

# Ste. Anne Parish

Mackinac Island, MI

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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 22<sup>nd</sup>  
**For the Parishioners of Our Parish**

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

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

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

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

**10:30am** Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
**For the Parishioners of Our Parish**

*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  
To add someone to our prayer list, please call 847-3507



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*The 5th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to reflect on life, death, faith, and hope. The readings remind us of God's power to bring new life and His promise of resurrection. They call us to trust in Jesus as the source of hope and renewal, even in times of sorrow and loss.*

### Life, Death, and Resurrection

*The 5th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to reflect on life, death, and resurrection. In the Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead, showing his power over death. This miracle points to his own resurrection and gives us hope for eternal life. Jesus tells Martha that he is the resurrection and the life, calling us to believe in him for new life.*

*This story shows that death is not the end. Just as Lazarus was called out of the tomb, we are called to new life in Christ. Jesus' words and actions reveal his authority over life and death, affirming our hope in the resurrection. This hope helps us face our own mortality with faith and courage.*

*The raising of Lazarus also shows Jesus' compassion and humanity. He weeps with Mary and Martha, sharing in their grief. This reminds us that Jesus understands our pain and walks with us in our sorrow. He is not distant but close to us in our struggles.*

*The 5th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to trust in Jesus as the source of life and hope. It challenges us to believe in his promise of resurrection and to live with faith, even in the face of death.*

### *Prayer*

*Lord, you are the resurrection and the life. Help us to trust in your promise of new life. Give us courage in times of sorrow and hope in the face of death. Guide us to live in faith and to share your love with others.*

*Amen.*

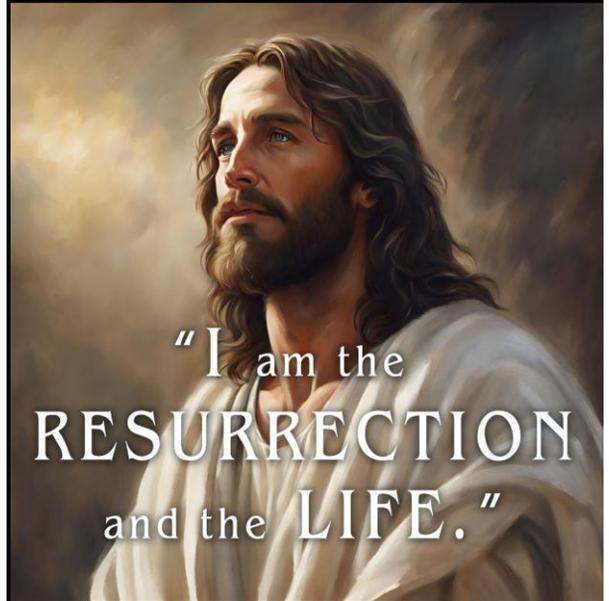
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With the Lord there  
is mercy and fullness  
of redemption.



## **Mass Attendance**

Sunday, March 15th– 10:30 AM: 11



## **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

Ezekial 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John  
11:1-45

Located on page 118 in the Word of the  
Lord Book

## *Holy Week Schedule*

*Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 AM  
Palm Sunday Mass*

*Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>– 7:00 PM  
Holy Thursday Mass*

*Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 3:00 PM  
Good Friday Service*

*Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>– 10:30 AM  
Easter Sunday*

He cried out in a loud voice,  
“Lazarus, come out!”  
John 11: 43



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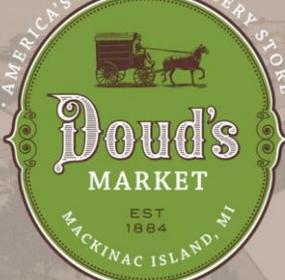



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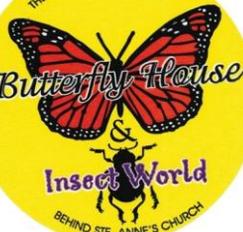
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