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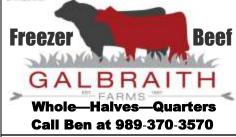


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St. Mary Catholic Church Our Lady of the Woods Shrine

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> Church email: parishoffice@stmarymio.org Shrine email: info@olwshrine.org www.olwshrine.org

Pastor Rev. Santiago M. Hoyumpa Secretary Maryanne Ladensack Maintenance **Lynn Cournyer and Nick Lashley**

> Weekly Mass Schedule Sunday—Rosary 8:25am Mass 9:00 am

Tues, Thurs, Fri—Rosary 8:25 am Mass 9:00 am followed by Adoration on Fridays Wednesday—Rosary 4:25 pm Mass 5:00 pm Saturday—Rosary 3:25 pm

4:00 pm Mass

Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8am—4:00 pm

> **Faith Formation Sundays after Mass** Begins September 7, 2025

Sacraments Preparation classes with Pastor

Marriage 6 months prior to setting date

Reconciliation By appointment or: Weds: 4:00—4:25 pm Saturday: 3:00—3:25 pm Sunday: 8:00—8:25 am

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7, 2025

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.



Rosary at 7:30 pm 3rd Degree meetings 1st Monday of month 8:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday—September 9 NO ROSARY NO MASS

Fr. San will be taking a long weekend as he prepares for a busy week.

Wednesday—September 10

4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation

4:25 pm Rosary

5:00 pm Mass

Karam Yousif

(The Family)

Thursday—September 11

8:25 am Rosarv 9:00 am Mass

Sarwad Yousif

(The Family)

Friday—September 12

8:25 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass followed by

Eucharistic Adoration

+Bob & +Joan Maier (Dana & Sharon LeBlanc)

Saturday—September 13

3:00-3:25 pm Reconciliation

3:25 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Mass

Intentions of our Shrine Restoration Supporters

Sunday—September 14

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00-8:25 am Reconciliation

8:25 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

+Ray Brown

(Cathy Brown-Kuba)

PRAYER LIST

NAMES STAY ON FOR UP TO ONE YEAR AND ARE THEN MOVED TO THE CHURCH PRAYER BOOK

Paul Pasternak, Dan Thorpe, Zachery, Chris Campbell, Sue Eichman, Mia McGregor, Brian Urbanski, Carol Garvey, Sue Dawes, Elizabeth Zupi, Luke Farhat, Kerri Pennington, Greg Pennington, Holly Vandethorn, Wally Cox, Cynthia Vanvleck, Rich Valley, Jude Brammel, Marianne Roddy, Jim, Sharon LeBlanc, Marilyn Hood

Sun: Rev. Peter Eke

Tues: Rev. Matthew Furgiuele Mon: Deceased Priests Wed: Rev. Cleetus George Thurs: Rev. Donald Geyman Rev. Joseph Graff Sat: Most Rev. Bishop Walsh

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

• CCW Craft Night every Monday at 6:00 pm in the parish hall—ladies, come join us! Bring a craft to work on while visiting.

• Faith & Fitness Exercise with Prayer Group meets every other Friday at 11:00 am in the parish hall. Pray the rosary while gently exercising. Open to all. Next one is Friday, September 12th.

Our Lady of LaSalette Devotional Event Saturday, September 20th

Potluck to follow—meatballs and ham provided. See flyer with this bulletin for details.



Where: St. Mary Cathedral, Gaylord When: Saturday, October 4, 2025 | 11 am

diocescofgaylord.org/marriage

RSVP by September 29th



CELEBRATING MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES OF 10, 25, 50, 55, 60+ YEARS IN 2025

Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$ 19,000.00
Loose, Envelopes & Misc.	\$ 4,582.00
Coffee and Donuts	\$ 92.40
Candles	\$ -0-
Mass Intentions	\$ 10.00
Online Donations for August	\$ 2,152.77
August Income to Date	\$ 31,465.26

**To donate online, go to our website: olwshrine.org and click on "Ways to Donate". You may contribute using a checking or savings account, credit or debit card and you may update or cancel at anytime. You may make a one-time donation or set up a repeating schedule.

Special Collection to Help Innocent Victims in Gaza (Checks payable to St. Mary Parish)

Today, we took up a second collection to benefit efforts of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA), a non-profit papal agency, to provide vital emergency humanitarian relief and medical and psychological care for the sick, malnourished and wounded in Gaza and the surrounding areas.

If you have already given, thank you! If you would like to join parishioners throughout the United States in generously helping our brothers and sisters in the Middle East, you may place your donation in an envelope marked GAZA and drop it in the collection basket.

Next Weekend is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross... also known as the Triumph of the Cross

This is the time the Chaldean Catholics from the Detroit area and Windsor. Canada area travel north by the busload to pray at our Shrine.

If you have some free time. stop by the Shrine Friday through Monday, September 12-15 to help out.

You might even get to try

perish, but have everlasting life. dolma (stuffed grape leaves)—

delicious! Or, there could be some homemade baklava (layered pastry dish)—fantastic! The Chaldeans love to share both food and stories.

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the Toly (ross

For God so loved the world that He

whosoever believeth in Him may not

gave His only begotten son, that

SHRINE CORNER

Last week, I mentioned some people that were unsung names at the Shrine. This week I am going to name some people that have been

We have \$143,090.83 in our account towards our final goal of \$210,000.00.

extremely important in the development of the Shrine from the beginning of the Restoration.

These people do not seek recognition, but they deserve it. These people have been involved and believed in the project. In fact, a special committee was named for their work and we called it the VISION COMMITTEE. This Committee operated independently of the Pastoral and Finance Committees.

When we say the Restoration has been done without debt, these people are the mainstays behind that statement. All the events that are currently being done were initiated by the Vision Committee. Fundraiser events that were developed were done by the Vision Committee. Brochures, the Shrine Tour Book and Adopt the Statue brochures were all done by the Vision Committee.

So who were these people in the Vision Committee who believed in the Restoration and that it could be done? From the beginning, Sharon LeBlanc, Annette Graham, Delores McArdle were there and researched and participated in every event, fundraiser and brochure. In the beginning, Dawn Downey did the newsletter, now it is being done by Sharon LeBlanc. Annette Graham and Delores McArdle continue to have a hands-on approach as they planned and organized this year's Assumption day.

We can't forget Cathy Kuba who took over the Gift Shop. The Finance Council recognizes her skill at every Finance Council meeting. The Gift Shop and the Kuba volunteers have increased the revenue from \$700 in 2014 to well over \$20,000 per year through sales and donations.

Somebody who left the Mio area last year cannot be forgotten either and that is Betty Stanchina. When she left, I did a column on her involvement and dedication to the Shrine. Another go-to person.

New names are coming to the Shrine. Nancy Rummel is another person who works the Shrine details. Ann Mariani is a hands-on person at almost all events. Kelley Hissong has taken over the scheduling of the tours. Once again, I am running out of room and there are still many more new people.

When you watch the news, you get depressed. When you look at the Shrine, you are enlightened.

God Bless, Jim L.

For the bulletin online, go to the Shrine website—olwshrine.org—and click on "Our Parish." You can also access it at: dioceseofgaylord.org, 'Find a Parish', then find us on the map or list—click on our website.