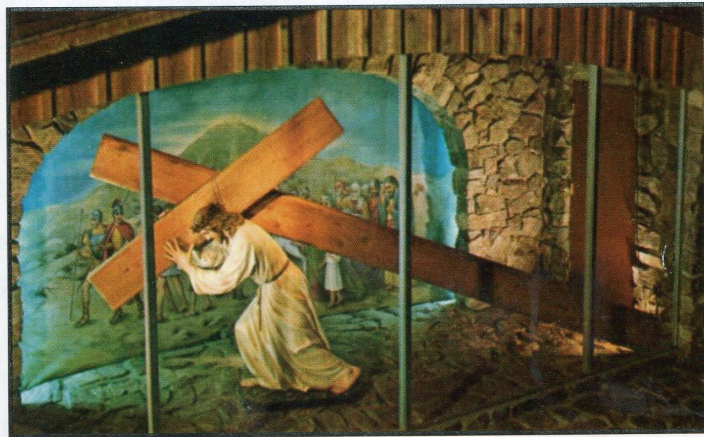


Queen of the Holy Rosary Mediatrix of Peace,  
Mediatrix Between God and Man



# Shrine Newsletter

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*Way To Calvary*

## ***About Our Cover***

As requested by Heaven and visioned by Mary Ann, Van Hoof, this shrine is the Eighth Station with Our Lord leaving the street in Jerusalem. The Compassion of Our Lord is so great at this moment when carrying the Cross of all mankind, that he willingly gives Himself in all humility for all who are sorry for their sins.

Many of the good women are moved to tears at the cruel and inhuman treatment of Our Lord. He reminds them "weep not for Me but for your sins and those of your children." Christ's suffering and death opened the Gates of Heaven for all mankind. By sin, especially the black sin of Abortion they are re-crucifying Our Lord today. They are bringing the Divine Chastisement down on the World, especially our Nation. Though too late to avert it, an all-out effort for the Rosary and The Constant Vigil of Prayer could still help to hold it back, lessen its severity, and shorten its duration.

### **OUR PLEDGE**

To stand firmly for God and for Country;  
To bring the Truth to all people;  
To bring peace and unity between Home, School, and Church;  
Thus bringing everlasting peace to the Nation.

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**JUNE 16, 1970 - FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART  
( ANNIVERSARY)**  
 “My Child, there's a great need for true devotion to My Divine Son and  
 My Immaculate Heart”

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## Vigil Schedule at the Shrine

### March 2023

- 17th Saint Patrick** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 18th Mary Ann Van Hoof Death Anniversary** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 19th Saint Joseph** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 21st Saint Benedict** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 25th Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil

### April 2023

- 6th Father Martins Death Anniversary** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 7th Anniversary of 1950 Apparition** 8:00 p.m. Candlelite Procession  
and 8:15 p.m. Vigil

### May 2023

- 1st Saint Joseph the Worker** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 23rd Pentecost Sunday** 12:45 p.m. Procession  
1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 24th Mary Help of Christians** 8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 28th Anniversary of 1950 Apparition** 12 noon Procession  
1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 29th Anniversary of 1950 Apparition** 12 noon Procession  
1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 30th Anniversary of 1950 Apparition** 12 noon Procession  
1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 31st Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary** 12:45 p.m. Procession/  
Crowning and 1:00 p.m. Vigil

### June 2023

- 4th Anniversary of 1950** 12 noon Procession and 1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 11th Feast of the Sacred Heart** 12:45 Procession and 1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 13th St. Anthony of Padua** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 16th Anniversary of 1950** 12 noon Procession and 1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 19th St. Romauld** 8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 29th SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles** 8:00 p.m. Vigil

## THESE ARE SACRED GROUNDS

The Mother of God graced these grounds with Her presence for a period of thirty-four years. She promised to continue to visit and bless these premises on the following days each year: April 7, May 28, May 29, May 30, June 4, June 16, August 15, October 7, and November 12.

Are you dressed properly? Our Blessed Mother has said that many fashions are displeasing to Our Lord. She is the model of modesty.

Clothing should conceal, not reveal. Both men and women should observe the virtue of modesty. We are given the choice to follow Christian standards of morality or follow the pagan standards of immorality. History reveals that when the morals of a nation collapse, the nation collapses! For women visitors wearing shorts or slacks, wrap-around skirts are available. As the women go, so goes the nation!

## MODESTY IS THE GEM OF ALL VIRTUES

### Please Dress Modestly

The Blessed Mother, as well as many Saints, have visited these grounds since November 1949 giving Messages to Mary Ann Van Hoof. This Holy Ground, as many Saints walk these grounds every day as promised.

Pilgrims are asked to dress modestly when visiting the Shrine. The reverence in manner of dress and behavior is appreciated. Please give respect due to God at Our Lady's Shrine.

Wrap-around skirts are available at the Information Building.

### OUR LADY'S MESSAGES

The Revelations and Messages shared at the Queen of the Holy Rosary, Mediatrix of Peace Shrine came from the Blessed Mother, or one of the Saints who assisted Her; such as St. Therese *The Little Flower*, St. Francis, St. Joan of Arc, and others.

Pilgrims who have visited the Shrine on Anniversary Days when the Revelations were given have seen Mary Ann in a state of ecstasy, noticing that she was not conscious of anything or anyone around her as she spoke. These Messages were taken down on a tape recorder; and in long hand by at least two people. Some Messages were repeated word for word as given by the Blessed Mother; however, in most cases Mary Ann was inspired to speak using her own language, grammar, and expressions. Many Messages were also given during suffering periods in her home, especially during Advent and Lent.

In a more general sense, the Revelations and Messages came from the Triumphant Church in Heaven, who used the voice of Mary Ann Van Hoof as a human transmitting device or instrument.

## MESSAGES FULFILLED —BY TIME

### *Message*

**February 21, 1969** (see Pg. 474 "Revelations And Messages" Vol. I)

*... "TV of course has been under their rule. The Press, your Schools have been under their thumbs. The Octopus and Serpent have been coiled; they are working together to destroy this beautiful Country, AMERICA."*

**WHITE HOUSE BOASTS: WE 'CONTROL' NEWS MEDIA**

WORLD NET DAILY EXCLUSIVE by Aaron Klein

10/18/2009

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President Obama's Presidential Campaign focused on 'making' the News Media cover certain issues; while rarely communicating anything to the Press unless it was 'controlled,' White House Communications Director Anita Dunn disclosed to the Dominican Government at a videotaped conference.

