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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  
7:00pm

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



## Reminder

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  
9:00am

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.

# Rejoicing in Faith

## A Pilgrimage with Mary

### St. Anne de Beaupre'

Saint Anne was born in Bethlehem. She eventually married Joachim, who was from Nazareth. After 20 years of marriage and no children, both Anne and Joachim pleaded with 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 St. Anne. She is a popular saint because she is the mother of Mary and 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.

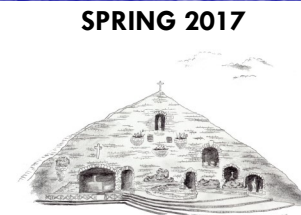
St. Anne is the patron saint of miners. This comes from Christ being compared to gold and Mary to silver. She is also the patron saint of women in labor.

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

1650's. Some sailors, from Brittany, were overtaken by a storm on the St. Lawrence. The wind and 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 erected.

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, between two broken towers, was a totally 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.



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#### Upcoming Restorations

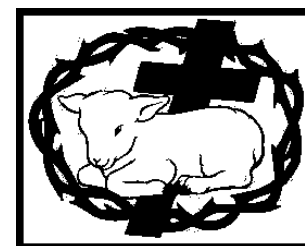
#### Visions of Our Lady DCCW

#### Stations of the Cross

#### Legacy Pavers

#### Holy Day Mass Schedule

#### Reminder



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 Troyer!!!!

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 cantor, a lectioner, a sacra, an altar server, and a member of parish council. She is always available 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.

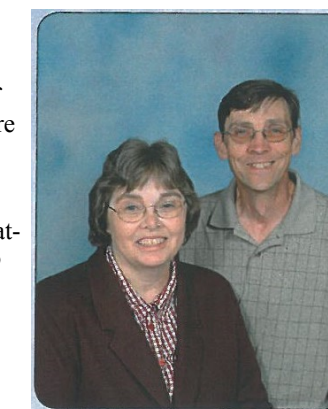
Even though Tena is busy as a home care assistant for the State of Michigan and Richard is always busy with the grounds of the parish and Shrine, they are always willing to help those in need.

Richard has delivered and picked 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 supplies when needed.

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

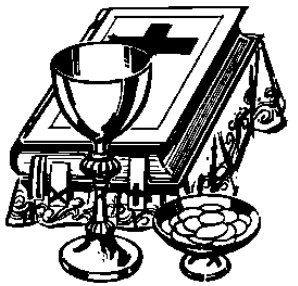
shop, and she can answer almost any question you may have about the church or shrine.

St. Mary Catholic Church and Our Lady of the Shrine are extremely blessed by this couple who are greatly faithful to their ministries.



Tena & Richard Troyer





Approximately ten years ago, the peak was struck by lightning. The peak was originally shaped kind of like a set of praying hands. When the repairs were done after the strike, the stone masons who did the work, donated a small stone cross to be placed on the

As these repairs are being done, we are continuing to restore statues as they are adopted. We also will be starting to lay the Legacy Pavers as they are delivered. The first order of pavers have been delivered

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 Shrine.



The Visions of Our Lady Council of Catholic Women will meet again on Saturday, March 11th and Saturday, April 8th.

**Station IV**  
**Jesus is Laid in the Sepulcher**

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