



# THE CHURCH OF saint anne

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## Our Mission

*Encounter Jesus Christ who loves you. Engage the community that welcomes you. Serve the world that needs you.*

### Clergy

Father Joseph Doyle ..... Pastor  
Father Samuel Monaco ..... Parochial Vicar  
Monsignor Anthony Ziccardi ..... Associate  
Deacon Richard McGarry ..... Associate  
Deacon Junelito Fuertes ..... Associate  
Deacon Brian Brockway ..... Associate

### Staff

Laurie Hessman ..... Administrative Assistant  
Claire Liberato .Adm. Assistant & Web Manager  
Alan Quinn ..... Music Ministry Director  
Miranda Murray ..... Youth Minister  
Sandra Keraghel ..... Faith Formation Director  
John Weiss ..... Business Manager  
Michael Lovera ..... Maintenance Coordinator

### Masses

Masses  
Weekday Masses - 7:30 & 8:45 am  
July & August Daily Masses:  
Monday - Wednesday - Friday at 7:30 am  
Tuesday & Thursday at 8:45 am  
Saturday ..... 8:45 am & 5:15 pm  
Sunday ..... 7:30, 9:30, & 11:30 am  
..... 6:00 pm Oct. - June Only  
Holydays ..... Announced the Sunday before

### Devotions

In honor of St. Anne & St. Anthony of Padua,  
Tuesday, after 8:45 am Mass.  
Eucharistic Adoration, Generally the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday  
of every month from 1:00- 2:00 pm.

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

For those who wish to enter the Catholic Faith - For those to be welcomed from other Christian Ecclesial Communities - or for Catholics who need to be fully initiated with the Sacraments of (Baptism - Confirmation - Eucharist). Contact the Rectory for further information.

### Baptisms

The Community celebrates the Sacrament on Sundays at 1:30 pm (except on occasions when there is a 5th Sunday). A preparation class for the parents is scheduled every other month. Please call Laurie Hessman at the rectory to register. The class may be attended during pregnancy.

### Marriage

Arrangements should begin by setting a date with one of the priests, ONE YEAR before the wedding.

### Reconciliation

Saturday from 1:00 - 2:00 pm in Church. Upon request, at any other time.

### Communion in the Home

Call Joe Torregrossa at (201) 377-8108.



Rectory ..... 201-791-1616  
Food Pantry ..... 201-791-1616  
Fax ..... 201-791-1871



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ✕ MAY 3, 2026

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7 ✕ Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9  
Gospel: John 14:1-12



Happy 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter!

In the Acts of the Apostles reading on this 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, we hear the account when the Hellenist Christians, or non-Jewish, Greek speaking followers of the Way of Jesus Christ pleaded with the Apostles to assist with the care and support of the widows from their community. So the outcome of this plea resulted in the following solution as is told in the passage below.

*“The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them.”*

This account gives us the origins of the “diaconate,” The word used to describe such persons taking on this role is “deacon,” from the Greek word: “*diakonos*” meaning one who serves, assists and ministers at the command of others. In the case of these first seven deacons, they were called and appointed to assist the Apostles in the care and feeding of the widows.

Today the two descriptions used to define the men serving as deacons of the Church are; 1. Transitional deacons and 2. Permanent deacons. Transitional deacons are those men ordained by their bishop who are in formation to serve as priests. They are ordained and receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders to serve as deacons for a brief time as stipulated by their bishop until they are called to ordained priesthood at a later time. Permanent deacons are those men who are also ordained and receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders to serve as deacons for the rest of their lives in the Church. Most are married men, whose wives and families fully support them in their ministries. Deacons are ordained to proclaim the Gospel and preach, to assist at the altar during mass and other services. To administer certain sacraments such as Baptism and Matrimony and engage in social outreach to the poor and needy. Deacons can also preside at Communion Prayer Services, funeral wake services, burial services and Eucharistic Adoration Services as well. The role of the diaconate has also expanded as deacons have taken on more administrative roles in dioceses and parishes today. Some permanent deacons also hold full or part-time employment. Here at St. Anne Parish, we are blessed with Deacon Junelito Fuertes, with his wife Josie and Deacon Brian Brockway, with his wife Claudia. Please pray for our deacons including our retired permanent deacon Richard McGarry, as they continue to serve the needs of the Church and our parish community. By the way, when you see them, thank them for their diaconate ministry to the Church and Archdiocese as well. It is worth noting that St. Francis of Assisi was ordained to serve as a deacon of the Church. St. Stephen, the First Christian Martyr of the Church, is one of the Patron Saints of all deacons.

