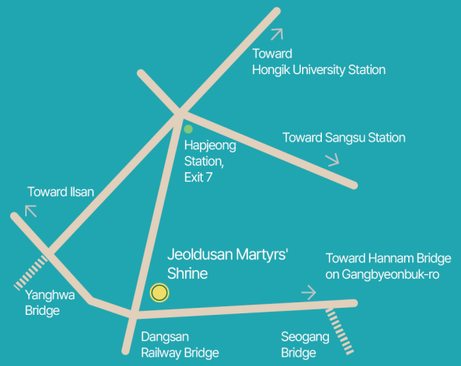

■ Directions

Take Subway Line 2 or Line 6
to Hapjeong Station. From Exit 7,
the shrine is approximately a 10-minute walk

■ Mass Schedule

Weekday masses	Monday & Saturday : 10:00 AM Tuesday to Friday : 10:00 AM · 3:00 PM
Sunday masses	Saturday : 3:00 PM Sunday : 10:00 AM · 3:00 PM

■ Museum Information

Opening Hours : 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Closed days : Mondays, January 1st, Lunar New Year & Chuseok holidays,
Other days designated by the director

■ Shrine Office

☎ 02-3142-4434 (8:30 AM - 5 PM, Closed on Mondays)

■ Pilgrimage Reservation Inquiries

☎ 02-3142-4825 (8:30 AM - 5 PM, Closed on Mondays)

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JEOLDUSAN MARTYRS' SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

What is Jeoldusan Martyrs' Shrine?

Previously known as Yanghwajin Ferry Dock and Jamdubong Peak during the Joseon Dynasty, this site was a renowned scenic area along the Han River. However, at the time of the Byeongin Persecution of 1866, as numerous Catholics were executed by decapitation, it is now called "Jeoldusan," meaning "Mountain of Beheading."

Following the martyrdom of Korea's first priest, Father Kim Tae-gon, and a century later in 1946, the Korean Catholic Martyrs Exaltation Committee was formed. They began developing this area into a holy site, and in 1967, on the 100th anniversary of the Byeongin persecution, the church and museum were finally completed. In 1997, the site was recognized for its value as an important relic of our history and was designated a Historic Site, part of the National Heritage of Korea – Seoul Yanghwajin Ferry Dock and Jamdubong Peak Site.

In September 2018, the "Seoul Catholic Pilgrimage Route" was officially recognized by the Vatican as an international pilgrimage destination. With this recognition, Jeoldusan Martyrs' Shrine has established itself as a proud cultural heritage of South Korea and further emerged as a pilgrimage site for people across Asia and the world.

Seoul Catholic Pilgrimage Route
Third Course: The Unity Road

Seosomun Martyrs' Shrine (Jungnim-dong Yakhyeon Catholic Church) → Danggogae Martyrs' Shrine → Saenamteo Martyrs' Shrine → Jeoldusan Martyrs' Shrine → Nogosan Shrine → Sacred Heart of Jesus Seminary at Yongsan → Waegogae Shrine → Samseongsan Shrine

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⑳ Memorial Statue of Jeoldusan Martyrs

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The Memorial Education Center for the Canonization of Korean Martyr Saints

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Jesus Bestowing the Palm of Victory upon the Martyrs

Created by Sister Choi Bong-ja, 2001
In Christianity, the "palm" symbolizes victory achieved through overcoming death. The artist sought to depict the moment where Christ bestows the glory of His victory upon the martyrs who lived according to His teachings.

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Monument of Martyrdom, Jeoldusan

1962
This tower, built as part of the Martyrs Exaltation Movement, was damaged by a lightning strike, but the cross, which is part of the tower, remains and is preserved.

4

Statue of St. Teresa of Calcutta

Created by Lim Song-ja, 2018
This statue was erected to commemorate Mother Teresa, a friend to the poor, for her pilgrimage to Jeoldusan (January 29, 1985) and her canonization in 2016.

