



Parishes of the
**Resurrection
of the Lord**

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St. Anne - Harrisville | St. Catherine - Ossineke
St. Gabriel - Black River | St. Raphael - Mikado

ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

110 S. Main St., Harrisville, MI 48740

SUNDAYS:

- Reconciliation before Mass - *BY REQUEST
- Rosary before Mass - 10:30-11:00am
- Mass - 11:00am

TUESDAYS:

- Adoration/Reconciliation - 9:30-10:30pm

ADVENT DAY OF PENANCE FOR

ST. ANNE & ST. RAPHAEL

Where: St. Anne Church

Date: December 18 at 12pm

(Immediately Following Mass)

ST. RAPHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

2531 E. F-30, Mikado, MI 48745

SATURDAYS:

- Reconciliation before Mass - 3:30-4:15pm
- Rosary before Mass - 4:00pm
- Mass - 4:30pm

ST. CATHERINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

2188 W. Nicholson Hill Rd, Ossineke, MI 49766

SUNDAYS:

- Reconciliation before Mass - 8:00-8:45am
- Rosary before Mass - 8:30-9:00am
- Mass - 9:00am

WEDNESDAYS:

- Adoration/Reconciliation - 5:00-6:00pm

THURSDAYS:

- Adoration/Reconciliation - 9:30-10:30am

ADVENT DAY OF PENANCE FOR

ST. CATHERINE & ST. GABRIEL

Where: St. Catherine

Date: December 11, 2022 at 2pm

ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

5570 N. Lakeshore Dr., Black River, MI 48721

SATURDAYS:

- Reconciliation before Mass - 6:00-6:30pm
- Rosary before Mass - 6:00-6:30pm
- Mass - 6:30pm

Third Sunday of Advent | December 11, 2022

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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

Opening Prayer: “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13: 8). Jesus comes to us now. He has been with us in the past. May we be with Him when He comes at the end of time.

Rejoice the Lord is Near: Since the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ is near, the tone of our celebration today is one of rejoicing or being joyful. Every Third Sunday of Advent, we celebrate “Gaudete Sunday,” which means Rejoice Sunday or the Sunday of Joy, a term which is borrowed from the words of St. Paul in the opening antiphon: “Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near” (Philippians 4: 4-5). This same theme rejoice, or joy, is also tied to the statement of Jesus in today’s Gospel when he reassured the disciples of John the Baptist that he is the Messiah: “Glad tidings are announced to the poor.” The First Reading, taken from the prophet Isaiah is also a hymn of joy which state: “The wilderness and the parched land will exult; the Arabah will rejoice and bloom; Like the crocus it shall bloom abundantly, and rejoice with joyful song. The glory of Lebanon will be given to it, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; They will see the glory of the LORD, the splendor of our God” (Isaiah 35: 1-2). Today’s alternative opening prayer contains the theme of rejoicing when it state: “The earth rejoices in hope of the Saviour’s coming.”

Rejoice and Shout for Joy, the Lord Comes to Save Us: In today’s First Reading the Prophet Isaiah seeing the future accomplishments of Christ in a vision was overwhelmed with joy and so he called on the whole of creation, man, plants and animals, to rejoice and to praise God with him. There are two events in the history of the Israelites that made prophet Isaiah to call for rejoicing and joy. First, we have the event of the Exodus or the liberation from Egypt as a result of which the Lord God brought the children of Israel out of Egypt to the Promised Land. Second, there is the liberation from the Babylonian Exile which took place eight centuries later. It is these two liberations that the Prophet Isaiah speaks about today when he said: “The wilderness and the parched land will exult; the Arabah will rejoice and bloom; Like the crocus it shall bloom abundantly and rejoice with joyful song... And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; They meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning flee away” (Isaiah 35: 1-2, 10). The liberation from Egypt as well the return of the exiles from Babylon were great source of rejoicing and joy for the children of God. God saved his children and cured all those who suffered from human defects. Since the Exodus especially from Egypt prefigured the coming of the Messiah to free the human race, the section from the prophet Isaiah is chosen for this Sunday of advent as we prepare to welcome Jesus. When John the Baptist came and after he had prepared the people for the coming of the Messiah, he sends delegation to Jesus to Ask: “Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?” (Matthew 11: 3). To prove that Jesus is the Messiah who come to save the people, Jesus cites the acts that proves His Divinity as the Son of God: “the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Matthew 11: 5). Even the Response to today’s Psalm as well as the Psalm itself (Psalm 146) goes on to describe the saving actions of God. There will therefore be great rejoicing and shouts of joy when our Lord Jesus Christ finally returns and establishes a new Jerusalem in Heaven when all tears will be wiped away, when our joy will be everlasting, when all sorrow and mourning will flee forever.

