

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR PILGRIMAGE:

- A special Liturgy with Bishop Mark Bartchak as Celebrant along with priests of the diocese.
- Tour the amazing shrine with all of its chapels and oratories
- Opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions



Special note: The Basilica is one of the sites officially designated by Pope Francis as a holy door during the Jubilee 2025 celebration.

How do I register??

Registrations will be taken in each area at designated parishes.
Registration will open in Summer of 2025.



Plan to join pilgrims from all around the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown for this very special pilgrimage!!



More information will be available soon on the Diocesan Website:
www.dioceseaj.org/jubilee-2025
and updated accordingly.

SAVE THE DATE!!

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to join us for a Jubilee celebration Pilgrimage



October 17, 2025



*Where are
we going?*

The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC



Designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, this great Basilica is our nation's preeminent Marian shrine, dedicated to the patroness of the United States, the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

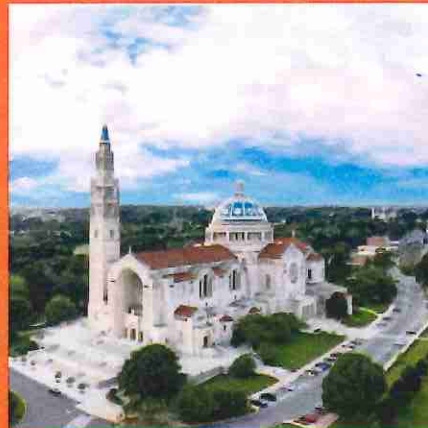
This patronal church is home to more than 80 chapels and oratories that honor the Mother of God and represent the peoples, cultures, and traditions that are the fabric of the Catholic faith and mosaic of our nation. It is no wonder why it is affectionately referred to as America's Catholic Church.

The National Shrine, also known as Mary's Shrine, receives nearly one million visitors annually and has been visited by Pope Francis, Pope Benedict XVI, Saint Pope John Paul II, and Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, among others.



When are we going?

**FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 17, 2025**



*How will we
get there?*

*The Diocesan Jubilee Committee
has secured passenger buses
that will depart from various
areas around the diocese:*

*Altoona Area
Ebensburg Area
Johnstown Area
Bellefonte Area*

Other travel options:

- *Pilgrims not wishing to travel by bus are encouraged to consider carpooling with family, friends or other parishioners.*
- *You are also welcome to travel by your own personal vehicle.*

*More information on travel
to come at a later time!*

