

One Hundred and Fifty-three Large Fish

Third Sunday of Easter (Year C)

When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. [John 21:4-6](#)

Recall the first time there was a miraculous catch of fish in the Gospels. In [Luke 5:1-7](#), Jesus was preaching to the people on the shore from where He sat in Peter's boat just a short distance away. After preaching, Jesus told Peter, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Peter did so and there was such a large catch of fish that the Apostles needed help to haul it in.

In today's Gospel, some three years later after the Resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples from the shore and instructed them to cast their nets "over the right side of the boat." They did so and caught 153 large fish. In commenting on these two passages, Saint Augustine teaches that the first miraculous catch was a sign that the Gospel would be preached to all people, which is indicated by Jesus simply saying "lower your nets." But after the Resurrection, Jesus specifically tells the disciples to cast their nets "over the right side" to indicate that grace is now given to those who stand on His right side and are separated from the condemned who are on His left. Thus, this second miraculous catch symbolizes the end of the age when the good and the bad are judged.

Saint Augustine also notes that the 153 large fish, caught off the right side of the boat, are a symbolic representation of those who conform not only to the Ten Commandments but also receive the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit by grace. He explains that $10 + 7 = 17$ and if you add all the numbers together between 1 and 17 you arrive at 153. Thus, these 153 fish represent everyone who receives His gift of grace and obtains salvation. The boat represents the Church, and the gift of salvation is offered by Christ through His Church.

One clear message we must take from Saint Augustine's interpretation is that grace and mercy are offered to all, but not received by all. At the end of our lives and at the end of the world, judgment will take place. Those who responded to the offer of grace and mercy, repented of their sins and gave their lives to Christ will eternally share in the Resurrection. But those who refused to follow His Commandments and closed themselves to the transforming power of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit will be separated from eternal joys.

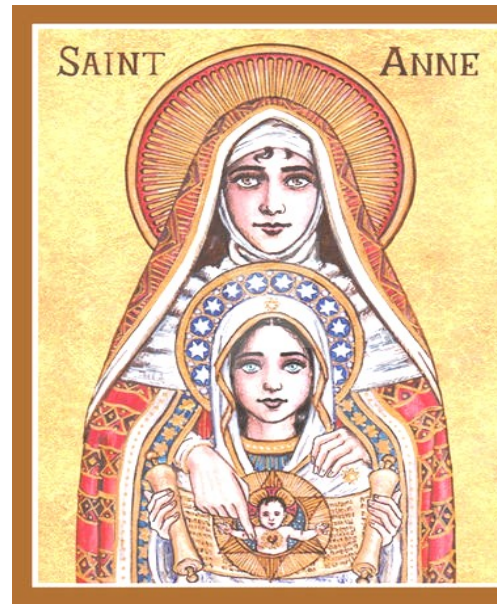
Facing the reality of hell is not pleasant, but it is a message that must not be ignored. It is a message that is real and, therefore, hell is a possibility for us all. Therefore, it is important to remind ourselves from time to time of this spiritual truth. Are you among those 153 large fish found on the right side of the boat? Do you allow the ministers of Christ within the Church, represented by the disciples in the boat, to draw you to Christ through preaching and the Sacraments? Though all of us might quickly answer "Yes" to that question, we should never fail to be attentive to the fact that salvation requires action on our part. It requires that we accept Christ Jesus by following His Commandments and live by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit as it is dispensed by the Church.

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St. Anne Catholic Parish

May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter



Holy Mass and Sacraments Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

Daily Mass: Mondays & Fridays @ 6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 9:00 am
First Saturday's ONLY @ 9:00 am

Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Mondays and Fridays 5:00-6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:30-10:30 am

Baptism and Holy Matrimony: The family should be registered and active at St. Anne Parish for a least three months prior to Baptism or Holy Matrimony. Couples are engaged to marry need to contact Fr. Ishida at least four months prior to the wedding date for marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact Father Ishida.

Parish Office: Please email or leave a voice message.

Parish Staff

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Pastoral Council

(meets 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:00 pm)

Fr Ishida, Theresa Reisenauer, Linda Pearson,
Evie Noder, Jeff King, Larry Jay,
Monica Schindler, Marlayna Smith

Finance Council

(meets 1st Tuesday quarterly @ noon)

Father Ishida, Betty Patterson,
Dan Quaschnick,

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Ministry Contacts

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Lectors – Cheryl Moriarty 509-999-1967
Music – Linda Pearson 509-879-0753
Fellowship—Betty Patterson 509-998-6631
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Meditation Garden— Linda Pearson 509-879-0753

Parish Guilds

Prayer Chain, Prayer Chain—Pam Harper 509-496-5930 or
email @ stanneprayerchain@yahoo.com
(Intensions can be kept anonymous if requested or needed.)

