



St. Mary's Church
Our Lady of the Woods Shrine



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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: 5:00—5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30—8:45 am

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2019



And whatever you do,
whether in word or deed,
do it all in the name
of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks
to God the Father
through him.

Colossians 3:17

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Mass Schedule

NO MASS TUESDAY—THURSDAY

Friday – October 4

8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass Adoration following
Thorpe Children & Families (Blanche Thorpe)

Saturday – October 5

3:30 pm Rosary
4:00 pm Mass
+Joan Maier (CCW Ladies)

Sunday – October 6

8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
+Walt Lixey Sr. (Linda Whaley)



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IN REMEMBRANCE
OF ME

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, Gary Frazho, Mary Macy, Dan Kammer, Clarence Lapcinski, Kim Stitt, Lori B., Jason Blanton, Marilyn Mangutz, Tina Gordert, Mike Lupo, Jack Slasinski, Skip Klauka



Pray for our Clergy & Religious

Sun: Sr. Isabella Bologna

Mon: Sr. Susan Gardner

Tues: Sr. Chris Herald

Wed: Sr. Mary Markey

Thurs: Sr. Barbara Matievich

Fri: Sr. Kathy Payne

Sat: Sr. Carmel Piotrowski

Events & Opportunities

Exposition of the Relics of St. Padre Pio On Oct 9, the Relics of Saint Padre Pio will be available for veneration and viewing at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord. Veneration will begin at 8:00 am and culminate with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Steven J. Raica that evening at 5:00 p.m.



Altar Server Event! On Sunday, October 20, 2019, Bishop Raica, Fr. Ben and Fr Jarvis want to personally thank altar servers in the diocese for all they do to serve their parish. We will meet at Lucky Jack's in Traverse City for an afternoon of fun and games beginning at 2:00pm. *There is no cost for servers or chaperones to attend.* Costs for the event are being taken care of with support from many Knights of Columbus Councils across the diocese as well as through gifts to the annual Catholic Services Appeal. **Flyers are available to pick up in the hall and narthex and RSVPs can be turned in to the office.** This event is for servers in grade 5 through adult.



The Yarn Angels of Mio are a small group of ladies committed to helping others. In the past they have placed donation boxes around the community to collect items that they distributed to veterans in the VA hospital.

This year they have chosen to bless Lydia's Gate Homeless Shelter by collecting supplies they need and even some toys for children who stay there. They hope to beat the seasonal giving rush and have placed collection boxes in the narthex and parish hall. A list of suggested items is available to pick up by the boxes.

"We underestimate ourselves, but God never does. He knows exactly what you are capable of in collaboration with him. Allow God to raise up the saint in you. This is what your corner of the world needs right now."

Stewardship Report	
Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$ 15,355.00
Last Week's Tithes & Offerings:	\$ 2,389.00
Other Income (candles, rent, etc):	\$ 303.00
Total September Collection:	\$ 16,125.00

St. Mary Church & Community News

Altar Servers—Schedules are in the sacristy.

Please Note: Adult Faith Formation will not meet this week since Fr. San is in Conway. Join them next Wednesday to study the Book of Genesis.

To Be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher or Altar Server is a privilege open to all members

of the church. Please consider serving in any of these areas as they are an important and integral part of the Mass. Training (and refreshment training for current ministers) takes place in October. Contact Fr. San, Jim Supina, or Kris Babcock if you can help.



Donate your scrap iron and metal to the Shrine!

A trailer will be parked behind Madonna Hall for another week to collect any scrap metal you may want to donate to the Shrine restoration. *No refrigeration equipment can be accepted.* Call Joe Gibala, 989-245-8947 or Jim Supina, 989-848-7459.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to join St. Francis & St. Mary folks on the 2nd annual **Mystery Pilgrimage trip** happening Tuesday, Oct. 15. They are in need of more people to fill the bus! They'll be leaving by Jag Motor Coach at 9:15 am, returning about 8 pm.

Reserve by Oct. 7th - flyers are in the hall.

Oktoberfest is happening **Saturday, October 26** at the Mio Columbian Hall, featuring the *U.P. Polka Knights*, Michael Prokopowicz and Frank Nowak.

Music includes polka, country, ballads, latin, waltz and more! Enjoy dining and dancing until 11 pm. Tickets are \$20—and must be purchased in advance. *No tickets sold at the door.* Several drawings will be held and all proceeds will go to benefit the Shrine Restoration.

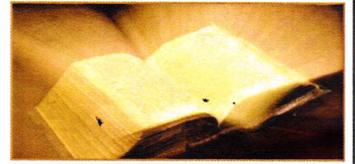


Stuff A Blue Goose! St. Bartholomew Church will be at Family Fare in Mio on **Friday, Oct. 4** from 2-6 pm. They hope to fill a State Police car with donations of non-perishable foods for their Community Food pantry. Stop by and help them out!



Spiritual Laws

Consider the fact that we abide by many physical laws. One is the law of gravity. Jump and you will fall. It's that simple.



God is not going to change that law because someone doesn't like it. And that's a good thing. It's hard to say exactly what would happen if gravity took a day off, but we can all agree: it would be unpleasant.

The same God who established physical laws also established spiritual laws that are just as real and just as important. From electromagnetism to thermodynamics, and many other laws, God made these physical laws of our universe consistent and dependable. How easy is it for us to see the physical laws as essential and the spiritual laws as ...well, optional?

One spiritual law portrayed in today's parable is the law of Giving and Receiving. The sin of the rich man was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. There's no sin in being rich. Many in the Bible (and today) were rich because God *wanted* to bless them with more than enough. God blessed their herds, their businesses and all they put their hand to. Why? Because they were faithful.

Giving to the church or to the poor is optional for us – we don't have to give or we can choose to give very little. Contrary to what many in today's world like to see happen.... God does not force anyone to give, even if they are rich. But He does tell us that *what we sow, we will reap*. Who sows two kernels of corn and gets an entire field of corn at harvest time? No one.

Regardless of how much we have, we are *all* promised that if we "give, it will be given back to you". When we put our trust not in our money but in what God promised, He will not only provide for our needs, but He wants us to prosper us financially and in many other ways! This is God's promise, His law, and it is as solid and dependable as the law of gravity.

If we choose to give very little in order to keep most of our income, time and talents for ourselves, our business, or for the 'things' in life we want, then we're going to miss out on a wonderful chance to be blessed by God!

When you give, do so willing, joyfully, and with a generous heart! Value those in need and God's church as more important than your satellite TV package, your cell phones and all the other things we so willing pay for - while berating the church for asking us to give so often.

Ignoring spiritual laws doesn't necessarily bring punishment, and acts of good are not always instantly rewarded—but every act, every gift, sows a seed, and *the harvest is coming*.

Give of your time, money, smiles, love, compliments...it can change your world and open a door for God to bless you.

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')