



# The House of Mary Shrine

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## The Patriotic Rosary




The Patriotic Rosary came to the Shrine via Leona Cowles who 10 years ago traveled to Birmingham, Alabama, to join others in praying for Mary's intercession especially for our country. In this rosary meditation, Robert E. Lee expresses the need for prayer every day, all through our days. The four verses of the Star Spangled Banner are sung which include the words "in God we trust." Pray for the USA and for religious freedom. Join us Sundays at 4:00 p.m. as we pray and sing. **God Bless America!**

## Rachel Statue Story

A statue of Rachel weeping over the children has been donated to the Shrine. Rachel's story is found in Jeremiah 31:15-17 when King Herod decreed the slaughter of the innocents. The statue will be placed near the Holy Innocents statue with a pillar remembering the Holy Innocents of our present time. People may remember their lost children by placing the name in the pillar. Project Rachel is a program to assist those suffering such losses, and is available at 1-800-700-7867.



 **The Shrine** is a place where people of all faiths come to give thanks for blessings, as well as to cry tears of sadness. It is open every day, and, even on the coldest days, a candle will be lit and prayers offered. It is a uniquely quiet abode away from the noise and interruptions of the world. Stop by and enjoy a touch of heaven and offer a thank you to God for His love.

## The Gift Shop

Religious books and items abound on the shelves of the Shrine gift shop. The mission of the shop is to provide religious reminders in a very secular world. Books, bibles and mementos are all sold by volunteers contacted by Cheryl Lemon. The summertime hours are daily from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and after masses. The winter schedule varies with Saturdays in December and for special occasions. Check it out for spiritual enhancement in your gift giving.

## Carmelites Make A Visit

Excitement was high as the Carmelite Sisters from Alexander came to investigate the Shrine property in their search for a larger monastery. They are discerning God's Will through much prayer. **God's Will Be Done!**

**For the Love of Don Dendinger**—Join the Dendinger Family for a memorial rosary service to be shared on 4.27.13 at 1:00 p.m. at the House of Mary Shrine. This service, led by Kaye Dendinger Myers, is said in honor of Dr. Don Dendinger who passed away on 4.27.1998.

## Fr. Lawrence Marbach



2012 marked the end of a love affair for Fr. Marbach. He was in love with The House of Mary Shrine. For the past 10+ years, Father has been coming to the Shrine to celebrate Monday masses in the summer. He and Msgr. Hermann have taken turns with this ministry. In November, Fr. Lawrence headed for his final reward, and left many sad, but full of joy for him. He spent his 60 priestly years throughout South Dakota parishes. He loved the history of the Church, and relished his retirement giving him diversity in his ministry.

## The "Wanna-B-Saints"

In January of 2008 a group of ladies living near the Shrine met to start a group to study saints, but it quickly spread to Yankton. Elizabeth Ann Seton was the first studied. She was the first native-born American saint. The group meets the first and third Thursday of the month. A saint is chosen, researched, and then discussed. A movie of the saint is shown when possible. A litany was started with a short synopsis of the saint, and is prayed at every meeting. Fifty-seven saints, numerous films, two pilgrimages and many great discussions later, we are still excited to see who we can study next! Our "fame" spread, and we are now joined by several gentlemen who add diverse thinking and great insight! **Don't YOU "Wanna B a Saint"?**

**The Saints are "marching in...."** to the Shrine. Thirty-six pillars have been erected, and as soon as spring finds us, we plan to complete their journey! Pillars like our "Mary Entrance" will grace the south end of the Holy Innocents Garden. The pillars will each have a story of a



saint and a picture. Saints weren't born saints, but lived exemplary lives in very unique circumstances. Come and learn about these holy people! If you would like your favorite saint on the walk, you may choose one (with availability, approval and a \$500 donation), and it will happen. Fourteen saints have already been approved. For more information, call 605-665-8616 or e-mail us at [thehouseofmaryshrine@yanktoncatholic.org](mailto:thehouseofmaryshrine@yanktoncatholic.org). A blessing of the area is planned for September. Watch for details, as we celebrate these special saints!

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



*“Pray the Rosary”*

## Easter Sunrise Service



In our throw-away world, there are very few things that are traditions or that remind us of stability. However, the House of Mary Shrine offers us one of those great traditions—the **Easter Morning Sunrise Service**. This year the Shrine will celebrate the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Service. It began in 1971 through a suggestion of a Baptist neighbor, Marvin Miller. Don Marbach and Jim Valzy were early singers with a trumpet played by Scott Muntefering and later Christopher Cowles (who is now one of our newer priests for our Diocese.)

We invite you all to join us for this year's Service which consists of scripture readings, songs, a meditative walk up to the three crosses and reflections shared at the top of the hill as the sun is rising. **The Service this year, March 31<sup>st</sup>, will begin in the Shrine Chapel at 6:50 a.m.** What a great way to celebrate the Lord's resurrection followed by worship at church.

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## Donation Opportunities

(Please Complete and Return the Enclosed Card for the Following Donations)

- Pillar for the “Walk With The Saints”:**     \$500.00—Your choice of Saint subject to approval
- Bench Near the “Walk With The Saints”:** \$500.00
- Engraved Brick:**     \$ 30.00—Two lines of 13 characters each (spaces count as characters)  
Locations for the bricks are:  
St. Isidore   St. Francis   St. Anne   St. Therese   Pieta
- Tree:**     \$300.00
- General Maintenance:**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation(s) Are Tax Deductible**

**Please remember us as generously as possible—remembering your parish first  
Remember us in your Will if the Spirit so inspires you**

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**For Information, Call: 605-668-8616**

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I Am Interested In Volunteering At The Shrine