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# Here Monday For Fatima

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John Joseph Cardinal Carberry will leave Monday for a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal where he will lead ceremonies commemorating the 53rd anniversary of Mary's first appearance there as reported by three Fatima children.

The Cardinal and 88 other area pilgrims will depart by chartered plane at 3 p.m. from Lambert-St. Louis Airport for New York where they will be joined by some 80 persons from other parts of the United States for the trip to Lisbon.

Highlight of the pilgrimage will be the celebration of Mass by the Cardinal at the shrine on the 53rd anniversary on Wednesday, May 13.

"The intentions of our American pilgrimage," Cardinal Carberry said, "are the same as those of Pope Paul: peace in the world and in the church."

The Cardinal will be the first English-speaking prelate to celebrate the anniversary Mass, which annually draws more than 500,000 pilgrims to the shrine. In 1967, the 50th anniversary Mass was celebrated by Pope Paul VI whose visit boosted the number of pilgrims to more than one million.

The St. Louis Cardinal was invited to celebrate the Mass and to officiate at Benediction during the procession of the Blessed Sacrament held on the eve of the anniversary by Bishop Joao Pereira Venancio of Leiria, the Portuguese diocese in which Fatima is located. Cardinal Carberry met Bishop Venancio in November of 1967. Cardinal Carberry was then Bishop of Columbus and Bishop Venancio visited there on a tour of the United States.

The U.S. pilgrimage being led by the Cardinal has been organized by the Blue Army, an international society which promotes prayer and devotion to Our Lady of Fatima.

Among those making the trip will be the Blue Army's founder, Msgr. Harold V. Colgan, pastor emeritus of St. Mary Parish, Plainfield, N.J. Msgr. Colgan will be honored at a banquet following the anniversary Mass in recognition of his recent 50th ordination anniversary.

In conjunction with the Cardinal's trip, special prayers for peace to Our Lady of Fatima are being offered in the St. Louis Archdiocese throughout the month of May.

A rosewood statue of "The Pilgrim Virgin" began a month-long tour of churches here last Friday and prayer ceremonies including Mass or Benediction are being held during its stops at 67 churches and institutions in all 10 deaneries of the archdiocese.