

*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

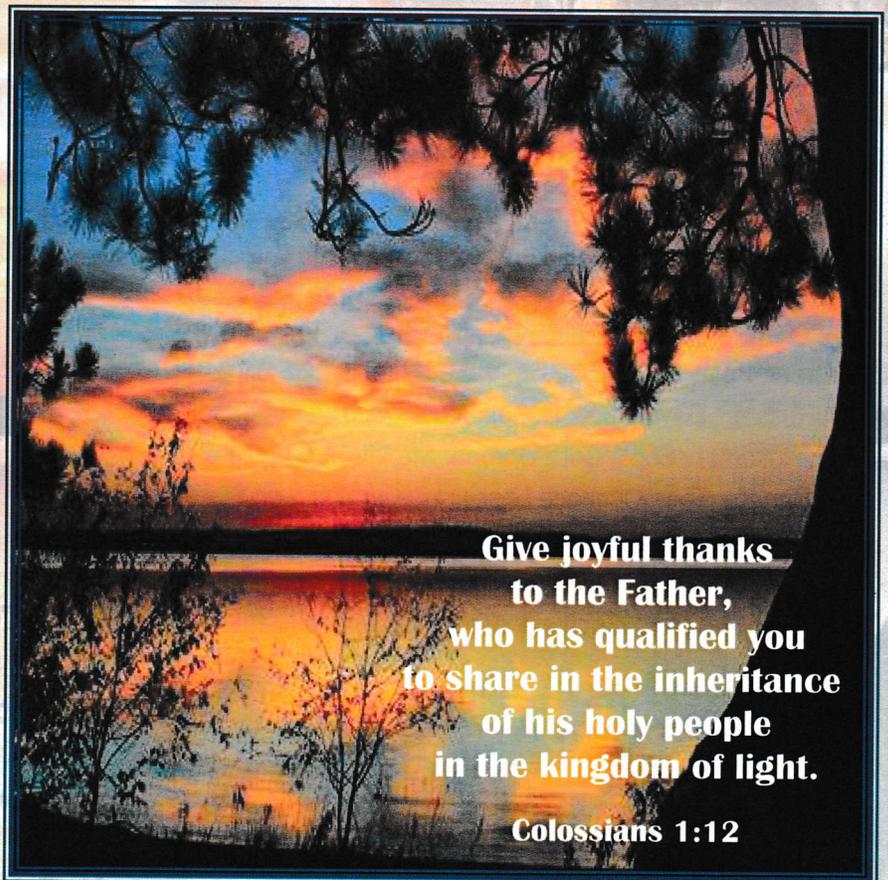
Sunday: 8:30—8:45 am

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Monday

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
King of the Universe**

**November 24, 2019**



**Give joyful thanks  
to the Father,  
who has qualified you  
to share in the inheritance  
of his holy people  
in the kingdom of light.**

**Colossians 1:12**

## Mass Schedule

**No Mass  
Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday**

**Thursday—November 28**

**8:30 am Rosary**

**9:00 am Mass**

*Those with chronic pain*

**Saturday—November 30**

**3:30 pm Rosary**

**4:00 pm Mass with Fr. Steve Olds**

*Marriages*

**Sunday—December 1**

**8:30 am Rosary**

**9:00 am Mass**

**+Parish Families (Galbraith & LeBlanc Families)**

## Events & Opportunities

### *Don't Forget...*

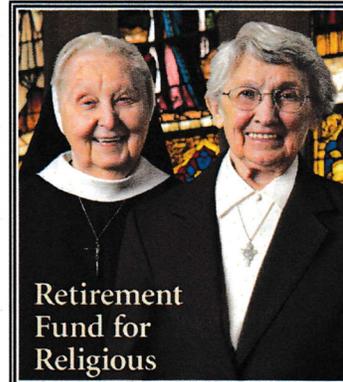
**Servers:** New schedules are in the sacristy.

**Home Cleaning Supplies** are still being collected for those in need until Dec. 1.

**Rosaries**, cards, devotionals and other religious items are still being collected also, in the hall.

**The Gift Shop** will be open before and after mass until Christmas starting next weekend.

**# iGiveCatholic Giving Day** is Tuesday Dec. 3rd. It is an online giving day to support parishes, schools, ministries, and other non-profits. **Tax-deductible donations will be accepted at [iGiveCatholic.org](http://iGiveCatholic.org) during just one, 24 hour period on Dec. 3.** Go to the site, search the profiles of those participating (our Shrine is one of your choices) and give.



Please give to help those who have given a lifetime.

Envelopes are provided.

Thank you for returning your offering next week.

