

# The Shrine Messenger

August 2025



BASILICA & NATIONAL SHRINE  
— of Our Lady of Lebanon —



## FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of Our Lady's Shrine,

As we celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of this blessed Shrine, we are grateful to God for allowing us the great privilege of honoring His Most Pure and Holy Mother. As we honor Mary, our primary thanks is to Almighty God for all the graces and blessings He has given to the countless visitors, pilgrims, benefactors, and friends of the Shrine. God is generous in His gifts to us.

During this holy month of Mary, please remember in your prayers those who suffer and are less fortunate, those who have become lukewarm in their faith, those who suffer from violence, persecution, and war.

In the midst of earthly and daily trials, the Lord is always faithful and never to abandon those in need.

Enjoy and celebrate with us our 60<sup>th</sup> Assumption Pilgrimage and always remember, God is generous and loving!

God bless you,

Chorbishop Anthony S. Spinosa

## Liturgy Schedule

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Monday	5:30 pm
Tuesday	5:30 pm
Wednesday	5:30 pm
Thursday	No Liturgy
Friday.	12:00 Noon

## Devotion Schedule

Rosary	9:30 Sunday
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction	10 to 11:30 Friday 3 to 4:30 Sunday
Lenten Benediction of the Cross	Afternoon Liturgy Friday
Confession	1/2 Hr. Before Liturgy or By Appointment

## DAYS OF PLENARY INDULGENCE

A plenary indulgence is given to the faithful when they visit the Basilica & National Shrine on the following days and fulfill the following conditions:

- Have a complete detachment from sin, even venial
- Sacramental confession, 20 days before or after
- Receive Holy Communion, 20 days before or after
- Prayers for the intentions of the Pope — an Our Father & Hail Mary are suggested

- The Ascension (40 days after Easter)
- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Aug. 15)
- Christmas (Dec. 25)
- Easter
- Epiphany (Jan. 6)
- Feast of the Annunciation (March 25)
- Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22)
- Solemnity of Christ the King (last Sunday of the liturgical year Roman calendar)

- Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul (June 29)
- Feast of the Most Holy Rosary (1st Sunday in October)
- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8)
- Feast of the Maternity of the BVM (2nd Sunday in October)
- Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon (1st Sunday in May)
- Feast of the Purification (Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple; Candlemas Feb. 2)
- Anniversary of the Papal Election of Pope Leo XIV (May 8)

**60<sup>TH</sup>**  
**ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE**  
**August 13, 14, 15**

We are grateful to all of you who have donated supplies and money to help defray the costs of this year's celebration, but we still need your help. As we are all well aware, the cost of everything has risen exponentially. Donations of cash at this time would be a great help in paying for the supplies already ordered.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO NEEDED!**

Below is a list of areas where we need volunteers each day.

Whether you can come for an hour,  
want to stay for the day,  
or come for different times all three days,  
**any time is appreciated!**

Please circle your preference below  
& let us know of your availability: day - time.  
Leave this form in the office, gift shop,  
or drop it in the mail.

**You will receive a call to confirm your availability  
when we are closer to the celebration.  
Please call the office with any questions. 330-538-3351**

**Each day the  
hours to be covered are  
11:30 am to 9 pm**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Serve Food</b>
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<b>Phone Number:</b>	<b>Bus Tables</b>
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	<b>Pop/Coffee Bar</b>
<b>Email:</b>	<b>Candle Sales</b>
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	<b>Procession Candle Sales</b>
<b>Day(s) Available:</b>	<b>Cleaning Crew</b>
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	<b>Closing Cleaning Crew</b>
<b>Time Available:</b>	
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**We especially need people who can help with the kitchen  
and hall clean up during or after each evening Liturgy.  
There are typically a handful of people who have been here  
working all day and are tasked with that clean up as well.  
They would appreciate your help!**

***Feast of the Exaltation of the  
Holy Life-Giving Cross***

will be celebrated on Sunday, September 14.

This will be a special celebration as we have received a precious  
and important gift,  
a relic of the TRUE CROSS of Our Savior, Jesus Christ.

This relic comes to us with the appropriate and authentic  
documentation from the Vatican.

We are most grateful for Father Dennis O'Neill from Chicago  
who was able to make this wonderful and important relic of the  
True Cross available for us.

