

## BASILICA OF CHRIST, THE PRINCE OF PEACE

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR  
LADY OF LEBANON

It was in July 2014 that we received notification that the Shrine Church, named in honor of Christ the Prince of Peace, was raised to the great and awesome dignity of Minor Papal Basilica by His holiness, Pope Francis I. The great news arrived just as the Shrine was preparing to celebrate the 50th Jubilee of establishment. This was a great joy and surprise.

The honor and title of Papal Basilica is granted only to special places of worship of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

This great honor allows our Shrine to be one of only a few churches in the United States to share in this great dignity and it also makes the Shrine a "special" church of our Holy Father, the Pope of Rome as well as the second Maronite Basilica in the entire world.

When you visit the Shrine you will see the insignia which demonstrates how this is a very special place.

The Papal Coat of Arms is proudly displayed over the entrance to the Church as well as the great red and gold "Ombrellino" (papal canopy), the "Tintinabulum" (shield with three small bells to announce the arrival of the Pope should he visit the Basilica) and the massive "Cera Basilicum" (candle and stand with the coat of arms of the Pope and the Basilica). All these demonstrate how special and honored a place this is.

*We welcome you to the Shrine Basilica and we pray that Our Blessed Lady of Lebanon will draw you closer to her Divine Son who is truly the Prince of Peace.*



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## 56TH ANNUAL ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE

AUGUST 13-15, 2021

A PILGRIMAGE OF REMEMBRANCE  
AND THANKSGIVING



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH

PLEASE NOTE: While things are returning to normal, we do ask that you please be considerate and follow reasonable protocol regarding sanitation and social distancing. Thank you!

# Assumption Pilgrimage 2021

A PILGRIMAGE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING

The great feast of Our Lady's Assumption will be of significance this year because we have endured the horrible pandemic which has plagued the entire world.

It is by the grace of God that we have survived this terrible tragedy and we remember the countless souls who have suffered and died from this scourge.

We pray for the repose of their souls and we ask the Lord to grant them a merciful judgement and to receive their souls into His Kingdom.

Bishop Elias Zaidan has declared the Assumption Pilgrimage as special days of Thanksgiving which carry with the celebration the perpetual plenary indulgence granted to this Basilica and Shrine by Pope Francis as well as all extraordinary indulgences granted by the Holy Father.

This is an important time for all of us and a special opportunity to show our gratitude to Almighty God for his healing. Every evening of the Pilgrimage the "Te Deum" (Praise to God) will be sung as our special act of Thanksgiving. We shall thank God not only for deliverance and healing, but also for all those who placed themselves in great danger to assist others. All first responders, law enforcement, fire personnel, medical staff, volunteers, civic leaders and elected officials and clergy and religious who exhausted themselves to serve and save souls. God bless them and may the Lord keep us in the palm of His hand.

***Come join us and give thanks and praise to the Lord God who has delivered us from destruction.***



## ENDOWMENT FUND

The National Shrine has expanded over the past four decades and has provided spiritual support to countless pilgrims and visitors. In order to accommodate pilgrims, the Shrine has expanded services, improving greatly over the years.

Unfortunately the financial obligations have outweighed the income. Repairs, maintenance and expansion projects have always consumed the meager finances.

In order to insure the future of the Shrine, a Perpetual Endowment Fund has been established.

The purpose of this fund is to ensure the financial stability of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon, and to allow for capital expenditures for maintenance, repairs and expansion of the Shrine.

## THE PARTICULARS OF THE FUND

- Only the income from the fund can be used as the principal will remain untouched.
- The minimum donation to the fund is \$50.00.
- Donations can be given in memory or as a gift. All names will be entered into a Perpetual Endowment Fund book which will be kept close to the altar in either the Prince of Peace Chapel or the Tower Chapel.
- All donors, living and deceased, will be remembered daily at the Divine Liturgy (Perpetual Remembrance).
- Donations are welcomed by individuals, organizations, or from estates and wills.

