



RETREAT ACCOMMODATIONS

In September 2013 Saint Anne's Shrine opened five cabins to provide overnight facilities for a wide range of retreats and spiritual programming. Each cabin has a full kitchen, living/dining room space, screened porch, three bathrooms and four bedrooms containing two bunk beds. Amenities include Wi-Fi, air-conditioning, internet radio and a flat screen TV with access to local stations and Chromecast capability. These cabins, which can accommodate up to eighty people, are furnished with comfortable furniture and state-of-the-art appliances.

Additional conference space is available with the completion of an oval wing to the Boucher Building which houses the dining room, gift shop and offices. The expanded space was constructed using natural oak wood and includes a Rumford fireplace. The lower level contains six private reflection rooms for spiritual direction meetings and/or private meditation.

The Shrine is now an ideal location to hold retreats for women and men seeking to know and do God's will. The serene setting of the Shrine provides retreatants the opportunity to encounter the risen Christ and deepen one's relationship with the living God. Our new facilities provide opportunities for groups such as parish councils, school staff, religious communities and families wishing to experience spiritual growth in a retreat setting. Sacramental marriage preparation and Marriage Encounter weekends are each held twice during fall and spring. Those making private pilgrimages are welcome with letter of sponsorship from one's parish pastor.

DIRECTIONS

Saint Anne's Shrine is easily accessible from Northern New England through I-89 via U.S. Route 2, from New York through I-87 via U.S. 11 and from Canada through I-15 via I-87 & U.S. 11, as well as by boat on Lake Champlain. The Shrine is of special interest to tourists because of its religious tradition, beautiful island location and historical significance.

The Shrine is open for worship and private devotion during the pilgrimage season, May through October, and throughout the year for various retreats. Call 802.928.3362 or visit saintannesshrine.org for Mass times and for a complete schedule of events.



For group outings and other information, you can email or call Saint Anne's Shrine.

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Saint Anne's SHRINE

Center for life, light and love



Conducted by The Society of Saint Edmund
 Isle La Motte, Vermont



ON PEACEFUL ISLE LA MOTTE

Saint Anne's Shrine sits close by beautiful Lake Champlain on Isle La Motte, in Vermont's scenic "Island County," Grand Isle. The Shrine is on the site of Fort Saint Anne, Vermont's oldest settlement, constructed in 1666, where the first Mass in the region was celebrated. Though the Fort itself was short lived, the site continued to be a favorite stopping place for Lake Champlain travelers in the succeeding years of war and peace. Interesting relics of those historic days are on display at the Shrine.



FACILITIES

The Rev. Maurice Boucher Building, located on the hill overlooking Lake Champlain, is open daily and houses the Main Office, History Room, Public Restrooms, Gift Shop and Café. Lunches and group meals are served seasonally on Sundays and upon request at other times. The Gift Shop and Book Store are open daily with a varied selection of religious items, books, gifts and Vermont products.

Picnic facilities are plentiful and a beautiful sandy beach is available for families and groups of all types who come to spend the day in prayer and peace. A large dock is also available for tourists and pilgrims who wish to visit the Shrine by boat.

CHAPEL

The Chapel allows pilgrims to worship outside amidst the beautiful Shrine grounds on the shore of Lake Champlain. Sunday Masses are celebrated from Memorial Day to Columbus Day (check website for times) and daily Mass (M-F) is celebrated at 11:15 a.m. in July and August. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available prior to each Mass. Catholic weddings are also celebrated during the pilgrimage season and those interested in having their Sacramental Marriage at the Shrine should inquire one year in advance. A Columbarium for cremated remains is available for the interment of ashes for Catholics who have been enrolled on our mailing list as *Friends of Saint Anne's Shrine*. Call the office or visit our website for more information in having your eternal resting place on these Holy Grounds.

GROTTOS AND WAY OF THE CROSS

The Shrine is dedicated in honor of Saint Anne, the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The beautiful 15' gold-leafed mounted statue of Our Lady of Lourdes is among the many statues of Saints available for quiet devotional prayer. Many pilgrims pray for healing through the intercession of Saint Anne and our Blessed Mother as well as to other Saints at the various grottos located throughout the grounds.

Nestled among tall pines, and almost touching the waters of Lake Champlain, is a hallowed spot dedicated to the events of the Passion and Death of Christ which is still a popular devotion for many who wish to spend some time in private prayer.

STATUE OF SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN

Located on the site, where it is claimed that Samuel de Champlain landed in 1609 at Isle La Motte, is a majestic granite statue which was sculpted at Expo '67 in Montreal.

Recent archaeological excavations have discovered over a thousand artifacts dating back to the 1600s.

