

Basílica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon

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MARCH 2018

DAYS OF PLENARY INDULGENCE

A plenary indulgence is given to the faithful when they visit the Basilica & National Shrine on the following days and fulfill the following conditions:

- The Ascension (40 days after Easter)
- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Aug. 15)
- Christmas (Dec. 25)
- Easter
- Epiphany (Jan. 6)
- Feast of the Annunciation (March 25)
- Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22)
- Solemnity of Christ the King (last Sunday of the liturgical year Roman calendar)
- Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul (June 29)
- Feast of the Most Holy Rosary (1st Sunday in October)
- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8)
- Feast of the Maternity of the BVM (2nd Sunday in October)
- Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon (1st Sunday in May)
- Feast of the Purification (Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple; Candlemas Feb. 2)
- Anniversary of Papal Inauguration (Pope Francis, March 19)

Conditions to be fulfilled:

- * Have a complete detachment from sin, even venial
- * Sacramental confession, 20 days before or after
- * Receive Holy Communion, 20 days before or after
- * Prayers for the intentions of the Pope —an Our Father & Hail Mary are suggested



WELCOME VISITORS

We're glad to see you!

Since its dedication in 1965, the Shrine has been a place of inspiration for all who seek a closer relationship with Our Lord Jesus through his Blessed Mother. It is our hope that your visit to this special place will leave you feeling refreshed and renewed. We look forward to seeing you in the near future. May Our Lady wrap you in her mantle of love.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am
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Monday	5:30 pm
Tuesday	5:30 pm
Wednesday	5:30 pm
Thursday	No Liturgy
Friday (except First Friday)	5:30 pm
First Friday (only)	12 Noon
Benediction of the Cross (Lent) Friday	6 pm

DEVOTION SCHEDULE

ROSARY SCHEDULE Prior to 10 am Liturgy-Sunday

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Every Sunday 3:30 pm- 4:30 pm

CONFESSION: 1/2 hour before Liturgy or request

FIRST FRIDAY

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	11:00 am
Confession	11:15 am
First Friday Liturgy	12 Noon
Lunch	12:45 pm

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Liturgy Intentions</i>				1 <i>No Liturgy</i>	2 First Friday St John Maron 1st Maronite Patriarch 12 Noon Liturgy +Fr. Andrew Kolitsos By Kathy Kolitsos	3 +Paula Dohar By Mark & Anne-Marie Luchansky
4 The Prodigal Son 10am +Mary Griffin By McWilliams Family 5pm+Rizkallah Rizk By Johnny Rizk	5 +Naomi Shiner By Paul & Rosa Mc Cracken	6 +Salvatore D`Agostino By Franceschelli famly	7 St. Thomas Aquinas Priest Doctor Intentions of Basilica Shrine L/D Benefactors	8 <i>No Liturgy</i>	9 Forty Martyrs of Sebaste +Michael Berick By George Berick The Five Wounds	10 +George Cucaro By Terri Shasho, Patty Moylan Kathy Fusillo St Joseph Novena
11 The Paralytic Man 10am+Elizabeth Ann Troyan by Joseph Troyan Family 5pm+Fr. Eugene Jacobs St. Joseph Novena	12 St Gregory the Great Pope +Mary Griffin By McWilliams Family St Joseph Novena	13 Souls in Purgatory By Sandy Family St Joseph Novena	14 Intentions of Basilica Shrine L/D Benefactors St Joseph Novena	15 +Mary Griffin By McWilliams Family St Joseph Novena	16 The Precious Blood +Dina Berick By George Berick St Joseph Novena	17 St Patrick, Bp +George Cucaro Mary Ann Risciuti St. Joseph Novena
18 Bartemaus the Blind 10am+Sally George 5pm+Joann Mediati 40 day mass St Joseph Feast Day	19 Anniversary of Papal Inauguration (Plenary Indulgence) +Fr. Andrew Kolitsos By Kathy Kolitsos	20 +Elizabeth Ann Troyan By Joseph Troyan Family	21 St Benedict, Abbot Intentions of Basilica Shrine L/D Benefactors	22 <i>No Liturgy</i>	23 +Edna & John Jimm By Family Our Lady's Sorrows	24 +Elizabeth Ann Troyan By Joseph Troyan Family
25 Palm Sunday 10am Shrine Intentions 5pm+Ed Joseph By Eddie Joseph	26 Coming to the Harbor +Dina Berick By George Berick 6pm Liturgy	27 Coming to the Harbor Special Intention By Mary Jones 6pm Liturgy	28 Lighting of the Lamps, Blessing of Oil And Holy Unction Special Intention 6pm Liturgy	29 Holy Thursday of The Mysteries Deceased Priests 6 pm Liturgy	30 Good Friday Of the Crucifixion 12Noon Living/Deceased Shrine Benefactors 6pm Burial of the Lord	31 Holy Saturday of the Awaited Light No Liturgy

SPONSORS NEEDED FOR FIRST FRIDAY LUNCHEON First Fridays are devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Each first Friday, the Basilica Shrine holds adoration and confession followed by a 12 noon liturgy in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After devotions, a nice lunch priced just right is served by volunteers.

