

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, Director of Religious Education
- Rochie De Sagun, Marketing & Communications Consultant
- Dennis Corcoran, Family Based Religious Ed. Consultant
- Kyle Kuczynski, Facilities Maintenance
- Ruth Becht, Office Volunteer
- Marie Markovich, Office Volunteer

**MINISTRIES:**

- Altar Servers
- Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers
- Lectors/Readers
- Hospitality
- Sons of St. Anne
- St. Anne's Rosary Society
- Garwood Knights of Columbus
- Prayer Shawl Group
- John Bosco Youth Group
- Line Dancing
- Prayer Network
- 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

**Saturday May 6**

8:00 AM Memorial Mass Intentions

4:00 PM +Josephine Fisher

**Sunday May 7**

8:00 AM +Simion Karpa

10:00 AM +Julia & Vincenzo D'Onofrio

12:00 Noon +Palma Lippis  
(20th Anniversary)

**Monday May 8**

8:00 AM +Guzzo Family

**Tuesday May 9**

8:00 AM +James S. Conlin

**Wednesday May 10**

8:00 AM +Dolores & Stanley Sawicki

**Thursday May 11**

8:00 AM +Nancy Galinzewski

**Friday May 12**

8:00 AM +Thomas Evelina, Sr.

**Saturday May 13**

4:00 PM +Mother's Day Intentions

**Sunday May 14**

8:00 AM +Mother's Day Intentions

10:00 AM +Mother's Day Intentions

12:00 Noon +Mother's Day Intentions

Blessed Mother Lamp: +Dolores & Stanley  
Sawicki

Sanctuary Lamp: Doug Furlong

Bread: Janet Schmidt

Wine: Janet Schmidt

**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**

**April 23, 2023**

Regular:	\$3,767
Easter:	150
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3,917</b>

"The Path of God and to Eternal Life through "Synodality" with Jesus Christ.

Jesus categorically states that the only path to God and to eternal life is through Him because Jesus clearly said "I am the Way, the Truth and Life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:4) No other alternative or diversion road, and no other detour.

Yes, Jesus is not only 'The Good Shepherd and the Gate' but He is also "The Way" that leads us to God, and in Him there is "Truth and Eternal Life."

If we found Him, we found the Father and the path to His Kingdom, our Heavenly abode.

As Christians we are called to follow the Way of Jesus, but we never do this alone. We are like pilgrims in a group tour, fellow travelers, sojourners, with each other and with Christ Himself. We walk together in good times and in bad, in difficult and in beautiful moments. We support and encourage each other, especially when one of us stumbles and falls because we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

Our Christian journey should be that of a "Synodality".

Although literally means "Walking together", Synodality is, or should be, the way our Church journeys through time with open hearts, attentively listening to the needs of God's people as they are expressed in gestures (often more than words) and in longing to see the face of God revealed in Jesus and in all of us, His missionary disciples.

For the whole month of May, every Sunday until Pentecost, you will see an article here in the bulletin or my pastoral note explaining what Synodality is about, and how it benefits our local church as well as our universal church.

To begin with, since our church is convoked in Synod, Our Holy Father Pope Francis opened the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome on Sunday, October 10, 2021 with a theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". The synod will close on October 2023 with the hope of cultivating a listening heart in the church, newness and conversion and allowing God to lead.

"We recall that the purpose of this Synod, and therefore of this consultation, is not to produce documents, but " to plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions, allow hope to flourish, inspire truth, bind up wounds, weave together relationships, awaken a dawn of hope, learn from one another and create a bright resourcefulness that will enlighten minds, warm hearts, give strength to our hand."

The Universal Church encourages the Church of St. Anne's to participate actively by listening attentively and by being open to the Spirit of God. We are advised to conduct a local church synodality in our words. As for now, the question we are asked to reflect on is: "What does the Holy Spirit expect of the Church of the 21st Century?"

*Fr. Robert*

## 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 15 or 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.

## Bethlehem Handicraft Sale

After all the masses this coming weekend, May 6-7, there will be a sale of olive wood religious articles at St. Anne's Hall (Lower Church). Each item was handmade by Christians who still live in Bethlehem. The olive wood articles are typically bought by pilgrims when they visit the Holy Land. Now, it's available for a limited time here at St. Anne's.

## Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

May 13, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Archdiocese of Newark.

Program:

4:45 PM - Arrival of our Lady

5:00 PM - Mass

7:00 PM - "I am from Heaven" A reflection with the Message of Fatima with Ricardo Casimiro

*Words of appreciation to all who donated for the Easter flowers, Easter gifts and Easter mass remembrance.*

*As an expression of joy and gratitude, Holy masses and prayers will be offered for you this month of May.*

## 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.**



Check our official Facebook Page for updates  
Church of St. Anne Garwood, New Jersey

## Family Based Religious Education (FBRE) 2022- 2023

### May 7 Last FBRE Session

10 am mass followed by s group session

### May 11 First Communion Practice

4:00 pm Church

### May 13 First Holy Communion

11:00 am Church

## Synod 2023

Pope Francis announced the Sixteenth Ordinary Synod of Bishops, which will take place in 2023 in Rome. His theme for the Synod is for a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission. The term synodality means walking the same road together. We journey as a Church together, all of us – Pope, bishops, clergy religious, and those on the margins. The mission of Christ can only be accomplished by all of us collaborating together to make the Gospel heard I our time. Every age in Church history has had to figure out the best way to proclaim the Gospel and this is our time.

Pope Francis has asked for an extraordinary task to be done – that is, he wants to hear from every part of the Church throughout the world, those committed to the church, those who have left the Church, never been a part of the church, or who are poor, marginalized and don't feel welcome in the Church. Some say that this is the largest single consultation in the world! We are all asked to join in and be a part in the ways best for us and to be as inclusive as possible. In this consultation, Pope Francis asks us to consider this question of proclaiming the Gospel and continuing his mission through prayer and discernment together. His overarching question is: What does the Holy Spirit expect of the Church of the 21st Century? Two subsequent questions to be used at the listening sessions to expound on this question are:

1. How is this "journeying together" happening today in your parish community, campus ministry, university, school, youth group, religious congregation or other area of Church life?
2. How are we "walking together" as a Church, and what steps does the Holy Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our journeying together?

The Listening Sessions will start here in St. Anne's on May 28.

## Music Restoration in Memory of Gloria Havens

Gloria was the organist at the Church of St. Anne's in Garwood, NJ for decades, playing countless weddings, funerals, Sunday masses, Holy Days, and of course, her favorite, Christmas Eve! Combining her love of church, choir and Christmas music was Gloria's ultimate gift to us each year. On that note, it made great sense that in lieu of flowers, 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. Funds raised will also help St. Anne's purchase well-needed instruments and other items for their ongoing music program. I know our donations will inspire, uplift and bring joy for generations to come. In Gloria's memory, let the music play on!



To donate:  
[https://www.gofundme.com/f/  
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memory-of-gloria-havens](https://www.gofundme.com/f/music-restoration-in-memory-of-gloria-havens)

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