Patience as we Wait for the Coming of the Lord: Today’s section of the Second Reading from the Epistle of St. James the Apostle, addressed to the early Christian churches “to the twelve tribes in the dispersion” exhorts them and us to be patient and courageous in the face of danger and suffering. The reason he gives for being patient and courageous is because the time of the coming of the Lord is near” (James 5: 7-8). The patient person seeks to imitate God Himself who is patient and slow to anger: “Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger, abounding in mercy” (Psalm 103: 8) or “For the Lord is compassionate and merciful; forgives sins and saves in time of trouble” (Sirach 2: 11, Cfs. Nahum 1: 3, Exodus 34: 6, Psalm 86: 15; 103: 8, 1 Peter 3: 20, Romans 2: 4; 9: 22, 1 Timothy 1: 16, Matthew 18: 26). For the Christian patience is the fruit of the Spirit, of grace and it is the mark of a true Christian: “In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness” (Galatians 5: 22), or “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience” (Colossians 3: 12; Cf. Ephesians 4: 2). Practical examples of those who trusted God and were patient with him during their lives are the saints and the prophets. These people submitted themselves to God when they were called and despite maltreatment or trials, they did not doubt or waver. They continued with the mission entrusted to them and did not give up despite all pitfalls. John the Baptist himself is a great example of patience in suffering. Despite all difficulties John the Baptist endured to the end. As we wait for the coming of the lord there is the need for us to accept whatever that results from our waiting for his coming. Closely related to the practice of patience as we wait for the coming of the Lord is the place of faith and hope on God. First, we are called to patiently trust God by obeying what is his will for us. We are also to trust God that He knows what He is doing, what is best for us in the end, and trust that God will deliver us as he promised he would. Second, as we who wait for the coming of the Lord, we need to do so with hearts full of hope not despair (Cf. Titus 2: 13).

Closing Prayer: As live and move in the presence of Christ now, may He fill our lives with all it will take to be happy and patient until when He finally returns in glory to judge the living and the dead.

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Everything I have is yours.” Luke 15:31 Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son, we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do you really want to turn your back on all that God offers in exchange for material wealth that has no lasting value? God wants us to be happy on earth as well. But, that requires us to freely accept His gift of faith; putting Him first in all things and detaching from our own self-sufficiency.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
Needed Year-to-Date:	58,901.51	64,577.18	18,762.48	11,740.78
Actual Year-to-Date:	61,303.24	60,428.00	17,654.55	12,682.80
Date: Dec. 4, 2022:	2,453.00	2,236.35	1,390.00	715.00
Other Collections:	5,881.78	460.00	39.00	105.00
Nov. Online Funds:	4,817.80	2,179.96	142.76	120.25

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

~THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT~

Saturday, December 10, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(*For the Parishioners of St. Anne,
St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(For those who are sick)

Sunday, December 11, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(*Flavia Gagnier)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(*Anna Casey)

Monday, December 12, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(*Mary Fitzgerald)

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For the Sick of the Parish)

9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(*In celebration of Louis and Laura Bey's
76th Wedding Anniversary)

5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation
at St. Catherine

6:30pm Holy Hour with the Lord at St. Anne



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

**Carolyn Lenhard, Beverly Aube,
Betty Keen, Charles Carriveau,
Karl Miltz Sr., Carol Antkowiak,
Carl Skwirsk, Mary Gruba**

Thursday, December 15, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(For the sick and lonely)

9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine

Friday, December 16, 2022

NO MASS TODAY

6:30pm Bible Study in Maria Hall at St. Anne

Saturday, December 17, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(*For the Parishioners of St. Anne,
St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Russel Anstead)

Sunday, December 18, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(Al Sharp)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(*In Celebration of Wendy & Dan Richardson's
50th & 51st Wedding Anniversary)