*"Very rarely did we communicate through the Press anything that we didn't absolutely control," said Dunn.*

*"One of the reasons we did, so many of the David Plouffe videos was not just for our supporters; but also because it was a way for us to get our message out without having to actually talk to reporters," said Dunn referring to Plouffe, who was Obama's chief campaign manager.*

*"We just put that out there, and made them write what Plouffe had said; as opposed to Plouffe doing an interview with a reporter. So it was very much we controlled it; as opposed to the Press controlled it," Dunn said.*

*Continued Dunn: "Whether it was a David Plouffe video or an Obama speech, a huge part of our Press strategy was focused on making the Media cover what Obama was actually saying, as opposed to why the campaign was saying it; what the tactic was. ... Making the Press cover what we were saying."*

**NOW:** Add these proven Government Controls;

**Misinformation** - untrue or inaccurate

**Group Think** - censored if not allowed

**Disinformation** - misinformation intentionally spread as propaganda

**Fake News** - disinformation used for political or commercial purposes

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## CORRESPONDANCE CORNER

### MAIL

**Ohio:** Thank you for the Shrine Newsletters!

**Wisconsin:** We have been receiving the Shrine Newsletters since 1988. We visited the Shrine a number of times. I am enclosing my donation to continue being on your mailing list. Please remove my husband's name on the Newsletter, as he died two months ago. This Christmas will be a little tough for me as I grieve the loss of my beloved husband.

**Illinois:** Recently my mother and father both died. My mom visited your beautiful Shrine several times, and always felt such joy and peace there. The first time she went, she kept smelling roses. I was with her: but I never smelled anything. She believed that Mary was truly present there at the Shrine! I did too; even though I smelled nothing!

**Wisconsin:** We stopped at your Shrine on our road trip to Eau Claire, WI. We were able to spend about a half hour viewing the site and talking with a Volunteer. We took two small printed materials introducing us to the Sacred Place. Please keep these materials available!!

## FEATURE ARTICLE

### The Oath against Modernism

The Current Crisis in the Church was foreseen by St. Pius X. During his Reign, he saw Modernism Creeping into the Church. His Efforts, to protect the Catholic Church from Infidelity to Tradition and the Measures of Change and Novelty, should now be studied by us; as this has been the Intent of those planning the Destruction of the Faith.

Guiseppe Sarto, Cardinal of Venice, was elected as Pope on August 4, 1903; and he chose the name of Pius X. Pius pledged his Pontificate to “Restoring all things in Christ”. His predecessor, Pope Leo XIII, had realized the Problem facing the Church; and had issued an Encyclical on the Study of Sacred Scripture entitled, *Providentissimus Deus*. This Encyclical did some good; but Pius X knew greater Measures needed to be executed to stop this Danger to the Faith.

Pius issued the Syllabus of Errors, *Lamentabile Sane Exitu*, on July 4, 1907. This Document condemned Modernism’s Main Errors listed as 65 “Condemned Propositions”. He later followed up with his Encyclical *Pascendi* on December 8, 1907 exposing Modernists’ Doctrines. A key Element of Modernism is believing that Religion Must Change for the sake of Changing Times; and that there is always an “Evolution of Dogma”.

Pius stated that the “*Primary Obligations Assigned by Christ to the Office Divinely Committed to Us for the Feeding the Lord’s Flock is that of Guarding with the Greatest Vigilance the Deposit of the Faith Delivered to the Saints.*” He also stated of the Modernists, “*There is no Part of the Catholic Truth which they Leave Untouched; none they do not Strive to Corrupt.*”

In the Encyclical, *Pascendi*, Pius explained the Doctrine of Modernists and its Causes; namely Pride, Curiosity, and Ignorance. The Remedies given in *Pascendi* ordered firm adherence to the Philosophy and Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas. Bishops were to implement the following:

1. All Directors and Professors ‘found in any way Imbued with Modernism’ were to be excluded from Seminaries and Universities.
2. All Publications sold in Catholic Book Stores must be Free from any Taint of Modernism.
3. A ‘Vigilance Committee’ was to be set up in each Diocese, Composed of Priests chosen by the Bishop to watch for any Evidence of Modernist Tendencies.

Pius X ordered Strict Adherence to his Remedies put forth in this Encyclical. Though these were Forceful Measures, they proved to be not enough. Thus, three years later to Combat the Enemy, ‘inside the gates’, he promulgated the *Motu Proprio Sacrocrum Antistitum* that contained



the Oath against Modernism.

Msgr. Joseph Clifford Fenton wrote an American Ecclesiastical Review Article providing an English Translation of the Introduction and Conclusion of this Papal Document. Msgr. Fenton stated in October of 1960 that this Document “*definitely deserves Serious Study by the present Generation of Theologians.*”

The Introduction of the *Motu Proprio*, issued on September 1, 1910 states: “*We believe that no Bishop is Ignorant of the Fact that the wily Modernists have not Abandoned their Plans for Disturbing the Peace of the Church, since they were unmasked by the Encyclical Pascendi Dominici Gregis. For they have not ceased to seek out New Recruits; and to gather them into a Secret Alliance.*” He goes on to say, “*It is the Duty of All Bishops to exert themselves in Defense of the Catholic Faith; and most diligently to see to it that the Integrity of the Divine Deposit suffers no loss. Likewise, it is most definitely our Duty to Obey the Commands of Christ the Savior, Who gave to Peter, whose Position of Authority we, though unworthy, have succeeded the Order: ‘Confirm thy Brethren’.*”

Great Damage to the Faith can be done by Priests in Good Standing, who by their Preaching or Teaching attempts to Condone or Promote Modernism and its Errors. Catholics will be Brain-washed into believing such Teaching, if the Priest in Question is not corrected by the Bishop or Pope.

