



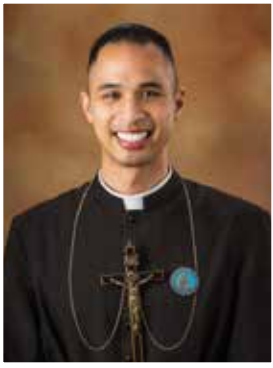
THE GOOD NEWS

News and Events from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help

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Photo taken from Champion Shrine's First Rorate Caeli Mass in Dec. 2022



RECTOR'S WINDOW

Fr. Joseph Aytona, C.P.M



Praised be Jesus Christ!

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Catholics Bishops of the United States have recently launched a "National Eucharistic Revival" to help the faith of Catholics and their belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. I believe that this revival is much needed, not only in our Country but throughout the whole world. Spending the last 11 years as a missionary, one of the most challenging things I did was to help start Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapels. From my experience, I have found many people to be uncatechized or simply

indifferent to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. To commit to one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament seems like an impossibility for many Catholics; yet, outside of Sunday Mass, it can be the most fruitful hour of the week. But whether this goal is difficult or easy, the revival is certainly necessary.

With that in mind, I have no other suggestion to begin this Eucharistic Revival than to entrust it to the Blessed Virgin Mary. If we wish this renewal to bear much fruit, it is fitting we place

these endeavors under our Lady's mantle; true devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary always leads us to the Eucharist! May, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, pray for us!

In the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus,

Fr. Joseph Aytona, CPM

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PILGRIMAGE CORNER

By Kathy Ciha, Pilgrimage Coordinator

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help welcomed over 237 groups in 2022 (a 17% increase over the previous year), and we are preparing for a record number of pilgrim groups in 2023! Now is the perfect time to start planning for a group pilgrimage with your church, school, or community this year.

Let Us Help You Plan Your Experience

Whether you are looking to find quiet time or to join us for a special event at the Shrine, we can help you plan your day. The Shrine is happy to provide promotional materials to help you generate enthusiasm and encourage people to sign up for the pilgrimage to Champion. The next step is to find a way for transportation – whether by coach bus, school bus, or a group of cars. Contact the Shrine's pilgrimage coordinator to explore possible dates for a visit, and don't forget to ask your priest or deacon to join you! They can concelebrate at the 11:00 am Mass, or we can work with you to schedule your own Mass around the Shrine's activities. We are happy to coordinate all details – including Mass, Confessions, and lunch if needed.

See the event schedule further in this newsletter for special Shrine events and activities that will take place this year, or visit our website for more information at championshrine.org/visit!

**Contact our
pilgrimage office
at 920-866-2571 ext 113**



Group pilgrimages at the Shrine offer time for prayer and reflection with your community



Marian Conference Pilgrimage

GIFT SHOP

Statues Among Us

By Andy Herson,
Gift Shop Operations Manager

Throughout the Church's history, art has been used to share Biblical stories and teachings of our faith. People of all ages could learn in a society that did not have formal education.

Today stained-glass windows, icons, and statues are a way to remind us of our incredible family of faith. Statues are available for our homes and outdoor areas to remind us of the remarkable Saints and teachings of Jesus - and to serve as a focal point for more profound devotion.

Our Statues for Your Devotion

Our gift shop at the Shrine offers various indoor and outdoor statues. This includes our outdoor weather-resistant statues of Jesus, the Blessed Mother, and St. Francis of Assisi - and our indoor figures of Our Lady of Good Help and other Saints such as St. Patrick and St. Michael The Archangel.

If you don't already have statues in your house or yard, we encourage you to add some to help you slow down and remember the wonderful gift of faith that we have received from God!



Looking Back

Rorate Caeli Mass & Breakfast December 10, 2022

The National Shrine hosted its first Rorate Caeli Candlelight Mass & Breakfast. Over 130 pilgrims joined for an early morning Mass by candlelight and then hosted loved ones for a hot breakfast served by the Shrine. Rorate Caeli is Latin for "Drop Down, ye Heavens" and is traditionally celebrated just before dawn in Advent as a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary - symbolizing Mary's role in bringing the Light of the World into the darkness of the world.

