

# The Pilgrim

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## Shrine News

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### Septemberfest is Coming!

Last year was our first Septemberfest fundraiser, which incorporated the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Coliseum at the Shrine. It was a rousing success, perhaps due in part to your generosity! This year, 2006, we will be celebrating the 121st Anniversary of the Shrine itself! We hope your participation will help make this year a wonderful success too! Last season brought many innovations, repairs and improvements to the Shrine and its grounds (including a Sacred Heart Altar and much-needed new bathrooms near the Coliseum); this year we have embarked on even more aggressive plans (including an upgraded Visitor Center & Gift Shop, air-conditioning in the Kateri Chapel, & complete refurbishing of the old Martyrs' Museum).

With the improvements made and those pending, as well as the ever-escalating cost of maintenance, the Shrine is conducting this year's Septemberfest fundraiser which will not only provide the opportunity for participants to support the Shrine, but also the chance for a return! Please look for these flyers at the back of the Coliseum, at the office, and at the Visitor's Center. For every entry with a \$10 donation, you have an opportunity to help the Shrine...and you have an opportunity to have your name drawn each of the 30 days in September and a chance to win from \$25 to \$500!

Good luck! May God bless you for your generosity!

### 2nd Annual Gala

*By: Tom Ralph*

Make your plans now! The Shrine will hold its 2nd Annual Gala on Saturday, October 7th, 2006 in the Visitor Center from 5 pm to 10 pm. Those who attended last year had a wonderful time and this year's Gala is expected to be even better. The Railyard restaurant will cater the event. There will be live music by "Mixed Company", the band that made such a hit with everyone last year. Door prizes, surprises and much, much more. Ticket prices and more information will be made available in the coming weeks. The staff, Jesuit Fathers and Brother of the Shrine are looking forward to seeing you at this social event of the year!

### Martyrs Memorial Center

*By: Christine Wagoner*

August Schedule: Water Color Painting Class: 8/29 at 1:00 pm. All are invited to attend these activities. There is a suggested donation of \$3.00 per person for each activity. Registration required, please call 853-3033 ext 236 or stop by the Center.

### Are you looking to volunteer?

The shrine is always interested in having volunteers assist us with numerous areas including special events, work on the grounds and work in the office. If you are interested please contact us.

### Lost and Found

Please stop by the Visitor's Center if you have lost anything this season. There is a growing number of items that are in our lost bin. Thank you!

**Adoration:** On Tuesdays, the Adoration will be held in our Coliseum and will start at 4:45 p.m. and will end at 7 p.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- August 26 @ 4:00 pm (Saturday)  
Mass Gathering of the Irish
- August 27 @ 4:00 pm (Sunday)  
Polish Pilgrimage
- September 2 (Saturday)  
**Father Stan Fortuna** in concert!  
To order tickets, go to [www.MartyrShrine.org](http://www.MartyrShrine.org), stop by the Visitors' Center, or call 518-853-3033 ext. 224
- September 3 @ 12:30 pm (Sunday)  
Mohawk Indian Pilgrimage - St. Regis-Akwasasne
- September 9 @ 4:00 pm (Saturday)  
Filipino Pilgrimage
- September 9 @ 4:00 pm (Saturday)  
Healing Service  
(Fr. Severson - Open Chapel)
- September 10 @ 10:30 am (Sunday)  
Legion of Mary Pilgrimage

### DON'T MISS IT!

Don't forget to pick up our schedule brochure of our most important events and a brochure for further Shrine information!



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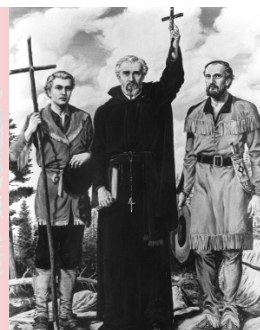
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Oct. 11 - Oct. 19

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

### Sunday:

9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,  
12:30 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

### Saturday:

4:00 p.m.  
(also 7:30 p.m. in July and August)

### Weekdays:

11:30 a.m. (including Sat.)  
and 4:00 p.m.