6

Lord Jesus Who Came as the Light

Created by Ahn Kyung-moon, 2011
As in the parable of the prodigal son in the Bible, it depicts the Christ sincerely and joyfully welcoming the lost son as He sees the scene of the lost son returning.

7

Commemorative Sculpture of Martyrs

Created by Choi Jong-tae, 1973
This piece symbolizes and portrays the first family martyred at Jeoldusan during the Byeongin Persecution (1866): Yi Eui-song (Francis), Kim Ippeun (Maria), and Yi Bung-ik (Peter).

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The Rock of Execution

This is a tool designed during the Joseon Dynasty for carrying out executions by hanging.

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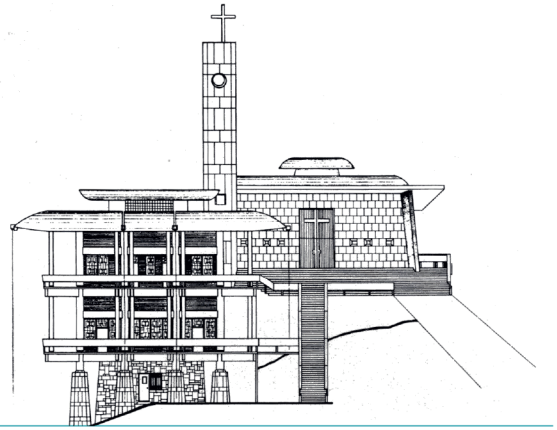
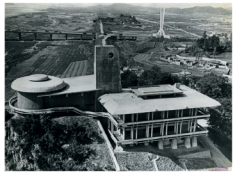
Our Lady of Lourdes (Candle Offering)

This statue was modeled after the appearance of the Virgin Mary during her apparition in the Grotto of Massabielle in Lourdes, France (1858). It was consecrated and offered on September 26, 1978, following the Feast Day Mass of the Blessed, by Archbishop Luciano Angeloni, the Apostolic Nuncio.





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Byeong-in Persecution Centennial Memorial Chapel

The design of the church and museum was undertaken by Professor Lee Hee-tae (1925 – 1981) of Seoul National University, and it is being evaluated as having harmoniously brought to life the surrounding terrain of Jeoldusan, its historical significance, and the spirit of martyrdom. The sacred art was created under the direction of sculptor Kim Se-choong, who was also a professor at Seoul National University, with contributions from artists such as Yun Myeong-ro, Chung Chang-sup, Lee Soon-suk, Choi Eui-soon, and Lee Nam-kyu, adding artistic value to the history of martyrdom.

10

The Shrine of Relics

Located beneath the church altar, this shrine of relics enshrines the relics of 27 Korean Martyr Saints and one unnamed martyr.

† Father Andrew Kim Tae-gon	1821 – 1846
† Peter Yi Ho-yong	1803 – 1838
† Magdalen Yi Yong-hui	1809 – 1839
† Barbara Yi Chong-hui	1799 – 1839
† Francis Choe Kyong-hwan	1805 – 1839
† Bishop Lawrence Imbert, the 2nd Vicar Apostolic of Corea	1796 – 1839
† Father Peter Maubant	1803 – 1839
† Father James Chastan	1803 – 1839
† Magdalen Ho Kye-im	1773 – 1839
† Anthony Kim Song-u	1795 – 1841
† Bishop Simeon Berneux, the 4th Vicar Apostolic of Corea	1814 – 1866
† Father Ranfer de Bretenieres Justus	1838 – 1866
† Father Henry Dorie	1839 – 1866
† Father Louis Beaulieu	1840 – 1866
† John Nam Chong-sam	1817 – 1866
† Peter Choe Hyong	1814 – 1866
† Alexis U Se-yong	1845 – 1866
† Bishop Anthony Daveluy, the 5th Vicar Apostolic of Corea	1818 – 1866
† Father Luke Huin	1836 – 1866
† Father Peter Aumaitre	1837 – 1866
† Joseph Chang Chu-gi	1803 – 1866
† Luke Hwang Sok-tu	1813 – 1866
† Bartholomew Chong Mun-ho	1801 – 1866
† Peter Son Seon-ji	1820 – 1866
† Peter Yi Myong-so	1821 – 1866
† Joseph Han Chae-kwon	1836 – 1866
† John Yi Yun-il	1823 – 1867