With a friendly wink and a prayer or two for you and your families. Have a Blessed 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday, and a wonderful start to the month of May ahead.

Affectionately,

Fr. Sam

**Worship...** Called and formed by the Word of God, we worship our Lord primarily in the Mass. The Eucharist is the center of our Christian life. It grounds everything else we do, from prayer to our daily tasks to our ministries. If you have any comments, please feel free to contact any of the following Pastoral Council Representatives:

Fr. Sam Monaco and Deacon Junie Fuentes.

**Pray for the recovery of:** Ken, Elizabeth, Kyle Featherstone, Judy Emerson, Vanessa Jacob, Marie Lovera, Ramona Villegas, Celeste Maucere, Caroline Brooks, Wilson Torres, Maria Torres, Kathleen Hicswa, Aida Yachouh, Hermie Vogel, Dan O'Byrne, Carol Simin, Brenda Hammond, Avery Gee, Tom Sullivan, Lisa Resciniti, Margaret Cicchino, Mirtha Gomez, Fred Paparteys, Glenn Omundsen, Michael Clear, John Wilmot, Lauren Capozzi, Gregory Poccoch, Fidelia Doval, Vanessa Jacob, Ada Miranda, Joseph Landi, Joe McGhee, Patricia Otten, Dorothy Bamond, George Zawisa, Dennis Cummins, Liz Ward, Terry Kaufman, Marianne Wilde, Ben Vaughan, Waleska Marrero, Sean Ryan, Hector Munoz, Ralph Florio, Adrianna, Louise Doherty, Kiera Stankard, Connor Brennan, Darwin Marin, Frances Marie Shoemaker, Ann Pellegrino, Mary Burke, Mirtha Gomez, Jim Crosson, Paul Scianna, Danuta Czerwomka, Gertrude Leone, Christine Nickles, Barbara Harfosh, Isla Marie Nichols, Natasha Henke, Teresa Dee, Jackie Ruth, Frank Dara, Baby Callum, Janet Sheahan, Roberta Vanni, Leo Romano, Waleska Rodriguez, Luis Tineo, Richard Diana, Iris Aviles, Scott Osback, George Hamis, Debbie Doherty, Rich Arlaus, Nicholas Sklavounos, Diana Falco, Dennis Cummins, Donny Demotrowski, Joe Marchesi, Kathleen Metcalf-Jones, John Pacos, Brandon Cox, Derek Andrews, Nate Metlitz, Mary Albert, Marie Ciezobka, Ana Chirichella, Michael Torres, Samantha DiGaudio, Miguel Noboa, Bob Harris, Dean Zinzi, John Toronto, Samuel Garcia, Marilyn Greene, JoAnn Smith, Anita Zinzi, Albie Luciano, Rich McGarry, Mary Seton, Roman Blehl, Linda White, Eric Schmidt, Arthur Seitter, Henry Tantillo, Anthony DeCaro, Vicenta Oyog, Karl Eder.

**† Pray for the happy repose of †**

Vinny Grauso, Fr. Donald Blumenfeld, William Sharples, Deacon Robert Thomann, John Bozan and Lev Shetsen



**The Altar Candles** will burn this week in honor of Stephanie Jacobs as requested by her mom.



**The Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week in loving memory of Annunziata & Carmelo Ciccica as requested by daughter.