## ADORATION, BENEDICTION, CONFESSION AND ROSARY:

### Confessions

**Sat. & Sun.:** 30 min. before Mass

**Daily:** 15 min. before Mass

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Tue.:** 4:45 - 7:00 p.m. (Coliseum)

### Benediction

**Sun.:** 3:30 p.m.      **Feast Days:** 3:30 p.m.

### Blessing with Relics

**Daily:** 3:45 p.m.

### Guided Tours

Upon Request

## MUSEUM, GIFT SHOPS, RETREATS, AND SNACKS:

**Visitors' Center Open Daily:** First Sunday of May to the last Sunday of October.

**Retreats:** Fr. McGuire, S.J. gives year round retreats, information online or call the office.

A large, newly renovated, Martyrs Gift Shop is located in the Visitors' Center **518-853-3033 ext. 236** and a Kateri Center and gift shop **ext. 235**. Both have great museum pieces on display. Find a snack bar in the Visitors' Center!

### Sunday – Friday

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Saturday

10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### Children's Museum and Martyrs Memorial Center

**Open Daily:** M-F 11-5 pm & S-S 10:30-5:30 pm

Get your Mass Cards, Prayer Intentions, Votive Candle Intentions, or Hymnal Inscribed, at the Shrine Office or at the Visitors' Center.

**The Season is  
half over, stop by and  
enjoy a day  
with us during this  
2006 Season!**

## Charity is the sweet and holy bond which links the soul with

### Adoration, why should I attend?

By: Ana Bodoh

*"The Eucharist is a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Father, a blessing by which the Church expresses her gratitude to God for all His benefits, for all that He has accomplished through creation, redemption, and sanctification. Eucharist means first of all 'thanksgiving'. The Eucharist is also the sacrifice of praise by which the Church sings the glory of God in the name of all creation. This sacrifice of praise is possible only through Christ: He unites the faithful to his person, to His praise, and to His intercession, so that the sacrifice of praise to the Father is offered through Christ and with Him, to be accepted in Him."* (CC pg 343)

Near the year of 700, a priest in Lanciano, Italy, was struggling with the belief in the true presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist. On one particular morning while he was celebrating the Mass, he was dumbfounded to find the host had changed into flesh and the wine into blood. Soon he became full of joy as he announced to others: "Behold the flesh and the blood of our most beloved Christ!" Later there were numerous investigations and scientists concluded that the flesh and blood was truly from a human. The flesh consisted of tissue from a heart wall and the blood at the exact amount of proteins as human blood. This miracle of the Eucharist still exists today, you can go see it in Lanciano, Italy!

So why should I go to Adoration? It is said if you take your troubles and thanksgiving to Jesus you will find great peace. Why not take it to Jesus face to face with Him as He sits resting in the monstrance on Tuesday evenings here at the Shrine? People go to adoration to pray. They also visit Jesus because they want to be near Him and taste His unconditional love. They want to remember what he did for us on the cross and they want to hear the Holy Spirit for guidance and inspiration. This is a very intimate way, besides the Mass, to be with Jesus. Pope John Paul II urged that the "worship given to the Trinity...must fill our churches outside of the timetable of Masses." He further stated that "adoration of Christ in this sacrament of love must find expression in the various forms of Eucharistic devotion..."

### Poignant and Meaningful

By: Louise Bizzari

I love your website! It makes a person want to zoom to the shrine. Expect to see me within the next several weeks. I love the Shrine so much more than any other place in the world. There is just a serene holiness there, and I've felt that since a kid. My father had confession at the Shrine hours before he died, in 1986. He was 61 years old, working as a businessman, never went to church; but for a strange reason—stopped there coming from a downstate business meeting. He got off the thru-way and asked one of the Fathers for confession. He was feeling fine but was compelled to go to the Shrine, find a priest and receive absolution. God is great. He blesses us when we least expect it! I'll be seeing you soon, and be looking forward to it. God bless you Father.

### Polish Pilgrimage

We wish to welcome all those of Polish descent for their annual pilgrimage with Bishop Thomas Wenski, Bishop of Orlando, Florida, presiding. Confessions will be heard beginning at 1:30 pm in the afternoon, both in Polish and English. Stations of the Cross will begin at 1:30 pm followed by a rosary procession to the Coliseum for Benediction and the holy Mass at 4 pm.

### Next Weekends Upcoming Events

Father Fortuna will be arriving on Saturday, September 2nd, see insert for more details. On Sunday, September 3rd, we will be welcoming the Native Americans for their Annual Pilgrimage Mass at 12:30 in the afternoon. A play will be presented on the Life of Kateri Tekakwitha.

