

THE BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL RELICS COLLECTION NOW ON DISPLAY



The Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul has recently catalogued its collection of about eighty authenticated relics, as well as numerous others which are not yet authenticated. Authenticated relics are now being displayed in a rotation on the reredos of the two side altars, on niches that were specially designed for this purpose during the Basilica's recent renovation. A directory of relics, with information pages about each saint, is available at each side altar. This directory is also posted on StsPeterAndPaulBasilica.com under "Relics Collection." A memorial plaque honoring the late John George Jerome Holland III is now on display in the vestibule. A short biography of Mr. Holland, with a photo of him, is included on his memorial display.

The Basilica's Altar Guild has assumed stewardship of the rotation of relics on the side altars. Displayed relics are now identified with cards that indicate the name of the saint. On or near a saint's feast day, the relic of the saint in our collection may be featured prominently. Parishioners and visitors are encouraged to take time to appreciate these relics that we are privileged to house in our sanctuary, as well as the information about the saints found in the directory, as an opportunity to venerate the mortal remains of saints who now enjoy the blessing of heaven.

Special thanks to Therese Ohotnicky, Basilica parishioner, who organized the Basilica's relics collection, compiled the directory, and produced the memorial display honoring Mr. Holland, as part of her American Heritage Girls Stars and Stripes Award.

AUTHENTICATED RELICS AT THE BASILICA

St. Alphonsus Liguori – Aug. 1	St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows – Feb. 27	St. Maximilian Kolbe – Aug. 14
Bl. Alphonsus Maria Fusco – Feb. 6	St. Gerard Majella – Oct. 16	St. Monica – Aug. 27
St. Ambrose – Dec. 7	Pope St. Gregory the Great – Sep. 3	St. Nicholas of Myra – Dec. 6
St. Andre Bessette – Jan. 6	St. Helena – Aug. 18	St. Patrick - Mar. 17
St. Anthony of Padua – Jun. 13	St. Hieron - Nov. 7	St. Paul of the Cross – Oct. 19
St. Augustine – Aug. 28	St. Ignatius of Loyola – Jul. 31	St. Peter Claver – Sep. 9
St. Benedict of Nursia – Jul. 11	St. John Bosco - Jan. 31	Bl. Peter Donders – Jan. 14
St. Bernadette Soubirous – Apr. 16	St. John Neumann – Jan. 5	St. Philip Neri - May 26
St. Bernard of Clairvaux – Aug. 20	St. John of God – Mar. 8	Pope St. Pius V – Apr. 30
St. Blaise – Feb. 3	St. John the Apostle and Evangelist – Dec. 27	Pope Bl. Pius IX – Feb. 7
St. Bonaventure – Jul. 15	Pope St. John Paul II – Oct. 22	Pope St. Pius X – Aug. 21
St. Boniface – Jun. 5	St. John Vianney - Aug. 4	St. Robert Bellarmine – Sep. 17
St. Catherine Laboure – Nov. 28	St. Joseph Calasanz – Aug. 25	St. Rose of Lima - Aug. 23
St. Charles Borromeo – Nov. 4	Bl. Joseph Gerard – May 29	St. Scholastica – Feb. 10
St. Clare of Assisi – Aug. 11	St. Joseph of Cupertino – Sep. 18	Bl. Simon Fidati of Cascia – Feb. 16
St. Clement Mary Hofbauer – Mar. 15	St. Josephine Margaret Bakhita – Feb. 8	St. Teresa of Avila – Oct. 15
Most Holy Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ – Sep. 14	St. Jude Thaddeus the Apostle – Oct. 28	St. Thomas Aquinas – Jan. 28
St. Damien of Molokai – May 10	St. Kateri Tekakwitha – Jul. 14	St. Vincent de Paul - Sep. 27
St. Dominic Savio – May 6	Pope St. Leo the Great – Nov. 10	St. Vincent Ferrer – Apr. 5
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – Jan. 4	St. Louis de Monfort – Apr. 28	St. Vincent Strambi – Sep. 25
St. Eugene de Mazenod – May 21	St. Louis IX, King of France – Aug. 25	
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini – Nov. 13	St. Lucy – Dec. 13	
St. Francis Borgia – Oct. 10	St. Madeleine Sophie Barat – May 25	
St. Francis of Assisi – Oct. 4	St. Margaret Mary Alacoque – Oct. 17	
St. Francis Xavier – Dec. 3	St. Maria Goretti – Jul. 6	
	Bl. Maria Romero Meneses – Jul. 7	
	St. Mary Magdelene – Jul. 22	