The Conclusion of the *Motu Proprio* by St. Pius X states: “*They are men whose Audacity Against the Wisdom that has Come Down from Heaven increases daily. They arrogate to themselves the right to correct this Revealed Wisdom as if it were something corrupt; to renew it as if it were something that had become obsolete; to improve it and to adapt it to the Dictates, the Progress, and the Comforts of the Age; as if it had been opposed to the Good of Society, and not merely opposed to the Levity of a Few Men.*”

The Remedies St. Pius laid forth in this Order included: all Seminary Teachers must Present Teachings to the Bishop, to ensure the Courses contained nothing Contrary to Catholic Doctrine; that if the Courses were found Tainted with Modernism, the Professor was to be Immediately Dismissed; that all Seminary Teachers must make the Tridentine Profession of Faith, take the Oath Against Modernism, and Sign the Oath. This Oath was to be taken at the Beginning of Every Academic Term.

The Priest who takes the Oath against Modernism swears solemnly: “*I Sincerely Hold that the Doctrine of Faith was handed down to us from the Apostles through the Orthodox Fathers in exactly the Same Meaning; and always in the Same Explanation. Therefore, I entirely reject the Heretical Misrepresentation that Dogmas Evolve and Change from one meaning to another; different from the one which the Church held previously.*” At the Conclusion, the Priest also states, “*I Promise that I*

*shall Keep all of these Articles Faithfully, Entirely, and Sincerely; and Guard them Inviolable - in no way deviating from them in Teaching or in any way in Word or in Writing. Thus I Promise; this I Swear, so Help me God; and these Holy Gospels of God, which I touch with my hand."*

Pius went on to give Directives to those Entering the Seminary. He stated, *"Equal Diligence and Severity are to be used in Examining and Selecting Candidates for Holy Orders. Far, far from the Clergy be the love of novelty! God Hates the Proud and Obstinate Mind."*

Msgr. Fenton noted that these Directives 'went against the Liberal Catholic Spirit of which Modernism was the Outstanding Expression.'

During the 1940's, 'New Theology' emerged. These New Theologians taught that Religion must Change according to the Times. Pope Pius XII denounced this New Theology stating, *"If we were to accept Such an Opinion, what would become of the Unchangeable Dogmas of the Catholic Faith; and what would become of the Unity and Stability of that Faith?"*

Pope John XXIII established a Central Preparatory Committee prior to the Second Vatican Council. This Committee spent two years preparing the Agendas and Main Drafts the Bishops would discuss at the Council. These Drafts were in Total Accord with the Traditional Teaching of the Church. Cardinal Ottaviani of the Holy Office oversaw the Documents.

But immediately after the Council opened, the Liberal Bishops protested against the Original Documents, stating that 'They had no Input.' The Matter was put to a Vote, and all the prepared Documents were discarded.

Pope John XXIII had a reputation as being one of the most liberal Popes in History; however, Careful Examination shows he did not adopt the 'New Theology'. He was very critical of Abortion, Divorce, Contraception, Artificial Insemination, and the Ordination of Homosexual Seminarians.

Also, neither Pope John XXIII nor Pope Paul VI wanted the almost three thousand Bishops and other Clerics, then in Rome for Vatican II, to address the Birth Control Issue that many Bishops wanted the Council to act on. The disagreements ultimately led to Paul VI's Encyclical 'Humanae Vitae' on July 25, 1968.

(Some Information for this Article was taken from *Catholic Family News*, September 2010.)

### **Reflection**

Now that we know this Background Information, and we see the Problematic Situation of Modernism in the Church after Vatican II, let us go back to some Messages that Mary Ann Van Hoof received from Heaven on this Concern.

On October 30, 1959, which was Prior to the Council, the following Message from Heaven was given through Mary Ann Van Hoof as stated,

*“Just as Pope Pius XII knew he could not trust his Cardinals, and through this he died of a Broken Heart, he knew before he died who his Enemies were. He found the Traitor amongst his own...”*

*“Pope John, now his Successor, is carrying his Huge Cross; trying to bring about the Re-unification of the Churches; trying to bring them back to The Fold. He has some Wonderful Men at his side; but he also has Traitors severing away at the threads that’ll bring the two Large Churches back into One. Pope John needs the Prayers of all Christianity; for he has called the Fold together for an Ecumenical Council.”*

Then on April 2, 1965 Heaven again spoke through Marry Ann with this Message: *“If only Pope Pius XII could come back and speak, the Pope who knelt in Gethesemani his entire Reign. He trusted and he had Great Faith. Just as Pope Pius X had a Judas in his Office; and so on down the line. It is a much greater Battle for Pope Paul VI to battle. He is a good man, but he has a Tremendous Struggle. For, the Supreme Grand Master and his Cardinals and Bishops beneath him are very alert. But, if the Christian World would awaken; and if they would fulfill the Unfinished Work of the Romanoffs, they could defeat their Cause. But it takes Courage, true Love of God, and Cleansing of the Vatican.”*

Two weeks later on Good Friday, April 16, 1965 Heaven again reminded us through Mary Ann with these words: *“Oh Dear People, do not listen to Rumors. His Holiness Pope Paul is a Good Man. The Supreme Grand Master, the Black Pope, is setting up these Conditions. His Cardinals and Bishops are working hard and creating this Confusion. “Why be so Foolish?”*

Then on February 26, 1971 Our Blessed Mother, during a Lenten Friday Suffering Period, emphasized the need for Priests, Bishops, and Religious to stand Firm against Modernism:

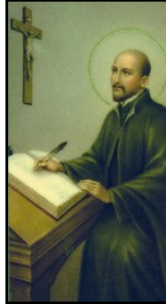
*“...This is a Serious Period; call to Thy Lord and God, do not forget Him; call to Him; Pray to the Sorrowful Mother. This is a Serious Period; Pray! There must be Unity; there must be Unity. Remember, before you is a ‘Great Fault’, just as deep as the Fault in the Ocean; and that ‘Fault’ is right in the Vatican. Do you understand what I am saying? The ‘Fault’ is Spewing, and Breathing, and Bubbling; and is very close to Erupting like an Earthquake. There will be an Earthquake in your Church; a Serious One. It will Take Much; and Destroy It. But remember, when the ‘Fault’ Reunites and Becomes Solid, then it will Bloom Forth with the Glory of Glories... So have Courage and Stand by as True Soldiers of Christ. Thy Holy Mother sheds Bitter Tears for Her Sons. The Representatives of Christ and the Spouses of Her Divine Son are breaking Her Heart; for they have Sought the Worldliness; they have not Continued with their Vows that they Professed at the Time of their Ordination and their Entry into the Convent. There will be very few that*

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## SAINTS IN REVIEW

Throughout the years Mary Ann Van Hoof was visited by many Saints. They were sent by Our Holy Mother to help Her fulfill the Sacred Cause by providing encouragement and information. Very often we find that their lives while on Earth paralleled the information or purpose for their Appearance to her.

