OUR LADY OF THE WOODS SHRINE ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Holy and Special Mass Schedule

Ash Wednesday Wednesday, March 1, 2017 9:00am

Chrism Mass Tuesday, April 11, 2017 11:00am St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord

24 Hours for the Lord Friday, March 24, 2017-Saturday, March 25, 2017

> Holy Thursday Thursday, March 13, 2017 7:00pm

Penance Service Tuesday, April 4, 2017 Good Friday Friday, April 14, 2017 3:00pm

Easter Vigil Saturday, April 15, 2017 9:00pm

Easter Service Sunday, April 16, 2017 8:30am

Ascension of the Lord Thursday, May 25, 2017 This Holy Day observance is celebrated on Sunday, May 28, 2017



Beginning January 2, 2017, St. Francis of Assisi in Lewiston received a new priest. Father San's only assignment now is St. Mary Catholic Church in Mio.

With this change in assignments, we now have the following Mass schedule:

Tuesday thru Friday

Eucharistic Adoration Friday 9:30-10:30am

> Reconciliation Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

> > Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:30am

Weekday Mass times could change if needed. Please call to confirm times.



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Rejoicing in Faith

A Pilgrimage with Mary

sacrifice≌ Saint Anne was born in Beth- 1650's. Some sailors, from Brittalehem. She eventually married ny, were overtaken by a storm on Joachim, who was from Naza- the St. Lawrence. The wind and

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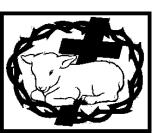
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Reminder



St. Anne de Beaupre'

reth. After 20 years of marriage and no children, both Anne and Joachim pleaded God to give them a child. An

angel then appeared and told Anne that she would give birth to a daughter whom she was to call Mary.

- This is all that is really known about 2 St. Anne. She is a popular saint because she is the mother of Mary and
- 2 the grandmother of Jesus. In 550, a church was built in Jerusalem, near where Anne and Joachim is believed
- to have lived, in honor of St. Anne. St. Anne is the patron saint of min-
- 4 ers. This comes from Christ being compared to gold and Mary to silver. tween two broken towers, was a She is also the patron saint of women in labor.

In Beaupre' Canada, there is a magnificent basilica in honor of St. Anne. This basilica was built in the

waves of the storm blew the boat towards a rocky bank. They prayed to St. Anne, the patroness of their beloved Brittany. They vowed to build a chapel in her honor wherever they safely landed They landed on the north banks near Beaupre'. A little shrine was

The first basilica was completely destroyed in a fire on March 29, 1922. Everything was a disaster. There was nothing left of the basilica. Or was there?

Above the pile of debris, where a beautiful basilica once stood, betotally unscathed wooden statue of St. Anne. In her arms was the Blessed Virgin Mary. This miraculous statue still held its gilt casing of the relic of St. Anne.





If You Call, They Will Come

If you are in need of a ride to the doctor, a hospital bed delivered, or some cookies made, who are you going to call? Richard and Tena Troy-

Even though Tena has only been a member of St. Mary's for about 26 years, Richard is a lifetime member. They were married June 22, 1991 at Tena's home church of St. Joe's in West Branch. At that time, Tena moved to Luzerne and joined Richard at St. Mary's.

Both, Richard and Tena, have been very active in our parish. Tena was the parish secretary from 1992 until 2004. She is

still an Eucharistic Minister, a Even though Tena is busy as a to help in the kitchen, make phone calls, to help as a Shrine tour guide, or just about anything else you might need. She is also the Treasurer of the Visions of Mary council of Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Richard has been the maintenance man for the parish for many years. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus in Mio.

cantor, a lectern, a sacra, an altar home care assistant for the State server, and a member of parish of Michigan and Richard is alcouncil. She is always available ways busy with the grounds of the parish and Shrine, they are always willing to help those in

> Richard has delivered and picked the Shrine are up a hospital bed that the church has to a parish member. You can find him setting up for the outdoor Mass for the Assumption celebration in August. He has even went to the grocery store for their minissupplies when needed.

Tena is always willing to make her famous molasses cookies, give you a ride, help in the gift

shop, and she can answer almost any question you may have about the church or shrine.

St. Mary Catholic Church and Our Lady of extremely blessed by this couple who are greatly faithful to tries



Tena & Richard Troyer

Upcoming Restoration



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The Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Restoration Committees are hard at work to get a lot of work done in

snow to melt so they can get a closer look at the Shrine. Once they are able to see the damage up close, they will give us a quote for the next phase of repairs. The Restoration Committees will then meet and choose the best stone mason. Work will then begin!!

