

Founded 1926

Easter Sunday

March 31, 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
- Beautification
- Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers
- Garwood Knights of Columbus
- Lectors/Readers
- Hospitality
- Hispanic Apostolate Group
- Line Dancing
- Music Ministry
- Prayer Network
- Spanish Charismatic Group
- 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

RECONCILIATION & SIMPLE ADORATION

Saturdays: 2:30 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

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

Pastor's Notes

Saturday March 30

8:00 PM Easter Intentions

Sunday March 31

8:00 AM Easter Intentions

10:00 AM Easter Intentions

12:00 Noon Easter Intentions

Monday April 1

8:00 AM +Mary & Louise

Tuesday April 2

8:00 AM +Joan Patch

Wednesday April 3

8:00 AM +Dorothy Schreiner

Thursday April 4

8:00 AM +Yvonne Gutman

Friday April 5

8:00 AM +Albert W. Toth

Saturday April 6

8:00 AM Memorial Mass

4:00 PM +Angeline & William Severage Sr.

Sunday April 7

8:00 AM +Ann & Ken Jordan

10:00 AM +Louise Hoyte

12:00 Noon +Albert W. Toth

Special Prayer Intentions:

Blessed Mother Lamp:

+Dolores & Stanley Sawicki

Sanctuary Lamp:

+Ann & Ken Jordan

How did you prepare for your Easter Sunday celebration?

Easter has always been a joyful and fun-filled event. Children (and adults alike) couldn't get enough of the Bunny, the eggs and yes, the chocolates. Grocery stores were packed with people buying food for their Easter feast.

The week before Easter, I too was busy with Holy Week events. I had to prepare the paschal liturgy and change church decorations every day. Writing the daily homily was quite a task too.

To relax a bit, I turned to some joke books to lighten the day and find something to incorporate in my sermon. I always want to give you a take home joke to go along with God's message of the week for you.

These two topped the list this week.

"What happens when an Easter egg hears a funny joke?"
It cracks up!

"Why are carrots good for the eyes?"
You don't see rabbits wearing glasses!

Going back to my question. "How did you prepare for your Easter Celebration?" This time I am asking about your spiritual celebration of your Eternal Life, when you are resurrected with Jesus on the final day.

The First Easter which was the Easter of Jesus is the victory of Jesus over death and sin. He has risen and brought us salvation. This Easter Resurrection gave us, all Christians the Hope that all the followers of Jesus will one day be rewarded.

As He is risen and victorious, we will also rise and become victorious with him in every aspect of life. There is so much hope to help you start a new life if you haven't yet. There is so much goodness to do if you haven't started doing it yet. Above all, there is so much love from God if only we start embracing him.

Easter Resurrection is an invitation and assurance. An assurance that he can make all things brand new for us, if we are only willing to change for the better. An invitation for us to accept Him in our lives because He is the only One who can lead us to the true joy and hope of Real Easter.

Happy Easter! Alleluia.

Fr. Robert

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

March 24, 2024

Weekend in-pew..... \$4,822

Flowers 430

Total Offering\$5,550

Weekly ordinary Expenses\$5,657

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday

Receive a plenary indulgence on Divine Mercy Sunday by going to confession, praying for the intentions of the Holy Father and receiving the Holy Communion.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Family Based Religious Ed (FBRE) Schedule:

April 6	Confirmation Candidates Retreat
April 7	Family Religious Ed (10 am -12 noon)
April 14	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



**Congratulations to the
March Calendar Raffle Winner
Mario Delmoneco**

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 Ready!

We are accepting donations of plants or money to purchase perennial flowering plants to brighten up the Church grounds.

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

**The Spring Bingo Night was a big success!
Thank you for supporting this fun-filled
fundraiser. Save the date for the
Spooktacular Bingo in October!**

5 LOAVES PANTRY UPDATES

- Thank you to the Fernandez and Simoes family and friends who generously gave their time and resources last Saturday so that the Easter bags for our adopted families have something extra special and were delivered last weekend. They did this service in honor of their daughter Amelie. Please include Amelie and her family in your prayers.
- This weekend is our monthly collection for non perishable items for the pantry. Please leave your donations in the box by the statue of St. Anne by the Church entrance or at the parish office.
- Volunteers are always welcome. Please contact the parish office for details.

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.

CATECHISTS AND TEACHER AIDES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

We are in need of volunteer catechists and teacher aides for next school year's Religious Ed program.

Please contact the parish office for more information.

5 Loaves Pantry Volunteer Get together

Are you a volunteer in the food pantry?
Would like to be one?

Join us for the grand "get together" on April 20, 2024, 1:30 pm at the St. Anne's Hall (Church basement)

Please let the parish office know by April 17th, if you are coming.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next class will be on April 11, 6 pm at the St. Anne's Hall (Church basement). At least one parent is required to attend a class in order for a child to be baptized.

For more information, send an email at office.stannegarwood@gmail.com



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