



PILGRIMAGE PLANNING GUIDE and FORMS





Thank you for your interest in the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help.

Champion Shrine is one of a dozen religious sites in the world that have been approved by the Catholic Church as a Marian apparition site. This means the Catholic Church has deemed it worthy of belief that Jesus' Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary, appeared here.

We hope you will come and be with Mary here, as well. Pray, through intercessory prayer, to her son, Jesus, at the actual site of her appearance in the apparition oratory; participate in Mass and special services at the Apparition Chapel; or immerse in quiet prayer and reflection on the grounds. You will find at Champion a reverent, humble, and peaceful place of rich Marian devotion.

As you plan in preparation for your pilgrimage to Champion Shrine, please use the information on the following pages to guide you. We welcome groups large and small and will do everything we can to accommodate you, your family and/or group.

The storied history of the Blessed Mother's appearances to a young Belgian immigrant, Adele Brise, is retold to all pilgrims. We share in the mission the Queen of Heaven entrusted to Adele in 1859. Go, gather, teach, pray.

In December of 2010, after discernment and upon review of the findings of three renowned Mariologists, the Most Rev. David L. Ricken, Bishop of Green Bay, publicly declared the events, apparitions, and locutions given to Adele Brise in October 1859 exhibited the substance of supernatural character. The church confirmed these findings; as such, the apparitions have been deemed "worthy of belief." Presently, this is the only church-approved Marian apparition site in the United States of America.

In August 2016, Champion Shrine received another important affirmation by the Church when the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops granted the designation of "National Shrine" to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help.

Each year, thousands of men, women and children come to Champion to experience a place for prayer and quiet reflection, rich Marian devotions, enjoying a sacred retreat from the busyness of life, and a humble place of worship and reverence. Champion Shrine offers many opportunities for personal connection with our Lord Jesus through the intercession of His Blessed Mother.



TO ASSIST YOU IN ORGANIZING A PILGRIMAGE, WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING

Group pilgrimages are scheduled by contacting Champion Shrine by phone at **920-866-2571 x 113** or by email at **kciha@shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com**. Advanced scheduling is required in order to better accommodate your group.

Opportunities for Prayer in the Apparition Chapel:

- Mass at 11:00 a.m. daily, additionally Tuesday and Saturday at 8:30 a.m.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. and 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. daily, additionally Saturday at 9:15 – 10:45 a.m.
- Group Rosary at 10:30 a.m. daily
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. daily
- Eucharistic adoration at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Sunday and 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday

Other opportunities for prayer and reflection:

- Apparition Chapel
- Apparition Oratory
- Mother of Mercy Hall
- Outdoor and indoor Stations of the Cross
- Outdoor Rosary Walk
- Various grottoes
- Reflective grounds
- Shrine history presentation, other presentations as developed or requested
- Special events throughout the year



ITINERARY CONSIDERATIONS

- Welcome Center – education on Champion Shrine and its history
- History Presentation – 9:30am Daily
 - Scheduled talks \$25 suggested donation
- Group prayer, ex. Liturgy of the Hours, rosary, Stations of the Cross
- Mass with accompanying priest

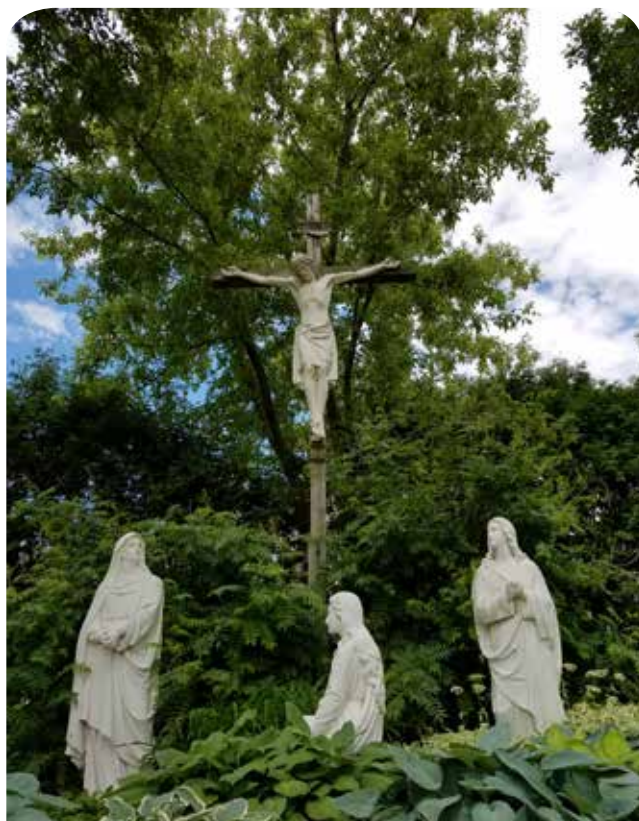
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- 8:30 a.m. on weekdays excluding Tuesdays
 - 2:00 p.m. daily excluding Sundays
 - Minimum donation for Chapel use is \$50
 - Please complete and return Liturgical Guide Form on page 8
- Dining on site
 - Café*
 - A la carte only (not recommended for groups over 10 people)
 - If interested in ordering box lunches for large groups, please request a lunch order form from the Pilgrimage Coordinator*
 - Food catered in
 - Reservation for eating area required
 - Outdoors*
 - Picnic grounds and tables (as available)
- Gift shop