### St. Ignatius of Loyola



St Ignatius was born on October 27, 1491 in the Family Castle at Guipuzcoa in Northern Spain. He was the youngest of 13 children. At the age of 16 he became a Page and was brought up in the Household of Juan Velasquez de Cuellar, as Contador Mayor to King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella. This is where he saw and enjoyed the “pleasures of life”; and was consumed with the desire of Winning Glory.

In 1517 Velasquez died, and Ignatius took Service in the Army. The turning-point of his life came in 1521 when defending the Citadel of Pampeluna against a French take-over, when a Cannon Ball injured one leg and broke the knee in the other. They lost to the French, but the French admired his heroism and took him to France to care for his wounds.

The efforts proved to be very painful and left him with one leg shorter than the other. During his long Recovery Period he asked for his favorite books on Romances of Chivalry, but could only get books on the Lives of Christ and the Saints. Gradually it dawned on him that his former ideas were of the World, and Worldly Thoughts began to lose their hold while Heavenly Ones grew clearer and dearer.

When Ignatius left Loyola he had no definite plans, except that he wished to rival what all the Saints had done in the Way of Penance. His first task was to make a General Confession at the famous Sanctuary of Montserrat; where, after three days of Self-Examination of his Sins, he confessed, gave to the poor the rich clothes he was wearing, and put on a full-length garment of sack-cloth.

Next morning after Communion on the Feast of the Annunciation in 1522, he left the Sanctuary. He learned of a Cavern near the neighboring Town of Manresa where he retired for prayer, penance, and meditation while living on alms. But, instead of obtaining greater peace, he was consumed with the most troublesome worries about his Sins of the Past. At one point it almost drove him to committing suicide, until God granted him the wonderful Graces and Visions needed to find the Peace that he desired. During this time he began to make Notes of his Spiritual Experiences, which later grew into his famous book of “The Spiritual Exercises”.

In an attempt to learn how to conform himself perfectly to Christ’s Life, he voyaged to the Holy Land; but he learned the hard way – through

Poverty, Sickness, Exposure, Fatigue, Starvation, Dangers of Shipwreck, Prisons, Blows, and Contradictions.

He left Jerusalem uncertain of his future, but when returning to Barcelona, Spain in 1524 he eventually decided to study in order to be a greater help to others. Because of illnesses and many other troubles along the way, he spent a total of eleven years of study in Spain and in Paris; so when ill health caused him to leave Paris in 1535 he had completed all but a Doctorate Degree.

Ignatius' first two groups of followers were devoted to him, but because of the trials and persecutions they fell away. The third group that included (St) Peter Faber; (St) Francis Xavier; and three Spaniards: James Laynez, Alonso Salmeron, and Nicolas Bobadilla remained loyal because of his example. They took the Vows of Poverty and Chastity while waiting for the opportunity to go to Rome to put themselves at the disposal of the Pope. In the Spring of 1537 during Lent, Ignatius and his group were ordained Priests in Rome, but had to return to Spain without seeing the Pope.

By Winter of 1537 it was time to offer their services again to the Pope. While approaching the City of Rome, Ignatius had a Vision where he seemed to see the Eternal Father associating him with His Son, who spoke the words: "*Ego vobis Romae propitius ero*". Ignatius thought he would call their brotherhood "The Company of Jesus", because the word Company in Military Terms was generally known by a Captain's Name. So in the Latin Bull of Foundation, they were to be called "Societas Jesu" or Society of Jesus.

At this time they had no Superior, no Rule, no Tradition, and no Houses for Training Postulants, so many months of work was spent preparing to present themselves as a Religious Order. In spite of adding the Vow of Obedience, they were still denied by Cardinal Guidiccioni.

Ignatius and his Companions did not give up, but instead decided to offer 4000 Masses to obtain Approval. After some time the Cardinal unexpectedly changed his mind and they were Approved on September 27, 1540; and Ignatius was elected the First General on April 22, 1541.

Ignatius spent the last years of his life with the Correspondence needed in Governing the Society; leaving no time for those Works of Active Ministry he much preferred. As his health began to fail, he called an Assembly of the Elder Fathers in 1551 to offer his resignation, but they denied him. However, in 1554 Father Nadal was given the Powers of Vicar-General because Ignatius was sent Abroad so often; even though he still ended up doing most of the work.

In the Summer of 1556 Ignatius was struck by Roman Fever, and died on July 31st. At the time of his death, which was in the sixteenth year of the Society, there were 1000 Religious Houses in 10 Provinces. Today the Society has 38 Members declared Blessed; and 38 Members declared Saints.

Ignatius was canonized by Pope Gregory XV on May 22, 1622; with Feast celebrated on July 31st.



**Nativity Pageant Report**

The 2022 Nativity Pageant on December 4th was another very successful one! Heaven blessed us with a very nice Winter Night; and, the large Cast blessed us with a very nice Performance. This was the 51st Annual Performance in our effort to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas." Plans are already in motion to help prepare for our next Performance on December 2, 2023; which is again on the First Saturday.

Because more people are asking how they could help spread the word and encourage others to enjoy seeing "The Greatest Story Ever Told", we now have available for them two short Promotion Videos: one is 30 seconds long; and one is 3 minutes long.

If you would like a Video to help encourage others to come on the First Saturday in December at 7:00 P.M., please contact us and we will arrange to help meet your needs. God bless you're efforts!



**Journeying to Bethlehem"**



**Jesus' Birth in the Stable Cave**

## FOOD FOR THE SOUL

### Virtue of Purity

Imitation of the Saints will foster the Growth of Virtues in our lives. St. Basil tells us that “*Chastity makes man very similar to God Himself, who is a Pure Spirit.*” On this account Our Lord chose a Virgin for His Mother; a Virgin for His Foster Father, St. Joseph; and a Virgin for His Precursor, St. John the Baptist. St. Jerome says that Our Lord also loved St. John the Apostle more than the rest on account of this Virtue. To this Virgin Apostle He entrusted His Immaculate Mother. Thus, Our Lord prizes highly the Virtue of Purity.