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Step 2. Then enter your name and create a password.

welcome
to our Parish

THANK YOU Betty Patterson
for sharing your time, talent, and wisdom as a Finance Council member for all these years. You are appreciated and loved! Enjoy retirement from the finance council. Pax Christi!

33-Days to Eucharistic Glory
33 Days to Eucharistic Glory is the first ever Eucharistic Consecration. This unprecedented spiritual resource presents profound truths, astonishing historical facts, powerful practical examples, a daily virtue to adopt, extraordinary prayers, and inspiring stories—all in an easy-to-follow daily format. Life is a pilgrimage, a sacred journey toward our eternal home with God. Learn what it means to be a pilgrim in our world today. **Please look for the sign up sheet in the back of the church or talk to Jeff King after Mass.**

JOIN US on Mother's Day Sunday, May 11
Happy Mother's Day
Mother's Day Breakfast immediately following Mass. Hosted by the men of the parish in honor of all mom's.

Please note:
Mass Intensions take approximately two (2) weeks to get processed and on the calendar. Please note this when giving your stipends for Intensions.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL/MAY

27	Sunday	Pro Populo
28	Monday	
29	Tuesday	
30	Wednesday	Deanna Swanson
01	Thursday	Bob Staufer
02	Friday	
03	Saturday	
04	Sunday	Pro Populo

St. Anne ... Pray for us!
Mary, Queen of Heaven ... Pray for us!

St. Anne's needs you! *Please prayerfully consider helping with your gift of time and talent.*

Parish Finance Council
Betty Patterson, long time parish finance council member is stepping down. THANK YOU BETTY!
We need someone to replace her. If you are interested in being part of the Parish Finance council, please talk to Father Ishida. The Parish finance council meets quarterly. Members have a unique opportunity to help Father Ishida manage the parish's finances and budget.
Please prayerfully consider and talk to Father.

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Third Sunday of Easter (Year C) Continued ...
Reflect, today, upon the symbolism found in this Resurrection account. Consider the fact that the Gospel has, indeed, been shared with you. Have you listened to the Word of God as it is preached by the Church? Do you immerse yourself in the grace given through the Sacraments? Do you follow the Ten Commandments faithfully? Do you continually open yourself to the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit? Seek to be among that catch of fish caught on the "right side." Never doubt that hell is real and possible. For that reason, never waver from your fidelity to Christ, so that you will remain firmly grounded in His grace and share one day in His Resurrection.

My resurrected Lord, You have offered Your grace and mercy to all, but not all have responded. I pray that I will always be among those who continually respond to Your invitation. I repent of my sin, dear Lord. Please help me to stay faithful to Your commands of love and to be daily immersed in Your transforming Spirit. Jesus, I trust in You.

Third Sunday of Easter
Lectionary #48C - Liturgical color: white
1st Reading: Acts 5:27-32; 40b-41
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 30:2 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
2nd Reading: Revelation 5:11-14
Gospel: John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
The Gloria ; Apostles' or Nicene Creed



Welcome to St. Anne Parish To all visitors who are joining us for worship today. May your time with us be grace-filled and may the Lord Jesus bless you and your loved ones today and every day. Pax et Bonum (Peace & Happiness)

St. Anne Parish

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturdays @ 5:00 pm—confession @ 4:30 pm
Sundays @ 9:00 am - confession @ 8:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule
Mondays & Fridays— 6:00 pm Mass
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays - 9:00 am Mass

ADORATION
Mondays & Fridays @ 5:00 pm;
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays—following Mass

CONFESSION
Mondays & Fridays @ 5:30 pm;
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 8:30 am

Schola Cantorum—Choir
Interested in singing the Holy Mass?
Please contact Linda at 509-879-0753 or email at sookisue@msn.com
All voices are welcome!

PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS
can be emailed and kept anonymous if requested or needed. Please call Pam Harper to request prayers. Call Pam @ 509-496-5930 or email stanneprayerchain@yahoo.com



World Day of Prayer for Vocations May 11, 2025
Today is the perfect time to support our seminarians at Bishop White Seminary. The Saint John Paul II Foundation provides scholarships for these six seminarians. These seminarians are not covered by the Annual Seminarian Appeal. Please scan to donate today and help support our seminarians at Bishop White Seminary, or you can mail donation to: SJPII Foundation, PO Box 10253, Spokane, WA 99209



St. Anne Events!
Please JOIN US for fellowship immediately following Sunday Mass.

First Saturdays Mass, May 3 @ 9:00 AM
8:30 am Confession ... 9:30 am Rosary

May Crowning—after Mass on May 4
Bring flowers to put at the base of Mary's statue

Wednesday, May 7 @ 9:45 AM
Quilting Group @ 9:45 am in the Hall

Mother's Day Breakfast—May 11
Immediately following Mass.

Monday, May 12 @ 6:00 PM MASS
Confirmation— Congratulations Greyson!

Tuesday, May 13 @ 6:00 PM
Parish Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM in the Hall

Wednesday, May 14 @ 9:45 AM
Quilting Group @ 9:45 am in the Hall

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St. Anne Parish Calendar — May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Mass MAY CROWNING <i>Join us for fellowship immediately following Mass, located in the parish hall.</i>	5	6	7 Quilting @ 9:45 am	8	9	10 Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
11 Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Mass  Join us for Mother's Day Breakfast <i>...immediately... following Mass.</i>	12 6:00 PM Mass Greyson will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation! 	13 Parish Council Mtg @ 6:00 pm	14 Quilting @ 9:45 am	15	16	17 Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm
18 Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Mass <i>Join us for fellowship immediately following Mass, located in the parish hall.</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24 Vigil Mass @ 5:00 pm

Consider a gift/bequest to St. Anne's in your will.

I give to the "St. Anne Parish Preservation Fund" located in Medical Lake, WA., the following amount/percent ____ to be used exclusively for Church preservation. ... OR ... I give to "St. Anne Parish, located " located in Medical Lake, WA, the following amount/percent ____ to be used wherever needed most.

NEEDED! Communion Ministry to the Homebound



Are you interested in taking communion to patients at Eastern State Hospital? Please contact Father Ishida for more information. Call @ 509-998-7093 or email mishida@dioceseofspokane.org



Do you know of a homebound parishioner that would like to have visits and communion brought to them? Please let us know by leaving a message at the parish office 509-723-1459 or email stannemedicallake@gmail.com.

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center (IHRC)

Cooking Class

“Chef Matt’s Heavenly Kitchen: Simple Recipes, Big Flavors” IHRC Chef Matt McDaniels
 Sunday, May 4, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
 Please register in advance: (509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net ... Individuals: \$46, Couples: \$90

A Wholehearted Women’s Day of Prayer

“Refreshing the Oil in Our Lamps”

Sr. Mary Eucharista, SMMC and Alisa Kostecka
 May 10, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (8:30 am check-in)
 Please register in advance: (509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net
 \$46 per person or (\$56 with room). Lunch included.
***Nursing babies are permitted at this Day of Prayer.**

Cooking Class

“Chef Matt’s Heavenly Kitchen: Simple Recipes, Big Flavors” IHRC Chef Matt McDaniels
 Sunday, June 8, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
 Please register in advance: (509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net ... Individuals: \$46, Couples: \$90

Registration Opens May 1, 2025

Totus Tuus from June 22–27, 2025! This weeklong Catholic summer program, in collaboration with St. Augustine and Our Lady of Fatima Parishes, gives children and youth an engaging, faith-filled experience through prayer, learning, and fun-filled activities.

Totus Tuus Details:

Grades 1–6: Monday–Friday, 9:00 am – 2:30 pm

Grades 7–12: Sunday–Thursday, 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm *(dinner provided)*

Visit the [Totus Tuus page](#) on the Cathedral website for more information and ways to volunteer.

Ways to Support Totus Tuus:

Volunteer: We need help with *catechesis, activities, meals, and logistics*. We’d love to have you join us!

Donate: Support Totus Tuus with a gift at the Cathedral’s giving page (select "VBS"). You can donate **gift cards** (*Visa, Safeway, Fred Meyer, or Domino’s*) to help provide meals and snacks for the week.

Totus Tuus is a beautiful opportunity for the youth of our parish communities to grow in faith, build friendships, and experience the joy of an intimate relationship with Jesus.

Together with our neighboring parishes, we look forward to a joyful and faith-filled week!

What is Totus Tuus? For more information: <https://totustuus.church>