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3rd Degree meetings  
1st Monday of month 8:00 pm

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Rosary at 6:00 pm  
4th Degree meetings  
1st Monday of month 6:30 pm

**St. Mary Catholic Church and  
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100 South Deyarmond Street PO Box 189 Mio, MI 48647  
Phone: 989-826-5509

Church email: [parishoffice@stmarymio.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmarymio.org)  
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**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
**April 27, 2025**

**Staff**  
Pastor: Rev. Santiago M. Hoyumpa  
Secretary: Maryanne Ladensack  
Maintenance: Richard Troyer

**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  
Mass 4:00 pm

**Office Hours**  
Monday-Thursday: 8am—3:30pm

**Faith Formation**  
Sundays after Mass

**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

**Bulletin Deadline: Monday**

**JESUS**  
**I Trust in You**



MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday—April 29**  
8:25 am Rosary  
9:00 am Mass  
+*Jackie Smith*  
(*Dana & Sharon LeBlanc*)

**Wednesday—April 30**  
**4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation**  
4:25 pm Rosary  
5:00 pm Mass  
+*Chip Botkin*  
(*Dana & Sharon LeBlanc*)

**Thursday—May 1**  
8:25 am Rosary  
9:00 am Mass  
+*Tim & +Sally Galbraith*  
(*Dana & Sharon LeBlanc*)

**Friday —May 2**  
8:25 am Rosary  
9:00 am Mass followed by  
Eucharistic Adoration  
+*Deceased Members of the Boris Family*  
(*Connie Boris*)

**Saturday—May 3**  
**3:00-3:25 pm Reconciliation w/ Fr. Larry Boks**  
3:25 pm Rosary  
4:00 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Larry Boks  
(Retired Priest from Oscoda, Michigan)  
+*Patrick Bohlinger*  
(*Dana & Sharon LeBlanc*)


**Sunday—May 4**  
**8:00-8:25 am Reconciliation**  
8:25 am Rosary  
9:00 am Mass  
+*Tim & +Sally Galbraith*  
(*Dana & Sharon LeBlanc*)

PRAYER LIST

Pat Campbell, Maria Williams, Ray & Marcia Botkin, Bernie Kann, Jim, Aiden Trudell, Chris and daughter, Deb Money, Thomas Schoensee, Alejandro Bacon, Chris Horger, Paul Pasternak, Mia McGregor, Becky Sidebottom, Gary Babcock, Dan Thorpe, Zachery, Chris Campbell, Sue Eichman, Brian Urbanski, Carol Garvey, Sue Dawes, Pat McArdle, Sandy Gehringer-Handrich, John Trudell

Sun: Rev. Michael Linguar  
Mon: Rev. William Lipscomb Tues: Rev. T. Patrick Maher  
Wed: Rev. Benjamin Martin Thurs: Seminarians  
Fri: Vocations to Religion Sat: Vocations to Priesthood

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS




**Bereavement**

**Pope Francis** passed away on April 21st. Please keep him in your prayers as well as the Conclave as they prayerfully choose our next Pope.

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.  
And let perpetual light shine upon him.  
May he rest in peace. Amen.*

**A BIG THANK YOU** to Heidi Szymanski, Aurora Szymanski, Marianne Roddy and Sharon LeBlanc for putting on a wonderful Easter Brunch! It raised \$180 that will go in the Shrine Restoration fund! God Bless You, Ladies!





**Receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

- Melissa Ledbetter*
- Bentley Ledbetter*

**Receiving Confirmation**

- Trent Furchak*
- Sarah Furchak*

*St. Mary of Mio will be joining the group in Alpena*

**Saturday, May 17, 2025**  
**Mass at 9:30 am**

**St. Ann Catholic Church**  
**817 Sable Street**  
**Alpena, MI 49707**



Parishioners, family and friends are encouraged to join the celebration. Refreshments to follow in the St. Ann parish hall that day.

*St. Mary of Mio will have a celebration cake on Sunday, May 18th in our hall after Mass.*

Stewardship Report			
Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$	17,500.00	
Loose, Envelopes & Misc.	\$	5,631.75	
Coffee and Donuts	\$	-0-	
Candles	\$	44.00	
Mass Intentions	\$	60.00	
April Income to Date	\$	14,259.68	
Rice Bowl Collection to Date	\$	376.15	

**Shrine Corner**

The following article is my thoughts on the Patio portion of the restoration that was reported on in the April 13th Shrine Corner article. It explained current options being considered.

So having said that, if you have an opinion or a thought after reading my article, please attend the next Shrine Restoration Meeting on April 29. You pay the bills, you deserve to be heard.

**Idaho Quartz**

Reading our representative prices in the bulletin, I thought this was out of the question. However, I got on the phone and made some calls and found out there are contractors who are interested. I have located two contractors who are interested and have come to the Shrine for an evaluation. One is for limestone and the other is Idaho Quartz. This will be discussed at the upcoming meeting.

**Option 1 Stop the Restoration and do nothing.**

In my opinion, that should not even be on the table. If you look at the condition of the present layout and condition, the patio is in really bad shape.

**Option 2 Onaway Limestone.**

First of all, that is not even available anymore. We used a different kind of limestone for the face for that very reason. \$275,000.00? I want to see the breakdown and all of the bids received to validate that statement. I will be at the meeting to discuss this option and learn how that cost came about.

**Option 3 Stamped concrete.**

I talked to one of the workers several years ago and was told “don’t do it, because it won’t last.” Since he was a stone mason, I figured he knew what he was talking about and had some experience. In my opinion, I have no interest in pursuing this issue.

**Option 4 Repair the existing surface.**

This option sounds like option 2, only with a half-hearted attempt to finish the project. That would leave a continued problem for those that follow.

We have done a lot of work and spent a lot of money to restore the Shrine. Why would we not finish the job properly now? Will it cost more money? Probably. Look at what we will be leaving behind, an even more beautiful Shrine—**fully restored**. That will be our legacy.

We need to determine what we want and to develop a plan on paper, so everybody is on equal-footing. The contractors can determine their interest and/or to make bids. Since we are in a holding pattern for the Jubilee Year, we have time now to do that extra work. We have been told at earlier meetings by our representative that Idaho quartz is not the expertise of Meridian. Then how come we are not looking? Parish family, I am looking!

Anyway, if you have an opinion or thought on this project, please attend the meeting on April 29. Folks, it is your time to be heard!

God bless. Jim L.

**We have \$77,549.56 in our restoration account.**

**Restoration Committee & Pastoral Council**

There will be a joint meeting of the Restoration Committee and the Pastoral Council on Tuesday, April 29th at 6:00 pm in the parish hall.

*Please plan to attend this important meeting.*

- CCW Craft Night every Monday in the parish hall at 6:00 pm.
- Oscoda County Right-to-Life meets 04/29 from 6:30—8:00 pm at the Mio library.

For the bulletin online, go to the Shrine website—[olwshrine.org](http://olwshrine.org)—and click on “Our Parish.”

**You can also access it at: [dioceseofgaylord.org](http://dioceseofgaylord.org), ‘Find a Parish’, then find us on the map or list—click on our website.**