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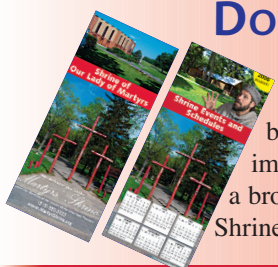
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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- September 9 @ 4:00 pm (Saturday)  
Filipino Pilgrimage
- September 9 @ 10:00 am (Saturday)  
Healing Service  
(Fr. Severson - Open Chapel)
- September 10 @ 10:30 am (Sunday)  
Legion of Mary Pilgrimage
- September 10 @ 12:30 pm (Sunday)  
Father Thomas Dubay - Mass  
3 pm Talk in the Open Martyrs Chapel
- September 15 - 17 (Fri-Sun)  
Boy Scout Retreat Encampment (Fr. Philip Dabney, C.S.S.R.)
- September 17 @ 4:00 pm (Sunday)  
Lithuanian Pilgrimage
- September 23 @ 4:00 pm (Saturday)  
68th Annual Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage
- September 24 @ 1:30 pm (Sunday)  
Buffalo Jesuit Pilgrimage

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## A Weekend of Dramatic Celebration

By: Father McGuire

On this coming Columbus Day Weekend (Oct. 5-8), you will have three days which you will never forget! Is it appropriate to say that the place will be literally rocking with celebration, music, drama and devotion?

The Visitor's Center will be "literally" lit up with the festivities of the Gala banquet on Saturday night for various friends of the Shrine.

On Sunday night you will have in the same place the return of Isaac Jogues with the Mohawk Aconsa in a new third presentation of the soliloquy play *Saint Among the Mohawks*.

Yes, and through it all on the grounds you will have the harmonious and devout prayers of the Rosary Community giving it a polyphony of Christian message. The Symphony is ready! Join us!

## Crossroad for Healing and Mission

By: Father McGuire

When somebody hears the word Shrine, at least for the devout one thinks of a quiet place for prayer and spiritual renewal. This has been and is still true with the Shrine at Auriesville. Dedicated to the Martyrs Isaac Jogues, René Goupil and John LaLande, this is certainly true, especially for the older generation. That is the tradition and it still holds on.

However I have found radically different-almost frightening other dimensions. First the Shrine continues to be literally a crossroad for devout and the searching. It is not only the constant national pilgrimages of the Italian, Polish, the Irish and Haitian with their language liturgy, food and music but it has tent events with the young who echo their music, their devotion and their awesome surrendering to adoration, confession and a sense of mission.

More than any other ministry we are literally overwhelmed with the searchers, the confession seekers, penitent leather jacket motorcyclist, young blackrobed clerics from Canada, Mexico, Ecuador, China, India and Harlem. It is like no place, and it is showing a new searching vitality of the Church.

What is the Holy Spirit saying to the Churches these days? What is it saying here along the Mohawk? The tribal drums echo from the past. Is there a new rhythm? Come and See and be a part of it!

## 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!

**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.  
Come Join us for Adoration and Prayer, this is a way to meet Jesus.



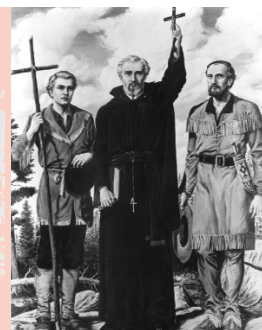
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## MASS SCHEDULE:

### 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.

**Please welcome the  
Filipino's, Father  
Severson, the Legion of  
Mary, and Father  
Thomas Dubay**

## And I spoke of thy testimonies before kings: and I was n

### This Sunday's Events

Annual Legion of Mary Pilgrimage, Mass @ 10:30 am with Deacon William Brett as the Homilist. Legion Prayers will follow the Mass. Stations of the Cross, Rosary and a talk in the Kateri Chapel begins at 1:30 pm

Father Thomas Dubay from EWTN-Celebrant and Homilist will be her celebrating the 12:30 Mass. 3 pm in the Kateri Chapel will be a talk.

### The Word

*By: Father McGuire*

I'm writing this homily because I might wander. However I will try to keep to a five minute reflection.

The first reading from Samuel is one of my favorites maybe because I'm a little bit older and may tend to sleep in Church.

Samuel a young man was sleeping in the temple of the Lord where the Ark of God was. I suppose that was a custom at the time. It might not be a good custom for a young man today because he might be bored or recovering from a night out. No that is cynical, well at least he was in Church.

Eli whom I assume was the senior Levite assigned to be on watch during the night was also sleeping and might have been a bit deaf symbolically or actually. Whatever, Samuel heard a call and came to Eli as an obedient young man and said "Here I am, You called me." and he was told to go back to sleep, implying that he was dreaming.

Well, by the third time Eli got the message and told Samuel to say "Speak for your servant is listening."

This story of Samuel's calling brings up two important questions, "Do we believe that God can speak to us in different ways and frequently?" and are we willing to receive whatever God says to us?"

