# The National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes

### MONTHLY BULLETIN May 2019



### Mother's Day May 12, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. in the Confessional near St. Mary's Chapel Mass, 12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Spanish Mass, 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel



### Our Lady of Fatima May 13, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. in the Confessional near St. Mary's Chapel Mass followed by a Rosary Procession, 12

p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel



### Ascension of the Lord June 2, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass,12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Spanish Mass, 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel



### Mary, Mother of the Church June 10, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Spanish Mass, 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel



## Father's Day June 16, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Spanish Mass, 2 p.m. in St.

Mary's Chapel



### Corpus Christi June 23, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. at St. Mary's Chapel Eucharistic Procession, 1 pm beginning at St. Mary's Chapel Spanish Mass, 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel

Hours 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily (gates close at 5 p.m.) Holy Mass Every Day at 12 p.m. Adoration and Confession Saturday and Sunday 10:45 a.m. Misa en Español Domingos 2 p.m. Shuttle Transportation is available from the parking lot to the Miller Family Visitors Center. Call (301) 447-5318.

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help June 27, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel

### Feast of the Sacred Heart June 28, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel

### Drawn in by God:

#### **Spiritual Reflections from Father Michael Messaro**

It is not our intelligence; it is not our ability to reason and understand that brings us to church each week. It is God drawing us here, and our willingness to accept his pull. The only credit due us for being in church is that we have responded to his attracting and pulling and drawing actions by willingly giving ourselves over to him to draw or send us wherever he wants. It is the same for those who enter heaven.

We enter heaven because God draws us there and we respond to his drawing action by; surrendering our wills to him in faith. It is by willingly accepting the attracting force of God, and making ourselves do our best to live as he has taught, that we arrive at the fullness of salvation. Our belief and salvation is not the result of intellectual reasoning and understanding, it is the result of our wills deliberately and freely accepting and committing ourselves to God and his teachings whether we understand him and his teachings or not. Salvation becomes ours not through any reasoning by our intelligence, but by a decision of our wills. It is taking God and his words on faith, not on reasonableness. "No on can come to me," Jesus said, "unless the Father who sent me draws him." Your Father is drawing you right now with the power of his love. Keep giving in to it.

The National Shrine Grotto's director and chaplain to appear on EWTN's At Home with Jill and Joy!





The National Shrine Grotto is excited to announce that Lori Stewart, the shrine director, and Father Daniel Mentesana, one of our shrine chaplains, will be heading to Irondale, Alabama to discuss the work being done at the National Shrine on EWTN's At Home with Jim and Joy.

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