

# Shrine Newsletter

**JUNE 16, 1970 - APPARITION ANNIVERSARY**

**Feast of the Sacred Heart**

*“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

### July, 2022

- 2nd Visitation of The Blessed Mother**— 8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 7th St. Mother Cabrini**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 15th St. Henry II, Confessor**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 16th Our Lady of Mount Carmel**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 19th Godfred Van Hoof Death Anniversary**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 22nd St. Mary Magdalene**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 26th SS. Joachim and Anne**—9:45 a.m. Procession and 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:00, and 8:00 p.m. Vigils

### August, 2022

- 5th Our Lady of the Snows**— 8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 6th Transfiguration of Our Lord**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 12th St. Clare**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 15th Anniversary Day** — Assumption of Our Blessed Mother 12:00 noon Procession and 1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 22nd Immaculate Heart of Mary**— 8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 25th Myrtle Sommers Death Anniversary**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 31st St. Raymond Nonnatus**—8:00 p.m. Vigil

### September, 2022

- 8th Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 12th Holy Name of Mary**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 15th Seven Sorrows**—9:45 a.m. Procession and 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, and 9:00 p.m. Vigils
- 19th Our Lady of La Salette**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 24th Our Lady of Ransom**— 8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 29th St. Michael the Archangel**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 30th St. Therese Enters Heaven**—8:00 p.m. Vigil

# FEATURE ARTICLE

## Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

On March 25th of this Year, we witnessed Our Holy Father and the Bishops of the World Consecrating Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart. We pray that Our Holy Mother will accept this Consecration in fulfillment of Her Requests at Fatima. But there is more to the Messages given to the Three Children at Fatima. This is but the Starting Point. Our Holy Mother and Her Divine Son were also asking all Christians to do Their Part for World Peace.

The Message of Fatima is an Appeal to all Christians to stop offending God and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Hence, the Appeal urges Conversion, Prayer, and the Sacrifice of Reparation. The Immaculate Heart has a decisive Role to play in the Work of Salvation; as the Blessed Mother's main Purpose in coming to us is "to Save Souls and Glorify God". We can easily see that Her Will is plainly the Will of Our Lord Himself, as He sends His Mother to manifest that Will to us; and at the same time pursuing another End: the Glorification in the World of Her, whom He has associated with Himself, to accomplish the Work of Our Salvation.

On June 13, 1917 Our Lady told Lucia: *"Jesus wishes, to establish in the World, Devotion to My Immaculate Heart. If people do what I ask, many Souls will be Saved and there will be Peace. The War is going to End. But if people do not stop offending God, another, even worse, will begin in the Reign of Pius XI. When you see a Night illuminated by an unknown Light, know that it is the Great Sign that God gives you; that He is going to Punish the World by means of War, Hunger, and Persecution of the Church and the Holy Father. To prevent it, I shall come to ask for the Consecration of Russia to My Immaculate Heart; and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. If people attend to My Requests, Russia will be Converted; and the World will have Peace. If not, Russia will Spread its Errors throughout the World, fomenting Wars and Persecutions of the Church. The Good will be Martyred; the Holy Father will have much to suffer; and various Nations will be annihilated. In the end, My Immaculate Heart will Triumph; the Holy Father will Consecrate Russia to Me; it will be Converted; and a certain Period of Peace will be Granted to the World."*

Our Lord also appeared to Lucia that day, revealing His Divine Plan: *"I wish to Establish in the World, Devotion to the Immaculate Heart next to the Sacred Heart."* These Heavenly Messages reveal that Our Lord wishes all to honor His Mother; and to offer *"Reparation for Sins*

*committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary*". They also explain the need for the Consecration of Russia to that same Immaculate Heart; and explains that in the end, this Course will lead to Her Final Victory: *"My Immaculate Heart will Triumph."*

Then on the Evening of December 10, 1925, Sister Lucia received a Visit by the Child Jesus and His Holy Mother in her Convent Cell. Our Lady showed the young nun a 'Heart Surrounded by Thorns' and said to her: *"See, My daughter, My Heart surrounded by Thorns which Ungrateful Men pierce at every moment by their Blasphemies and Ingratitude... Say to all those, who for Five Months on the First Saturday, Confess; Receive Holy Communion; Recite the Rosary; and Keep Me Company for 15 minutes while Meditating on the Fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary in a Spirit of Reparation, that I promise to Assist them at the Hour of Death with all the Graces necessary for the Salvation of their Souls."*

