

BELGIAN HARVEST FESTIVAL

The life of Adele Brise, her encounter with the Queen of Heaven and the story of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion is steeped in the rich history and culture of the Belgian farmers who settled in this region.

This festival, in partnership with the Belgian Heritage Center, is a celebration of that local history and culture and in thanksgiving for the bounty of our Lord!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:30 am Mass

9:30 am Confessions

10:00 am Belgian History Exhibit Opens

Featuring the 170th anniversary of the first settlers arriving

11:00 am Mass

Blessing of farm equipment and first harvest items after Mass

12:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration Begins

12:30 pm Lunch

Booyah, Hot Dogs, Chips, & Desserts

2:00 pm Confessions

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:15 pm Enrollment of the Brown Scapular

1:00, 1:30, 2:00 pm

Educational video on Belgian History and Culture (20 min)

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"Faith Along the Road" video on roadside chapels (30 min)

1:30 pm

Great Fire Presentation by Barb (Englebert) Chisholm (20 min)

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ARE YOU A FARMER OR GARDENER?

A special blessing of tractors, farm equipment, and first harvest crops will take place after 11 am Mass. Bring your equipment and/or crops for the blessing!