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- Apparition Chapel and Apparition Oratory have accessible entries.
- Mother of Mercy Hall- Meeting/lunch rooms to accomodate 60-90 people. Large rooms available for conferences and retreats. Pieta statue and full size canvas replica of the Diving Mercy image.
- Meeting/lunch rooms: capacity 75–100 persons; reservation required
- Outdoor areas: grave site of Adele Brise, roadside chapel, Lourdes grotto, Fatima grotto, stations of the cross, rosary walk, statues of the Holy Family, St. Joseph, St. Francis of Assisi, the crucifixion, Blessed Mother, and St. Michael the Archangel





GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Champion Shrine is a place of prayer and reflection; as such, we ask that all pilgrims please respect others' rights to a quiet and prayerful atmosphere.
- The liturgical norms of the Catholic Church are observed.
- Priests concelebrating are required to bring an alb. Other vestments are available. Credentials are required and must be approved and accepted PRIOR to visit. Fax to 920-866-2581 or scan and email to kciha@shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com.
- Those religious services that are not celebrated at Champion Shrine include: weddings, funerals, baptisms, and communion services.
- The Safe Environment policies of the Diocese of Green Bay are adhered to at Champion Shrine.

COSTS

Minimum donations for reservations are:

Room/ Service	Seating Capacity	Cost
St. Joseph Hall	55	\$50
Adele Brise Hall	28	\$50
Medium Size Lunch Rooms	50-65 people	\$75
Larger Lunch Rooms	90 people	\$100
Kitchen Facility	n/a	\$50
History Presentations (after 9:30am)	n/a	\$25
Pilgrim (Private) Masses in Apparition Chapel	275	\$50

Kitchen Facilities

There will be a \$50 donation requested for any groups intending to use the Kitchen facilities in Mother of Mercy Hall. This cost covers the use of the facility, supplies and any cleanup needed. *Note* No cooler space will be available. Bags of ice will be available for purchase upon request.



ACCOMMODATIONS, ATTRACTIONS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Champion Shrine is located in a rural area in the heart of Northeast Wisconsin's fertile agricultural community of Champion, Wisconsin. Located 17 miles northeast of Green Bay, Champion is a welcoming entrance to Door County, the "Cape Cod of the Midwest." Champion Shrine is situated within a half-hour driving distance from a number of Northeast Wisconsin's premier tourist destinations all of which offer pilgrims a variety of accommodation options and many opportunities for attendance at ancillary events and participation in interesting activities year-round. Often those on group pilgrimage would like to come to Champion Shrine for a specific event. We invite you to go to our website at **www.shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com** for a list of current and upcoming events or follow us and subscribe to our events on our facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChampionShrine.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The following links are provided to help you plan your accommodations for your pilgrimage.

Please note that availability of accommodations could be limited in the Green Bay area during Packers season. We would encourage those interested in overnight stays while on pilgrimage during Green Bay Packers home game weekends in Green Bay to look for accommodations in Algoma in Kewaunee County or Sturgeon Bay in Door County (follow links below). Within 15 minutes driving distance from Champion Shrine are the communities of Dyckesville, New Franken, Luxemburg and Algoma.

