

NATIONAL SHRINE GROTTO OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

On the Campus of Mount St. Mary's University



MONTHLY BULLETIN JULY 2018



Celebration of Independence

July 1, 2018

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



Feast of St. Sharbel

July 21, 2018

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel
Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m. in the Confessional near St. Mary's Chapel
Prayer and Reflection, 1:30 p.m. at St. Sharbel Shrine
Maronite Divine Liturgy, 2 p.m. mass in St. Mary's Chapel



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2018

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



Vietnamese Pilgrimage

September 1, 2018

Procession, 1 p.m.
Mass, 2 p.m. at the Grotto Cave



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

September 8, 2018

Adoration, 10:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel
Reconciliation, 10:45 a.m.
Mass, 12 p.m. at Grotto Cave by celebrated by Archbishop Lori



Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary Crusade

Second Saturday of every month.
 10:30 a.m. at the Grotto Cave.



Chaplet of Divine Mercy

First Sunday of every month following 12:00 p.m. mass



Spanish Mass

Mass, 2 p.m. every Sunday
Misa en Espanol
La Misa, 2 p.m. todos los domingos

Hours 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily (gates close at 5 p.m.) **Mass** Saturday and Sunday 12 p.m. **Adoration and Confession** Saturday and Sunday 10:45 a.m.

Shuttle: Transportation is available from the parking lot to the Miller Family Visitors Center. Call (301) 447-5318 for reservations.

Address 16330 Grotto Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727 . (301) 447-5318 . www.NSGrotto.org



60th Anniversary

September 8, 2018

This year, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of when the Grotto became a national shrine. Please join us as we celebrate through liturgy, fellowship, and other festivities!

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. at the Grotto Cave celebrated by Archbishop William E. Lori



2018 Pilgrimage

To Ireland and Northern Ireland

~ 12 Days, November 5-16, 2018 ~

Dublin, Downpatrick, Belfast, Sligo, Knock, Galway,
Connemara, Cliffs of Moher, Killarney, Glendalough

\$3399 PER PERSON

To book your space, contact Ms. Jessica Root
(301) 447-5484 OR go to www.NSGrotto.org/europe-pilgrimages.html to see full agenda.

Extended Registration deadline! : July 20, 2018

Eternal Life, What is It?

Reflections by Fr. Mike Messaro, M.SS.CC.

“Eternal life is this,” Jesus tells us: “To know God, the only true God, and Him whom God has sent, Jesus Christ.”

Hits “Knowing” that Jesus is talking about is not merely to know about Him, or of Him, it is intimate knowledge Jesus is talking about. It is knowledge that is secret, confidential, private. It is knowledge we are not only to be informed of, but which will draw us into a very close, affectionate, and familiar relationship with God and Christ. It can lead us into an intimacy that makes us one with them in heart and mind and soul – like we not only tapped into the eternal, we have entered into heaven to live for the rest of eternity with Christ and in the arms of our heavenly Father.

How do we arrive at such intimacy? Through prayer, through meditation, through contemplation, through just plain putting ourselves in the presence of God and Christ often and thinking about them. Spending thoughtful and conscious time with God opens the eyes of our souls and the doors of our hearts. Prayer is not primarily to get things for this life, it is to lead us to eternal life. “Eternal life is this,” Jesus tells us: “To know God, the only true God, and Him whom God has sent, Jesus Christ.”

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