Our Body is the most powerful weapon the devil possesses to make us his Slaves. We, therefore, who would preserve the Virtue of Chastity must use the Greatest of Precaution. We must constantly watch over ourselves. The Divine Mother once revealed to a Pious Soul that those who are Consecrated to Jesus Christ must, above all Virtues, love Holy Purity; for it is this in particular that makes them similar to their Heavenly Spouse. Prudent People of the World who desire to enter the State of Matrimony are careful to inquire and find out who would most likely be the worthiest and most desirable Partner for Life.

Holy Marriage was instituted in the Garden of Paradise where, as yet, there had never been any Disorder of Concupiscence; nor anything Unbecoming. So that which is a Good Thing, Holy and Commanded, is requisite in Marriage for the bringing up of Children into the World; and multiplying the Populace. This is the primary Purpose of Marriage. The Gift of our Sexuality must be used in accordance with God’s Plan. We have been placed on this Earth to serve God, not for our Pleasure.

Impurity can take many forms. Our Thoughts, Words, or Deeds can be destructive of Innocence. Unchaste Persons are degraded to the level of Brute Beasts; for they are unlike God, and displeasing to Him. Through this Sin man defiles the Image of God in which he was created. Modesty in Dress, Actions, and Speech raise man; and brings Health to his Soul; and brings Light to his Understanding. Purity enables man to gaze undazzled upon the Son of Justice. It also endows the Soul with Heroic Courage.

We read in Holy Scripture how God has chastised those who violate Chastity. The Deluge was sent on the Earth on account of that Sin; and also the Lord rained down Brimstone and Fire upon Sodom and Gomorrah because the Transgressions of the Inhabitants had become Exceedingly Grievous against the Virtue of Purity. Now if in the present day God does not visit Impurity with the same Punishment, it is because an Infinitely Fiercer Chastisement awaits the Sinners of Our Time.

If we have fallen in the Virtue of Purity, we must call to mind Mary Magdalene. The Sorrow and Remorse for her Past Life gave her the

Grace to Repent. Her Love for Our Divine Lord became so Strong, that she stood beside Our Holy Mother at the Crucifixion. To Preserve this Virtue we must be Temperate; accustom ourselves to Exercise Self-control; be in the Habit of Custody over our eyes; Receive the Sacraments frequently; Pray to the Immaculate Heart of Mary; and invoke St. Joseph, our Model, to assist us in this Struggle.

All around us we see the Acceptance of Impurity and the Casting Aside of Virtue. We, as Children of God and Heirs to His Kingdom need to Stand up for Christian Virtue. When we truly Love God and strive every day of our lives to Do His Will, we will Grow in Virtue; we will Conquer the Devil; and we will Change the World.

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*will Stand Up; the Road is too Glamorous on the Easy Way to follow. Strict Rules are for the Birds, they say. 'This is the Modern Times; this is the Modern Way; we must Commute with the Modern Way; we must be with the Modern Ways; that is the Only Way we can Reach Man.' Oh, How Wrong they are! Yes, you may be Modern in certain respects; but you cannot be Modern with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. You cannot be Modern with the Way to Calvary, because that has not changed in Two Thousand Years; or in Three Thousand that has not changed. It is still Calvary. The Instructions Thy Lord and God gave to His Apostles are still in Effect; and the Priests that were Instructed to Follow the Way to Calvary, that has not changed. They want to change it; to Modernize It; to make it Easy for Themselves. But you cannot Spit in the Eye of God the Father, and not have to Face Retaliation. You must remember that. Yes, they try to remove God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit as just a Myth. But Please, Christian World, stand with the Holy Trinity; stand with It, and you have Nothing to Fear; you have Nothing to Fear."*

Let us now take the Advice of Our Blessed Mother; and Pray Hard for the Cleansing of the Church; so through the Graces earned, Loyal Clergy will lead us back to the Original Teachings of the Catholic Church that Jesus Created for His Heavenly Father through the Spiritual Help of the Holy Ghost.



## SPECIAL ARTICLE

### Modesty in Dress

(Part 4)

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#### Reverence for the Female Body

There is also another reason why *"the innate need to enhance...dignity is more greatly felt by woman."* The Franciscan Friars Leaflet explains a Special Reverence due to the Female Body:

*"The Female Body is, in a certain sense, more Sacred than the Male Body because her Body is capable of bringing to life a new Human Person created in the Image and Likeness of God; and infused with an Immortal Soul that will last for all Eternity."*

Reflecting on this *"frightful Privilege,"* Chesterton was moved to express that *"no one....can quite believe in the equality of the sexes."*

The Leaflet goes on to say that *"because the Female Body has this Power and Dignity, it must be treated with Reverence; and should be kept 'veiled' with Modest Clothing. Immodest Clothing thus profanes its Sacred Character."*

Here again, we note, that Dresses are far more suitable for a woman than Pants. Dresses drape over a Woman's Form, and veil in Mystery and Dignity her Intimate Center, where new Human Life comes forth into this World. Also, long Dresses aid Women in Safeguarding Modesty while bending, stooping, working, and going about their daily tasks. Pants, on the other hand, by their nature are designed to fit a Woman's Outline; thus, even when they are loose, they can become a danger when bending, stooping, etc. It is similar to the difference between a mitten and a glove. Which one reveals more about the hand?