Accommodations within 30 minutes driving distance:

Greater Green Bay Area Visitor and Convention Bureau:

www.greenbay.com/where-to-stay
1-920-494-9507 or 1-888-867-6342

Door County Visitor and Convention Bureau (Sturgeon Bay, WI; Little Sturgeon, WI):

www.doorcounty.com/stay
1-920-743-4456 or 1-800-527-3529

*(Also within an hour's driving distance from Champion Shrine in Door County:
Egg Harbor, Fish Creek, Ephraim, Sister Bay, Jacksonport, Bailey's Harbor)*

Kewaunee County (Luxemburg, Casco, Rio Creek, Algoma, Kewaunee):

www.visitkewauneecounty.com

Accommodations within 45 – 60 minutes driving distance:

Manitowoc Area: www.manitowoc.info/stay

Sheboygan/Kohler area: www.visitsheboygancounty.com

Appleton/Fox Cities: www.foxcities.org/stay/1/hotel

Oshkosh Area: www.visitoshkosh.com/accommodations

Campgrounds, RV parks and state campgrounds:

Brown County Parks:

www.co.brown.wi.us/departments/?department=260ed145263d&subdepartment=dadc284c6c54

Door County Parks: map.co.door.wi.us/parks/

Outagamie County Parks: www.outagamie.org/index.aspx?page=68

Winnebago County Parks: www.co.winnebago.wi.us/parks

Kewaunee County Parks: www.co.kewaunee.wi.gov/index.asp?locid=195

Sheboygan County Parks:

www.sheboygancounty.com/government/departments-f-q/planning-and-conservation/facilities/parks

Wisconsin State Parks: dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/

Wisconsin Campgrounds and RV Parks:

www.travelwisconsin.com/places-to-stay/campgrounds/directory

ATTRACTIONS

While on individual, family or group pilgrimage, you may also wish to visit other places of interest. To schedule group tours, please call ahead or email contacts listed:

Curran Spirituality Center:

E146 County Road KB, Denmark, WI 54204

Contact William G O'Brien at wobstable@gmail.com

National Shrine of St. Joseph:

St. Norbert College, 123 Grant, De Pere, WI 54115

Spiritual Director: Rev. Michael Brennan

Cell: 312-307-9383; Office: 920-403-3012; mbrennan@norbertines.org

Relevant Radio:

1496 Bellevue Street, Green Bay, WI 54311; Ph: 877-291-0123

or email info@relevantradio.com

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and Museum:

139 S. Madison St., Green Bay, WI 54302; Ph: 920-432-4348

Belgian Heritage Center:

1255 County Rd. DK, Brussels, WI 54204; Ph: 920-825-1328

SHRINE EVENTS

- Mass: 11:00 a.m. daily, additionally Tuesday and Saturday at 8:30 a.m.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. and 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. daily, additionally Saturday at 9:15 – 10:45 a.m.
- Devotional Prayer:
 - Rosary at 10:30 a.m. daily*
 - Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. daily
 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.
 - St. Joseph Devotions, Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
 - Fatima Devotions, First Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

SHRINE HOURS

- The Apparition Chapel, Apparition Oratory, and the Shrine Grounds are open 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. daily.
- Gift Shop/Schoolhouse Café is open Monday – Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 12:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Find complete details on website: www.shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com

**Changes may occur. Additional opportunities may be available. Inquire for additional options.*



OFF-SITE DINING OPTIONS

Contact following restaurants for dining options near Champion Shrine or to have your meal catered or delivered.

[Honey Baked Ham](#)

Caters Lunch

Suite B, 933 Anderson Dr a, Green Bay, WI 54304

Phone: (920) 592-9995

[Julie's Café and Catering](#)

Caters to Shrine or Dine-In

1230 Velp Ave. Green Bay, WI 54303 – 20 miles from Shrine

www.juliescafecatering.com

Phone: (920) 494-4585

[Mackinaws](#)

Caters to Shrine or Dine-In

2925 Voyager Drive, Green Bay, WI 54311 – 16 miles from Shrine

Phone: (920) 406-8000

[Rose's Family Restaurant](#)

Dine in Only

1623 Main St. Luxemburg, WI 54217 – 6.6 miles from Shrine

Phone: (920) 845 – 2025

[Subway \(BP Gas Station\)](#)

Delivers to Shrine

4127 Champion Road, Green Bay, WI 54311

Phone: (920) 866-1616

[Subway \(Luxemburg\)](#)

380 W Center St, Luxemburg, WI 54217

Phone: (920) 845-1023

[Sweet Seasons Family Restaurant](#)

Dine in Only

6189 Tielens Rd., Dyckesville, WI 54217 – 3 Miles from Shrine

Phone: (920) 866-9691

[Village Kitchen Restaurant and Catering Service](#)

Caters to Shrine

101 Old Orchard Avenue, Casco, WI 54205 – 10 miles from Shrine

Phone: (920) 837-7333



PILGRIMAGE GROUP INFORMATION

DATE FOR WHICH YOU ARE PLANNING YOUR PILGRIMAGE:

Month:_____ Date:_____ Year:_____

HOW MANY IN GROUP: _____ NAME OF YOUR GROUP: _____

CONTACT PERSON FOR YOUR GROUP:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

WILL YOUR PRIEST BE CONCELEBRATING/HOLDING PRIVATE MASS: ☐ Yes* ☐ No

NOTE: All Priests outside Green Bay Catholic Diocese must have credentials faxed to 920-866-2581 prior to pilgrimage.

