

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, *Administrator*  
 Rev. Michael Barone, *In Residence*  
 Joseph Fernandez, *Music Director*  
 Veronica Kuczynski, *Bookkeeper,*  
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#### MINISTRIES:

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 Garwood Knights of Columbus  
 Prayer Shawl Group  
 John Bosco Youth Group  
 Line Dancing  
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 Beautification



# 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  
 6:00 pm (Spanish) Last Sunday of  
 the month  
 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  
 Last Sunday of the month  
 5:30 pm (Spanish & English)

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are arranged by  
 appointment with the Pastor.  
 Families must be registered in the  
 parish and attend a Baptism  
 Preparation Class. Contact 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



## Pastoral Notes

""I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS"

"*I am with you always*" means Emmanuel. This who Jesus is. Our Emmanuel. This is the promise of Jesus which He always fulfills daily and which He fulfilled especially at the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

Jesus is always with us in our journey in life both during up and difficult times. He invites us to walk with Him and invites us all to **walk together with him.**

When the early Church communities needed to resolve certain practical problems or pastoral questions, they held an assembly together, call the Holy Spirit, discussed and discerned with those in authority. During the council of Jerusalem, they discerned if they can allow Gentiles and later on discerned to ordain deacons, and discussed how to take care of widows and orphans with unequal food distribution.

In our modern church today, we are presented with different responsibilities and challenges. Pope Francis is calling the Universal Church to a Synod or "Listening and Discernment" session. He directs the church to convene and work together so as to determine a vision for the future of the Church.

The most basic question we are asked to reflect and explore on is: "What does the Holy Spirit expect of the church in the 21st Century?"

The church of St. Anne's will launch our Parish Synod or "listening and Discernment Sessions" on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023, which is also the birthday of the Church. The whole month of June will be designated as "Listening and Discernment Sessions Month" for the general assembly and specific religious groups and associations. Let us build strong our St. Anne's for the next centennial. Let us all participate and pray for the success of our parish synod.

I will be posting more reading materials about the synod soon. You may also visit [www.rcan.org/synod](http://www.rcan.org/synod) for more information.

P.S.

The Ascension of the Lord is celebrated in the Archdiocese of Newark (and throughout New Jersey) on Sunday, May 21, Thursday. don't feel bad if you missed mass last Thursday.

*Fr. Robert*

### Annual Appeal Update

Your gift to the Annual Appeal helps support Continuing Formation for Priests, Seminarian Education and Priest Health Care.

Did you know that through the Annual Appeal, retired priests receive benefits which include housing, food, along with medical and insurance benefits?

To date, we collected \$17,157 from 98 families which is 69% of our goal. We still need **\$9,292 to reach our goal.**

*Thank you for your generosity*

### Saturday May 20

4:00 PM +Anne Evans (*Birthday Blessings*)

### Sunday May 21

8:00 AM John Baker (*Health Blessings*)

10:00 AM +Sylvia Occhipinti

12:00 Noon +John Bambaci

### Monday May 22

8:00 AM +Ann & Kenneth Jordan

### Tuesday May 23

8:00 AM +Giglia Riccardi

### Wednesday May 24

8:00 AM +Giglia Riccardi

### Thursday May 25

8:00 AM +Mildred Schweitzer

### Friday May 26

8:00 AM +Anna Pellino

### Saturday May 27

4:00 PM +Nick & Tillie Spata

### Sunday May 28

8:00 AM +Lida Karpa

10:00 AM Thanksgiving to the  
Blessed Mother

12:00 Noon +Georgina Martinez

6:00 pm Spanish Mass Intentions

Blessed Mother Lamp: +Jon Baker  
(*Health Blessings*)

Sanctuary Lamp: Della M. Gavin

### MEMORIAL DONATIONS

We are accepting Memorial donations for flowers for the Altar area, the Candles, Bread & Wine used for the Liturgies, and the weekly Sanctuary, Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto Candles.

A donation of \$10 is suggested for the candles, and bread & wine. A donation of \$40 is suggested for the weekly flowers. (MEMORIAL CARDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THESE DONATIONS).

Also, as we face the need to replace various items for liturgical use, we are happy to arrange for memorials of deceased loved ones. Call the parish office for more information.

### PARISH COLLECTION

#### May 14, 2023

Regular:	\$4,024
Maintenance:	1,777
Mother's Day:	140
Catholic Missions:	127
Ascension Thursday:	63
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,131</b>

### 5 LOAVES PANTRY

Thank you for your donation to the replenish our pantry. If you or someone who know needs some food/grocery support, please call the parish office or send an email at office.stannegarwood@gmail.com. We have more than enough to share.

