

Ste. Anne Parish

Mackinac Island, MI

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12th, 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, April 12th**
+ Victor Callewaert
By: Liz Boyd

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

10:30am **Sunday, April 19th**
+ Mark Chambers
By: Margaret Doud

10:30am **Sunday, April 26th**
+ Brandon Klein
By: Jerry & Theresa Fedewa

10:30am **Sunday, May 3rd**
+ Ron Dufina
By: Jamie Bynoe

10:30am **Saturday, May 9th**
+ Terry Lawless
By: Jerry & Theresa Fedewa

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Communion

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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.



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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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April 5th, 2026

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Divine Mercy Sunday Year A celebrates God's mercy and invites us to trust in His love and forgiveness. The readings remind us of Jesus' peace, forgiveness, and the importance of faith, even in times of doubt. They also highlight the need for community and the strength found in sharing our faith journey with others. These reflections help us understand and live out the message of mercy and hope.

Peace and Forgiveness

In the gospel for Divine Mercy Sunday Year A, the disciples are hiding in fear after Jesus' crucifixion. They are scared and uncertain about their future. When Jesus appears to them, His first words are "Peace be with you." This is more than a greeting. It is a message of comfort and reassurance. Jesus offers them peace to calm their fears and remind them that He is with them.

Jesus then shows them His wounds. These wounds are proof of His suffering, but they are also a sign of forgiveness. Despite being abandoned by His closest friends during His crucifixion, Jesus does not hold their fear or doubt against them. He forgives them and gives them peace. This shows that His mercy is greater than their failures.

Divine Mercy Sunday Year A reminds us that Jesus offers us the same peace and forgiveness. No matter what mistakes we have made, Jesus is ready to forgive us. He invites us to come to Him with our fears, doubts, and sins. We don't need to be perfect to receive His mercy.

We are also called to share this peace and forgiveness with others. Just as Jesus forgave His disciples, we are asked to forgive those who have hurt us. By doing this, we bring His peace into our relationships and our world. Divine Mercy Sunday Year A challenges us to be instruments of peace and mercy.

Prayer

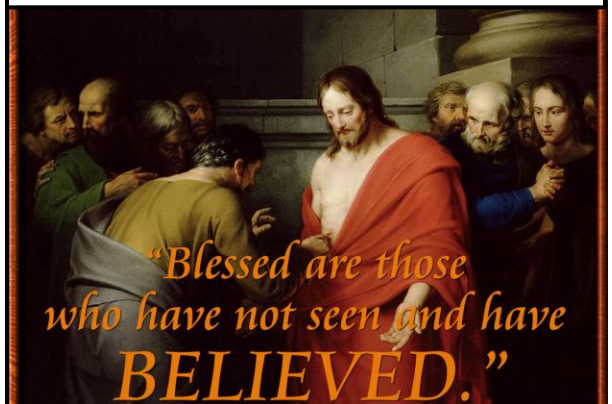
*Lord Jesus, on this Divine Mercy Sunday Year A, we thank You for Your mercy and love. Help us to receive Your forgiveness and to forgive others. Give us the courage to trust in You, even when we have doubts. Unite us as a community of faith and love. Amen.
Excerpt from young-catholics.com*

Welcome
WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE

Ste. Anne's Church has a long and rich history that began over 350 years ago. The Jesuits established their mission in 1670, beginning the presence of the Christian faith on the Island. The birch bark chapel was first located on Mackinac Island, then moved to St. Ignace, on the north shore of the straits, then Mackinaw City, on the south shore of the straits, and finally back to the Island, across the ice, in 1779.

Our written records date back to April 1695 and since that time our parish has seen the area occupied by the French, twice by the British and twice by the Americans. The parish has witnessed the rise and fall of the fur trade, the military garrison and the fishing industry.

We welcome residents, seasonal employees and all visitors to Mackinac Island. By worshipping in our parish, you join a Roman Catholic tradition dating back 2,000 years and a 350-year-old faithful Island community. By joining us, you are no longer a stranger here.



Mass Attendance
Sunday, April 5th– 10:30 AM: 27

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR
Sunday, April 12th, 2026

Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John
20:19-31

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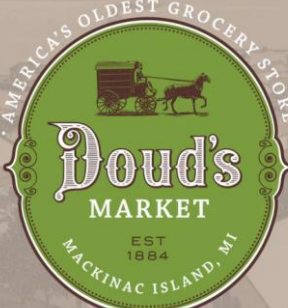
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