# Mass Intentions For The Week



**Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - Parishioners of St. Anne Church  
 8:45 - Pacifico Dumandan – Family  
 Maureen Weyrauch – Sullivan Family  
 Arthur Weyrauch (Living) – Sullivan Family

**Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - Parishioners of St. Anne Church  
 8:45 - Miguel Arocho – Family  
 Sue & Gabrielle Archangeli – Sullivan Family

**Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - Parishioners of St. Anne Church  
 8:45 - Ann Mania – Lisa & Kevin  
 Emilia Grullon & Francisco Grullon - Family

**Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - Parishioners of St. Anne Church  
 8:45 - John – Sullivan Family  
 Diane (Living) – Sullivan Family

**Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - Patricia Villanueva - Mavill  
 8:45 - Carol Traverso – Sullivan Family  
 Richard Traverso (Living) – Sullivan Family

**Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 - Jacquelin Mattiace – Janet & Jack  
 Josephine Santomauro - Family

5:15 - **All Mothers Living & Deceased**

**Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 - ALL  
 9:30 - MOTHERS  
 11:30 - LIVING AND  
 6:00 - DECEASED

**Live-streamed Masses**

5/2 – 5:15 \* 5/10 – 9:30 \* 5/17 – 11:30

**SAINT ANNE'S SENIORS**

The next meeting of the Saint Anne's Seniors will be on Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in the Church Hall. We wish all the Mothers in the Saint Anne's Parish a Happy Mothers Day on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Any questions or concerns please contact President, Judy Brault at 201-294-8166,

**ST. ANNE'S ROSARY SOCIETY**

The next meeting of our Rosary Society will take place this Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the church. All are welcome!!

**Let us pray for those in ALL our active service members, especially for:** *Travis Adely, US Coast Guard; Airman Daniel Elias, USAF, Capt. Frank Mottola, US Army; Sgt. Trevor Peden, US Army; Justin Mayberry, US Army; Spec. Corey Reynoso, National Guard, US Army; USMC; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Frank D. Slawson II, USAF; PO 2<sup>nd</sup> Cl Jimmy Guerra, US Navy, CPO Nicholas J. Vanni, US Navy; Major Gregory Sugalski, US Army; Ensign Nicholas J. Magarelli, USN, Master Sgt. Michael VanPamel, USAF; PFC Lindsay Newarski, US Army; Staff Sgt. Matthew Bauer, USAF; Brandon Motto, USMC Lt. Marc Sabatino, USN; LCPL Storm Odom, USMC; Airman Michael Diffin, USAF; CPL Justin Scales, USMC; LCPL Dominick Rizzo, USMC; PFC Jonathan C. Sulinski, Warrant Officer Alan Harty, US Army; Sgt. Bert J. Frullo, US Army; LCPL. Harrison James Bruining, USMC; LCPL Steven D'Argenio, USMC; Capt. Kip Rainey; SP4 Monica Saucier, US Army; Spec. 4 Brian Tarantino, US Army; PO 1<sup>st</sup> Cl. Mike Tarantino, USN; Lt. Col. Marshall Denney; Lance Corp. Marshall Denney IV; Col. Patrick Frank; Lt. Col. Daniel Curtin, US Army; Staff Sgt. Joseph Sullivan, USMC; A1C Richard Baldassari, USAF; Capt. Donald Pump, USMC.*

**ALTERNATIVE TO ABORTION...**

If you know someone who is considering having an abortion, here is a number they might call that could be of help to them to consider an alternative to this practice... 1-800-395-HELP (4357).

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

**Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially**

*If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org) for the hotline and reporting link.*

**For the month of May,**

Pope Leo XIV asks us to pray especially ...

**That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



**REFLECTION**  
**On Pilgrimage**

Czeslaw Milosz (1911–2004)

May the smell of thyme and lavender accompany us on our journey  
 To a province that does not know how lucky it is  
 For it was, among all the hidden corners of the earth,  
 The only one chosen and visited.  
 We tended toward the Place but no signs led there.  
 Till it revealed itself in a pastoral valley  
 Between mountains that look older than memory,  
 By a narrow river humming at the grotto.  
 May the taste of wine and roast meat stay with us  
 As it did when we used to feast in the clearings,  
 Searching, not finding, gathering rumors,  
 Always comforted by the brightness of the day.  
 May the gentle mountains and the bells of the flocks  
 Remind us of everything we have lost,  
 For we have seen on our way and fallen in love  
 With the world that will pass in a twinkling.