### LINE DANCING

Weekly line dancing session Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 pm at the Bethlehem room.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Is your child (ages 8 and up) interested to help in the Church? We always welcome volunteers for the youth choir, children's mass lector, reader and usher. They can also help arrange the food pantry or deliver to groceries to our adopted families. Contact the parish office for details.

### Information Sessions on the Permanent Diaconate

Have you ever thought of becoming a Permanent Deacon? Do you think you may be called to this vocation?

To learn more about the formation program in our Archdiocese, please come to one of our Bilingual sessions on May 22, 2023, 7:00 pm at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 171 Clifton Ave. Newark, NJ. To register, go to [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org)

Wives and pastors are encouraged to join you.

### Parish Picnic

Save the date! The Church of St. Anne's annual parish picnic will be on July 23, 2023. It will start right after the 12 noon mass. Everyone is invited to attend. Please call or email the parish office to RSVP.

### Spanish Charismatic Mass and Worship

There will be a Spanish Charismatic Mass on May 24, (Wednesday) at 7:00 pm here at St. Anne's. The mass will be officiated by Fr. Claudio Olszanski, a missionary priest and itinerant preacher from Argentina.

On May 27, Saturday, there will be a Spanish Charismatic Worship at 7:00 pm in the Church. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Father Robert's Installation

On July 9, 2023, Fr. Robert will officially be installed as Pastor of the Church of St. Anne's at the 12 noon mass. Please pray for him and for our parish. More details to follow.

### Marriage Encounter Weekend

The Bukas Loob sa Diyos (BLD) group will be hosting a Marriage Encounter Weekend for couples who are married in the Catholic Church on May 19-21 at CYO Retreat Center 499 Belgrove Dr. Kearny, NJ. For more information, please contact the parish office.

### Music Restoration in Memory of Gloria Havens

Gloria was the organist at the Church of St. Anne's in Garwood, NJ for decades. We honor Gloria's memory by helping St. Anne's restore the organ she loved and adored to its former glory, in hopes of bringing it back to life in time to celebrate its centennial in 2026. In Gloria's memory, let the music play on!

To donate:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/music-restoration-in-memory-of-gloria-havens>

### Synod 2023 Updates

The Synod on Synodality is a three-year process of listening and dialogue beginning with solemn opening in Rome on October 9 and 10, 2021 with each individual diocese and church celebrating the following week on Oct 17. The synodal process will conclude in 2024.

Pope Francis tells us in no uncertain terms that every one of us - no matter who we are - is welcome to walk with Jesus even if we don't feel valued, understood or respected. WE are all invited to listen, to meet, to dialogue, to pray and to discern God's Will for us, the Church. Let us open ourselves to this synodal path with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

### My Prayer for You

Mary, Mother of God, you are always with us on the synodal path, for you are also "Mother of the church (Mater Ecclesiae). Mary our Mother, direct our gaze to your Son, Jesus. Loving Mother, you model for us the whole mission of the church. Even when we, the People of God, are 'in via' - on the journey - we are always in mission. Help us to understand that there is but one way and one object of our desire, one source of our life and our hope: your Divine Son, and our brother, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Welcome to our new parishioners!

Virgilio & Santiaga Torres  
Veronica & John Kuczynski  
Kathleen & Joseph Nicastro  
Melody Rios & Angel Burgos  
Michael & Catherine Goni  
Michael & Patricia Bertuccio  
John S. Kuczynski  
Joseph & Anna Thomas  
Anita Trembulak  
Jona Brito & Yelissa Baez  
Viky Gil & Jioel Brito  
Lee & Valiree Sndeno

### Holy Land Pilgrimage with Jordan

November 28 - December 7, 2023

(10Days)

\$4,699 from EWR (Newark Airport)

This pilgrimage includes:

*Roundtrip airfare on United Airlines*  
*Breakfast and dinner per itinerary*  
*Specially selected hotel accommodations*  
*Air-conditioned motor coach*  
*Full-time tour managers*  
*Departure tax and current fuel charge*

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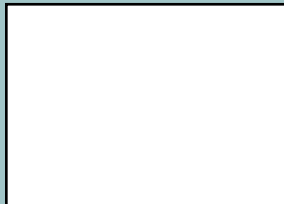
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