The Five First Saturdays Devotion is one of the Principal Points of the Fatima Message. It centers on the urgent need for Mankind to offer Reparation and Expiation for the many Injuries against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The Definition of the word "reparation" from the Dictionary states: *"an act of making amends for a wrong, injury, etc.; compensation"*. Mankind, the World over, have a Great Need for the Mother of God, who is their Mediatrix. God had Mary in His Mind from the Beginning of Time. God, Himself, chose Her from among all Women to be His Mother. It is the only Instance in History where both the Son Willed the Mother, and the Mother Willed the Son. He would see to it that All Generations would call Her Blessed.

Sister Lucia wrote to her Godmother on November 1, 1927 the following: *"I don't know if you already know about the Reparatory Devotion of the Five First Saturdays to the Immaculate Heart of Mary? As it is still Recent, I would like to inspire you to practice it, because it is Requested by Our Dear Heavenly Mother; and Jesus has manifested a Desire that it be practiced. Also, it seems to me that you would be fortunate, Dear Godmother, not only to know it and to give Jesus the consolation of practicing it, but also to make it known and embraced by many other Persons."*

*"It consists in this: During Five Months on the First Saturday to receive Jesus in Communion; Recite a Rosary; Keep Our Lady Company for fifteen minutes while Meditating on the Mysteries of the Rosary; and Make a Confession. The Confession can be made a few days earlier; and if in this Previous Confession you have forgotten the required Intention, the following Intention can be offered provided that on the First Saturday one receives Holy Communion in a State of Grace, with the Intention of*

*Repairing for Offenses against the Most Holy Virgin and which Afflict Her Immaculate Heart.”*

*“It seems to me, my Dear Godmother, that we are fortunate to be able to give Our Dear Heavenly Mother this Proof of Love; for we know that She desires it to be offered to Her. As for myself, I avow that I am never so happy as when First Saturday arrives. Isn't it true that our Greatest Happiness is to belong entirely to Jesus and Mary; and to love Them and Them alone, without reserve? We see this so clearly in the Lives of the Saints... They were Happy because they Loved; and we, my Dear Godmother, we must seek to Love as they did, not only to enjoy Jesus, which is the least important – because if we do not enjoy Him here below, we will enjoy Him up above – but to give Jesus and Mary the Consolation for being Loved... and that in exchange for this Love they might be able to Save Souls.”*

Before her death, Jacinta told her Cousin Lucia to Promote Devotion to the Immaculate Heart. She said, *“It will not be long now before I go to Heaven. You will remain here to make it known that God wishes to establish in the World, Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. When you are to say this, don't go and hide. Tell everybody that God Grants Graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to be Venerated at His Side. Tell them also to Pray to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for Peace, since God has Entrusted it to Her.”*

We now see the urgency of Our Part in Reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our Divine Lord and His Holy Mother have spelled out what is needed of us. Now we must heed and spread Her Messages. On March 5, 1971 Our Holy Mother spoke these words to Mary Ann Van Hoof at Necedah: *“Go forth and follow My Instructions, because the Hierarchy are erring; that is no Sign that you must err. Had they listened to the Pleas at Fatima, there wouldn't be this Darkness Upon the Nations. But they heeded not My Pleas at Fatima; they turned their backs on Me, even after the Great Miracle they cared not. Do not make the Same Mistake here, My Children; it will be too late...”*

Let us remember these are the words of Our Holy Mother at Fatima: *“In the end My Immaculate Heart will Triumph.”* What a ‘Triumph’ that will be! She will crush the Head of Satan! This Day and Age has seen the Rise of Satan, and the Battle between Good and Evil; between God and Satan. We have been given Requests by Our Holy Mother to help fulfill this Prophecy. She needs Souls dedicated to Her. She has requested Prayer and Sacrifice from All Her Children. We can no longer sit back. We must become Proactive in Increasing our Prayer Life; and Giving All for the Glory of God.

Prayer, Penance, and Sacrifice were requested at Fatima and at

Necedah, along with the recitation of a Daily Rosary, wearing the Brown Scapular, and making the Five First Saturdays in Reparation to Her Immaculate Heart. Devotion to Mary and fulfillment of these Simple Requests is all that is asked of us. The Secret is that, in so doing, we will be empowered with Grace that She bestows upon us. Slowly we will become truly Her Children, depending only on Her and Her Divine Son for all our Needs. We will be given Tremendous Strength to face the approaching Trials of this God-less Society. Our loving Heavenly Mother will enfold us in Her Mantle; and surround us with Her Maternal Care.

