APRIL 6
Friends of the Cross
A Special Lenten Retreat

PALM SUNDAY
April 14, 2019

Adoration, 10:45 am, St. Mary’s Chapel
Reconciliation, 10:45 am,
Confessional near St. Mary’s Chapel
Mass in English, 12 pm, Grotto Cave
Misa en Español, 2 pm, St. Mary’s Chapel

GOOD FRIDAY
April 19, 2019

Reconciliation, 10:45 am,
Confessional near St. Mary’s Chapel
Stations of the Cross, 12 pm,
Corpus Christi Lane
Homily on the Last Seven Words, 1:30 pm,
St. Mary’s Chapel
Liturgy of Good Friday, 3 pm,
St. Mary’s Chapel

EASTER SUNDAY
April 21, 2019

Sunrise Ecumenical Service, 6:30 am,
St. Mary’s Chapel
Mass, 8 am, St. Mary’s Chapel
Adoration, 10:45 am, St. Mary’s Chapel
Reconciliation, 10:45 am,
Confessional near St. Mary’s Chapel
Mass in English, 12 pm, Grotto Cave
Misa en Español, 2 pm, St. Mary’s Chapel

Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3 pm,
St. Mary’s Chapel

ENROLL A LOVED ONE IN
THE EASTER SUNDAY MASS

Enroll at
www.NSGrotto.org/events.html
Dear Grotto family,

We are excited to share with you our hopes for improvements in our Blessed Shrine. Below is a list of our needs, please prayerfully consider how you may help. Please contact Grotto@MSSMary.edu or call (301) 447-5318 if you would like to help donate. Thank you!

- Sacred Heart & St. Francis Statues (to be refurbished) $5,000
- Rhododendron Plants (to replace the over-20-years-old, dying rhododendrons throughout the grounds) $500

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In the Same Boat

Spiritual Reflections from Father Michael Messaro

Sometimes we might think we are the only miserable people in the world. Well, maybe not the only ones, but one of the most miserable. Our lives are just not going according to our plans, our finances, our health, our relationships are in bad shape. And we look around at others who seem to have no money problems, good health, good looks, wonderful loves and friendships. Why is God letting me have a crummy life while so many others are happy and secure? Let us not kid ourselves. Everybody has problems.

There is no one in the world who thinks he or she has it all. Maybe there are smooth times, and I hope we all enjoy a portion of smoothness, but behind the mask, behind the scenes, everybody has things that make life bumpy. And those who look like they have it all are often among the most afflicted. Nobody on earth is in heaven yet. Let us listen to what Peter says in his letter:

“Bow humbly under God’s mighty hand, so that in due time he may lift you high. Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you. Stay sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith, realizing that the brotherhood of believers is undergoing the same sufferings through the world.” We are all in the same boat. Do not envy anybody else. Pray for them.

May Crowning

May 5

PLACE ROSES IN FRONT OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER
www.NSGrotto.org/roses

Adoration, 10:45 am, St. Mary’s Chapel
Reconciliation, 10:45 am, Confessional near St. Mary’s Chapel
Mass in English, 12 pm, Grotto Cave
(please bring water and sun protection)
Procession and Crowning, 1 pm
Misa en Español, 2 pm, St. Mary’s Chapel

Grotto Wish List

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Alpine Europe Pilgrimage

Deadline April 30

11 Days: September 3 – 13, 2020
Includes roundtrip airfare and most meals
Only $4,379
www.NSGrotto.org/oberammergau.html
Call Dawn Walsh at (301) 447-5606

POLAND & EASTERN EUROPE PILGRIMAGE

12 Days: November 4 – 15, 2019
Only $3,299
Includes roundtrip airfare and most meals
www.NSGrotto.org/poland.html
Call Dawn Walsh at (301) 447-5606

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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