Credentials requested: _____ Credentials received: _____*

**NOTE: a minimum donation of \$50 is requested from the group for the use of the Church and liturgical supplies if Mass is being celebrated here. Fee collected on this date: _____*

Would you like to order a DVD for \$21 (includes shipping and handling) to watch prior to your visit or on the bus traveling to Champion Shrine? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, date mailed: _____ (staff info only)

ANTICIPATED GROUP ITINERARY:

Arrival Time:_____ Departure Time:_____

Coming by Bus: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, would you like a welcome by Shrine Staff at bus? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

** Please call 920-866-2571 ext. 4 five minutes before arrival for welcome by Shrine staff at bus.*

☐ 8:30 a.m. Mass (Tues/Sat only)

☐ 11:00 a.m. Mass (daily)

☐ Private Mass

☐ Prayer/Reflection

☐ History Talk by Staff

Lunch: ☐ Medium Hall (50-65 max)

☐ Large Hall (90 max)

ANY OTHER INSTRUCTIONS: _____

Please mail, email (scan), or fax this completed Form to:

**National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, Attention: Pilgrimage Coordinator
4047 Chapel Drive, Champion, WI 54229-9462**

Email: kciha@shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com

Fax: 920-866-2581

Liturgical Guide for Mass at Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help

(Please fax/email this form to 920-866-2581 or kciha@shrineofourladyofgoodhelp.com)

Date of Mass/ Pilgrimage: _____ Time of Mass: _____

(Note: Pilgrimage masses must not conflict with the Shrine's daily Mass schedule. Therefore, there are no unscheduled morning masses allowed on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. For remaining days, the morning mass can be scheduled **no later** than 9:00 a.m. The afternoon masses must not conflict with the Shrine's daily schedule which includes the 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet, the 4:30 p.m. Holy Hour and St. Joseph Devotions on Wednesday and the 2:00 p.m. Holy Hour on Sundays afternoon.)

Priest Information:

Name: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Diocese of: _____

Diocese/Clergy Office Phone: _____

Has a Letter of Suitability request been sent? Y/N _____ If Yes, date requested _____ Rcvd: _____

Name of Parish/Pilgrimage Group having Mass (please include city/state from): _____

Vestments – Priest should bring their own alb, amice, and cincture (Chasuble and Stole are available.)

****Important**** Due to the limited quantity and sizes available at the Shrine, all vestments for altar servers must be provided by the parish or group celebrating a pilgrimage Mass at the Shrine.

Vestment requirements for altar servers: Males – Cassock & Surplice or alb Female – Albs (Note: If males and females are serving together, both should vest in an alb.)

Servers

Do you need the Shrine to provide a server? _____ Are you providing your own server? _____

Not using a server _____

Will you be using incense? y/n _____ Processional candles & Crucifix y/n _____

How many Individual Hosts? _____ Any low gluten requirements? If so, how many? _____

****Important**** For large groups; the priest should check the Tabernacle before Mass to make sure there are enough hosts available.

Important Notes

- If the Mass is not in English, the priest **must** provide the appropriate missal and lectionary in that language for the Mass.
- Please be attentive to the sacristy. Please make sure all liturgical supplies, vessels are put in their appropriate places and that vestments are hung in the appropriate closets. Your help and cooperation in this regard is very much appreciated.
- A minimum donation of \$50.00 is required for all pilgrim masses for the use of the Apparition Chapel. If the pilgrimage group joins our regularly scheduled daily mass and the priest concelebrates at the Shrine's regularly scheduled daily mass time the minimum donation of \$50.00 is waived.
- The Shrine does not have a full-time sacristan on duty for Masses outside of our regular daily Mass schedule, therefore, please make sure all vessels are properly purified by the priest or deacon during the Mass.
- There is NO distribution of Holy Communion in a Pyx at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help. **Please do not distribute Holy Communion into a Pyx**, please ask to see the Shrine Rector or the Operations Manager for any questions.

By signing below, you agree to the terms and procedures at the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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