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Korean Catholic Martyrs' Museum

Located to the east of the Byeong-in Persecution Centennial Memorial Chapel, the museum initially opened under the name "Jeoldusan Martyrs' Memorial" before being renamed the Korean Catholic Martyrs' Museum. It houses approximately 5,000 items, including historical records of the Catholic Church in Korea and abroad, as well as relics of martyrs. In addition to its permanent exhibition on the history of martyrdom and persecution in the Korean Catholic Church, it also offers special exhibitions each year – featuring sacred art and various other themes – as part of its efforts to engage with civil society and provide enriching experiences for pilgrims.

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St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest

Created by Jeun Loi-jin, 1972
The Committee for Patriotic Ancestors' Statue, launched in 1966 under government initiative, selected 15 individuals who stood as role models for the nation and initiated the construction of statues in their honor. Recognized as a pioneer of Korea's modernization, Father Kim Tae-gon was the only religious figure included among the selected individuals for monument construction.

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The Bell Tower Cross from the Time of Construction of the Byeong-in Persecution Centennial Memorial Chapel

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The Rock of Five Saints

It is said to be the rock where the five saints — Bishop Anthony Daveluy, Father Peter Aumaitre, Father Luke Huin, Luke Hwang Sok-tu, and Joseph Chang Chu-gi — who were martyred during the Byeongin Persecution, rested when they were being taken to Seoul after their capture and again when they were dragged from Seoul to the execution site at Galmaemot in Boryeong.

Statue of St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest

Created by Park Jung-whan and Shin Ok-joo, 2004

14

Stations of the Cross (15 Stations)

Created by Lee Choon-mann, 2001
It was installed to commemorate 200 years since the martyrdom during the Sinyu Persecution (1801). The artist included the old phrases from 〈Seongrosingong〉, the old version of the 〈Stations of the Cross〉 that the early faithful ancestors recited, hoping that pilgrims visiting this place would walk together the path of the martyrs.

Anti-Foreign Stele

After the 1871 United States expedition to Korea, Heungseon Daewongun erected stone monuments across the country to warn against the invasion of imperialist powers. This is a replica of the 'Anti-Foreign Stele,' modeled after the one held by the Sisters of the Blessed Korean Martyrs, which is designated as a Tangible Cultural Heritage of Seoul.

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Statue of St. John Nam Chong-sam

In commemoration of the beatification of Nam Chong-sam, who was martyred during the Byeongin Persecution, Nam Sang-chul (Francis), a descendant of the saint, donated and erected the statue in 1969. Nam Chong-sam was canonized in 1984.

The Martyrdom Monument of St. John Nam Chong-sam

Stone Monument for Cherishing the Virtue of Augustine Nam Sang-gyo (Father of St. John Nam Chong-sam)

Nam Sang-gyo (Augustine), who served as Magistrate of Hyeonpung, Governor of Chungju, and Second-Rank Official of the Office of Noble Counsel, is a martyr of the Byeongin Persecution and the father of St. John Nam Chong-sam. A stele erected in honor of his integrity and noble virtues during his tenure as the Magistrate of Hyeonpung was relocated to Jeoldusan in 1974.

Tombstone of Mary Song and Prince Euneon-gun

Mary Song, the wife of Prince Euneon-gun — King Jeongjo's half-brother — was executed by poisoning during the Sinyu Persecution because of her Catholic faith. This incident also impacted Prince Euneon-gun, who was in exile at the time. This tombstone was erected in the 2nd year of King Cheoljong's reign to mark the pardon of Prince Euneon-gun and Mary Song.