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

DEC. 24 - Vigil Mass at St. Raphael at 4:30pm

Vigil Mass at St. Gabriel at 6:30pm

DEC. 25 - Christmas Mass at St. Catherine at 9am

Christmas Mass at St. Anne at 11am

NEW YEARS MASS TIMES:

DEC. 31 - Vigil Mass at St. Raphael at 4:30pm

Vigil Mass at St. Gabriel at 6:30pm

JAN 1 - Mass at St. Catherine at 9am

Mass at St. Anne at 11am

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ST. CATHERINE'S ANGEL FUND COLLECTION:** Has collected a total of \$2,720.00. If you would like to donate there are envelopes at both entrances of the church, just drop them in the collection or at the parish office.
- The Prayer Tree at St. Anne still has many cards on it. Please stop and pick up a Card and then pray for that individual/family for the entire year.
- Christmas & January 1 Masses will follow the regular weekend Mass schedule at all four parishes.
- **COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!**
St. Catherine: The next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, December 18th following mass.
St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts will be after mass on Sundays!
St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturdays!
- Volunteer Cleaners needed for January - December 2023 for St. Anne Church.
- **MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

SUNDAY:

IS 35:1-6A, 10,

JAS 5:7-10,

MT 11:2-11

MONDAY:

ZEC 2:14-17,

LK 1:26-38

TUESDAY:

ZEP 3:1-2, 9-13,

MT 21:28-32

WEDNESDAY:

IS 45:6C-8, 18, 21C-25,

LK 7:18B-23

THURSDAY:

IS 54:1-10,

LK 7:24-30

FRIDAY:

IS 56:1-3A, 6-8,

JN 5:33-36

SATURDAY:

GN 49:2, 8-10,

MT 1:1-17

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. . Gerald Okoli

Monday:

Rev. Leonard Paul

Tuesday:

Rev. Alfred Pillarelli

Wednesday:

Rev. J Benjamin Rexroat

Thursday:

Rev. Mitchel Roman

Friday:

Rev. Richard Schaeffer

Saturday:

Rev. Lawrence Sergot

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS SPECIAL COLLECTION: DECEMBER 10-11, 2022

Help aging religious. Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to prayer, service, and works of mercy. Most ministered for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your gift to today's Retirement Fund for Religious collection helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously. Gifts can be made online at www.dioceseofgaylor.org/make-a-gift.

ST. ANNE GIVING TREE: St. Anne's Women's Group is sponsoring the giving tree for our local nursing home and adult care home residents. Gift ideas are written on each card. **Please bring the gifts back to the church by noon on Sunday, December 18th wrapped with the card attached to the gift. Gifts will be delivered the night of December 18th so it is very important that they are returned on time.** This is often the only gift that these residents will receive. If you take a tag and find that you are unable to purchase a gift please contact Janette Stover at 989-736-6919.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS: We are now accepting Christmas Flower Donations, please print the name of your loved ones that you would like to honor or in memory of on your parish envelope in your box. There are envelopes available if you need them in the back of the church.



HOLY HOUR WITH THE LORD

Day: Wednesday's
Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Where: St. Anne Church

"Again, I say to you, If two of you agree on Earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father." Matthew 18:19)

FRIDAY - BIBLE STUDY WITH STEVEN ADAMS & JOHN MACMASTER

Day: Friday's
Time: 6:30-7:30pm
Where: Maria Hall at St. Anne

Join Steven and John this Advent with a scripture study series on Friday nights. Soup and bread will be provided.



FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

The question put to Jesus in today's gospel is also put to us today: "Are you the one?" Are you the one who will give guidance to the children in your life, or must they look to TV sitcoms, films, videos and music lyrics for direction? Are you the one? Will you be the one?

THANK YOU FROM KofC COUNCIL #6851

The 2022 Food Drive held by Knights of Columbus Council #6851 was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this worthy event. Food was delivered to St. Vincent DePaul in Mikado in time for Thanksgiving.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BECOME A KNIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS!

FREE MEMBERSHIP Now through December 31st
It will make you a better husband, a better father, a better catholic and a better man!

Calling all Catholic men 18 and older. Now is a great time to join the Knights of Columbus. If you can please scan the QR code, enter your information and use the FREE code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY for a FREE membership as an online member.



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