



St. Mary Church & Our Lady of the Woods Shrine

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Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Santiago M. Hoyumpa
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Weekly Mass Schedule

See inside for possible changes

Sunday: 9:00 am

Tues, Thurs, Fri—9:00 am

Wednesday—6:00 pm

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration after Friday Mass

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8 am—3:30 pm

Sacraments

Preparation classes with Pastor

Marriage

6 months prior to setting date

Reconciliation By appointment or:

Wednesday: 5:30—5:45 pm

Saturday: 3:00—3:30 pm

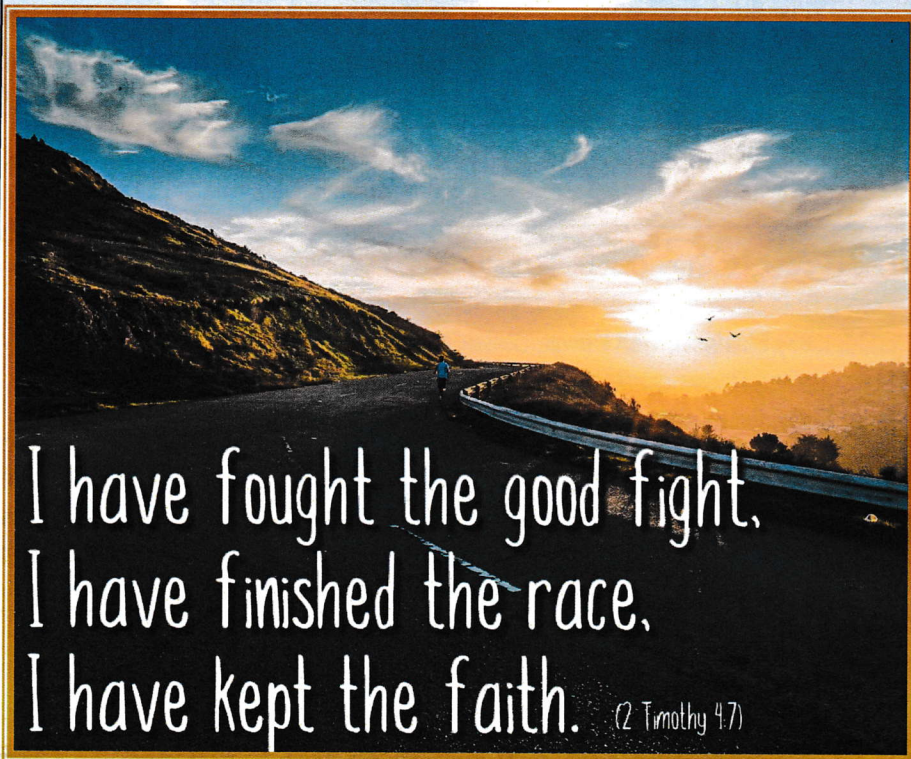
Sunday: 8:30—8:45 am

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, 2019



I have fought the good fight.
I have finished the race.
I have kept the faith. (2 Timothy 4:7)

Mass Schedule

Tuesday—October 29

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

Family & Grandchildren (Bob & Linda Pietraszewski)

Wednesday—October 30

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Mass

+Brenda Ballard (June Slusarski)

Thursday—October 31

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Vigil Mass

Those Incarcerated

Friday—November 1 *All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation*

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

Personal Intentions

Saturday—November 2 *All Souls Day*

3:30 am Rosary

4:00 am Mass

+Irving Baril (Irene Baril)

Sunday—November 3

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

+Ron Brown (Dave & Cathy Kuba)

Prayer List

Linda Power, Liz Gray, Bert Greer, Peter Scott, Mike Shea, Ron Owen, Ruth Klee, Art DuRussel, Jay Smith, David Lupo, Donna Judd, Larry Slasinski, Geri Hewitt, Steve Baker, Doug Heeg, Sandi Carter, Rosemary Scott, Cora Gordon, Starlett Shea, Mary Macy, Dan Kammer, Clarence Lapcinski, Kim Stitt, Lori B., Jason Blanton, Tina Gordert, Mike Lupo, Jack Slasinski, Ellen Sherwood, Natalie Davidson, Esther Socia, Marianne Roddy, Rose Welser, Leslie Ojala



Pray for our Clergy & Religious

Sun: Rev. Robbie Deka

Mon: Rev. Norman Dickson

Tues: Rev. James Doherty

Wed: Rev. Charles Donajkowski

Thurs: Rev. Artur Duchnowicz

Fri: Rev. Wayne Dziekan

Sat: Rev. Peter Eke

Events & Opportunities

Fall Wine Tasting & Silent Auction,

Nov.2, 6:30 pm at the Community Center in Mio. Tickets Available at - Mercantile Bank, Fairview - Luzerne Hardware -State Wide Real Estate of Mio - The AuSable River Restaurant, Mio - and the Chamber of Commerce Mio.



