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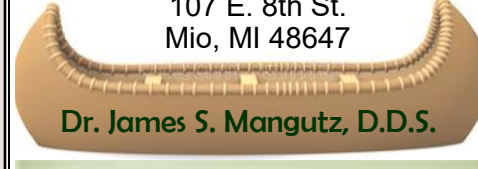
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Rosary at 7:30 pm
3rd Degree meetings
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Rosary at 6:00 pm
4th Degree meetings
1st Monday of month 6:30 pm




St. Mary Catholic Church and Our Lady of the Woods Shrine

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Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2024

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 & 5:45 pm
Saturday: 3:00—3:25 pm
Sunday: 8:00—8:25 am

Bulletin Deadline: Monday



St. Mary of Mio Faith Formation Kids with their Lego Advent Wreaths

From Left to Right:
Ryan Lashley, Bentley Ledbetter, Sophia Lashley, Eliza Cournyer, Luke Kachiros, Landon Field, Emily Lashley and Olivia Kachiros

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday—December 17

8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
Lena Paris (Mary Downs—Neighbor)
3:00 pm Mass at Wellspring Nursing Home in Fairview
Nursing Home Residents

Wednesday—December 18

4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation
4:25 pm Rosary
5:00 pm Mass & 5:45 pm Reconciliation
+*Robert Thomas (Barb Thomas)*

Thursday—December 19

8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
Vocations to the Priesthood

Friday—December 20

8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration
Vocations to Religious Life

Saturday—December 21

3:00-3:25 pm Reconciliation
3:25 pm Rosary
4:00 pm Mass
+*Marion Trudell (Barb Thomas)*

Sunday—December 22

8:00-8:25 am Reconciliation
8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
+*Deceased Members of the Boris Family (Connie Boris)*

PRAYER LIST

Bob & Deb, Rock Haio, Joan Wiegand, T.J., Pat Campbell, Maria Williams, John, Ray & Marcia Botkin, Bernie Kann, Jim, Aiden Trudell, Chris and daughter, Don Owczarzak, Deb Money, Thomas Schoensee, Bonnie, Heidi Szymanski, Barb Street, Alejandro Bacon, Chris Horgar, Paul Pasternak, Mia McGregor, Beth, Becky Sidebottom, Char Courmyer, Gary Babcock, Dan Thorpe, Zachery, Chris Campbell, Patti Sherwood, Patty Stewart, Sue Eichman


Sun: Rev. Rolando Silva


Mon: Rev. Kunal Baliar Singh Tues: Rev. Kenneth Stachnik


Wed: Rev. Dennis Stilwell Thurs: Rev. Emmanuel Tizhe

Fri: Rev. Bernard Tyler Sat: Rev. Michael Verschaeve

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

 Craft Night every Monday in the parish hall at 6:00 pm. Bring your own craft.

 Please pick up a shopping bag in the narthex and fill it with cleaning supplies for recipients of the Giving Tree this year. Return filled bags to the parish hall by Sunday, December 22nd.

 We are collecting donations for Christmas flowers—see the flower jar in the narthex.

- Server schedules for January and February are in the sacristy.
- Gift Shop open during Advent both before and after the weekend Masses.
- Reconciliation for Advent is Wednesdays from 4:00-4:25 pm and again after Mass at 5:45 pm. Saturday from 3:00-3:25 pm and Sunday from 8:00-8:25 am.
- Restoration Committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 17th at 6:00 pm in the parish hall.
- No Soul Core Exercise Class until Friday, January 3, 2025 at 11:00 am.
- Annual March for Life on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Coffee & donuts, March, Lunch—Details Soon!

It's Giving Tree Time! It's Party Time!

Tags are on the tree in the narthex.

Christmas Concert is 3:00 pm, Sunday, 12/22/24 followed by our parish potluck at 4:00 pm. Come celebrate with us! Sign-up sheets in the narthex.




Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$	17,500.00
Loose, Envelopes & Misc.	\$	2,720.00
Immaculate Conception so far	\$	278.00
Coffee and Donuts	\$	-0-
Candles	\$	114.00
Mass Intentions	\$	-0-
Rental Income	\$	400.00
December Income to Date	\$	7,675.00
<i>Retirement for Religious to Date</i>	\$	1,522.00

Join the Party on December 15th! K of C Open-to-All Christmas Party

Doors open at 3:00 pm; dinner at 4:00 pm
\$15/ticket—you can come last minute and pay at the door.



 **The restoration breakfast is now completed and has raised a considerable amount of money—THANK YOU!** \$965.00 was received in the donation box for the breakfast. Another \$610.00 was received for the Painting Class. As was announced last Sunday, we had a donor who is matching dollar-for-dollar—that means the Restoration account will receive \$3,150.00.

I think since we had these events on the feast day of Mary that she probably had a hand in helping these events. So to our Blessed Mother, I want to say THANK YOU, and I hope we served you well.

Lastly, this is the highest amount ever raised for these type of events. THANK YOU, AGAIN! THANK YOU MATCH-DONOR for even making it better!

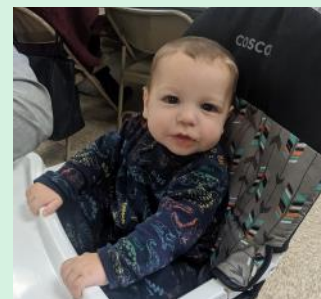
God Bless. Jim and Lanna



Carol Dzienis, Dave Lewis, and Dave's grandson, Landon Field



Shianne Beattie, Gregg Hissong, and Cynthia VanVleck



Joseph Lashley



Table Décor by Lanna

Shrine Corner

Our Lady of Guadalupe

We have \$27,449.01 in our restoration account.

December 12th was the feast day for Our Lady of Guadalupe. She appeared to Juan Diego and his uncle Juan Bernadino in December 1531 at a place called the Hill of Tepeyac—later known as the Village of Guadalupe. The woman appearing to Juan Diego stated that she was Mary “Mother of the very true Deity” and told Juan to have a church built at this location in honor of her. He was then to inform the Archbishop of Mexico City of what had transpired.

Juan wanted no part of this command but did as he was instructed. The bishop's attendants dismissed him and he was happy about this. However, upon returning, Our Lady of Guadalupe indicated that he was the chosen and needed to return to the bishop. He returned and waited several hours before the bishop received him. He instructed Juan to ask for a sign from this lady of who she was.



Juan Diego was told by Our Lady of Guadalupe to pick some flowers in the freezing winter weather. Finding castellan roses, he gathered them up in his tilma (poncho cape made of burlap), and took them back to the bishop who made him wait again. Upon opening his tilma before the bishop and his attendants, an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe was imprinted on the tilma. The bishop and his attendants immediately fell to their knees upon seeing this beautiful and sacred image.

A small shrine was built at this location. This apparition resulted in the conversion of almost the entire population of Mexico which was 10 million at that time. Juan Diego was canonized a saint on July 31, 2002.

Peace be with you.
Monte Mariani, Shrine Director



**Christmas Eve Mass is at 4:00 pm
Christmas Day Mass is at 9:00 am**

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.