

# Under Her Mantle



Left: John Haffert reaches for pen to autograph *SIGN OF HER HEART*, a book which sold over 100,000 copies, but he had to wait almost thirty years to lead this pilgrimage.

honored in one of the great Marian shrines not only of England but of the world.

This year we arranged at a very early date for a group to be accommodated at the former Carmelite Monastery at Aylesford. And for the first time in all these years, after having

written a book on the Scapular which has become a sort of classic throughout the world, I will be leading a group next July which will spend three days at Aylesford, including the day of the Scapular Feast itself, July 16th. The complete itinerary of the trip is as follows:

**TOUR OF THE YEAR: Shannon, Knock, London, Aylesford, Cambridge, Walsingham, Stratford-on-Avon, Geneva, Milan, Turin, La Salette, Annecy, Lisbon, Fatima.**

July 11-Aug. 2, 1974

**E**ver since I first traveled through Europe in 1946 to visit the major shrines of Our Lady I had planned to take a group with me to relive that tremendous experience, particularly the experience of the reality of Our Lady's gift of the Scapular.

In the years that followed I did take many tours to Europe, but they were almost always involved in Fatima. England — where the Scapular was given to Saint Simon — was so far away from Fatima that it was rarely included in those pilgrimages. And the miracles of the Scapulars of Saint Alphonsus Ligouri and of Saint John Bosco were also far away again, being in the extremities of the north and south of Italy.

Finally, two years ago, I did lead a pilgrimage honoring the gift of the Scapular of Our Lady — Who in our own time appeared in the final appearance at Lourdes on the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and in Her final appearance at Fatima held the Scapular out of the sky.

To my great disappointment, on that first "Scapular Pilgrimage" it was impossible to spend an overnight at Aylesford, England, where the actual remembrance of the giving of the Scapular to Saint Simon Stock is

This special pilgrimage will be limited to two coaches. It will be accompanied by myself and by Brother Aloysius Scafidi F.S.E., the Brother mentioned in my book *THE BROTHER AND I*. Brother Aloysius is

now the superior of the Brothers of the Holy Eucharist at Ave Maria Institute.

Those interested may write to me in care of The Blue Army, Washington, N.J. 07882.

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