



*Please help to honor Our Lady of America's request for her statue to be solemnly processed and placed in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Please print out the Petition, sign it and print your name and address, copy and distribute it, adding lines as necessary, and mail or fax completed Petitions to the address below. Also please distribute the Petition as widely as possible on the internet.*

**Petition for the Solemn Procession and Placement of the Statue of Our Lady of America in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**

To: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops;  
Most Reverend Leonard P Blair, Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo, Ohio;  
Msgr. Walter R. Rossi, Rector of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Your Excellencies:

With filial love, we the faithful wish to humbly petition you to arrange for the Solemn Procession and Placement of the Statue of Our Lady of America in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and to honor her there in a special way as "Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin".

Our Lady requested this and promised that the placement of her statue in the National Shrine would be a safeguard for our country. Therefore, it is our prayer that the Holy Spirit will guide you to honor this Petition.

Petitions are one means of seeking action to honor Our Lady. Both Pope Pius IX and Pope Pius XII referred to the petitions of the faithful as one of the criteria that led them to the final acts of papally defining the Marian dogmas of the Immaculate Conception and the Assumption.

Respectfully submitted:

**Name (Signature and Print) and Address**

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