

Ste. Anne Parish

Mackinac Island, MI

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15th, 2026



Saint Anne Prayer

Good Saint Anne, obtain for me an increase of faith in the great mystery of the Holy Eucharist. Help me to see in this great Sacrament Christ our High Priest, making real for me the saving grace of His death on the cross; feeding my soul with His Flesh and Blood so that I may live in Him and He in me; producing the unity of the people of God and gathering His Church together. By your powerful intercession with God, help me to center my life around the altar that I may inherit the promise of the Lord: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood, has life everlasting." Amen.

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Mass Schedule:

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass

11:00a.m. Tuesday – Friday

(Weekday Mass schedule subject to change, call 906-847-3507 to confirm during the winter months)

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10:30am **Sunday, March 15th**
+ James & Cecelia Flanagan
By: Kay Hoppenrath

10:30am **Sunday, March 22nd**
For the Parishioners
of Our Parish

10:30am **Sunday, March 29th**
+ Rita Bankard
By: Dick & Vicki Riel

10:30am **Thursday, April 2nd**
+ Brian Schoenborn
By: Jamie Bynoe

10:30am **Sunday, April 5th**
The Living and Deceased
Members of Fr. John Essel's
Family

10:30am **Sunday, April 12th**
+ Victor Callewaert
By: Liz Boyd

If there is anyone who would like to become a Mass volunteer or volunteer in the gift shop, please contact the Church Office or speak to Fr. John Essel.

Communion

How Beautiful Is the Body of Christ

Receiving Holy Communion in the Catholic Church is a sacred moment for those who share the fullness of our Catholic faith. We kindly ask those who are not fully practicing Catholics to join us in prayer from their seats during Communion.

We welcome all visitors and thank you for worshipping with us. If there is anyone who is moving to the area and would like to become a member of our parish, please call or stop in the parish office to register.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

...Please keep the following people in your prayers...

JESUS, YOU ARE GOD'S GIFT OF HEALING LOVE. WHILE ON EARTH YOU HEALED THE SICK WHO CAME FOR HELP. WE BELIEVE THAT YOU CONTINUE TO HEAL THE SICK TODAY. PLEASE HEAL ALL THOSE FOR WHOM WE PRAY:

Rosie Brodeur, Pat Pulte, Ross Vecchio, Olivia Naber (Peggy Bynoe Naber's daughter), and Ed Pfeiffelman
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The 4th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to see with the eyes of faith. The readings call us to recognize God's work in unexpected ways and to look beyond outward appearances. They challenge us to live as children of light and to trust God's purpose, even in times of struggle.

The Significance of the Miracle

In the Gospel for the 4th Sunday of Lent Year A, Jesus heals a man born blind using dirt and saliva. These simple, ordinary things show that God can use anything to bring healing and grace. By using what was considered unclean in Jewish culture, Jesus shows his power to make all things holy.

This miracle also points to spiritual renewal. Just as the man's eyes were opened, we are called to open our hearts to God. Some see this as a symbol of baptism, where water washes away sin and brings new life. The man moves from darkness to light, just as we do when we are baptized.

Jesus also challenges the belief that suffering is a result of personal sin. He explains that the man's blindness was not a punishment but an opportunity to show God's glory. This reminds us that suffering can have a purpose beyond what we see.

This story invites us to reflect on how God works through ordinary things in our lives. It challenges us to see our struggles not as punishments but as ways God's power can be revealed. It calls us to trust in God's purpose and healing.

The 4th Sunday of Lent Year A reminds us that true sight comes from faith and an open heart. By seeing as God sees and trusting His purpose, we grow closer to Christ. May these reflections inspire us to walk in light and love.

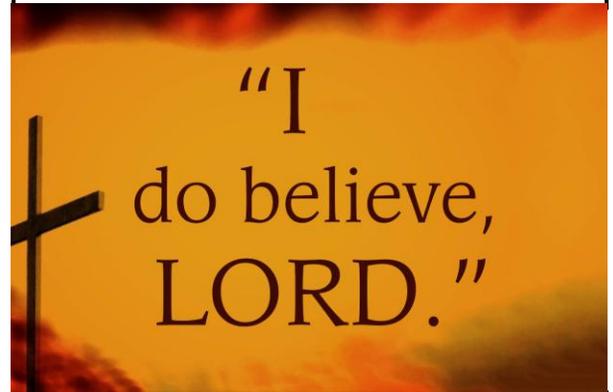
Prayer

Lord, open our eyes to see as you see. Help us to look beyond appearances and to trust in your purpose. Lead us out of darkness and into your light. Give us faith to follow you and courage to share your love. Amen.

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Mass Attendance

Sunday, March 8th– 10:30 AM: 4



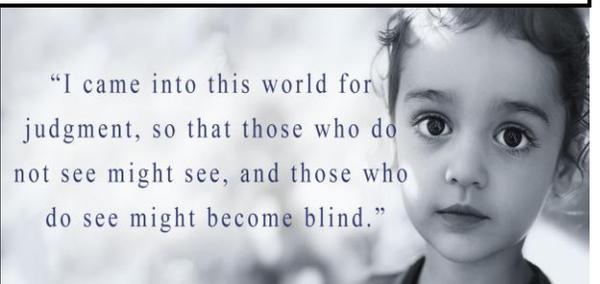
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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR Sunday, March 8th, 2026

1 Samuel 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A;
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Located on page 113 in the Word of the Lord Book



"I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind."

Meals on Snowmobiles is now finished for the year. Thank you so much to everyone who made them possible! We served over 1,000 meals this year!



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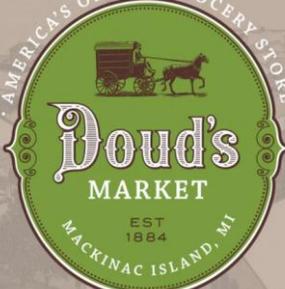



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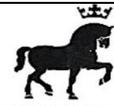
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