

**National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**  
**P.O. Box 2163, 70 Carmelite Drive**  
**Middletown, NY 10940**  
**845-343-1879**

Thank you for your inquiry regarding a Pilgrimage/Retreat to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Middletown, NY!

**Mission Statement**

***---To provide a place of pilgrimage and meaningful spiritual experience of God centered around devotion to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel***

***---To offer pilgrims an opportunity for personal experience and growth, reconciliation, learning and meditative prayer***

We will work with you to plan a pilgrimage or day of retreat. It can be centered around your own theme, or if you wish we can provide suggestions for a possible theme or focus. You are invited to bring a priest or someone from your parish who can guide your retreat, or we can provide one of our Carmelite priests or Brothers to help with this, as well as myself.

When a date is confirmed by phone, we then ask that you send in a \$50 non-refundable deposit to hold this date. Also, if a Mass is celebrated at the Shrine, we would ask that you take up a collection as a donation to the Shrine.

Food options would include bringing your **own food** or utilizing our **Pilgrimage Package**. We do not have our own cafeteria but can offer several meal options as follows:

**.....Complete Pilgrimage/Retreat Package** includes a continental breakfast and hot or cold lunch. The price for the complete Pilgrimage Package (breakfast thru lunch) would be \$35pp and menu options can be decided upon.

**.....Hot lunch only** is \$25pp; **.....Cold lunch** (sandwiches, chips,cookies) is \$20pp - or if you choose to bring your **own food**, the pricing would be \$10pp for beverages only.

**Coffee/tea/water are served for each of the above options.**

**---The above prices include a conference/speaker and use of the facilities---**

Groups can be 40 or less or as large as 100-150. To help with your planning, we also wanted you to be aware that the Shrine offers daily Mass Monday thru Friday at 11:30AM and on Sundays at 12:00noon. Confessions are held every Saturday from 11:00 – 12:00noon. Our Gift Shop is open Monday thru Friday, 11:00 – 4:00pm; Saturdays & Sundays, 10:00 – 3:00pm.

The outdoor grounds are filled with many shrines and places of personal prayer or meditation, as well as a picnic grove and large, picturesque lake which all contribute to the peace and serenity that the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel has to offer.

***God Bless you – I hope to hear back from you soon...*** Carol Bezak, Shrine Director  
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