

The League of St. Martin



Following are some steps to erect a shrine of the Holy Face with a copy of the Veil of Veronica. The copy might come from either the Vatican or from a copy of one through the League of St. Martin. These are only suggestions. Please be creative. For updates or suggestions go to www.martinians.org. You can be thrifty and get everything for under \$100.00 if you work at it.

1. Obtain an image of the Holy Face. It is the Face of Jesus printed on linen as shown on the left and touched to the Veil of Veronica, the Holy Spear and the Holy Cross. Or it is a linen with the Holy Face touched to one of these holy images.

2. Obtain a hanging oil lamp. I got the one on the left for under \$100.00 USD. You can go to ETSY or www.holytrinitystore.com go to liturgical items then to hanging oil lamps. These are just two examples (They were sold out when I last looked). Make sure the glass is at least 3 ½ inches in diameter.

3. Obtain some cork floaters and wicks. Those pictured to the right are about \$ 4.00 USD.



4. Obtain some olive oil. Do not get extra virgin olive oil, but get regular olive oil. The viscosity is better for burning. You can get this at any grocery store. Get the

priest to bless the olive oil.

5. Obtain a fixture to hang the oil lamp. Someone gave me a book stand which I just turned upside down and nailed to the wall. My lamp is approximately 6 inches from the wall. Some oil lamps come with the accessories or they can be bought separately.

6. Instructions—hang the relic and the fixture putting the top end of the oil lamp on the hook. Fill the glass with oil. Take a floating cork and put a wick from top to bottom leaving the top about the size of a new pencil eraser. Light the wick. Say a prayer for the League of St. Martin. Congratulations, you now have a shrine to the Holy Face, a true relic. Make sure to burn the wick day and night and if you have to leave the house for a trip place a cover over the relic before you extinguish the light. I have to fill my lamp with oil every morning and replace my cork and wick about every 2—3 days. This is a great shrine in case the churches get locked up again.