

Catholic Canton

*Featuring: Rhoda Wise House & Grotto
Saint Raphael Center
Mother Angelica Museum
Lourdes Grotto & Rosary Garden
Harry London Chocolate Factory*

***Presented by Wendt Touring
Wednesday, June 11, 2025***



Depart St. Agnes Church at 7:30AM aboard a highway coach for Canton, Ohio. A breakfast stop will be made en route. Later this morning arrive at Saint Raphael Center & Mother Angelica Museum. In 1981, Mother Angelica, a cloistered Franciscan nun, launched what has become the largest religious media network in the world; Eternal Word Television Network. EWTN now reaches 264 million homes in 145 countries and over 700 million homes with AM, FM, shortwave radio and internet. It all began in 1923 in a small home in the southeast end of Canton, Ohio. Born Rita A. Rizzo, the future Mother Angelica, grew up in a working-class neighborhood during the Roaring Twenties a block away from her parish church. Young Rita had a difficult childhood. Her father abandoned the family before Rita was five years old. Divorce soon followed. Life was a struggle for Rita and her mother. Rita's years of trial were compounded by a debilitating stomach ailment until she was healed by Jesus through a woman named Rhoda Wise. That healing set her life on a course that would ultimately change the world. Come and see where it all began. Our visit will include a guided tour of the complex, a delicious catered lunch and then free time to explore the Lourdes Grotto, Rosary Garden and Gift Store. This afternoon visit the Rhoda Wise House & Grotto. Born in 1888 in Cadiz, Ohio and raised in Wheeling, WV, Rhoda converted to the Catholic Church while in Mercy Hospital. Over time she developed a strong devotion to the Rosary and St. Therese the Little Flower. Rhoda Wise would later experience apparitions of Our Lord and St. Therese. On October 7, 2016, Rhoda Wise's Cause for Canonization opened in the Diocese of Youngstown. Enjoy time here to visit the home and pray at the grotto. Later today we visit Fannie May & Harry London Chocolate Factory. Enjoy a guided tour which will take us behind the scenes learning the step-by-step process of making gourmet chocolates. Following the tour enjoy time visiting the gift shop. Arrive back at St. Agnes at approximately 7:00PM.

TRIP INCLUDES

- Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- Group luncheon
- All admissions & shrine donations
- Mass & prayer
- Pilgrimage Coordinator



TOUR FARE: \$129.00 per person is due to secure your reservation.

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