On the Feast of the Immaculate Heart, August 22nd, the Church asks for us the Grace to live according to the Heart of God, by imitating Our Lady's Virtues. She exemplifies all Virtues; and Her Heart is ever-loving to Her Children. She teaches us to conform with Love to God's Holy Will. We must learn to leave our Worries and Cares entrusted to Their Hearts.

Sister Lucia stated: *"The Most Important Thing is the Fulfillment of Daily Duty; and offering these Sacrifices to Fulfillment of Duty for Poor Sinners. The Secondary Requests are the Rosary and the Scapular; and perhaps ever more specifically the things which those Two Devotions demand: prayerful Meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary, and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart."*

This very Beautiful Message was given by St. Therese to Mary Ann Van Hoof on July 16, 1974, "I, St. Therese, worked and suffered, many times bit my lips for the pain was excruciating, but I kept fulfilling and doing my Duty, for I was doing it for my Spouse, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Isn't that what you are doing these things for? I ask you, isn't that what you seek to do? Do not make a Heavy Cross of a Most Glorious and Most Invigorating Joy that it will bring you. Do not make a Cross out of it, for it is not. It will bring you the Glory of Glories; for the Joys and the Happiness of Eternity. Be Courteous; be Faithful; be Loving; be Charitable, be willing to Sacrifice, and willing to Make Reparations."

A Life of Reparation should include the Five First Saturdays Devotion. The Purpose of this Promotion is the Reparation for Sins committed, especially against the Immaculate Heart of Mary; and to Save those Souls who Committed these Sins.

There are Five Kinds of Blasphemies and Offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

Blasphemies against the Immaculate Conception

Blasphemies against Her Virginity

Blasphemies against Her Divine Maternity

Offenses by those who outrage Her directly in Her Holy Images.

Offences by those who publicly seek to Place in the Hearts of Children: indifference , scorn, or even hatred towards this Immaculate Lady.

Another Powerful Practice is to Consecrate Ourselves to Her Immaculate Heart. In so doing, we renounce Satan and become Her Slaves – giving Her all our Goods, both Temporal and Spiritual. She then takes All; and we can no longer be attached to this World. Giving Her our Full Trust, She Guides and Directs us Every Day of Our Lives. Her Goal is always to bring Her Children to Her Divine Son. Thus, She teaches us Her Virtues; and the Way to reach Our Eternal Goal. Therefore, to have a True Devotion to the Heart of Mary is by working through Her to always conform with Greater Love to the Will of God.

One must ponder on the Love of Our Holy Mother and Her Divine Son for us Poor Sinners. We cannot fathom the Depth of This Love as Our Lord sent His Mother to warn us, to beg for Our Conversion; not once, but many times throughout the Course of History. She, the Mother of God Himself, desires Our Eternal Happiness. She desires of us to Love Her Divine Son. This needs to be Our Constant Goal – to Increase in Love. For it is Love of God and Love of Neighbor that is asked of us; a very Simple Request, if we place our lives in Their Care.

Our Lady's Soul was Immaculate in Her Conception. She is the Masterpiece, the Perfect Model for all of God's Creatures. Her Heart, Pierced with Sorrows, is all Love for Us. She is the *'Woman Clothed with the Sun; and the Moon under Her Feet; and upon Her Head a Crown of Twelve Stars.'* She will crush the Head of Satan.

Our Lord referred to His Mother as the *'Immaculate Heart'*. The word "immaculate" is taken from two Latin words meaning "not stained." In Mary there was No Fault of any kind; No Weed of Infidelity in the Harvest of Her Soul. *'Be Perfect, as your Heavenly Father is Perfect'* was never realized with more radiant or substantial fullness. Mary was to have a Role in the Plan of Redemption. God not only enriched Her Supernaturally in a striking manner, but He gave Her Natural Gifts which enabled Her to develop and to enrich Her magnificent Divine Life.