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is a solemn feast  
day for the Church and especially for the Eastern Churches.



This celebration will be at the 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy on  
Sunday, September 14 as follows:

Translation (procession with the Holy Relic) into the Basilica.

Celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

Blessing of Holy Water for the Feast.

Veneration of the Holy Relic at the conclusion  
of the Divine Liturgy.

Come rejoice and pray with us on this great and holy feast.

# Liturgy Intentions

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Thurs. Aug. 7  
No Liturgy

Thurs., Aug 21  
No Liturgy

Thur., Aug 28  
No Liturgy

<b>Fri 1</b>	<b>St. Shmouni &amp; Her Seven Sons, Martyrs</b> 12 Noon +Bonnie Lee By Joe & Rosa Calabria Int: Dolma & Nicholas Borik By Marianne Kovach	<b>Fri 15</b>	<b>ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD - Day of Plenary Indulgence</b> 10 a.m. Intentions of L/D Basilica Shrine Benefactors 7 p.m. Intentions of Pilgrims & the Faithful
<b>Sat 2</b>	<b>Translation of the Relics of St. Stephen the First Martyr</b> Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt	<b>Sat 16</b>	<b>St. Rocco, Confessor</b> +Amelia Yazbek By Kathy Kolitsos
<b>Sun 3</b>	<b>Ninth Sunday of Pentecost</b> 10 a.m. +Steve Medovich By Blaise & Nicole Cackovic +Gerry Kopp By John Kopp & Family 5 p.m. +Barbara Lantz By Tom & Beth Ann Moran	<b>Sun 17</b>	<b>Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost</b> Feast of St. Rocco (external observance) 10 a.m. Int: L/D Members of the Mediati & Mohn Families 5 p.m. +Albert J. Beltz By Roger Beltz
<b>Mon 4</b>	<b>St John Vianney, the Cure of Ars, Confessor</b> Int: L/D Priests & Feast of St. John Vianney By Steve & Eileen Wegendt +Joseph & Anna Calabria By Joe & Rosa Calabria	<b>Mon 18</b>	<b>St. Agaptus, Martyr</b> Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt +Michael Rolley By Mike & Florence Basista
<b>Tues 5</b>	<b>Moses the Prophet</b> In Honor of the Blessed Mother By Steve & Eileen Wegendt +Ralph Schwendeman By Jon & Laura Blakely	<b>Tues 19</b>	<b>St. Luke of Baalbek, Martyr</b> Int: Virginia Moretto & All L/D Members of the Moretto Family By Dawnya Marceau & Family +Angela Scharf By Jon & Laura Blakely
<b>Wed 6</b>	<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord on Mount Tabor</b> Intentions of Basilica Shrine Benefactors Int: Rhonda Gabriel By Marlene & Lee Ann Gabriel	<b>Wed 20</b>	<b>St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Doctor of the Church</b> Intentions of Basilica Shrine Benefactors +Archbishop Francis Zayek By CNEWA
<b>Thurs 7</b>	<b>No Liturgy</b>	<b>Thurs 21</b>	<b>No Liturgy</b>
<b>Fri 8</b>	<b>St. Dominic, Confessor &amp; Pope St. Sixtus II, Martyr</b> +258 A.D. 12 Noon +Mark Higdon By Elizabeth Medovich +Nicholas Thompson By Angela Bayda	<b>Fri 22</b>	<b>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b> 12 Noon +Steve Medovich By Ed & Sandy Joseph Int: Steve & Renee Marcus By Mark & Anne-Marie Luchansky
<b>Sat 9</b>	<b>St. Matthias, Apostle</b> +Tim Goller By Family	<b>Sat 23</b>	<b>St. Isaac of Nineveh, Confessor</b> +Fr. Andrew Kolitsos By Kathy Kolitsos
<b>Sun 10</b>	<b>Tenth Sunday of Pentecost</b> 10 a.m. +Janet Weimer By Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Sanders, Jr. 5 p.m. +Suzanne Barbara Salamon By Mike & Florence Basista	<b>Sun 24</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost</b> 10 a.m. Special Intention 5 p.m. +Chorbishop Dominic Ashkar By Bruce & Karen Joseph
<b>Mon 11</b>	<b>St. Clare of Assisi, Foundress</b> Int: Jim Campbell By Marlene & Lee Ann Gabriel +John & Patricia Reiss By Catherine Mines	<b>Mon 25</b>	<b>St. Titus of the Seventy-Two Disciples</b> +Howard Spencer By Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Sanders, Jr. +Sinchak Family (Michael, Mary, Michael R., Bobbie Jo & Matthew) By Elaine Herd
<b>Tues 12</b>	<b>St. Shaina, Confessor</b> +Ronald Lach By Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary +John Bacani By Joe & Rosa Calabria	<b>Tues 26</b>	<b>Pope St. Zephyrnius, Confessor +217 A.D.</b> +Steve Medovich By James & Maria Panozzo +Amelia Yazbek By Kathy Kolitsos
<b>Wed 13</b>	<b>St. Hippolytus of Rome, Martyr &amp; Blessed Michael McGivney, Confessor, USA</b> OPENING OF THE 60 <sup>TH</sup> ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE 7 p.m. Intentions of Bishop David J. Bonnar & the Diocese of Youngstown	<b>Wed 27</b>	<b>St. Biyameen the Hermit, Confessor</b> Intentions of Basilica Shrine Benefactors +Archbishop Francis Zayek By CNEWA
<b>Thurs 14</b>	<b>DORMITION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, The Falling Asleep &amp; Burial</b> 7 p.m. Intentions of Archbishop William C. Skurla & the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh	<b>Thurs 28</b>	<b>No Liturgy</b>
		<b>Fri 29</b>	<b>Beheading of St. John the Baptist, Prophet &amp; Martyr</b> 12 Noon +Cheryl Ward Int: Jim Mines By Catherine Mines
		<b>Sat 30</b>	<b>Blessed Brother Estephan Ne'mee, Religious</b> Int: Tracy & Jacques Philippi By Virginia Gabriel Kozarich
		<b>Sun 31</b>	<b>Thirteen Sunday of Pentecost</b> 10 a.m. In Honor of St. Joseph By Barbara Lantz 5 p.m. +John Bacani By Ann & Karen Martiinko

# CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Peter Stetson was ordained a transitional Deacon for the Diocese of Steubenville. Deacon Peter and his family, the Stetson and Spletzer families have long been an active part of the Shrine for decades.

Matthew Eustace has been accepted by the Fathers of Mercy for religious life in South Union, KY. Matthew and his family have long participated in the spiritual life of the Shrine.

Vincent Workman has been accepted as a Seminarian for the Society of Saint Pius X and will begin his religious journey at Guardian Angels Novitiate in MN. Vincent and his family are familiar faces to us at the Shrine.

We offer our congratulations and prayers for these young men who feel called to serve the Lord and His Church and we are so proud and grateful that the Lord has allowed His Mother's Shrine to be a part of their journey. May God's Grace make them successful. Pray for them.

Modern Technology benefits all of us at home, at work and at church. However, sometimes we succumb to being controlled by technology when not always necessary.

There is a recent concern of the increasing number of folks who are texting and answering calls in church.

PLEASE do not use your cell phones in the Basilica Church or in the vestibule.

If you must use your phone, please go down the hallway away from the Sacred Space of the church.

Understandably an emergency may arise, but the prayerful and reverent atmosphere should always be maintained respecting the Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and for those who may be in prayer.

**The Lord will not call or text us, but He might use lightning!**

## Shrine Hours

**Monday - Saturday**

9 am - 5 pm

**Sunday**

10 am - 5 pm

## Gift Shop Hours

**Monday**

Closed

**Tuesday - Saturday**

10 am - 5 pm

**Sunday**

11 am - 5 pm

## Office Hours

**Monday**

Closed

**Tuesday - Friday**

9 am - 1 pm

## Have a Candle Lit at Our Lady's Feet

We invite you to have a candle lit with your special intention before Our Lady's statue. It will remain lit for the duration of your choosing and a post will be shown on our Facebook page, so you may share it and others can join you in prayer. Your name and/or intentions will be attached to the candle which will burn at Mary's feet.

A CANDLE AND POST ARE \$10  
PER WEEK.

Please note: All candles purchased Wednesday - Sunday will be lit and posted the following Tuesday.

## Candle Request Form

Burn a Candle for:

☐ One Week - \$10    ☐ One Month - \$40

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash    Check    Credit Card

Your Intention: \_\_\_\_\_

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