### April 2020

New Mass Schedule All are in Coliseum until further notice: Wed-Fri 11 a.m. in Coliseum Sat 11 am and 4pm in Coliseum Sun 3pm Latin Mass Every Sunday in Coliseum.

#### **Upcoming Events\***

Due to the Coronavirus, all April Events are canceled: Shrine Clean Up Days with St. Mary's Institute (Apr 22) and Auriesville K of C (Apr 25), and Hard As Nails Ministries Passion Conference (Apr 25).

Looking Forward:

Sat May 2 <u>Masses Begin</u> (See schedule on right)

Sat May 2 Boy Scout Retreat scouting@rcda.org

Sat May 16 Diaconate Ordination Mass 11 am in Coliseum Celebrant: Bishop Scharfenberger

Thurs May 27 Sacrament of Confirmation 6:30 pm in Coliseum Celebrant: Bishop Scharfenberger

Sat June 6 Martyrs Mini Retreat Canceled for June 6. Will reschedule. Date TBD Presenter: Fr Brian Maxwell 8:30 am – 3pm in Visitor Center beth@ourladyofmartyrsshrine.org

Sat June 27 Cath. Prof. Conference/ Mini Retreat Guest Presenter: Christopher Bell tfallati@gmail.com

# SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MARTYRS

Auriesville, New York The Holy Ground of the North American Martyrs and Birthplace of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

#### Welcome, Father Brian Lehnert!

As announced at our Shrine Gala last October, Rev. Brian Lehnert, a priest from the Diocese of Palm Beach, FL, will be in residence at the Shrine for our May - October 2020 season. He will live on the property, celebrate regularly scheduled Masses, and will be available to pilgrims.

This will be a year of sabbatical for Father Brian who chose to spend it on this holy ground.



Since his ordination in 2000, Father Lehnert served the Diocese of Palm Beach as pastor

of St. Therese de Lisieux Catholic Church in Wellington; Director for Vocations and seminarians for the diocese, and chaplain for the local chapter of Legatus, an association of Catholic CEOs.

Father Lehnert attended St John Vianney College Seminary in Miami, earned a philosophy degree at Florida Atlantic University, and his master's degree in theology at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach, FL.

Father Brian will celebrate our first Mass of the season on <u>Saturday</u> May 2 at 4 pm in the Coliseum. \* Please come and welcome Fr. Brian!

# \*Coronavirus and Shrine Schedule

Please note that Masses, events, and opening day might be canceled or rescheduled depending on the status of the Corona Virus (COVID-19) at that time. For updates, see contact info below. FB is updated most regularly.

At this writing, Shrine grounds are open. The Coliseum and all other buildings are closed.

There are many people to pray for during this pandemic: patients and families, the deceased and those who grieve, for health care workers, policy makers, government officials, and church leaders. St. Kateri Tekakwitha, her clan, and other Native Americans were victims of various epidemics, and the North American Martyrs ministered to them here at Auriesville and in Canada. Pray for the intercession of these saints, for the comfort of Our Lady of Martyrs, and for the healing hands of Christ Our Lord.

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### Mass Schedule May 2 – Oct 19

<u>ALL</u> Masses, including weekdays, will be in Coliseum until further notice. From there, schedule is as follows, unless otherwise announced:

Along with Fr Lehnert, our regular celebrants are Fr. Pat Iannotti, Fr. Jeffery L'Arche, and Fr. Brian Slezak. Celebrants will be fairly consistent but watch the bulletin for variations such as during our Novenas of Masses. <u>The Extraordinary Form of the Mass (Latin) will be offered</u> <u>every Sunday</u> as our only Sunday Mass.

Saturdays	11 am in Coliseum. Celebrant: Fr Pat Iannotti
	4 pm in Coliseum. Celebrant: Fr Brian Lehnert
Sundays	3 pm in Coliseum, Latin Mass Every Sunday
	Celebrant: Fr Jeffery L'Arche or Fr Brian Slezak
Mon & Tues	No Masses scheduled at this time.
Wed, Thurs, Fri	11 am in Coliseum. Celebrant: Fr Brian Lehnert



# Winter at the Shrine

is gloriously harsh with cold, ice, obstructive snow, and damaging high winds. Yet the beauty of it all is astounding. We read in the Liturgy of the Hours: **"God manifests His power in nature, and His providence in history."** 

The power of the elements elicits excitement and awe that we hear, see, and touch. It can put us in mind of the Mohawk village of Ossernenon that once stood here, and the harshness of winter in which their choice was "to venture out to hunt and freeze, or remain in the longhouse and starve." It was God's providence that St. Isaac Jogues would experience this as a captive slave in the winter of 1642-43. If not for his capture, escape, return, and martyrdom, this holy Shrine would not exist.

## **Diaconate Ordination at Auriesville**

All are invited to the Ordination to the Diaconate of Nicholas Ascioti, Ramon Bonifacio, Paul Cerosaletti, Marin Dinan, Ronald Dombrowski, Paul LeBlanc, Bernard McConaghy, Aaron Tremblay, Kyle Gorenski, Daniel McHale, and Nathaniel Resila. Mass is at **<u>11 am in the Coliseum on Saturday May 16</u>**. Main Celebrant is Bishop Edward Scharfenberger. "As ministers of Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel, preach, and teach in the name of the Church. As ministers of Sacrament, deacons baptize, lead the faithful in prayer, witness marriages, and conduct wakes and funeral services. As ministers of Charity, deacons are leaders in identifying the needs of others, then marshaling the Church's resources to meet those needs." <u>http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/diaconate/faqs.cfm</u>