SEEK 2023 January 2-6, 2023

This year, Champion Shrine was excited to be a sponsor for FOCUS Catholic's SEEK 23 Conference in St. Louis. Over 17,000 young adult Catholics were in attendance, and the Shrine was able to meet many to share the story of Adele and Our Lady of Good Help!

Nativity of Our Lord Novena and the Queen of Families Novena December & February

Thank you to all who participated in our December and February novenas! Our next novena will be the Annunciation of Our Lord Novena, starting on March 17, 2023.

PLEASE NOTE

Before making any plans to visit, please check the "Latest News" Section of our website at www.championshrine.org for the most up-to-date schedule and current guidelines.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 26 – March 1

Lenten Mission at Champion Shrine

Join our Rector, Fr. Joseph Aytona, as he leads a four-day Lenten Mission focused on the Blessed Mother's words to Adele in 1859. Do not miss this great opportunity to draw closer to Jesus through his Blessed Mother during this season! The mission talks begin each evening at 6:30 pm, with Confession available an hour beforehand.

March 11-19, 2023

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

Experience the True Presence of Christ in a new way this Lent! The National Shrine will display the Eucharistic Miracles of the World for pilgrims and parish groups to draw into a deeper encounter with Christ in the Eucharist. The exhibit includes 153 panels that present photographs and historical descriptions of the Eucharistic Miracles that took place throughout the ages. The exhibit will be available from 8 am - 6 pm in Mother of Mercy Hall.

March 17-25, 2023

Novena for the Annunciation of the Lord

Join the Shrine in praying its annual Novena for the Annunciation of the Lord. Enclosed in this newsletter, you will find the prayers and a card in which you can include your prayer intentions for this Novena. For those interested in receiving daily novena reminders by email, visit championshrine.org/novenas.



April 2-9, 2023

Holy Week at Champion Shrine

Enter this holy time on the peace-filled grounds where Mary appeared. Champion Shrine will be holding the following events during Holy Week:

- Palm Sunday Mass | 11 a.m.
- Holy Thursday Mass | 7 p.m.
- Good Friday Service | 3 p.m.
- Holy Saturday Mass | 8:30 p.m.
- Easter Sunday Mass | 11 a.m.

April 16, 2023

Divine Mercy Sunday

Experience the impact of God's mercy at Champion Shrine. This Divine Mercy Sunday, the Shrine will offer confessions from noon-3 pm and a talk on Divine Mercy at 1 pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3 pm, with Mass celebrated after. A Relic of St. Faustina will be available for veneration from 9 am - 3 pm.

May 6, 2023

Walk To Mary

The Walk to Mary is a pilgrimage like no other in the world. Beginning at The National Shrine of St. Joseph and ending at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, this 21-mile prayerful walk has spiritually impacted lives and brought them closer to the Holy Family. Those unable to participate in the full journey can join at other points with shorter distances. Registration is now open at walktomary.com.

May 7, 2023

May Crowning and Celebration

Help us celebrate the month of our Mother with Champion Shrine's annual May Crowning. The celebration will begin following 11 am Mass that Sunday with the crowning of Mary and the Shrine's traditional procession around its grounds.

May 12-13, 2023

Spiritual Motherhood Conference

On the weekend leading up to Mother's Day, Champion Shrine will host a special event centered around the Spiritual Motherhood of Mary. This event brings women together to equip them in the teaching of sharing in Mary's motherhood for souls, especially Priests. With Mary's motherhood intimately united with the Church and her Priests, this conference inspires women to live out a type of maternity that nurtures divine life in others by doing God's will. For more information, visit championshrine.org/events.



May 19-20, 2023

Champion Shrine Marian Conference Mary, Mother of Mercy

Join hundreds of pilgrims from around the world in the second-annual Champion Shrine Marian Conference. Focused on Mary as the Mother of Mercy, attendees will be able to develop a deeper understanding of the healing power of forgiveness through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God. Speakers include Fr. Wade L. J. Menezes - CPM, Sr. Philomena - Daughter of Mary, Fr. Joseph Aytona - CPM, and Bishop David Ricken! For more information on the weekend conference, visit championshrine.org/marian-conference.