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

*"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 PETER 2:7*

Every **steward** has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom of earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember - no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.





# COFFEE SUNDAY Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Hosted by our  
**Food Pantry Volunteers**

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME DOWN  
& SHARE IN THE FUN & FELLOWSHIP  
IN THE CHURCH HALL AFTER MASSES!!!  
OUR PARISH NURSES ALSO WELCOME YOU  
FOR BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING.**

To All Clients: Please bring with you name of your Primary Care Physician and his/her telephone number and a list of your current medications.



As spring brings new life and fresh beginnings, our Food Pantry continues to support families in our community. With your help, we can make sure no one goes without nourishing meals.

Our Food Pantry needs essential items this month, especially canned vegetables, canned beans, peanut butter, jelly, fruit, sauce, rice, spaghetti, cold cereal, tuna, snacks, pancake mix and syrup.

Let's fill those shelves together and make sure no one in our community goes without a hearty meal.

Donations may be placed in the designated bins in the church vestibule, atrium and rectory vestibule.

If you would like to donate to the Food Pantry via the Amazon Wishlist, please scan the QR code below. You can choose to have the donations delivered directly to St. Anne's Food Pantry. Every contribution—big or small—makes a difference.



## HARRISON HOUSE 2026 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Anne's Parish is committed to prepare/deliver a meal to Harrison House on the 4th Sunday of each month. Volunteers are needed for the following months in **2026: August, Sept., Oct., and Dec.**

The following **Open** dates in May are also available to prepare/deliver a meal:

**May 3, 8, 10, 11, 15, 23, 25, 29, 30.**

Please consider volunteering/becoming a new volunteer for this 25+ year ministry. Call or email Jeannie with the month you want to volunteer a meal to Harrison House. For detailed info. about this ministry, request the HH Volunteer Information Sheet [jeannie.barnett48@gmail.com](mailto:jeannie.barnett48@gmail.com) or call 201-280-0501.

## **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

Last chance to get your Summer Faith registrations in! We will close it on April 30<sup>th</sup>! This year we are hosting grades 1-6! Don't miss it! Grab your spot and send all forms to Mrs. K. or Mrs. Vargas.

Is your child making communion next year? Is your Child making Confirmation next year? Are you interested as an adult to become Catholic or finish your sacraments through OCIA? Please be on the lookout in the bulletin or our website and social media for Meet & Greet meetings for all These upcoming programs, these meetings will be sometime in June.

If you are interested in registering for Sunday Faith or Family Faith this fall, we will be sending out registration forms In early June. If your child is entering Kindergarten or First grade in the fall and you have questions about our programs Please call the faith formation office or feel free to email me: [skeraghel@stannefairlawnnj.org](mailto:skeraghel@stannefairlawnnj.org)

## **Congratulations** to the

forty-nine men who participated in our annual Men's Cornerstone Retreat on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

This year marked our 21st Men's Cornerstone Retreat, bringing together men ranging in age from 21 to 95. It was a beautiful reminder that Cornerstone speaks to men of every age and stage of life.

For those who have not yet attended a retreat, we encourage you to prayerfully consider giving yourself the gift of Cornerstone. It is a powerful opportunity for faith, fellowship, reflection, and brotherhood.

Our Men's Cornerstone team meets monthly to share our faith journeys, support one another, and plan for the next retreat. We welcome any man who feels called to learn more or become involved.

For more information, email us at:

[stannemenscornerstone@gmail.com](mailto:stannemenscornerstone@gmail.com)

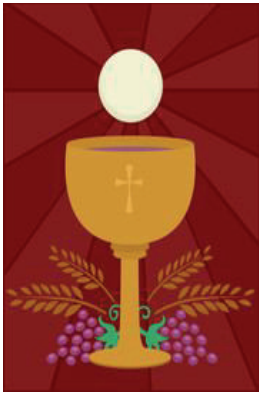
You can also visit our website:

<https://www.stannemenscornerstone.org/>

And be sure to check out our Facebook page.