The world may scoff at the idea that God speaks to us. However this possibility is certainly expressed in the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius when he completed our meditation we have intimate talks with Jesus, His mother and the saints.

However, whether we like it or not, in this secular world even we tend to put our faith in what we can see with our senses and grasp with our minds. While logic and reason are essential, we shouldn't let them overshadow the possibility of the Lord speaking to us in a very specific way every day and not just on our retreats. After going through some form of discernment in prayer or when we receive the Eucharist while reflecting on the scripture of the day, are we open to whatever the Lord might say to us?

Time is up! That's the end of my five minute Homily. I hope that you haven't fallen asleep!

### Thank You

*by: Ana Bodoh*

This previous weekend we had a large festival that brought about 400 young persons to the Shrine. Father Stan Fortuna, a world renowned priest and musician was here. He touched base on the transitions we make in life and how to keep God in those life changes. Along, he talked on vocations which showed us in how it is a call to be in marriage, single, religious, or priesthood. We challenged the young persons to attend Adoration and they attended before even thinking about their empty bellies. We challenged them to return back to Adoration before it closed and the chapel was packed! We challenged them to attend confessions, with that came their pleas to extend confession times for them to attend. Both Confession times the lines were very long. These young people who attended, we at the Shrine are proud of them for coming, enjoying a day with us, and then meeting Jesus. We really had a great night in concert with Father Stan Fortuna, he was a treat to listen to with his talented style.

Thank you to the staff of the Shrine for their long hours of hard work to make it happen. It was great to see the team effort.

Thank you to the Jesuits for welcoming Father Fortuna into your life for a day. He really appreciated that.

Thank you to all the volunteers who came through the day to assist with this event. Each one of you brought in special gifts and talents that helped us through the day.

This was not about making money it was about bringing the young people here to see the Shrine and getting them to a deep spiritual side in life. I had many conversations with these bright young people and they were all so gracious and caring. They were craving for the truth and for inspiration. They left excited for their faith and about the Shrine.

If you missed out on Father Stan Fortuna's Concert you can purchase his CD's in the Shrine Gift Shop in the Visitor's Center. He has some very inspirational music that will touch your heart.

**Pilgrim entry deadline is Monday at noon. Call Anna 518-853-3033 ext. 224.**

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## Septemberfest is Here!

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!

## Quotable Quotes

Whoever bids other folks to do right, but gives an evil example by acting the opposite way, is like a foolish weaver who weaves quickly with one hand and unravels the cloth just as quickly with the other.  
—St. Thomas More

No wickedness, no heresy, not even the Devil himself can deceive anyone without counterfeiting virtue.  
—St. Dorotheos of Gaza

When a man is purged of all attachment to things the judgement is left clear as the sky when the mists have dispersed. His joy is not dependent on creatures, for while his heart is set on none of them he possesses them all.  
—St. John of the Cross

O God, seeing you are so infinitely lovable, why have you given us but one heart to love you, and this so little and so narrow?  
—St. Philip Neri

We should not bear it with bad grace if the answer to our prayer is long delayed. Rather let us because of this show great patience and resignation. For He delays for this reason: that we may offer Him a fitting occasion of honoring us through His divine providence. Whether, therefore, we receive what we ask for, or do not receive it, let us still continue steadfast in prayer. For to fail in obtaining the desires of our heart, when God so wills it, is not worse than to receive it; for we know not as He does, what is profitable to us.  
—St. John Chrysostom

Man, though made of body and soul, is a unity. Through his very bodily condition he sums up in himself the elements of the material world. Through him they are thus brought to their highest perfection and can raise their voice in praise freely given to the Creator. For this reason man may not despise his bodily life. Rather he is obliged to regard his body as good and to hold it in honour since God has created it and will raise it up on the last day.  
—Gaudium et spes

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, immortal being, you who deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, you who without change became man and were crucified, O Christ our God, you who by your death have crushed death, you who are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us!  
—Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Troparion "O monogenes"

It often happens that we pray God to deliver us from some dangerous temptation, and yet God does not hear us but permits the temptation to continue troubling us. In such a case, let us understand that God permits even this for our greater good. When a soul in temptation recommends itself to God, and by His aid resists, O how it then advances in perfection.  
—St. Alphonsus Liguori

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

Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thy ear:  
... And the king shall greatly desire thy beauty; for he is the Lord thy God, and him they shall adore.  
—Ps. xlv. 11, 12

### Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Isaiah 35:4-7, Psalm 146:7-10, St. James 2:1-5, Mark 7:31-37

**Monday:** 1 Corinthians 5:1-8, Psalm 5:5-7, 12, Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
1 Cor 6:1-11, Ps 149:1-6, 9, Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church  
1 Cor 7:25-31, Psalm 45:11-17, Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 78:1-2, 34-38, Philippians 2:6-11, John 3:13-17

**Friday:** Our Lady of Sorrows  
Hebrews 5:7-9, Psalm 31:2-6, 15-16, 20, St. John 19:25-27

**Saturday:** Saturday, September 16, 2006  
St. Cornelius, Pope  
1 Corinthians 10:14-22, Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18, Luke 6:43-49

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