



BLESSING JESUS

Ask, and it will be given to you;
seek, and you will find; knock, and
it will be opened to you. Matthew 7:7

Dedicated in honor of our parents:

Carmine and Marietta D'Amico
Lee and Pauline Garman

2017 - Ron and Carolyn (D'Amico) Garman

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and
learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."
Matthew 11:28-30*

New Beginnings at the Maria Stein Shrine

In the past year, we welcomed new faces to the Shrine ministry and launched new initiatives in hopes of continuing to share the mission of the Maria Stein Shrine with pilgrims and guests for years to come.

Our gift shop is an important ministry at the Shrine and our gift shop employees and volunteers are often the first to greet our visitors. This past year we hired sales associates Jean Garman, Angie DiGideo, and Marge Good to assist the team with our mission of peace, prayer, and hospitality. Our staff and volunteers offer a listening ear and seek to minister to the hearts of our pilgrims and guests and lend a helping hand by assisting them in finding the perfect gift for a loved one for all occasions. It is more than a gift shop; it is a ministry.

In addition, our ministry office also serves a vital role in the mission here at the Shrine. This year we welcomed Caleb Gaier as the Ministry Coordinator to assist our ministry team in many ways including our candle ministry. Pilgrims and guests travel from all over the world to visit the Shrine and pray in the Relic Chapel surrounded by all the saints. Lighting a candle brings peace and is a physical way of expressing an interior disposition of the heart.

Finally, this past year, we launched the Brunner Bake Shop. Here at the Shrine on the third floor, the bake shop's vision is to bring people together to share a sweet treat, sit back, and experience the beauty of the Shrine. The purpose of the bake shop is to further our mission of hospitality. We hope the bake shop gives visitors an opportunity to sit and just *be* in this holy place.

All Glory be to God,

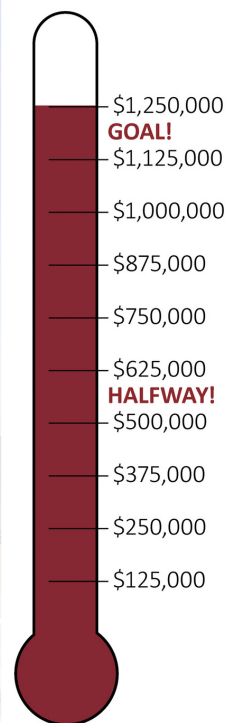
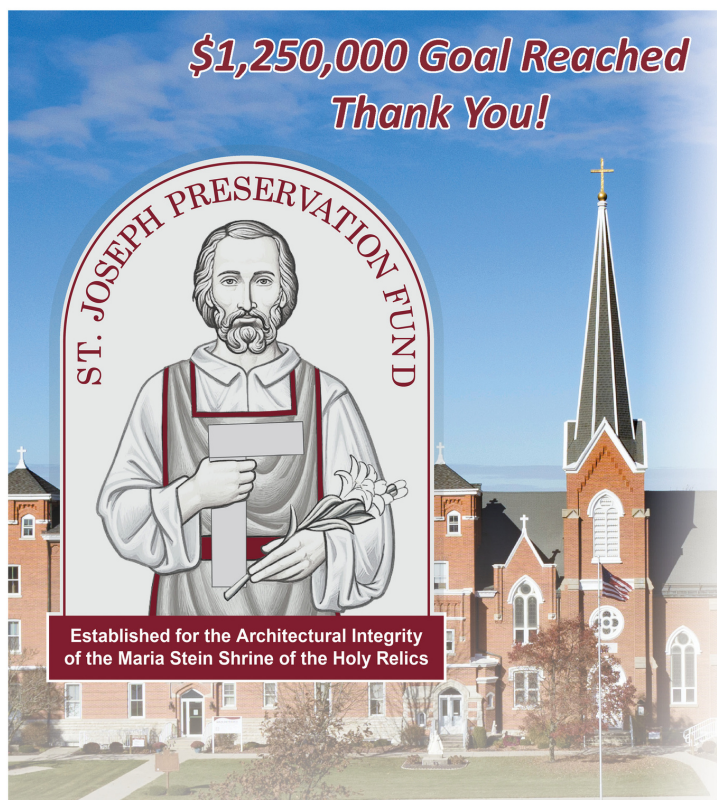
Mark E. Travis



Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you to St. Joseph for interceding for our needs, and to the donors who prayerfully considered a gift to the St. Joseph Preservation Fund. We are happy to share that we have reached our goal. This fund will be used for large maintenance projects to preserve this precious gem for years to come.

