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Wallfahrtsbasilika Sieben Schmerzen Mariae

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Discover the Wallfahrtsbasilika Sieben Schmerzen Mariae, a remarkable place where faith, history and sacred architecture meet. Explore its peaceful atmosphere, admire its spiritual heritage and take a moment to reflect in one of Austria’s inspiring pilgrimage destinations.

The Wallfahrtsbasilika Maria Sieben Schmerzen has been a place of pilgrimage and devotion for centuries. Its origins are linked to the veneration of the Sorrowful Virgin Mary, while the sanctuary grew into an important spiritual destination. Over time, the church was enlarged and enriched, welcoming generations of pilgrims seeking faith, comfort and reflection. Today, it remains a remarkable symbol of religious heritage and enduring devotion.

Perched high above Linz, the Wallfahrtsbasilika zu den Sieben Schmerzen Mariä is a striking example of Austrian Baroque pilgrimage architecture. Built from 1742 to plans by Johann Haslinger and Johann Matthias Krinner, its elegant twin-towered façade dominates the Pöstlingberg skyline. The church was designed to welcome the growing number of pilgrims drawn to the miraculous image of the Sorrowful Virgin. Inside, the carefully arranged Baroque space, rich decoration and sacred artworks create an atmosphere of grandeur and devotion. Its elevated setting and distinctive silhouette have made the basilica one of Linz’s most recognizable landmarks.

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