Tradition indicates that Mary was Pierced Seven Times with Swords of Sorrow; and that these constitute Her Seven Dolours. Pope Leo XIII stated that, *"God Willed that the Grace and Truth which Christ won for us, should be bestowed on us in no other way than through Mary;"* then, She, too, had to Will cooperation in Redemption, just as Christ Willed it as the Redeemer Himself. Christ Willed that She should Suffer with Him. If He Willed His Death, then He Willed Her Dolours. The Sword He plunged into His Heart, He then, with Her cooperation, plunged it into Her own Heart. He could hardly have done this if She were not His Mother; and if They were not in a Spiritual Sense "two in one mind."

The First Reason why God permitted Her Dolours was that She might be the First, after the Redeemer Himself, to continue His Passion and Death in His Mystical Body. But, She also had to Suffer for our sakes as well as

His. Mary could not wipe away Human Tears, unless She Herself had been their Fountain. St. Paul tells us that we cannot be Partakers of His Glory, unless we Partake also of His Crucifixion. If, then, the Sons of Mary are not exempt from the Law of Sacrifice, certainly Mary Herself, the Mother of the Savior, was less exempt. Hence the “Stabat Mater” pleads, that Mary’s Compassion with Christ be shared with us.

Now that Mary is Crowned in Heaven, as She looks down on the Earth, She sees Millions of Men still banishing the Creator out of their Lands; and, driving Him out of their Hearts. The Heart of Jesus and the Heart of Mary were made “One” on Calvary, in this Obedience to the Father’s Will. Everyone in the World has a Cross, but no two Crosses are identical. Our Lord’s was the Cross of Redemption for the Sins of the World; Our Lady’s was Lifelong Union with that Cross. Our Will is the only thing that is absolutely our own; hence, it can be the Perfect Offering we can make to God.

Repentance, Prayer, and Sacrifice – these are Conditions for Peace; for they are the Means by which Man is Remade. We need a Revolution within our Hearts, to Remake our Lives. Let us place the Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart within our Hearts.

*“Yes, a true Christian has a true Love for Their Creator, Their Lord, and Their God; and would fulfill God’s and Our Holy Mother’s Pleas to Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself. They should live as True Christians with a deep Love for Our Holy Mother and Her Requests for the Rosary, Penance, Reparation, Sacrifice; and above all to spread Hope, Faith, and Charity. This will Enshrine in their Bosoms a deeper Love of the Lord, their Families, their Neighbors, and their Church; and all It stands for.”* (Message given to Mary Ann Van Hoof, December 10, 1973).

This Article contained Excerpts from the following Books: Fulton Sheen’s “*The World’s First Love*” and “*World Enslavement or Peace*”; plus, Father Nicholas Gruner’s “*It’s Up To The Pope*”.

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### **Fr. Albin Martins Prayer**

O Lord our God, who in Thy Mercy hast deigned to manifest Thyself to us as the Holy Infant of Good Health, look not down upon our merits, but upon the Merits of Thy Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection; and the Merits of the Sorrows of Thy Holy Mother. Then, grant us the Cure of all our Evils; both of Body, and of Soul. We ask this of Thee in Thy Name through the Intercession of Thy Holy Mother, Queen of the Holy Rosary Mediatrix of Peace.

Amen



# SPECIAL ARTICLE

## *Modesty in Dress*

(Part I)

### The Mind of the Catholic Church on Modesty in Dress

Often today we hear sensible people complaining about the immodesty in dress that is seen everywhere and unfortunately even in our churches. But, objectively speaking, where do we draw the line and call a garment immodest? And how can we be sure that we ourselves are dressing with proper Christian modesty that is pleasing to God? Through his Church, God has made His Will clearly known. Are we truly willing to take up our cross, and follow Jesus?

It is widely known that Pope Pius XII often said. *"The greatest sin of our modern generation is that it has lost all sense of sin."* It is less known that more specifically he once stated: *"Many women . . . give in to the tyranny of fashion, be it even immodest, in such a way as to appear not even to suspect that it is unbecoming. They have lost the very concept of danger: they have lost the instinct of modesty."* These words spoken over 50 years ago ring truer today than ever (and not only for women). For in today's post-Christian

society where indecent and improper dress have become the norm, even among good-willed and devout Catholics there is much ignorance as to what is meant by proper Christian modesty. Yes, even the most virtuous of Catholics who attend daily Mass and have an intimate relationship with Jesus, frequently are not fully aware of the Church's teaching in this matter. May Our Lady, our true Mother, be with you to enlighten you to understand and to be receptive to the Will of God in this matter — for indeed, it may be a challenge.

