



La Pieta Prayer Group

Pilgrimage to Harrisburg, PA

Blessing of the Miraculous Medal Shrine

September 15-17, 2017



Saint Catherine Labouré was born on May 2, 1806, the child of Peter and Louise Labouré. When she was nine, her saintly mother died. At 22, she asked her father's permission to become of Daughter of Charity. Her father flatly refused her. After a year, with the help of her Aunt Jeanne's intercession, her father finally gave her permission to enter the convent.

On November 27, 1830, the Blessed Mother appeared to her again. Catherine, raising her eyes to the Main Altar, saw her beautiful Lady standing on a large globe. Mary's arms swept wide and down. Surrounding her head was an oval frame with the words, "O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." Then the vision of the Virgin turned completely around. on the other side appeared a huge M with a cross about it. The letter rested on a bar, beneath with appeared two hearts. The first heart was encircled by a crown of thorns, the second was pierced by a sword. The Virgin spoke again. This time, she gave a direct order, "Have a medal struck in this form. All who wear it will receive great graces." Catherine's confessor obtained permission from the Archbishop to have the medal struck. One of the original medals is mounted on the Ambo of Saint Catherine Labouré Church.

Catherine Labouré kept this secret all of her life, revealing it only to her confessor. She passed to her eternal reward on December 31, 1876, and was canonized on July 27, 1947. The first parish in the world to be named in her honor was Saint Catherine Labouré Parish in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on March 1, 1948. On July 5, 1976, the new Church was dedicated as The Shrine of the Miraculous Medal.

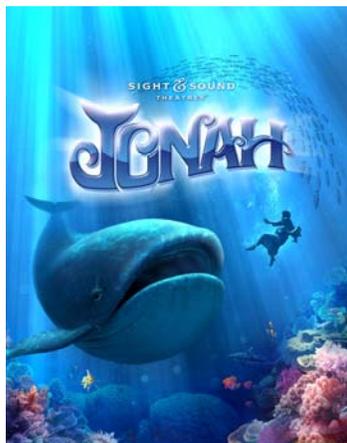
On Saturday, September 16 in Celebration the Vision, Bishop Gainer will bless the Miraculous Medal Shrine.

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- ◆ Ceremony at [Saint Catherine Labouré](#)
- ◆ Theatre production of Johan

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- ◆ All lunches and dinners
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- ◆ Tips for guides and driver
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Rates:

- \$840 /person single occupancy
- \$650 /person double occupancy
- \$580 /person triple occupancy
- \$550 /person quad occupancy

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