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Rosary at 7:30 pm
3rd Degree meetings
1st Monday of month 8:00 pm

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MADONNA HALL

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

www.olwshrine.org

100 South Deyarmond Street PO Box 189 Mio, MI 48647
Phone: 989-826-5509

Church email: parishoffice@stmarymio.org
Shrine email: info@olwshrine.org

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

First Sunday
Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.



MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday—December 3

8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
+Amera Younin (Nagham Kasmarogi)

Wednesday—December 4

4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation
4:25 pm Rosary
5:00 pm Mass & 5:45 pm Reconciliation
+Elenita Hoyumpa (Father San)

Thursday—December 5

NO MASS THIS DAY AS FR. SAN ATTENDS ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION FOR PRIESTS

Friday—December 6

8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration
Meriam (Abeer Hermez)

Saturday—December 7

3:00-3:25 pm Reconciliation w/ Fr. Larry Boks
3:25 pm Rosary
4:00 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Larry Boks
Alden (Abeer Hermez)

Sunday—December 8

8:00-8:25 am Reconciliation
8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
Intentions of St. Mary of Mio Parishioners

3:25 pm. Rosary
4:00 pm Vigil Mass Immaculate Conception
+Souls in Purgatory

Monday—December 9 Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation
8:25 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass
+Remigio Salazar (Concepcion Salazar)

PRAYER LIST

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Sun: Rev. Gerald Okoli

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Wed: Rev. Leonard Paul Thurs: Rev. Yakubu Philibus

Fri: Rev. Alfred Pillarelli Sat: Pope Francis

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS



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



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 8th.



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

- Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 pm in the parish hall.
- Gift Shop open during Advent both before and after the weekend Masses.

Painting and Pizza with Friends



Sunday December 8, 2024 12:00 PM

\$30.00

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Call 989.808.2646 Delores McArdle or
Kris Babcock 989.808.4240 to register.

Come join us for a fun afternoon!
Proceeds to Shrine Restoration

Stewardship Report

Average Monthly Operating Budget:	\$	17,500.00
Loose, Envelopes & Misc.	\$	3,086.00
Coffee and Donuts	\$	30.26
Candles	\$	6.00
Mass Intentions	\$	-0-
Online Donations for November	\$	1,598.50
November Income to Date	\$	17,839.44

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—get yours from Kevin Grace, Joe Gibala, Dave Lashley, Chuck Bolda or the parish office.

You can also pay the \$15 at the door, but help us know you are coming—see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Soul Core Exercise Class this Friday, December 6th at 11:00 am—then no class until Friday, January 3rd, 2025.

⇒ **Christmas Choir will be practicing Wednesdays after Mass (so about 5:45 pm) on December 4th, 11th, and 18th.**

⇒ **Reconciliation for Advent will be these same days after Mass.**

⇒ **No Advent Penance Service this year.**

Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm, Sunday, 12/08/24
- Mass at 9:00 am, Monday, 12/09/24

Choose one of these in addition to your Sunday obligation.



Second collection next weekend—

12/07 and 12/08

Checks payable to: St. Mary Parish

Breakfast Menu

December 8th

**Father San Bacon
Different Varieties of Quiche
French Toast Casserole
3 Different Kinds of Muffins
Fresh Fruit
Coffee and Juices**

All handmade from scratch by Lanna with assistance by Debbie M., Cheryl E., Suzanne P., and Ann M.

You won't go hungry!

Donations benefit the Shrine Restoration

Shrine Corner A Precious Meeting

We have \$24,855.19 in our restoration account.

I had the privilege to meet Santo Montani from our parish. For those who may not know him, Santo was one of the original construction workers in the building of Our Woods Shrine back in the summer of 1954. His main job was to mix the concrete (*not mortar*) which was used to adhere the Onaway limestone together.

At this meeting, he gave me some historical information on the Shrine and provided me with photographs and an early brochure of Our Lady of the Woods Shrine. This information was scanned and is available to view upon request.

One area of interest was gathering information on the Crucifixion Cross behind the Parish Hall. I was unaware of any information on the construction of this cross prior to this meeting. This is the one with steps to the top and is surrounded by the Stations of the Cross, a Statue of Mary and a Statue of the Disciple John, also known as the other disciple. This is not the Steel cross in front near M-72.

Anyway, Santo provided me with a picture dated May 1955, showing a crane at that location presumably there to set the steel cross. Yes, it is a steel cross. I thought it was made of wood but upon my own inspection it is made of steel.

Finally, there is a picture of 5 men standing on top of the completed Shrine in the Parish Hall. Santo is the one furthest on the right.

God Bless to all. Monte Mariani, Shrine Director

P.S. Second collection last weekend—\$4,055.00!



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.