#### A Perceptive Cardinal's Letter

The late Giuseppe Cardinal Siri explains some other Important Reasons for maintaining the *traditional form* of feminine attire. These Reasons have to do with the Harmful Effects that are occurring on Families and Society over Women Wearing Pants. The Cardinal explains them in a Letter he wrote in 1960 when he first noticed in his Archdiocese of Genoa *"a certain Increase in the Use of men's dress by girls and women; even Family Mothers"*. This Letter was addressed to all those Responsible for Souls (*i.e.* Priests, Teaching Sisters, Educators, etc.). He began by mentioning that, since Trousers generally tend to *"cling closer"* than other forms of feminine attire; *"the Tight Fit of such clothing gives us no less Grounds for Concern than does Exposure of the Body."* Then, he went on to describe *"a different aspect of women wearing men's trousers,"* which he said, *"seems to us the gravest."*

He wrote: *"The wearing of men's dress by women affects: Firstly the Woman Herself, by changing the Feminine Psychology proper to women;*

*Secondly it affects the Woman as Wife of her Husband, by tending to Viti-ate Relationships between the sexes; Thirdly it affects the Woman as Mother of Her Children by harming Her Dignity in her Children's eyes.* He then went on to carefully elaborate on each of these Points. But now being too long to quote in full, two of the Points are summarized here:

With regards to the *"Feminine Psychology Proper to Women,"* he explained that *"the Motive impelling women to wear men's dress is always that of Imitating, 'nay', of Competing with the man who is considered stronger, less tied down, more independent."* A little study of History will reveal that, instead, it was the *"Desire to be Like a Man"* that motivated women to begin to wear Pants. Today, of course, this can hardly be considered the Conscious Motive of all women in wearing Pants. Many probably wear them because they are considered Acceptable; and for their Convenience. Nevertheless, the Cardinal pointed out that *"the clothing a person wears demands, imposes, and modifies that person's gestures, attitudes, and behavior; such that from merely being Worn Outside, clothing comes to impose a particular Frame of Mind Inside."* Therefore, wearing Trousers *"is the Visible Aid to bringing about a Mental Attitude of being Like a Man;"* and to some degree *"Indicates Her Reacting to Her Femininity as though it is Inferiority; when in fact, it is only Diversity."*

Certainly not every Woman's Psychology will be affected in the same way by the wearing of Pants, but in reality, how many women have been affected without even realizing it; and by this, the Whole of Society? Are women still the Heart of their Families; desiring to be at Home with their Children? Are they still subject to the Authority of their Husbands as our Holy Religion teaches? Or have they become more Independent; and taken Interest in being Out in the World; in competing with men at Being the Breadwinner; and at Being the Head of the Family? All evidence indicates that this Trend has already very much changed the Psychology of Women in Society. How will Catholic Women be able to fulfill their God-given Role as Females, if they do not preserve their True Feminine Identity?

With regards to *"the Woman as Mother of her Children,"* the Cardinal explained that *"all Children have an Instinct for the Sense of Dignity and Decorum of their Mother."* Therefore, although *"Children may not know the Definition of Exposure, Frivolity, or Infidelity..., they possess an instinctive Sixth Sense to Recognize them when they occur; to Suffer from them; and be bitterly Wounded by them in their Soul."* Here we see the need for maintaining a Dignified Feminine Modesty not only in Public, but also within the Sanctuary of the Home.

Obviously, the Cardinal's Concern is not with Restricting Women, but in helping women Preserve their Beautiful and Delicate Femininity which is so Vital to Healthy Families and to a Healthy Society. God made them

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## SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

### The Miraculous Medal Story

Catherine Labouré stated that on July 18, 1830, the Eve of the Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul, she woke up after hearing the Voice of a Child calling her to the Chapel where she heard the Virgin Mary say to her, *"God wishes to charge you with a Mission. You will be contradicted, but do not fear; you will have the Grace to do what is necessary. Tell your Spiritual Director all that passes within you. Times are Evil in France and in the World."*

On November 27, 1830, Catherine reported that the Blessed Mother again returned during Evening Meditations. She displayed Herself inside an Oval Frame, standing upon a Globe. She wore many Rings set with Gems that shone Rays of Light over the Globe. Around the Margin of the Frame appeared the words *O Marie, conçue sans péché, priez pour nous qui avons recours à vous* ("O Mary, conceived without Sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee").

As Catherine watched, the Frame seemed to Rotate, showing a **Circle of Twelve Stars**; a large letter **M** surmounted by a **Cross**; and the stylized **Sacred Heart of Jesus** Crowned with Thorns, and the **Immaculate Heart of Mary** Pierced with a Sword. When she asked why some of the Gems did not Shed Light, Mary reportedly replied, *"Those are the Graces for which people forget to ask."* Sister Catherine then heard the Virgin Mary ask her to take these Images to her Father Confessor, telling him that they should be put on Medallions; and saying *"All who wear them will receive Great Graces."*

Sister Catherine did so; and after Two Years of Investigation and Observation of Catherine's ordinary Daily Behavior, the Priest took the Information to his Archbishop without revealing Catherine's Identity. The Request was approved. The Medallions were designed and produced through goldsmith Adrien Vachette.

The Chapel in which Saint Catherine experienced her Visions is located at the Mother House of The Daughters of Charity in Rue du Bac, Paris. The incorrupt Bodies of Saint Catherine Labouré and Saint Louise de Marillac, a co-founder of the Congregation of the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, are Interred in the Chapel; which continues to receive Daily Visits from Catholic Pilgrims today.

## The Meaning Of The Miraculous Medal



**The Front Side** - On the front side of the Miraculous Medal, Mary stands on a Globe, representing the Earth, with a Crushed Snake under Her feet. This Image represents Mary's Role as "Queen of Heaven and Earth". The Snake represents Satan, who was defeated by Mary's Obedience to God. The Rays coming from Her hands symbolize the Graces Mary gives to those who ask Her. The year 1830 commemorates the Year that the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Catherine Laboure.

**The Reverse Side** - On the reverse side of the Miraculous Medal is a Cross and the letter "M". The Cross represents Christ's Sacrifice for our Salvation, while the Bar under the Cross stands for the Earth. The "M" stands for "Mary" and Her true Devotion both to Jesus and to Her Children on Earth. The Two Hearts are the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Entire Image is surrounded by Twelve Stars. The Stars can represent both the Twelve Apostles, and the Verse from the Book of Revelation which says, *"A Great Sign Appeared in Heaven; a Woman Clothed with the Sun; and the Moon under Her Feet; and on Her Head a Crown of 12 Stars."*



Pope John Paul II later used a Slight Variation of this Reverse Side Image of the **Marian Cross** as his Coat of Arms.

