



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

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

"PEACE ON EARTH,
GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN."

Fourth Sunday of Advent | December 18, 2022

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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

Opening Prayer: The plan of God to assume human form, to dwell with us and reconcile us to God was effected when God communicated the birth of Jesus to Joseph through the angel Gabriel. We are called to listen, to accept and to cooperate with the grace of God working in our lives like Joseph.

Jesus who Descended from David according to the Flesh: Today we are presented with the story of the birth of Jesus whose mother is Mary, who was betrothed to Joseph. In the prophecy of Isaiah the Lord God told King Ahaz and the House of David that a maiden will give birth to a son who will bear the name Emmanuel, which means, God with us (Isaiah 7: 10-14). As a continuation and fulfilment of the prophecy made through the prophet Isaiah to king Ahaz and the House of David in today's First Reading, the Gospel Reading for today from Matthew which contains the quotation by Isaiah (First Reading), presents us with the annunciation of the birth of Jesus to Joseph to whom Mary was betrothed. Joseph who was informed by an angel about of the birth of Jesus is described as a righteous man of the house of David: "Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her" (Matthew 1: 20). St. Paul in his Letter to the Romans describe Jesus as "descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power according to the spirit of holiness through resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 1: 2-4). Though the scribes and scholars were aware of the prophecy that the Messiah would come from Bethlehem, the contemporaries of Jesus did not expect that the Messiah will be born of a woman as a normal, suckling baby. Nevertheless, despite their expectations Jesus who is the expected Messiah was born and raised in their midst. Jesus, Messiah and Lord was born of a Jewish girl-Mary, who was betrothed to the righteous Jewish man Joseph from the family of king David. Jesus was human, that is, born of the flesh. But He is also the Divine Son of God in power according to the spirit of holiness through resurrection from the dead.

The Presence and Action of God in and through Ordinary Ways and Ordinary People: The story about the birth of Jesus is a reminder to us human beings that God acts in and through us human beings who are made in the image and likeness of God. God acted through Mary and Joseph. The shepherds and the magi also had a role to play in the birth of Jesus. Even the angel who was sent to Joseph also shared in the story of the birth of Jesus. Since this is what God has decided to do with human beings and sometimes even spiritual beings such as angels, it is high time for us to realise that God can act in and through us too and when he does so we are invited to cooperate with God ourselves. God comes to us in the people we see around us who may be weak, or unworthy. We are challenged to listen and hear the footsteps of God who comes into our lives in ordinary ways, through ordinary people and at ordinary moments of our lives. No need to look up to the mountain top or the depths of the ocean, for "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17: 28). Like Joseph we are invited to continue to allow ourselves to be used by God in whichever way He wants. We are not to be like king Ahaz who refused to cooperate with God.

We Are Called to Listen, Accept and Act like Joseph and Mary: In the whole story about the annunciation of the birth of Jesus, we have the angel who was sent to Joseph and who willingly carried out His duty. In today's Gospel Joseph is presented as a man who faced with the dilemma of either taking Mary into his home since she was already betrothed to him or breaking up with her. Joseph was open to the will of God and he trusted God rather than his own plans or his own thoughts. Joseph being a righteous man listened, accepted and acted on what the angel told him and does what our psalm asks us to do today: he lets the Lord enter. Joseph's ability to trust and carry out the plan of God for him is a direct contrast to King Ahaz who had his plans and did not want God's plan to override his. King Ahaz chose to make alliance with Assyria, even when prophet Isaiah told him to trust in God. The king was not going to allow some prophet or even God to determine his policies. Sometimes we are tempted to behave like king Ahaz by always wanting things our own way, not God's way. Sometimes we prefer to trust in our own ability rather than turn to God and ask for His direction. We too are called to listen, accept and act on what the angel or God is telling us whenever we pray. Even if what we will be told to do is not what we expect, we still need to trust and act on the Word of God. The message which we can't deny this Advent is that we are preparing the way for the Lord in our hearts and lives by cooperating with God like the angel, Joseph and Mary.

Closing Prayer: As we prepare for the coming of Jesus, may we rid ourselves of the things that get in the way of our relationship with God. May we submit ourselves into the hands of God to be used by Him as he wants.

~ 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:	61,368.92	67,384.88	19,578.24	12,274.44
Actual Year-to-Date:	63,129.24	62,670.35	18,255.55	13,040.30
Date: Dec. 11, 2022:	1,826.00	2,242.35	601.00	357.50
Other Collections:	978.35	1,165.00	574.00	215.00

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

~FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT~

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

(Terry Rondeau)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

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

Monday, December 19, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For those in Nursing Homes & Hospitals)

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For the Sick of the Parish)

9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(For the children of our parishes)

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,
Mike Maturen

Thursday, December 22, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(For safe travels)

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

Friday, December 23, 2022

NO MASS TODAY

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

Saturday, December 24, 2022

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Vigil 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 Vigil Mass at St. Gabriel

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

Sunday, December 25, 2022

The Nativity of the Lord

9:00am Christmas Mass at St. Catherine

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

11:00am Christmas Mass at St. Anne

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

**** OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED****

**Monday, December 26 - January 2nd and
will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd.**

NEW YEARS MASS TIMES:

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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

- **MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED FOR ST.CATHERINE AND ST.GABRIEL:** St. Catherine/St. Gabriel is in need of a couple money counters. If you are interested please contact the parish office for more information
- **ST. CATHERINE'S ANGEL FUND COLLECTION:** Has collected a total of \$3,220.00. 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: Coffee and Donuts will resume in May 2023.
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 7:10-14,

ROM 1:1-7,

MT 1:18-24

MONDAY:

JGS 13:2-7, 24-25A,

LK 1:5-25

TUESDAY:

IS 7:10-14,

LK 1:26-38

WEDNESDAY:

SG 2:8-14,

LK 1:39-45

THURSDAY:

1 SM 1:24-28,

LK 1:46-56

FRIDAY:

MAL 3:1-4, 23-24,

LK 1:57-66

SATURDAY:

2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16,

LK 1:67-79

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. James Siler

Monday:

Rev. Rolando Silva

Tuesday:

Vocations to the priesthood
and all religious life

Wednesday:

Rev. Kenneth Stachnik

Thursday:

Rev. Dennis Stilwell

Friday:

Rev. Emmanuel Tizhe

Saturday:

All Seminarians

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:

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

Religious give thanks. A sister writes, "We remember the many people who believe in the Retirement Fund for Religious, thanking them in prayer for their great generosity and compassion." God bless you for donating to last week's second collection. If you have not yet made a gift and would like to, give online today at www.dioceseofgaylord.org/make-a-gift.

ST. ANNE GIVING TREE: 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.

FRIDAY - BIBLE STUDY WITH STEVEN ADAMS & JOHN MACMASTER



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)



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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6851 TO CELEBRATE CORPORATE MASS JANUARY 8, 2022 AT 9:00AM

Knights of Columbus Council #6851 will celebrate Corporate Communion on Sunday January 08 at the 9:00 Mass at St. Catherine's. Brother Knights are encouraged to attend. Mass is in remembrance of our deceased members.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Every child is EMMANUEL, reminding us "God is with us." Children are signs of God's continuing presence in our lives.

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.



The Knights are a Catholic fraternal organization that actively supports the teachings and values of the Catholic Church. Whether you have 2 hours a year or 2 hours a month, show your support for our faith and sign up. Call Joel Kendzorski, Diocesan Membership Director, if you are interested in joining or to answer any questions you may have. Phone (989) 766-2124



Mark Your Calendars!



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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