



# BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF MARY, QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE



## REFLECTIONS FROM THE HEART

By Fr. Ivan Olmo

"Thus says the LORD: I know their works and their thoughts." What do you know, really know without a doubt, can truly save you, can never change, will remain eternal, and will never cease to be true even if you do not think so or say so? What do you really know that is eternal and can never change? The knowledge we hold can be useful, but also it can be hurtful depending on how it is used. True knowledge can assist us in making lifechanging and lifesaving decisions that are helpful to us, our coworkers, family, friends, and all humanity. The kind of knowledge we honestly gain and confidently impart to others, our youth, young people and everyone in general to help others improve their state in life, assist in medical advancement, can provide useful tools and resources to care for the unborn, the broken hearted, the poor, the elderly, safeguard our children and provide basic goods and healthcare to those who are unable or unwilling to provide it for themselves. This type of knowledge is helpful to everyone. At times, unfortunately, we seek knowledge to hurt or wound others, or we obtain private, confidential information to tarnish another's reputation to advance our own image or status in life. When we seek out information that can be self-incriminating or to substantially damage the credibility of another simply for pleasure or to prove a point or for selfish gain or upper hand benefits, we use knowledge not to assist or help another but rather to destroy, cheat and lie to another in order to give the impression that we are good, okay or better.



That kind of knowledge is not helpful to anyone. True knowledge that is most helpful to us and to everyone else is to know God with all our heart, mind, strength and being. To know our Lord, God, and Savior, who has loved us for an eternity with all his heart, mind, strength, poverty, Spirit and being. This knowledge is both helpful and eternal and can never change even if you don't believe it or ever had the grace to experience it. Also, to know that God has forgiven you, truly forgiven you, even if you do not think so. Also know, God will never leave or abandon you even if you say he has. Know without a doubt, the Lord is always with you and will provide for you, even if you act independently, don't think you need him and are rich beyond God's blessing. God knows he loves you.

### BASILICA HOURS

MON - FRI 8:30AM - 5:00PM  
SATURDAY 10:00AM - 7:00PM  
SUNDAY 7:00AM - 2:00PM

### DAILY MASS

MON - FRI 9:00AM & 12:00PM  
SATURDAY 12:00PM

### WEEKEND MASS

**SATURDAY**  
6:00PM (WITH BASILICA CHOIR)

**SUNDAY**  
8:00AM

10:00AM, 12:00PM  
(WITH BASILICA CHOIR)

2:30PM (POLISH MASS)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
10:00AM - 12:00 PM  
2:00PM - 4:00PM

**SATURDAY**  
10:00AM - 4:00PM

**SUNDAY**  
9:00AM - 12:00 PM

### GIFT SHOP

MON - FRI 9:30AM - 4:00PM  
SATURDAY 10:00AM - 7:00PM  
SUNDAY 8:00AM - 2:00PM

### RECTOR

Very Reverend Ivan Olmo

### PAROCHIAL VICARS

Rev. Julian Bednarz, S.D.S.

Rev. Barthelemy Garçon, S.M.M.



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A Spiritual Enrichment  
Series on Prayer

*Our next  
gathering*

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Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 | 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, August 24, 2025

8:00 am † Jose Muñoz  
10:00 am † Norma Lopez Crespo  
12:00 pm † Joseph Legat

### Monday, August 25, 2025

9:00 am † Joseph Linzy  
12:00 pm Fernando Vargas Robles

### Tuesday, August 26, 2025

9:00 am Mary Queen of the Universe  
12:00 pm † Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday, August 27, 2025

9:00 am The Linzy Family  
12:00 pm † James Vandergrift

### Thursday, August 28, 2025

9:00 am † Anna Dreher  
12:00 pm † Cynthia Cameron

### Friday, August 29, 2025

9:00 am † Louise Golden  
12:00 pm † Evelyn Ginger Hasty

### Saturday, August 30, 2025

12:00 pm † Soledad and Victorino Cuesta  
6:00 pm † Veronica Montone

## QUEENSHIP APPEAL

Donations are also accepted  
online at <https://donate.mqus.org>



## QUEENSHIP APPEAL

We ask your prayerful consideration that together as a family we might do whatever our Lord asks us to maintain and enhance this beautiful sacred space for greater opportunity for worship, thanksgiving, prayer and praise. We thank you for your ongoing kindness and your prayerful support.

God's peace and blessings always, *Fr. Ivan*

### Fellowship Giving Levels:



#### Queenship

☐ \$5000 annual Gift ☐ or \$500 Monthly



#### Assumption

☐ \$2500 annual Gift ☐ or \$250 Monthly



#### Magnificat

☐ \$1000 annual Gift ☐ or \$100 Monthly



#### Rosary

☐ \$500 annual Gift ☐ or \$50 Monthly



#### Visitation

☐ \$150 annual Gift ☐ or \$15 Monthly

☐ Other amount \_\_\_\_\_

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Please make check payable to The Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary,  
Queen of the Universe

### THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

"Our holy mother, the Church, holds and teaches that God, the first principle and last end of all things, can be known with certainty from the created world by the natural light of human reason." Without this capacity, man would not be able to welcome God's revelation. Man has this capacity because he is created "in the image of God". (CCC #36)

### "THE BELLS OF SAINT MARY"

The bells installed on the Chapel's Tower, were cast in Italy using traditional methods and techniques dating back to the late Renaissance, to the year 1565. The first ecclesiastical use of bells was to announce the hour of church services. Unfortunately, at the moment, our Church Bells are unable to ring awaiting repair of one of the mechanism that will allow them to sing again. Please remember us in your prayers.

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