Giving Online Through the Shrine's Website

Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the internet.

To get started follow these steps:

1. Visit the church website at www.olwshrine.org
2. Hover over Our Parish and click on the Online Giving button.
3. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

On October 15, Baraga Radio became 'Relevant Radio', broadcasting on seven stations in the Dioceses of Gaylord and Marquette. Two local stations are 92.1 FM Gaylord and 88.9 FM, Alpena.

Volunteers Needed: His Love Family Resources is looking for volunteers who might like to help organize donations, or as a receptionist or get involved with clients on a one to one basis. For more information, call 826-5817.

Anyone have plans to stare at their phone somewhere exciting this weekend?



Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$ 15,355.00
Last Week's Tithes & Offerings:	\$ 3,737.00
Other Income (candles, rent, etc):	\$ 460.00
October Collection to Date:	\$ 12,339.00

St. Mary Church & Community News

Oscoda County, Right to Life Meeting Oct. 29, 6:30-8 pm at the Oscoda Co. library.

Vigil mass - Oct. 31st at 6 pm (no morning mass) and Nov. 1st, All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Online Giving: Dennis Ernst will be in the hall after mass, Nov. 2 & 3 and will demonstrate (on the TV) the new shrine website and the online giving options.

Do you know of someone homebound? St. Mary's Homebound Ministry wants to be sure everyone is able to receive communion at home if needed. If you're aware of anyone please contact Jim Slasinski, 989-390-9997.

AED Defibrillator Training for all parishioners interested in learning how to use it, is taking place **Wednesday, Nov. 6 at 7 pm** in the parish hall.

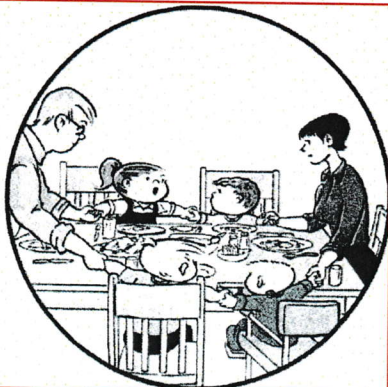
All church volunteers are encouraged to attend and learn how to use the AED Defibrillator, should it ever be needed. It's not complicated and walks you through every step! Being prepared could save a life.

World Mission Sunday: We are all "sent" out to witness to the world through our prayers and financial support for those in the mission field. Through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, we can continue the mission of Jesus.

\$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America. \$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa. \$100 assists poor children in boarding schools in Asia. Your prayers are a treasured gift to the Missions. *Special World Mission envelopes are available and can be turned in next weekend.*

"We hafta hold hands while we say grace so nobody gets a head start eating. Right, Mommy?"

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Oh, Lord, it's Hard to be Humble

Some folks may remember the fun song from the 70's, "*Oh Lord, It's Hard to Be Humble*," by Mac Davis. Every verse is full of sarcasm about a person infatuated with himself.

♪ *Oh Lord, it's hard to be humble,
When you're perfect in every way.*

We laugh about the vanity and pride, but to be honest, we may recognize the impulse in ourselves, to be prideful.

*I can't wait to look in the mirror
Cause I get better looking each day.* ♪

The thoughts in the song are not all that different from the Pharisee's prayer in today's Gospel. Note that Jesus specifies that the Pharisee "spoke this prayer *to himself*;" It could be that the Pharisee prayed silently, but it could also be that the Pharisee had fallen so deeply into pridefulness that he all but demands that God agree with his self-judgment, usurping the authority and knowledge of the Almighty ... and making a fool of himself in the process.

♪ *Who cares? I never get lonesome
Cause I treasure my own company.*

Compare those lines to the life of the sinful tax collector. Tax collectors could seize as much as they wanted and pass along only what was owed, which gave them a legal right to steal from others. They were bitterly despised, and being outcasts, they would have had to spend their time with other outcasts.

It was not the religious Pharisee who approached the Lord humbly, but the lowly and despicable tax collector. Jesus tells those gathered that the tax collector knew and acknowledged his sinfulness—and he offered them up in shame to the Lord.

The lesson, Jesus says, is that "*whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.*" Jesus means this moral as a warning, not of God's wrath, but of our own folly. The Lord does not inflict humiliation on the prideful; they inflict it upon themselves. The Pharisee in this parable is blinded by his own self-deception and has no room for faith and trust in God. All fall short of the glory of God, so all need to rely on the Lord's mercy. When we understand that then we will see each other as sisters and brothers, all of us in need of love and mercy. The last lines of the song's refrain are:

*Oh Lord, it's hard to be humble.
But I'm doing the best that I can.* ♪

We're far from perfect, and with that in mind, and faith in the Lord's love for us, we all can do the best that we can.

Go to the **NEW SHRINE WEBSITE**, olwshrine.org for the weekly bulletin & other shrine information.
Or go to dioceseofgaylord.org (click on 'Parishes', then on the map click 'Mio' then 'More Info')