FUND DEVELOPMENT

Supporting the Shrine Throughout the Year

By: Kelsey Dorner, Development Director

The Shrine is a special place for many pilgrims who seek a peaceful refuge to connect with Jesus through Our Blessed Mother. Becoming a recurring monthly donor to the Shrine is an excellent way to show your support and appreciation for this tranquil place of prayer.

Financial Stability for Generations

Monthly recurring donations help to ensure the financial stability of the Shrine, allowing the Shrine to have the funds needed to continue fostering

the teaching of the Catholic faith to children and adults. Your support also helps fund the many special events at the Shrine throughout the year, giving an opportunity for all to encounter Jesus in the Sacraments.

Our Appreciation to You

Thank you to all those who are recurring monthly donors. Your support each month helps ensure the Shrine continues to be the sanctuary away from the world for many pilgrims seeking prayer and reflection.



If you are interested in becoming a recurring monthly donor to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, please visit our website, championshrine.org/give or call Kelsey Dorner at (920) 866-2571 ext. 125





ADELE'S WISH LIST

Adele Brise was a visionary who had an unwavering faith in Jesus to help her carry out the mission entrusted to her by the Queen of Heaven here at Champion.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the countless stories of miraculous last-minute wishes for help and assistance granted to Adele. Be it food for the orphaned children, money to keep the school open for classes or to ensure the Chapel could be kept open and running, Adele would express her wish in the form of a prayer and put her faith in Jesus and His Mother to enlist foot soldiers in faith here on earth to provide.

In the spirit of that faith and trust, we humbly put forward "Adele's Wish List" for those items most needed by the Shrine at this time. To sponsor an item through a donation, simply send your check to our mailing address or go to our website and click "Make a Gift". If you would like to donate anonymously, please call (920) 866-2571 ext. 125.

Thank you and may God bless you!

ITEMS NEEDED

- Liturgical Items for Mass - \$100
- Examination of Conscience Pamphlets - \$600
- Two Golf Cart Rentals to Assist Pilgrims with Mobility Issues \$4,000
- Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit - \$4,400
- Mother of Mercy Hall Confessional - \$5,000
- Remodeling the Apparition Oratory Entryway - \$8,000
- Stations of the Cross Restoration – Landscaping Phase - \$25,000

All donations made to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help are tax deductible, as permitted by law. Donations will be used, at the discretion of the organization, to further the purpose indicated by the donor.



DONATION FORM

Please fill out the following form and mail along with your check to:

The Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help
Attention: _____
4047 Chapel Drive
New Franken, WI 54229

Name

Street Address

City

State Zip

Phone Number

Email

Donation Amount \$ _____

General Donation

Adele's Wish List

Please contact me about including
The Shrine in my will or estate plan,
listing the The Shrine as a life
insurance beneficiary or the sale
of stock

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HOURS FOR SHRINE SPIRITUAL LIFE, GIFT SHOP, CAFE AND GROUNDS

Apparition Chapel, Apparition Oratory, and the Shrine Grounds

Daily 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Mass

Daily & Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday & Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday 5:45 p.m.

Sunday (May-Oct) 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Daily 10:00 a.m., 12:00 and 2:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:15 a.m.

Devotional Prayer

Rosary Daily 10:30 a.m.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Daily 3:00 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Daily Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Devotions First Friday of Month after 11 a.m. Mass

Fatima Devotions First Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Healing Service with Anointing of the Sick Last Saturday after 11:00 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Rosary Procession Sundays (May-Oct.) 12:00 p.m.

Family Holy Hour with Guided Lectio Divina .. Sundays (Nov.-Apr.) 12:00 p.m.

Adele Brise Day - Ninth of Each Month

Anointing of the Sick Immediately after 11:00 a.m. Mass

Gift Shop and Schoolhouse Café

Monday – Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Welcome Center

May – October 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

November – April 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Check our website for Holiday Schedules*