### Psalm 8

O Lord our Lord, how admirable is Your name in the whole earth! For your magnificence is elevated above the heavens. Out of the mouth of infants and sucklings You have perfected praise, because of Your enemies, that You may destroy the enemy and the avenger. For I will behold Your heavens, the works of Your fingers: the moon and the stars, which You have founded. What is man that You are mindful of him? Or the son of man that You visit him? You have made him a little less than the Angels, You have crowned him with glory and honor: and have set him over the works of Your hands. You have subjected all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen: moreover the beasts also of the fields. The birds of the air, and the fishes of the sea, that pass through the paths of the sea. O Lord our Lord, how admirable is Your name in all the earth! Glory be to the Father, etc. Antiphon: Blessed are you amongst all women, and blessed is the Fruit of your womb. Antiphon: Like the choicest myrrh.

## Test Your Bible Skills!

By: Ana Bodoh

- What did John the Baptist eat when he first went “preaching in the wilderness of Judea”?  
—locust and wild honey (Mark 1:6 and Matthew 3:1-4)
- In what book was Paul listing of the “works of the flesh” and the “fruit of the Spirit”?  
—Galatians (Galatians 5:19-23)
- “For the law was given by Moses, but grace and \_\_\_\_\_ came by Jesus Christ.”  
—Truth (John 1:17)
- Who was married to Abraham in the Old Testament?  
—Sarah (Genesis 17:15)
- What three things happened when Jesus died?  
—the temple veil split in two  
—the saints that were dead rose out of their graves  
—the earth had quaked  
(Matthew 27:51-53)
- Who did people think Jesus was?  
—Elias  
—a prophet  
—John the Baptist  
(Mark 8:27-28 and Luke 9:18-19 and Matthew 16:13-14)
- What body of water did God perform a miracle in that was similar to the parting of the Red Sea?  
—Jordan River (Joshua 3:15-17)

## Test Your Catechism Skills!

By: Ana Bodoh

- What is the title of Part Four of the Catechism?  
—Christian Prayer (CC pg xi and pg 613)
- What was the original meaning of the word “liturgy”?  
—“Public Work” or a “service in the name of/on behalf of the people.”  
(CC pg 278: 1069, 1070)
- What comes from the grace from Matrimony?  
—“perfect the couple’s love”  
—“strengthen their indissoluble unity”  
—“help one another attain holiness in their married life”  
—“welcoming and educating their children”  
(CC pg 409: 1641)
- How do we respect our health because our “life and physical health are precious gifts entrusted to us by God”,  
—“We must take reasonable care of them, taking in the needs of others and the common good.” (CC pg 551: 2288)
- “Prayer cannot be reduced to the spontaneous outpouring of interior impulse: in order to pray, one must have \_\_\_\_\_.”  
—the will to pray (CC pg 637 2650)
- What ministry positions are held at Mass by lay persons so they may assist the priest?  
—Servers  
—Readers  
—Commentators  
—Members of the Choir
- “Eucharist, the sacrament of our salvation accomplished by Christ on the cross, is also a sacrifice of \_\_\_\_\_ for the work of creation. In the Eucharistic sacrifice the whole of creation loved by \_\_\_\_\_ is presented to the Father through the death and the Resurrection of Christ. Through Christ the Church can offer the sacrifice of \_\_\_\_\_ for all that God has made \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.”  
—praise in thanksgiving  
—God  
—praise in thanksgiving  
—good  
—beautiful  
—just in creation and in humanity (CC pg 343: 1359)
- Who is the only one who can forgive sins?  
—God (CC pg 362: 1441)

**“When we hear heretical voices about us..., when we see that the sanctity of marriage and the priesthood are attacked without fear of rebuke, have confidence, for the Holy Church is incorruptible.**

—St Augustine

### Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18, Ps 34:2-3, 16-21, Ephesians 5:21-32, John 6:60-69  
**Monday:** St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church (Memorial) 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12, Ps 96:1-5, Matthew 23:13-22  
**Tuesday:** The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (Memorial) Jeremiah 1:17-19, Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17, Mark 6:17-29  
**Wednesday:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18, Ps 128:1-2, 4-5, Matthew 23:27-32  
**Thursday:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, Ps 145:2-7, Matthew 24:42-51  
**Friday:** Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart 1 Corinthians 1:17-25, Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11, Matthew 25:1-13  
**Saturday:** 1 Corinthians 1:26-31, Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21, Matthew 25:14-30  
“Pardon me, O perfections of my God, for having preferred imperfect.” Ignatius of Loyola

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