## The Promises of The Medal

The Main Significance of people wearing the Miraculous Medal is that it brings The Special Graces from the Virgin Mary as She promised. Also, it is often worn to help Strengthen the Faith of a person in the Catholic Tradition; but can also be worn by anyone who has a Christian Affiliation, and a Respect for the Blessed Mother.

Our Lady showed Sister Catherine on Her November 27, 1830 Visit some Rays of Light flowing from the Gems on some of Her finger Rings to those who were asking for Her Graces; but also showed no Rays of Light flowing from the Gems on other fingers. Mary then explained: *"These Rays symbolize the Graces I shed upon those who ask for them; while the Gems from which Rays do not fall, are the Graces for which Souls forget to ask."*

Mary then spoke of the Medal with these words: *"All who wear It will receive Great Graces; they should wear It Around the Neck. Graces will abound for persons who wear It with Confidence."*

### **Miraculous Medal Miracles**

The Medal is a visible sign of the Inner Devotion the Wearer has for Mary; and Her Son, Jesus. The following are some verified Early Miracles to prove what Mary Promised:

#### **CHINA (1838)**

Father Perboyre told the following Story on August 10, 1839. It is interesting to mention that this Missionary was taken Prisoner one month later Out of Hatred for Religion. He Confessed the Faith generously for a whole year amidst Horrible Tortures; and then had the Joy of receiving the Martyr's Palm on September 11, 1840.

While I was on Mission in the Christian Community of Honan in November 1837, the Christians there presented a woman to me who had been Suffering from Mental Confusion for eight months. They added that she ardently desired to make her Confession to me, even though she was incapable of doing so; and implored me not to deny her this Consolation that she had so much at Heart.

Her Unfortunate State really made the Exercise of my Ministry appear Futile. But I heard her Confession out of Compassion; and as she departed I gave her a Miraculous Medal so she would be under the Protection of the Virgin. She did not understand the Value of this Holy Remedy, but she soon recognized its Virtue as she started to get better.

Her Progress was such that she was another person after four or five days. Her Mental Confusion; her Worries that had caused her Mortal Anguish—in which I had noticed a Diabolical Influence—gave way to Common Sense, Tranquility, and Happiness.

#### **NEW YORK (1866)**

A Girl, some twenty years old, came to the Hospital covered with the Most Repugnant Scabs which the Doctors had said were Incurable. The Nun, who cared for her Wounds, one day told her that the Most Holy Virgin had the power to cure her; and that, if she wanted to Wear the Medal and ask for a Cure, she would obtain it. Knowing the Doctors had given up, she answered roughly: "*I do not believe in your Holy Virgin; nor do I want a Medal.*"

"*Very well then,*" the Nun answered, "*in that Case, keep your Wounds.*"

Some days later, the Girl asked for the Medal and placed it around her Neck; and prepared to be Baptized. Shortly thereafter she left the Hospital in Perfect Health to the Great Astonishment of the Doctors who had been Unanimous in considering her Sickness Incurable.

## FRANCE (1834)

Father Bégin, an Eyewitness to this Cure that took place in Saint-Maur where he was Chaplain, wrote a Report in which he attested to the following Facts:

The Sick Person was Gravely Ill; and that she was Cured on March 14, 1834; and that she declared that she only used the Medal and Prayer.

One-hundred Witnesses from the Nursing Home signed this Document.

The Bishop of Châlons also added his Signature to the Document and Certified as follows: *"We certify that the Testimony of Father Bégin should be taken as wholly Trustworthy; as well as that of the Nuns and so many Others who were eye-witnesses and spoke according to their Consciences without any other interest, except that of Stating the Truth. Châlons, May 30, 1834 + M.S.F.V., Bishop of Châlons"*

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Male and Female; and, Oh! How the World Suffers when it Loses the Female Element! As it is said: 'The Hand that Rocks the Cradle, Rules the World!'

Further on in his Letter, Cardinal Siri wrote:

*"Out of Charity we are fighting against the Flattening Out of Mankind against the Attack upon those Differences on which rests the Complementarity of Man and Woman. When we see a Woman in Trousers, we should think not so much of Her as of All Mankind; of what it will be when Women will have Masculinized Themselves for good. Nobody stands to gain by helping to bring about a Future Age of Vagueness; Ambiguity; Imperfection; and, in a word, Monstrosities."*

The Cardinal went on to Warn, that unlike the Immediate Harm done by "grave immodesty," the Damage caused by Women Wearing Pants was not "all to be seen within a short time." Rather the Effects would be Slow and Insidious. During the past 40+ Years since this Warning, Pants on Women have become increasingly the Norm. Less and less has been seen of the Traditional Form of Dress. Thus, the Demarcation between Masculine and Feminine, and their Complimentary Roles, has faded greatly.

Sadly those 40+ Years have been long enough for us to witness those Distressing Consequences that this Clear-sighted Cardinal feared would come about in Families and in Society.

**PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH**

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your Powerful Intercession; and obtain for Me from your Divine Son all the Spiritual Blessings, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your Heavenly Power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the Most Loving of Fathers.

Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name; and kiss His fine head for me; and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of Departing Souls, Pray for me.

**SAY FOR NINE MORNINGS  
FOR ANYTHING YOU MAY DESIRE  
IT HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FAIL**

**Holy Father Spiritual Bouquet**

We would like to again thank all of you who participated in the Spiritual Bouquet that has been sent to Our Holy Father. Our Blessed Mother asked us to offer our first prayer each day for him, so we can be assured that our efforts will be of benefit to him.

A Novena of 27 Holy Masses has been said for him starting January 15th

Holy Masses	<u>2557</u>	Angelus	<u>7624</u>
Holy Communions	<u>2387</u>	Rosaries	<u>7408</u>
Holy Hours	<u>1462</u>	Ejaculations	<u>8618</u>
Stations Of The Cross	<u>354</u>	Days of Fasting	<u>455</u>
Spiritual Holy Communions	<u>2330</u>	Acts of Penance & Sacrifice	<u>9340</u>
		Other Prayers	<u>8691</u>

**REQUESTS OF THE QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY,  
MEDIATRIX OF PEACE**

Wear the Crucifix (with wood) for guidance and help; especially during times of danger, or temptation. Place your hand on it and say the "Our Father" in honor of God the Father, the "Hail Mary" in honor of the Blessed Mother, and the "Glory Be" in honor of the Blessed Trinity.