**Men's Cornerstone -St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church, Fair Lawn, NJ**





## Attention: All Eucharistic Ministers and Anyone Considering Becoming One

Catholic Christianity encourages full, active, and conscious participation in the Mass. That's because in the Mass, the Risen Christ calls us to unite ourselves with him for the healing of a suffering world. Through his presence with us, he makes visible what his death and resurrection reveal about God: *God always has our backs!* That's what makes Holy Communion so vital. As we "*receive the Body of Christ, the Lord challenges us to become what we receive.*" (St. Augustine, *Sermons*)

We all share in the fullness of Christ's priestly ministry. In his first epistle St. Peter reminds us, "*You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession* (1 Pt 2:9). Eucharistic Ministers help us all to share in his priestly ministry. They do so by assisting in distributing Holy Communion at all weekend Masses. St. Anne's Parish Community needs more Eucharistic Ministers!

If you have received Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, are 16 years or older, have a devotion to the Eucharist, and are willing to be scheduled for weekend Masses, please consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister, assisting at the Table of the Lord.

Join us for a **Eucharistic Ministry Workshop on Saturday, May 2 in the Church from 10:30am-Noon** which includes a) Training for new ministers and b) Renewing those who currently serve as Eucharistic Ministers. The workshop will provide Theological Background on the Role of Eucharistic Ministers and Practical Training/Best Practices of being a Eucharistic Minister.



**NY Yankees  
vs.  
Detroit Tigers**

**Wednesday, July 1, 2026  
at Yankee Stadium, Bronx NY**

**\$120 Ticket, Bus Fare, Sandwich & chips  
Option 1 (56 bus seats max)**

**\$100 Ticket, Bus Fare, - Option 2**

**\$80 Ticket, Sandwich & chips - Option 3**

**\$65 Ticket only - Option 4**

<https://saintannechurchfairlawn.flocknote.com/signup/248750>



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## St Anne Community Committee (SACC)

*is sponsoring a trip to  
Yankee Stadium to watch the*

*NY Yankees*

*vs*

*Detroit Tigers*

*See link or the QR code to register*

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*St Anne's has reserved 75 tickets in  
Section 232B. The Bus has a maximum  
capacity of 56 seats. So this will be a  
first come first serve basis.*

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*Ticket only price is \$65*



**ROSARY / NOVENA  
IN HONOR of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
(FLORES DE MAYO)**

Presented by:  
The Filipino Assoc. of Fair Lawn  
and St. Anne Church



**PLEASE JOIN US IN THIS SPECIAL TRADITION OF  
PRAYER & OFFERING OF FLOWERS TO THE VIRGIN  
MARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY**

**SCHEDULE:**

**May 3 (Sun.) – 4:00 pm  
May 4-9 (Mon. - Sat.) – 9:15 am - (after 8:45 Mass)**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL:**

**Dina Cabaero 201-794-0999, Josie Aranas 201-796-5186 or Annie Arnesto 201-973-2922**

**Mental Health Impacts of Climate Change  
Young Adult Workshop and Retreat**

Are you feeling the weight of today's environmental challenges? You are not alone. Join the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace and Waterspirit for a free retreat day designed specifically for young adults. In an era of climate anxiety and uncertainty, this retreat offers a faith-filled sanctuary to name your concerns and find strength in solidarity. Together, we will explore how spirituality and community can transform grief into resilience. Through guided reflection and shared discussion, discover how to move from a place of worry to a life of purposeful, hopeful engagement.

**Retreat Leaders**



Chero Chuma, CSJP  
US Vocation Director  
Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace



Blair A. R. Nelsen  
Executive Director  
Waterspirit

**Eucharistic Adoration (optional) at 9:00 a.m. Coffee/tea available at 9:30 am.  
Retreat includes Mass and lunch with the sisters.  
Welcoming those ages 18 to 40. Freewill offerings gratefully accepted.**

**Saturday, May 16, 2026  
10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
St. Michael Villa  
399 Hudson Terrace, Englewood Cliffs, NJ**

**RSVP Required by May 8, 2026  
<https://tinyurl.com/ENVSMV>**



Presented by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace and Waterspirit,  
an eco-spirituality ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace.



