



Martyrs' Shrine near Midland, Ontario.

MARTYRS' SHRINE, Fort Ste. Marie

Fort Ste. Marie was the central residence of the Jesuit missionaries who labored among the twenty thousand Hurons inhabiting the Georgian Bay District at the beginning of the seventeenth century.

Six of the eight Martyred Saints lived here and the sacred remains of Brébeuf and Lalemant were buried here after their heroic martyrdom by the Iroquois in 1649.

The present church was built in 1926, one year after their Beatification and four years before their Canonization in 1930.

This venerable spot, the first centre of Christianity and civilization in Ontario, is visited by about 100,000 pilgrims every year.

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Statue of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Founder of the
Jesuit Order of Lithuanian Cross at **MARTYRS'**
SHRINE, Midland, Ontario, Canada. Cross erected
by Lithuanian Pilgrims September 8th, 1957.

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