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GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

Dear Friends,

Every Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help brings with it a treasury of blessings, touching stories, and little "miracles." This year's 81st Pilgrimage has been no different.

Throughout the weekend we were moved by the number of faithful pilgrims who made the journey to be here from near and far. Some of our older pilgrims proudly told us of the number of times they have made the journey – 50 years, 60 years, 70 years and more! Multigenerational and younger families came with babies, toddlers, children and teens. Almost 400 children participated in the Children's Procession on Sunday afternoon. The candlelight procession was so inspiring with a ribbon of light winding around the pathways.

We are so grateful to all of you, our dear pilgrims, for being here, for sharing your priceless stories with us, and for helping us to remember that for all the tragedy and evil that is so often broadcast, there are also countless faith-filled and generous people who strive to say "yes" to God's plan for them each and every day.

May Our Lady of Perpetual Help and her Divine Son reward you with the graces and spiritual gifts you need as you continue your faith journey throughout the coming year. Be assured that our prayers always accompany you.

With our gratitude and prayers,

Sister Ruth Plante, OSBM and the Sisters of St. Basil

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