The digital donor wall on the first floor of the Shrine includes St. Joseph Gifts of \$1000 or more. Donors' names, photos and/or company logos are displayed on the donor wall. Many of the gifts made in honor of or in memory of a loved one may include loved ones' names and photos on the donor wall as well. Please let us know if you wish to add photos to the donor wall.



maria stein shrine heritage day celebration

*HDC is Saints, Chapel Tours & Tractors too,
Ponies, Pies & Petting Zoo!*

*Bubbles, Bingo, Burgers on buns,
Adults & Children having fun!*

*Nice Weather, Winners, Weavers
and Game-playing overachievers!*

HDC is not only a fundraiser for the operating expenses of the Shrine, but it has also become a family-fun tradition for many. Congratulations to Adam Kremer, our 2023 \$1000 Winner. Save the Date for the next \$1000 Winner at the Taste of the Shrine, May 23, 2024. Tickets can be purchased at mariasteinshrine.org.

Thank you to the many volunteers who donate their time to make events like this possible. If you are interested in volunteering at Shrine events, be sure to reach out to us.

Diana Russell
Director of Fund Development



Ministry Moment

Matt Hess, Director of Ministry

The Maria Stein Shrine is excited to be adding eleven saints to our historic collection this autumn. These relics will be put into the chapel for public veneration by the faithful who come here on pilgrimage. These modern heroes lived exemplary lives of holiness and illustrate to us how to live out our faith in both good and difficult times.

We invite you to visit the Relic Chapel to pray with them. Below is a list of the Saints that will be added to our collection.

Bl. James Miller

Bl. James Miller was an American member of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. He was martyred in 1982 in Guatemala while serving the poor and oppressed there.



St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

St. Elizabeth was a French Discalced Carmelite Sister who was a mystic and spiritual writer. She was known for her persistence in pursuing the will of God.



Bl. Adèle de Batz de Trenquelléon

Bl. Adele co-founded the Marianist Sisters with Bl. William Joseph Chaminade in 1816. They were founded to care for the poor and are affiliated with the University of Dayton.



Sts. Louis & Zélie Martin

The Martins are the parents of St. Therese of Lisieux (and four other nuns) and an example of a holy Christian marriage. They are the first couple to be canonized together.



St. Paul VI

St. Paul VI was pope from 1963-1978. He continued the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965) and implemented many of its reforms during his papacy.



St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

St. Teresa (Edith Stein) was a Jewish philosopher who converted to Catholicism. In 1942 the Nazis arrested her and took her to Auschwitz where she was murdered.



St. Oscar Romero

St. Oscar Romero was a bishop in El Salvador who advocated for the poor and those oppressed by the government. He was martyred while celebrating Mass in 1980.



St. Josemaria Escriva

St. Josemaria was a Spanish priest who founded Opus Dei. This organization promotes the universal call to holiness in the ordinary lives of priests and lay people.



St. Josephine Bakhita

St. Josephine was taken from Africa as a slave and remained one until 1889 when she was given her freedom. A year later, she converted spending the rest of her life as a nun.



Bl. Basil Moreau

Bl. Basil was a French priest who founded the Congregation of the Holy Cross. This group of priests would come to America and found the University of Notre Dame in Indiana.



"The Saints are friends and models of life for us." - Pope Benedict XVI



HOURS

Monday - Thursday:
9:30am - 6:00pm

Friday & Saturday:
9:30am - 4:00pm

Sunday:
12:00pm - 4:00pm

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday
Mid-Day Prayer: 11:45am

Tuesday - Thursday
Eucharistic Adoration: 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Saturdays
Confession: 9:30am
Rosary: 9:38am
Mass: 10:00am

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

1st - All Saints Day Mass with Relic Veneration
9-12th - The 14th Annual Christmas Open House (Pilgrim Gift Shop Sale)
24th - Attitude of Gratitude (Pilgrim Gift Shop Sale)
25th - January 10th Nativities Display
28th - Giving Tuesday

DECEMBER

3rd - St. Nick Kids' Day
17th - Christmas Raffle Drawing (Pilgrim Gift Shop)

For up-to-date event information, follow us
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