The next phase is to repair the peak and the edges towards the top of the

Approximately ten years ago, the peak As these repairs are being done, we was struck by lightening. The peak was originally shaped kind of like a set of praying hands. When the repairs starting to lay the Legacy were done after the strike, the stone masons who did the work, donated a small stone cross to be placed on the

top of the Shrine. This cross will be moved to a different location on the Shrine grounds.

The mortar that was used at the time Two stone masons are waiting for the of the repairs was not the correct kind of mortar. Using the wrong kind of mortar has caused cracks to form at the peak. This, in turn, has allowed water to seep into the inside of the Shrine.

> Once this phase is completed, the peak will be back to the original design. The edges will be stable. And finally, the Shrine's peak will be waterproofed!

are continuing to restore statues as they are adopted. We also will be

Pavers as they are delivered. The first order of pavers have been delivered

and are waiting for Spring to arrive. Once Spring is here and the ground is thawed completely, Richard and his crew will begin to place the pavers along the sidewalks of the Shrine.

If you would like to adopt a statue, please give us a call at (989) 826-5509 or send us an email to: ourladyoftheshrinemio@hotmail.com

To order a Legacy Paver to be placed in the Spring, fill out the form on the

We thank you for your continuing help and support in completing this very large restoration project. We could not do it without your assistance. Your support will ensure future generations being able to enjoy our



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Catholic Council of Women

In January 2017, the women of St. Mary Catholic Church decided to start a chapter of the Gaylord Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW).

The objectives of the council are; Catholic Church chapter of 1-To unite all women of St. Mary Catholic Church to promote the greater honor and glory of God and the spiritual enrichment of the membership;

2-To render assistance and service in any spiritual, financial, or physical undertaking recommended by the Pastor/Spiritual Advisor or members.

The first meeting only had a few women attend. The first thing on the agenda was to elect officers. The following people were elect-

President—-Sharon LeBlanc Vice President—Dawn Downey Secretary—-Marie Heeg Treasurer—-Tena Troyer

The next meeting was held on Saturday, February 18th. This meeting was attended by approxi- and Saturday, April 8th.

mately 20 women. The agenda of this meeting included selecting a name and a dedicated meeting day and time.

The official name of the St. Mary DCCW is:

The Visions of Our Lady Council of Catholic Women'

This name was chosen to honor the visions of Mary we have at our Shrine.

The Council will meet on the 2nd Saturday of every month except for May. The meetings will be held in the St. Mary Parish Hall from 1-2pm. All women members of the parish are welcome to attend.

There was a meeting on Saturday, March 4th to establish the by-laws of the council. These bylaws will be voted on at the next meeting.

The Visions of Our Lady Council of Catholic Women will meet again on Saturday, March 11th

Stations of the Cross

Station 1

Jesus is Condemned to Death

Station 2

Jesus is Made to Carry His Cross

Station 3

Jesus Falls the First Time

Station 4

Jesus Meets His Sorrowful Mother

Station 5

Simon of Cyrene Helps Jesus Carry His Cross Station 6

Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus

Station 7

Jesus Falls the Second Time Station 8

The Women of Jerusalem Weep Over Jesus

Station 9

Jesus Falls the Third Time Station 10

Jesus is Stripped of His Garments

Station 11

Jesus is Nailed to the Cross

Station 12

Jesus is Raised Upon the Cross and Dies Station 13

Jesus is Taken Down From the Cross and Placed in the Arms of His Mother

Station 14

Jesus is Laid in the Sepulcher

Legacy Pavers

The Legacy Pavers are one way to help fund the Our Lady of the Woods Shrine restoration. The pavers are also a way to commemorate those who have contributed financially, those we love, or parishioners whose care and support of the shrine has spanned decades.

Your Legacy Paver can be engraved with any of the following:

Your family's name

Your name

A dedication to a loved one

Rejoicing in Faith, A Pilgrimage with Mary

A favorite scripture

An inspirational quote

In memory of a special person

A special date

The engraved pavers will be placed along the sidewalks surrounding the shrine. The red lines in the picture represent where the pavers will be located.

Prices for the pavers are:

4" x 8"——\$ 100 This will accommodate up to 3 lines and 21 characters of text in each line.

8" x 8"—— \$ 200 This size will allow up to 6 lines and 21 characters of text in each line.



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Please complete this form as you would like your paver to read and mail it to the parish office along with your payment.

Please make checks out to: Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Memo line: Legacy Paver Mailing address: St. Mary Church, Attn: Dawn Downey, PO Box 189, Mio, MI 48647

Please fill out the spaces below, as you would like it to read. A letter or character for each space.

A comma, dash, period or other symbol or punctuation is considered one space and goes in its own box.

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