



NATIONAL SHRINE
of the LITTLE FLOWER
— BASILICA —

February 25, 2022

Dear Shrine Family:

Last Friday Fr. Joe Horn suffered a heart attack and has since been recuperating. Please know he is in good spirits and working with his team of health care professionals to fully recover.

While Fr. Joe focuses on his road to recovery at his family home, the Archdiocese of Detroit has appointed Monsignor Patrick Halfpenny as Temporary Administrator of the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica effective today, Friday, February 25, 2022. Monsignor Halfpenny will continue his responsibilities serving as Director for Priestly Mission in the Office for Clergy and Consecrated Life.

Monsignor Halfpenny will be taking residence at Shrine and plans to introduce himself to our community at all Masses this weekend. There will be further communication from Monsignor next week.

We will continue to give updates on the progress of Fr. Horn. Please join us in praying for him, Monsignor Halfpenny and our parish.

Saint Therese of the Little Flower...pray for us!