Tomb of Peter Park Soon-jib and Commemorative Monument of His Family, 16 Martyrs

Park Soon-jib was a witness of faith who dedicated his life to honoring martyrs and recovering their relics. His remains were originally interred in Yonghyeon-dong, Incheon, but were reburied at Jeoldusan in 1971. In 1979, his descendants erected a memorial stele to commemorate his contributions and those of his family members (16 individuals).

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Memorial Statue of Jeoldusan Martyrs

Created by Lee Choon-mann, 2000
This monument was sculpted and erected to honor the known and unknown martyrs who were martyred at Jeoldusan. Among the martyrs of Jeoldusan, 13 are currently included in the group "John the Baptist Yi Byeok and 132 Companions," awaiting beatification.

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Statue of St. John Paul PP. II

Created by Kim Se-choong, 1984
This statue was created to commemorate St. John Paul PP. II's pilgrimage to Jeoldusan on May 3, 1984, during his visit to Korea for the 200th Anniversary of the Korean Catholic Church and the canonization ceremony of 103 martyrs.

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Statue of Saint Joseph and the Infant Jesus

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Choi Jong-tae Sculpture Park

To commemorate the artist's donation of sacred art, a sculpture park was established in 2023. The works include *The Holy Mother*, *Madonna and Child*, *Hand*, *Two People*, and *Face*.

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The 13 Martyrs of Jeoldusan

Name	Age	Status/Identitiy	Martyrdom	Form of Martyrdom
John the Apostle Park Rae-ho	54	Local Noble	1866.10.	Decapitation with Public Display
Maria Kim Ippeun	54	Yangban (Korean Aristocrat)	1866.09.16.	Decapitation with Public Display
Francis Yi Eui-song	45	Yangban (Korean Aristocrat)	1866.09.16.	Decapitation with Public Display
Peter Yi Bung-ik	23	Yangban (Korean Aristocrat)	1866.09.16.	Decapitation with Public Display
Peter Kim Han-yeo	58	Silk Weaver	1866.09.15.	Decapitation with Public Display
Andrew Kim Jin-gu	41	Official's Servant	1866.10.05.	Decapitation with Public Display
Maria Kim Keun-agi	32	Honorable Woman	1866.10.10.	Decapitation with Public Display
Paul Yi Gi-ju	27	Unknown	1866.10.10.	Decapitation with Public Display
Augustine Yi Yong-rae	44	Yangban (Korean Aristocrat), Village Confucian School Teacher	1866.10.14.	Decapitation with Public Display
Paul Park Sung-un	23	Commoner, Porter	1866.10.14.	Decapitation with Public Display
John the Baptist Won Yun-chul	80	Unknown	1866.10.18.	Decapitation with Public Display
Mauro Yu	45	Unknown	After 1866	Beheading
John Kang	67	Fisherman, Leader	1867.08.02.	Beheading

Prayer for Beatification and Canonization

* Approved by the 2014 Fall General Assembly of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Korea
Revised by the 2017 Fall General Assembly of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Korea

○ Holy God the Father!
We give You thanks for bestowing the grace of love and holiness upon the martyrs, our ancestors in faith, and the confessor, Father Thomas Choe Yang-eop.

● You granted our martyrs the grace of strong faith and virtuous character, allowing them to testify to You through martyrdom, and to Father Thomas Choe Yang-eop, You gave the passion for proclaiming the Gospel, so that he might glorify You.

◎ Gracious Lord!
We earnestly ask You:
Grant the honor of canonization to our ancestors in faith, Blessed Paul Yun Ji-chung and his 123 companions, and to the Servants of God: Father Thomas Choe Yang-eop, John the Baptist Yi Byeok and his 132 companions, Bishop Francis Borgia Hong Yong-ho and his 80 companions, and Abbot Boniface Sauer Shin Sang-won and his 37 companions, grant the glory of beatification. May we, their descendants, follow their example, uphold our faith firmly, and live as witnesses of the Gospel. Grant us Your grace to do so. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

○ Holy Mary, Mother of God!

● Pray for us!

○ All Saints and Blesseds of Korea!

● Pray for us!

Souvenir Stamp