Congregation of the  
**Sisters of St. Joseph  
of Peace**  
*Pursuing justice, we seek God's gift of peace.*



# The Church of Saint Anne

*presents*

# BINGO NIGHT

**Friday, May 15, 2026**

**7:00 pm**

Doors open at 6:30 pm

**St. Anne Church Hall  
15-05 St. Anne St., Fair Lawn, NJ**

**Tickets: \$20.00**

**Includes: Entry Fee & 4 Boards of Bingo/10 Games  
Extra Boards will be available - \$5.00 for 10 games**



**Reservations are required & must be paid in advance -  
No Walk-ins**

**Register using the form below, the QR code  
or via our website: [www.stannefairlawnnj.org](http://www.stannefairlawnnj.org)**



**The event has limited seating and is anticipated to sell-out so grab  
your friends and come enjoy a fun evening with us!**

**No one under 18 years of age is permitted!!**

## **BYOB BEVERAGES & SNACKS TO ENJOY**

**Pizza, Hot Dogs, Soda, Coffee, Tea & Water will be available for purchase.**

### **ST. ANNE CHURCH - BINGO NIGHT**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to purchase** \_\_\_\_\_ **ticket(s) for Bingo Night @ \$20 each = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please seat me with** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to: St. Anne Church**

**Please return ticket order form to St. Anne Rectory 15-05 St. Anne St., Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
clearly marked St. Anne Church Bingo Night by Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Any questions please call 201-791-1616**

# < KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today  
Fifth Sunday of Easter | John 14:1-12

At the Last Supper, Jesus tells us there is room for us in His Father's house (Heaven) and the way there is through Jesus.

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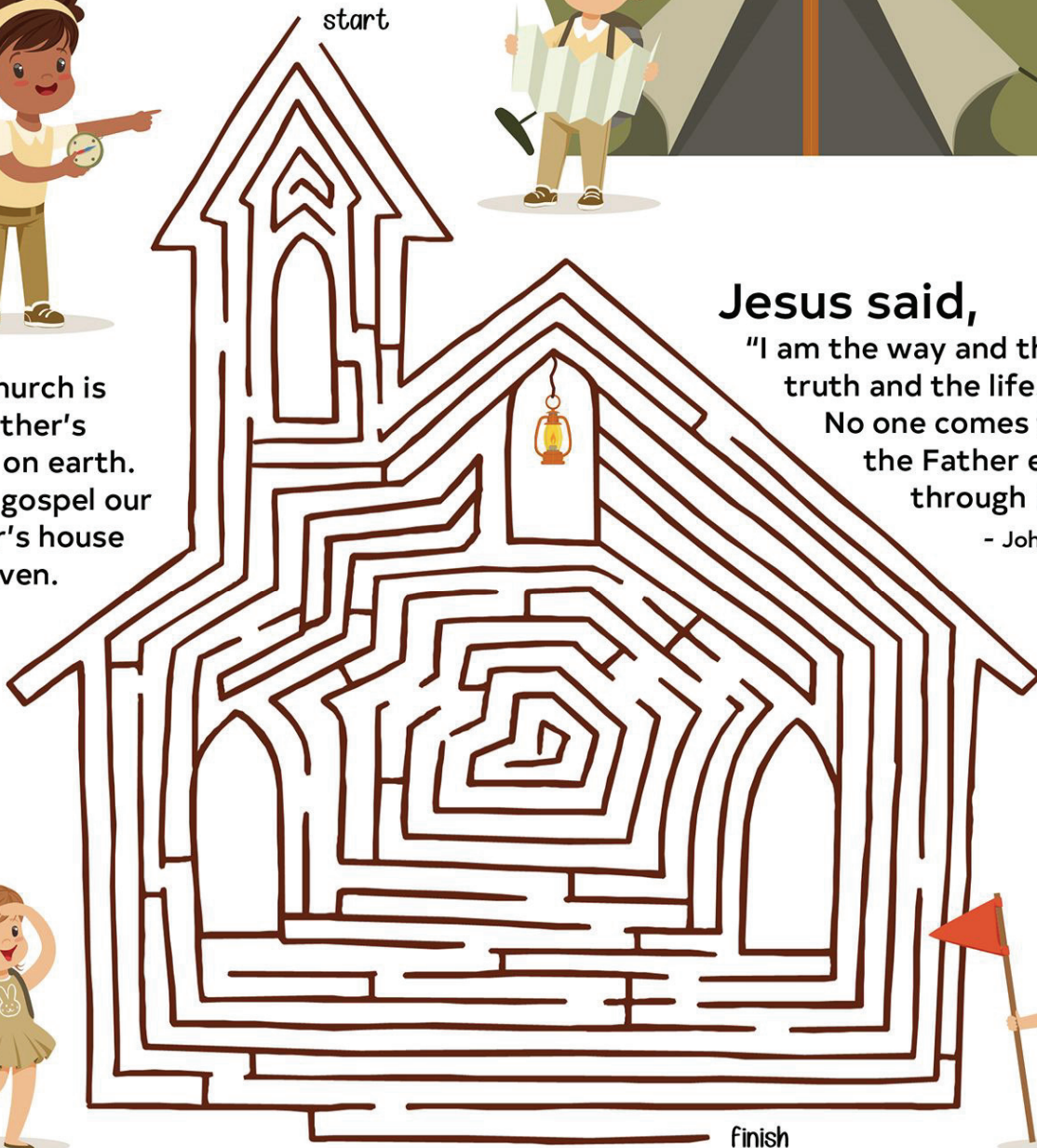
## The church helps us find our way to heaven.