## Prayer List

Bert Greer, Peter Scott, Mike Shea, Ruth Klee, Jay Smith, Art DuRussel, , David Lupo, Donna Judd, 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, Esther Socia, Natalie Davidson, , Marianne Roddy, Rose Welser, Leslie Ojala, Marie Paparelli, Bobbie Jo Gordert



**Pray for our Clergy & Religious**

**Sun:** Rev. McCracken

**Mon:** Rev. Bryan Medlin

**Tues:** Rev. Paul Megge

**Wed:** Rev. Ruben Munoz

**Thurs:** Rev. Joseph Muszkiewicz

**Fri:** Rev. Robert Nalley

**Sat:** Rev. Brad Nursey

**A** man in Phoenix calls his son in New York the day before Thanksgiving and says, "I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing." "No, that can't be!" the son yells.

"Well, we can't stand the pretense any longer," the father says. And I don't want to talk about it anymore, so you call your sister in Chicago and tell her."

Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes. "Like heck they're getting divorced!" she shouts, "I'll take care of this." She calls her father, "You are NOT getting divorced.

Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, *don't do a thing! Do you hear me?* and hangs up.

The man turns to his wife with a smile. "Okay," he says, "they're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way! "

### Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$ 15,355.00
Last Week's Tithes & Offerings:	\$ 3,070.00
Other Income (candles, rent, etc):	\$ 247.00
November Collection to Date:	\$ 13,919.00

## St. Mary Church & Community News

**Please Note:** There is no mass on Nov. 26 & 27, & 29. There is also no adult Bible study on the 27th.

Parish Family  
Potluck

### Christmas Dinner

Saturday, December 7 after 4 pm mass

Come celebrate this season of joy  
with family and friends!

Please SIGN UP & let us know if you'll be  
bringing a main dish, side dish, rolls or dessert.

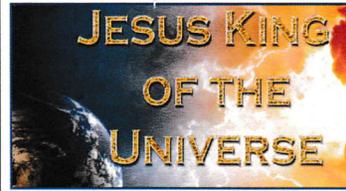


The Giving Tree is up and has tags for 42 people whose Christmas is about to be blessed by your generosity! Take a tag, fill the gift suggestion and return your wrapped gift, with the tag attached by Dec. 8th. If all tags are not taken, donations to help purchase gifts for the remaining tags, are appreciated.

**Craft Projects & Fellowship** can help fill long winter days. You're invited to join the CCW ladies for *Craft Night* in the parish hall, Mondays from 6-8 pm, and enjoy working on them together!

### December Calendar

- 2nd—6-8 pm CCW Craft Night
- 3rd—No Mass. Also # igiveCatholic Giving Day
- 7th—5:30 pm Parish Potluck Christmas dinner
- 7th & 8th—Retirement for Religious collection
- 8th—K of C Christmas party at the Columbian Hall.
- 9th—9 am Mass, Immaculate Conception
- 11th—No Mass
- 12th—7:00 pm Penance Service
- 15th—K of C Breakfast
- 17th—2:00 pm Mass at Fairview Nursing Home
- 22nd—Pancake Breakfast Restoration fundraiser
- 24th—4:00 pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
- 25th—9:00 am Christmas Mass
- 31st—4:00 pm Vigil Mass



Next Sunday we begin the Season of Advent; our time of preparation for Christmas. This Sunday marks the end of the current liturgical year. Until 1969,

Christ the King was celebrated on the last Sunday in October when it was moved to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, where its theme of Christ's dominion made it a fitting end to the liturgical year.

When Jesus was asked by Pilate if he was a king, Jesus replied that he was a king. Yet, He was born in a poor village. His parents were not powerful or wealthy. His first visitors were the poorest of people; shepherds. He didn't associate with rich or powerful people and He never led an army into battle. He usually ate with people who were despised, ignored and rejected. He spent his time with the poor, the sick, the broken and those who were in need of love, healing and compassion. He didn't have riches or wealth that the world thought much of; but he did share his greatest possession with us; God's love. And He asked people to take up their cross and follow him.

What are the attributes of a good shepherd? He is one who is caring and compassionate. He looks for the lost, bandages the wounded and makes the weak strong. This is the shepherd and king we are asked to follow, and whose life and example we are asked to live by. Just as he looks after and cares for each of us, so we in turn are to care for each other.

Where are we to look for and find Jesus our king today? The gospel asks us to draw on the presence of Christ who dwells within each of us through the Holy Spirit.

This gospel is not about some unknown time in the future. This gospel is about each of us and how we follow Jesus here and now in our every day lives.

On this Feast of Christ our King, both the first reading and the gospel speak about others who need our help and support. Whatever we do to and for each other, we do to and for Jesus.

Jesus is a King and we are his brothers and sisters. Therefore we belong to a royal household. As princes and princesses of a royal family, may we treat each other with dignity and respect.

As one of the early popes said, *Christian, be aware of your dignity and nobility, it is God's own life that you share.*

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