

# MARTYRS' SHRINE

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#### **Solemnity of Pentecost**

'The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.' Are the words of the entrance antiphon, and how true is that saying for all of us who come here to the Shrine, to nourish ourselves and be refreshed on the beautiful grounds of the Shrine, after celebrating the Eucharistic feast of the solemnity of Pentecost on this day. This is the same Spirit that drove our founder St. Ignatius Loyola to found the Society of Jesus, and to send many missionaries all over the world to Asia, Japan, China, Latin America, to name a few, but we all owe it to St. Jean de Brebeuf who was instrumental in spreading the faith in this nation, along with our Canadian Martyrs to live here some 400 years ago to work among our indigenous people to give and teach them the good news of a new life through the words of the gospel. It is the same Spirit that gave them the hope and courage to persevere under stressful living conditions among the Hurons.

Let us today, give due thanks to the Holy Trinity and to the Holy Spirit that initiated the works of God on the first disciples, who were encouraged and empowered to continue His Mission of spreading the Gospel to the ends of the Earth, with the assurance that He is with us to the ends of time, to help Him in the mission of Christ bringing about the kingdom of Heaven on Earth, which are often recited in the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray in the 'Our Father'.

This same spirit of Jesus is alive and at work in each one of us here at the Shrine, as we realize through the many miracles that occur on this holy ground. We also realize that we have to be open to this Spirit, that encourages us to love and serve all who visit this place, especially the sick, the suffering, the damaged, those who have lost hope in life through the riches and the attractions of this lovely world. The Spirit of Jesus is very much active here through the intercessions of our Martyrs, who zealously toiled here, and inspires us to walk in their footsteps, and so help us continue the mission of Christ. Today, we pray for all pilgrims who visit the Shrine, that they may be inspired by the Holy Spirit to offer themselves in the service of the mission of Christ, through the intercessions of the Canadian Martyrs that they be healed in Mind, Body and Spirit, to continue the good work that they have been called to Glorify God by their lives. Have a wonderful celebration of Life. God Bless.

Fr. Patrick Coldricks, SJ

### ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE MARTYRS' SHRINE ASSOCIATION?

Share in 100 Masses every year, and receive the Shrine Message twice annually. Find out more or join at the Pastoral & Information Office.



## LE SANCTUAIRE DES MARTYRS

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#### MARTYRS' SHRINE MESSAGE

Get the latest copy of the Martyrs' Shrine message at the information centre. The message is a way for our members to stay connected to the shrine and submit their prayer intentions for the Novena to the Canadian Martyrs and the Novena to St. Joseph.

#### **TOONIE CHALLENGE**

The Church of St. Joseph was not constructed for year-round use. For that reason, the Church was never insulated, and is not heated. A specialized dry-air fire suppression system is required. Our system is in need of an update including replacing its pipes that are at the end of their life. Please support this project through our toonie challenge. If every pilgrim who visited Martyrs' Shrine gave a toonie, we would reach our fundraising goal. Yellow envelopes are available at the rear of the Church for anyone who would like their gift recorded and included on their annual donations receipt for income tax purposes.

#### A SPECIAL THANK-YOU TO OUR DONORS

With over 100,000 visitors a year, Martyrs' Shrine relies solely on the generosity of our visitors. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated to Martyrs' Shrine and helped us to excel in our mission, vision and values.

If you would like to make a donation, visit www.martyrs-shrine.com/donate or visit thePastoral and Administrative Office.

#### **ONLINE GIFT SHOP LAUNCHING SOON**

Martyrs' Shrine has been working to create an online store for the purchase of religious goods sold in our Gift Shop. We hope to make religious gifts more accessbile to those who can't journey to our site, and more convenient for those who can.

Be the first to know when it launches by signing-up at www.martyrs-shrine.com/giftshop.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS †**

8-SAT	
9:00	Emma Maria Joseph
10:30	Allanic Family - Thanksgiving
7:30	Martyrs' Shrine Association
9-SUN	I
9:00	Sojan & Jimmy Sojan
10:30	BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY FRIENDSHIP GARDENS
10-M0	ON
9:00	Martyrs' Shrine Association
12-WE	D
9:00	Mr. & Mrs. Sam Alfred +
12:00	Dieter Kaufmann +
7:30	Martyrs' Shrine Association
13-TH	U
9:00	Michael & Aurita Fernandes +
12:00	Martyrs' Shrine Association
14-FR	I
9:00	Martyrs' Shrine Association
7:30	Catherine Schop +

If you would like a Mass sacrificed for your intention, please inquire at the Pastoral and Administrative Office. Masses still available in the month of June.

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