The Church is our Father's house on earth. In the gospel our Father's house is Heaven.

**Jesus said,**  
"I am the way and the truth and the life.  
No one comes to the Father except through Me."

- John 14:6



We are grateful for the 1,711 people who worshipped in church with us and all who joined us virtually this past weekend and contributed \$9,862.00 in the offertory and \$6,244.00 through Online Giving offertory, which along with other fees and donations totaled \$20,414.00.

**The 2026 Annual Appeal is underway!**

**We have \$56,387.00 already pledged. This is approximately 56% of our goal of \$101,555.69. The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship. If you have yet to give, please visit [www.rcan.org/sharing](http://www.rcan.org/sharing) or scan the QR code. Thank you for your prayers and support.**



## Heating & Air Conditioning ~

Everyone knows that there are some months in which our electricity bill or heating bill is higher than others. Well, it's the same with the Church. As you know, we use an additional way of paying for our extra energy months. In the back of the church each Sunday you will find separate **ENERGY** envelopes. If you should happen to hit the jackpot that week, and wish to throw a dollar or two in that envelope, we'd greatly appreciate it! You can throw these special envelopes right in the collection with your regular envelope. The energy envelopes will not be mailed to you. They will simply be in the back of the church, so if you don't spot them, be sure to ask the ushers at your Mass. Thanks so much. And special thanks to those who have already been doing it regularly. It makes a difference!!!

## Online Giving...

You have the opportunity to make donations to our Sunday collection online!

To sign up, go to the St. Anne website – [www.stannefairlawnnj.org](http://www.stannefairlawnnj.org)

Go to the DONATE button in the top right hand corner of the homepage

Once you are taken to the new site, click on the section that says **Create New Account**.

Next you will see **New User Account Registration**. Fill out the form and click "submit."

When you are enrolled, you can go into **Manage My Account**, where you will see **My Payment Methods**. Here you can choose to have the funds deducted from your checking or bank account (you will need your routing and account numbers on hand). Under **Manage My**

**Account**, you will also see **Give a New Gift**. There you will decide when and how much to give. (In the list, Offertory Collection means the Sunday collection.) You can select recurring or one time gifts. You also have the option to access all the other special envelopes you would normally find in your envelope packet and which are generally one-time donations. Each time you go to Mass, get a card that says "I have made my donation online" and put it in the collection when the usher comes around. Thanks so much for giving online!

**You can reach Online Giving at 800-348-2886 with questions or for additional assistance.**

## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2026 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 22, 2026 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 31, 2026.**

\*Canon 920, §1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

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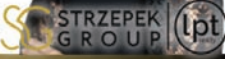
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