Over the years, many kind souls have come forward and picked a month to provide, plan, and serve the luncheon. Recently, we have found ourselves in need of a few more kind souls to sponsor a First Friday in 2018. Possible months available are May, August, and December. If you would like to become a sponsor, please give the office a call.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS begin on Friday, February 16. Volunteers are needed to cook, serve, and clean-up. Please note: we are **critically** in need of volunteers without whom we cannot do these dinners. If you can donate 4 to 5 hours each Friday of Lent, please give the Basilica Shrine office a call.

Lenten fish dinners are both a fundraiser and community event for the Basilica Shrine. While the dinners provide much needed revenue, they also serve as a time for family and friends to come together to enjoy a meal and a prayer. Please remember, liturgy and benediction will be offered @ 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 16, March 9, 16, & 23.

ST JOSEPH NOVENA The nine day novena will be held from March 10 - March 18. Please note this is a date change from previous years. On the weekday (Mon. - Fri.), Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. and novena prayers will follow. On the weekends (Sat. & Sun.), novena prayers will be celebrated at the end of the 5:00 p.m. liturgy.

On the Feast Day of St. Joseph, Sunday, March 18 there will be 5 p.m. liturgy, novena, and procession followed by the blessing of St. Joseph's table and bread in Cedars Hall. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend. **COVERED DISHES ARE APPRECIATED!** Speak to Sheila in the office if you have questions.

We hope you will attend the novena. If you cannot make it, please feel free to pick up a novena envelope outside the front office. Please place your intentions on the envelope front and drop it in the white donation box.



St. Joseph is a true heavenly friend who intercedes for the needs of the faithful. He is patron of workers, patron of a happy death, patron of families and patron of the universal church. This loving saint is always willing to join his prayers to ours to obtain our special requests.

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES are available at the entrance to the Basilica and in the Shrine lobby. Please consider making an offering to help defray the cost of the Holy week and Easter flowers. God bless you for your generosity.

EASTER BREAD will be baked by the Basilica Shrine volunteers during Holy Week. The cost is \$12 for a large round loaf. The bread is available plain or iced. To order, please stop in the gift shop or office. Deadline to order is March 23. Pick-up will be March 28 & 29 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and March 30 till noon. All orders not picked up by noon of Good Friday (March 30) will be sold.

MARK YOUR CALENDER Divine Mercy Sunday is April 8, 2018. This year, we welcome back Fr. Shannon Collins. Topics are of yet still undecided. However, Fr. Collins is a beloved speaker and his talks are always popular.

BASILICA ORGAN is now complete. After two years of work and preparation. The Wicks Organ Company completed the installation, voicing and tuning the week of February 21 and we are all prepared for many years of beautiful liturgical music offered to Our Lord.

We are grateful to the benefactors who assisted with this huge project and a plaque will be prepared in the near future to remember those who were so generous to Our Lady's Shrine. God bless them for their kindness and generosity.

EVENTS FOR MARCH

- March 10 - Boy Scout Retreat
- March 17 - NAM Retreat
- March 10 - 18 St Joseph Novena
- March 18 - Feast of St Joseph
- March 24 - Little Flower Parish Retreat
- March 28 - 30 Easter Bread pick up



Dear Friends,

In the midst of Great Lent, I pray that all of us will make a sincere effort to offer prayers for those who suffer and grieve.

There is so much in the world that causes people to suffer unjustly and we should make every effort possible to pray for them and to assist by any means possible.

When we meditate on the suffering and passion of Our Lord, we remind ourselves that we too share in His suffering and passion.. This brings to us the joy of resurrection and promise.

Let us use this holy season as a time to assist others in their suffering, so that they too can be brought to the consolation and joy of Christ's victory over suffering and death.

The glory of Christ will be our glory as well.

God bless you during this Holy Season.

BASILICA SHRINE GIFT SHOP HOURS

Monday-Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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