## **PRO-LIFE NEWS**

The fight for Life continues in each State. We must be very diligent in watching the Laws being passed in each of our States. And we must take our responsibility to Vote very seriously.

This week, Minnesota passed a new Bill which, when signed by their Governor, will be one of the most Liberal Abortion Laws in our Country. It will allow Abortions up to the Moment of Birth; no exceptions.

In Wisconsin, we have an Election for WI Supreme Court in February. Two of the Candidates are very Pro-abortion; one is 100% Pro-Life; and one is Pro-life, but with exceptions. We need to be sure that when we vote we know exactly how the Candidates feel about this most important Freedom: "Freedom to be Born." No other Freedom matters if you aren't allowed to be born to enjoy them. In Wisconsin the Courts are very important because the Governor is a Pro-abortion Democrat; and the Legislature is a Republican Majority. Unfortunately, one of the Leaders wants to weaken the State's strong Anti-abortion Law. We need to let our Legislators know how important it is to do all they can to preserve the Sanctity of Life at all Stages.

These are two examples of States dealing with the Abortion Issue. All through the 50 States, Fights have been going on that are similar to these. Some of the Fights are in the Early Stages, and some have already been won on either side - Life or Death.

It is essential that we do all in our Power to support the Pro-life Movement. We can do this Spiritually with Prayers, especially the Rosary, and by fulfilling Our Lady's Request to keep the Five First Saturdays. Plus, we can do this Politically by supporting 100% Pro-Life Candidates and Legislators.

We must pray for a Change of Heart in this Country. Only then will the innocent Babies in the Womb be safe. To this end, there is a Novena being promulgated. Please consider joining this Novena from March 17th (the Feast of St. Patrick) to Thursday, March 25th (the Feast of the Unborn Child and the Annunciation).

### **Novena Prayer for the Conversion of Planned Parenthood and all other Abortionists**

Heavenly Father:

You are the source of Life, Natural and Spiritual; and it is from You that every family in Heaven and on Earth takes its name (cf. Eph 3:15). Bless our families with an abundance of Love and Life; give us Unity and Strength; grant us Health and Fertility; fill us with Peace and Charity; and make our families Environments of Prayer where all may encounter Your



Son's Presence in the midst of the Trials of Life.

Hear also our Prayers for the Conversion of those who destroy Family Life, particularly all Abortionists and those who form part of the monstrous Evil of Planned Parenthood. May their Evil Deeds be exposed to the light, and the designs of their hearts be made manifest; so that no more Innocent Children will be killed by their Wives, and no unsuspecting women or men will be taken in by their Lies.

See and accept the Faith of your People in Prayer, Dear Father; and grant what we ask. We know that we cannot stop the Culture of Death on our own, but must depend upon Your Grace to change the hearts of those who commit these Crimes against Humanity. We trust in your Infinite Goodness and Mercy; and your Ability to bring these Souls, redeemed by the Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, out of the Darkness and into your Wonderful Light.

In this Novena of Grace in preparation for the Feast of the Unborn Child, may we cling to the Purity of our Blessed Mother Mary whose Body and Soul were consecrated as a Vessel for this Work of Fostering Life. Though Her Intercession may we be ever more Effective NBNB Instruments of Your Kingdom in this World; and Witnesses of the Gospel of Life to all we meet. We ask this Prayer through the Intercession of the Blessed Virgin; all the Angels and Saints; and in the Name of Jesus

## **CONSTANT VIGIL OF PRAYER**

There is a growing number of people who desire to answer Our Blessed Mother's Request that we join in a Constant Vigil of Prayer Effort. We are at a crucial time in History where increasing our Prayer Life is vital to the Preservation of our Freedoms and Saving the Souls of our Fellow Men.

We are asking people to offer an Hour of Prayer Each Week, in addition to their Sunday Church Obligation, through participating in this Constant Vigil of Prayer Effort. This Hour can be offered at Home, at Church, or Anywhere; and can be filled by any type of NPrayer or Spiritual Reading. We will all agree that our General Intention will be to Save America from destruction by the Evil Forces; and to Save Souls. We will also agree to always keep the same Hour Each Week, so someone will be in Prayer 24 Hours a Day – Seven Days a Week.

It is very important that we not forget Our Lady of Necedah's Messages of Concern that were given on our behalf through Mary Ann Van Hoof, starting back in 1950. However, at this moment let us focus especially on Her Request for this Constant Vigil of Prayer. Please continue to send us your committed Weekly Hours to add to our Constant Vigil of Prayer Board. God bless you all!

## SUPPORTIVE CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

Through the years many Clergy and Religious from near and far became supportive of the Apparitions at Necedah. By a Reflective Study over the history of some of these supportive members of the Catholic Clergy and Religious,



Sr. Stanisla was a Polish nun from the Felician Congregation in Polonia, WI. She learned about the Apparitions of Our Blessed Mother at Necedah and came as a Pilgrim to the Van Hoof farm. Through friends of hers, she was kept abreast of the Apparitions through the years.

Because of her renowned Artistic Talent which her Congregation utilized, and her desire to honor Our Holy Mother at Necedah, Sister was very willing to paint Visions that Mrs. Van Hoof described to her. These included Scenes such as the Mound of Aborted Babies under the Cross of Calvary; the Opened Gates of Russia if enough prayers are said; the Seasonal Pictures in the entrance of the Nativity Grotto; and other Paintings.

Sister spoke very fondly of the opportunity she had to meet Cardinal Karol Wojtyla on August 23, 1976 when he came to Stevens Point and Polonia; who later became Pope John Paul II; and still later became St. Pope John II.

The Messages and Requests being given by Our Blessed Mother at Necedah caused Sister to encourage others about the need for people to turn back to God; to stop the abortions; and to stop the use of drugs and alcohol. She even used the Stevens Point Journal to express her Views about the Apparitions at Necedah, and the many Rosaries that are being offered to Our Offended Lord.

Sister tried to imitate St. Francis and St. Therese the Little Flower in her life. In the last years of her life, she spent many hours in the Chapel sitting in her wheelchair; just, as she expressed it.

After devoting 63 years in the Religious Life, Sister passed on to her Eternal Reward on November 3, 1988 at the age of 80.

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