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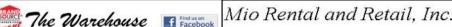
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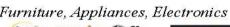
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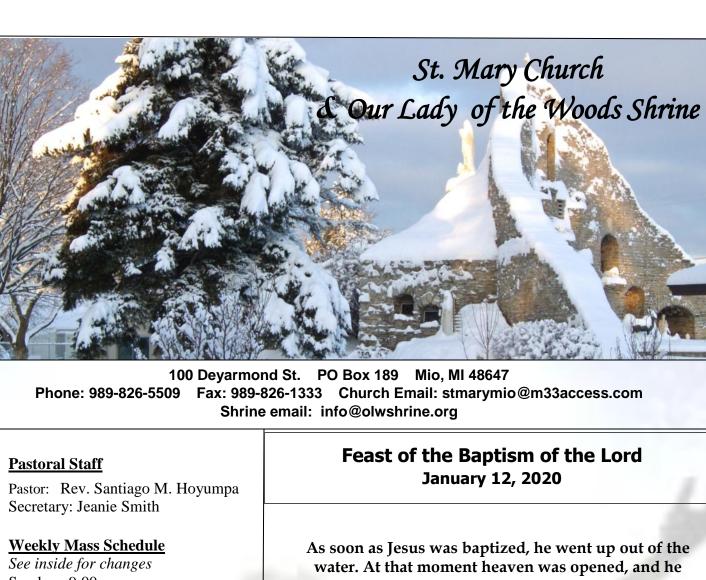
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Sunday: 9:00 am

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: 5:00—5:15 pm Saturday: 3:00—3:30 pm Sunday: 8:30—8:45 am

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday

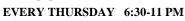
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2020

As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; ith him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:16-17









Mass Schedule

Events & Opportunities

St. Mary Church & Community News

Tuesday—January 14

- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass
- +Margaret Kauffman (Joan Kauffman)

Wednesday—January 15

5:30 pm Rosary 6:00 pm Mass

Claude & Blanche Thorpe Family (Blanche Thorpe)

Thursday—January 16

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

Personal Intentions

Friday—January 17

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

Students & Teachers

Saturday—January 18

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm Mass

+Deceased Members, Galbraith / LeBlanc Families (Dana & Sharon LeBlanc)

Sunday—January 19

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

+Arlan Stone (Barb Thomas)

Prayer List

Peter Scott, Mike Shea, Ruth Klee, David Lupo, Art DuRussel, Donna Judd, Doug Heeg, Sandi Carter, Mary Macy, Dan Kammer, Clarence Lapcinski, Kim Stitt, Tina Gordert, Mike Lupo, Esther Socia, Marie Paparelli, Bobbie Jo Gordert, Jim & Donna Nicolay, Jerry Roznowski, Larry Slasinski, Dave, Mary & Anna Price



Pray for our Clergy & Religious

Sun: Dea. Max Wendell

Mon: Dea. Douglas Wigton Tues: Dea. Jude Younker Wed: Sr. Pia Blackburn Thurs: Sr. Isabella Bologna

Fri: Sr. Susan Gardner

Sat: Sr. Chris Herald

Family Perspective: Families should be cradles of kindness, humility, patience and thanksgiving. Children cannot truly learn and share these qualities unless they have experienced them within their own family.

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Word of Life: An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time. It's important that an expecting mother and father have someone and somewhere to go for help and support. They need Christians who will pray with them and for them and their child. We can all do that if the situation arises. We also have His Love Family Resources in Mio who helps provide the very things expecting parents need—love, care, prayer, resources and support. Let's support His Love as they continue to help so many young parents.

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Reflection: Today's Feast marks the conclusion of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. It's a feast of transition from Jesus' hidden life to that of His public ministry. It also echoes the

theme of the

Epiphany in that the Baptism of the Lord is another manifestation announcing Jesus' divinity to all of His first followers and to the disciples of John the Baptist.

It needs to be pointed out that Jesus did not need the baptism of John. John was baptizing as a call to and sign

of personal repentance. Jesus had no need to repent. But, nonetheless, He comes to John. John resists at first but Jesus insists.

By accepting the baptism of John, Jesus affirms John's sacred role of preparing the way for Jesus and for a new era of grace. Therefore, the Baptism of Jesus acts as a bridge between the Old Testament prophets (of which John was the last) and the New Testament era of grace and truth.

Turn your eyes to Jesus and prepare yourself to follow Him and to heed every word He speaks to us through His Holy Word. He was sent into this world to draw us to the Father. Allow Him to fulfill that mission in your own life.

Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget: \$ 15,355.00 Last Week's Tithes & Offerings: \$ 3,870.00 Other Income (candles, rent, etc): \$ 101.00 January Collection to Date: \$ 3,971.00



Sunday January 19th at the Columbian Hall

Bring a pot of your tastiest chili to share!
Prizes will given for the best spicy & mild chili.
Doors open at 2:00 pm, Judging at 4:00 pm
Cost is \$5.00 per person.

Paint a Picture & Support the Shrine Restoration!

January 18th at 1:30 pm in the parish hall
You don't have to be an artist, it's easy and
it's fun! Everyone will paint a picture of birch
trees with a moon. Cost is \$30 and proceeds
will go to the restoration fund.
Contact Kris Babcock at 989-808-4240
to reserve your spot.

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March for Life Friday, January 24th

10:00 am — Meet in the Parish Hall
10:30 am — March downtown
Special Speaker, Lisa Gross, of Right to Life of
MI will speak, following the march.
Refreshments
will follow in the parish hall.

Please come and show your support for life.

AMEN!

- Our hope is not in the new year, but in the One who makes all things new.
- When someone is going through a storm, your silent presence is more powerful than a million empty words.
- God is not 'out there' or 'up there' or 'somewhere'. All
 the fullness of Christ is 'within' those who receive Him
 as Lord.
- God loves each of us... as if there were only one of us.

All is Forgiven

In his short story "The Capital of the World," Ernest Hemingway writes of a young man named Paco who had been kicked out of his home. Paco spent months wandering Madrid's streets, hoping to become a bullfighter.

Paco's father, desperate to mend the rift between them, resorted to putting an ad in the local newspaper. The ad read: "Paco, meet me at the Hotel Montana at noon on Tuesday. All is forgiven!" On Tuesday, a dozen young men named Paco showed up at that hotel, all longing for restoration and forgiveness.

Like Paco's dad, our heavenly Father takes the first step. He invites the prodigal sons and daughters to come to Him. God won't turn away or disappoint anyone. He offers total forgiveness, without conditions, to all.

God found Gideon in a hole. He found Joseph in a prison. He found Daniel in a lion's den. He has a curious habit of showing up in the midst of trouble, not the absence. Where the world sees failure, God sees future. Next time you feel unqualified to be used by God remember this, He tends to recruit from the pit, not the pedestal.



In their 35 years as neighbors on Earth, Arnie and Bart never knew they were both Christians, FUNNY isn't it? Do your neighbors know what you believe?

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