 23, 2024, Saturday, Fr. Bill Morris will facilitate our annual Lenten Reflection from 8:30 am to 12 noon at the Bethlehem Room.

After the Reflection will be our Parish Confession. Guests priests will be available to hear confessions that day.

While there is no fee to join, we ask that you contact the parish office to register so that we will have an idea of the number of participants.



FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Follow the rainbow and come to St. Anne's on March 15, 6:30 pm to 8 pm at the Bethlehem Room.

There will be games, crafts, refreshments, Irish music and dances. Don't forget to wear Green.

Event is free but requires registration. Send an email to GPYOUTH@COMCAST.NET to save a spot. Open to both kids and their parents.



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?

Aside from the food pantry, we welcome crocheters to make baby blankets or prayer shawls, catechists, experienced handyman, gardeners, event organizers, office receptionists, decorators for the church, fundraising skills and so much more. Just send us an email and let us know your availability.

The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is on March 7, 6pm at the Bethlehem room. Parents who wished to have their child baptized must attend a class before they can schedule a date for baptism.

For more info, please email office.stannegarwood@gmail.com



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