We feel very blessed to announce the new improvements and additions that have been made here at The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon throughout the past year. As you know, this has been a time for many of great uncertainty. This has made your generosity and giving especially humbling. We cannot thank you enough for your continued faithfulness to support our Shrine and these subsequent endeavors.

## PROJECTS COMPLETED

### Gardens & Outdoor Area

#### DONATED:

- The addition of our Rosary Garden which is located to the left of the walkway as you approach the tower
- The restoration and upgrading of our St. Joseph Garden
- The addition of outdoor benches for reflection and rest
- The purchasing of new landscaping equipment to beautify and maintain our grounds

### Vestibule Enhancements

#### DONATED:

- The stained glass window of Our Lady

### Cedars Hall Improvements

#### DONATED:

- The purchase of a new commercial grade cooler for Cedars Hall

#### GENERAL FUND PURCHASE:

- The installation of plexiglass for our buffet area in Cedar Hall

## PROPOSED PROJECTS - WISH LIST

### Icons

- The addition of Adoring Angels near the Tabernacle.
- The addition of the Instruments of Christ's Passion near the Crucifix

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE SHRINE FOR ANY FUTURE PROJECTS, PLEASE CALL 330-538-3351, OR STOP IN TO THE SHRINE OFFICE.



## FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH

- 9:00 AM: Shrine Opens
- 3:00 PM: Cedars Hall Opens  
*Food will be available*
- 4:00-5:00 PM: Confessions at the Basilica
- 7:00 PM: Latin Rite Liturgy  
*Bishop David Bonnar – Celebrant  
Combined choirs of the Basilica  
of Saint John the Baptist and  
Saint Peter Church, Canton,  
Robert Sullivan, Director and Organist*
- 8:00 PM: Te Deum, Procession and Blessing  
with the Icon of Our Lady of  
Lebanon
- Following  
Procession: Cedars Hall open for food,  
refreshment and fellowship



**Bishop David Bonnar**  
*Diocese of Youngstown*



**Bishop John Michael Botean**  
*Diocese of St. George  
Canton, OH*

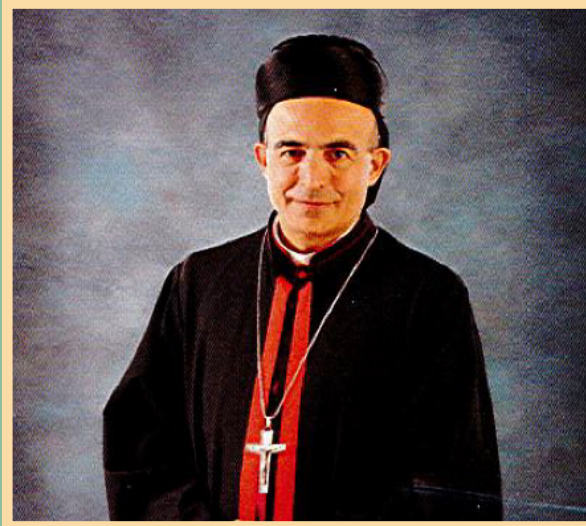
## SATURDAY, AUGUST 14TH

- 9:00 AM: Shrine Opens
- 11:00 AM: Divine Liturgy of Ordination of  
Seminarians to the Subdeaconate  
Bishop Gregory Mansour
- 11:00 AM: Cedars Hall Opens  
*Food will be available*
- 12:00-2:00 PM: Holy Rosary on the hour in the  
Tower Chapel
- 1:00-4:00 PM: Maronite Youth activities in the main tent
- 2:00-4:00 PM: Confessions in the Basilica
- 2:00 PM: Solemn High Tridentine Mass  
Father Boniface Hicks, OSB and the  
Monks of St Vincent’s Archabbey  
Choir: St Cecilia Chorale and Mens  
Schola from the Basilica and National  
Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon
- 3:00 PM: Spiritual Conference  
*“How St. Joseph Can Transform Your  
Life” Father Boniface Hicks, OSB  
St Vincent’s Archabbey - Latrobe, PA.  
Father Boniface will be available for  
those who would like to purchase his  
new book, “Through the Heart of Saint  
Joseph”*
- 7:00 PM: Byzantine Hierarchical Liturgy  
*Bishop John Michael Botean  
Eparchy of Saint George in Canton*
- 8:00 PM: Procession with the Shroud of the  
Dormition of Our Lady  
Burial Service of the Theotokos  
Archimandrite Monsignor George  
Appleyard  
Blessing with the Icon of Our Lady  
of Lebanon  
*\* We invite you to bring fresh cut  
flowers to lay at the shroud of Our Lady  
of Lebanon.*
- Following  
Procession: Cedars Hall open for food,  
refreshment and fellowship



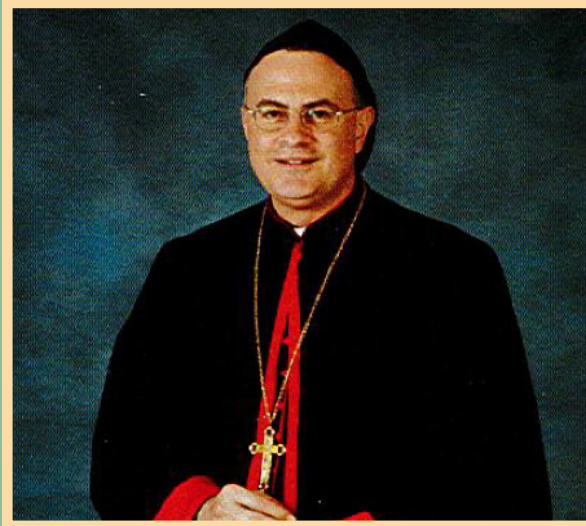
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH**  
**56TH ANNUAL FEAST OF**  
**THE ASSUMPTION**

- 9:00 AM: Shrine Opens
- 10:00 AM: Maronite Divine Liturgy with the Blessing and Anointing of the Sick  
*Bishop Gregory Mansour and Bishop Elias Zaidan*
- 11:00 AM: Cedars Hall Opens  
*Food will be available*
- 12:00-2:00 PM: Holy Rosary on the hour in the Tower Chapel
- 1:00-4:00 PM: Maronite Youth activities in the main tent
- 2:00-5:00 PM: Confessions in the Basilica  
 Organ Concert on the Basilica  
 2:00 PM: *Wicks Organ Opus 5809*  
*Dr. Edward Alan Moore*
- 5:00 PM: Band Concert  
*Cedars Hall*  
*Lowellville Band*
- 7:00 PM: Maronite Pontifical Liturgy  
*Celebrants: Bishops Elias Zaidan, & Gregory Mansour*  
*Combined Maronite Choirs*
- 8:00 PM: Procession and Blessing with the Icon of Our Lady of Lebanon
- Following Procession: Cedars Hall open for food, refreshment and fellowship



**Bishop A. Elias Zaidan M.L.M.**

*Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon  
 Los Angeles, California*



**Bishop Gregory J. Mansour S.T.L.**

*Eparchy of St. Maron,  
 Brooklyn, New York*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 22ND**  
**CELEBRATION OF THE**  
**FEAST OF ST. ROCCO**



- 10:00 AM: Maronite Divine Liturgy:  
 Celebrant: Chorbishop Anthony Spinosa  
 Rector Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon
- 11:00 AM: Procession with the Statue of St. Rocco
- 11:30 AM: Light Lunch Provided

**REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

*Many loved ones have died during this horrible year of the pandemic and we would like to remember them in a special way during this Pilgrimage of Remembrance and Thanksgiving.*

*If a loved one has departed this earthly life from January 2020 to August 2021, and you would like them remembered during the Pilgrimage, please send their names to us and all the names will be placed on Our Lady's altar in the Basilica.*

*You may submit the names via email [office@ololshrine.com](mailto:office@ololshrine.com) or you may call the Shrine office at 330-770-7777. Please submit the names of your loved ones no later than August 1.*

**God grant them memory eternal.  
 May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.**