### A Cultural Revolution

Now, how is it that there exists today this ignorance among devout Catholics regarding proper Christian modesty? We have passed through a Cultural Revolution — a revolution aimed at destroying the once Catholic culture on which Western Civilization was founded. Although styles began changing for the worse soon after World War I, it was only 40-50 years ago that the true revolution took place. Since that time, little has been done to preach against the new, unchristian fashions which have become the norm. In a recent article, Catholic journalist, Marian Therese Horvat, Ph.D. explained:

*If we understand the revolution as the abolition of a natural and good order of things so as to replace it with the opposite, we can begin to analyze the cultural revolution that has changed the customs, habits and ways of being of modern day man.*

*The cultural revolution includes a revolution in style, in which a new "loose," "relaxed," egalitarian and vulgar type of clothing and way of being came to replace the existing order and values that had been cultivated by Christian Civilization.*

She went on to explain that this revolution, which began to take place in the 1960s, affects our way of thinking and the health of our society:

*Now, some thirty years after, we can see that this egalitarian revolution has produced profound transformations in the mentality of modern day men — even of those who call themselves conservative. Dress began to change in a way that increasingly accentuated the idea not only of equality among sexes — with increasingly unisex clothing — but also the notion of equality among social classes. The differentiation in dress that still remained in the '60s to indicate a class or office of life has largely disappeared. The businessman and lawyer are removing their suits, the professor looks like the student, the doctor like his gardener. In effect, the consequence of the underlying philosophy of this revolution was the creation of an egalitarian, vulgar and sexually liberated culture to replace the Catholic culture characterized by harmonic inequalities and chaste customs. . . .The new "anything-goes" dress and way of being gives no opportunity for souls to mirror the moral values and notion of hierarchy necessary for good ordering of any sound society.*

Dr. Horvat went on to say, *"Christendom has always been understood as a projection of the Catholic principles into every aspect of the temporal sphere."* This means Catholics are called to counter this anti-Catholic Cultural Revolution by reestablishing Catholic principles in society. One way they can and must do this is by choosing clothing that truly reflects our Christian belief. For as Horvat recognized, *"The more a civilization becomes Christian, the more the clothing of men will be virile, dignified, noble — from the highest dignitary to the lowest worker."*

### **The Two Aspects of Christian Modesty:**

#### **First Aspect: Avoid Being an Occasion of Sin**

There are two aspects to Christian modesty. The first is to avoid being an occasion of sin. The second, more positively speaking, is to be instilled with the spirit of modesty inspired by a deep love for the virtue of chastity, and also by the proper understanding that our clothing is meant to enhance the dignity of the human body and to be a symbol of our state in life. Both aspects, while in no way excluding men, are much more important for women. Because of the natural differences in the genders, women are both far more prone to be occasions of sin, and, being *"the weaker vessel"* (Wei. 3:7), to be treated with less dignity or respect. Proper dress does much to overcome this, and this is why St. Paul wrote in the New Testament that women should appear *"in decent apparel: adorning themselves with modesty and sobriety."* (1 Tim.2:9).



## **House of Prayer Report**

Spring has “sprung”, and so have we! As we had previously planned, Volunteers have returned to the East Side and have already set up the Support Shoring; and they have already started attaching the long aluminum beams needed for the plywood Deck Floor.

We also have one 19’ Column Rods mounted in place; plus four of the five next Column Rods welded and ready to lift up into place.

When the right Volunteers are available, we will complete the Deck Floor and will be able to start putting the Column Rods up; plus the Wooden Forms around them.

This will then lead to assembling the Beam Rods that go from Column to Column; which then leads to putting up the Wooden Beam Forms that go around them.

As you can see, we are headed in the right direction; but Progress speed depends upon the amount and type of Volunteer help.

Our Blessed Mother requested that the House of Prayer be constructed by Volunteer help; so we will continue to honor Her Request, and continue to pray that “more” Volunteers will lead to “more” Progress.

Again we sincerely thank you for your continued Prayers and Support for our Success. May God bless all of “You”; and, all of “Our Volunteers”!



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- Music
- Kiddie Carnival
- Country Store
- Air Rides
- Hay Ride
- Ice Cream/ Smoires
- Basket Raffles
- 50/50 Raffles & More

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL**

## SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

On Friday, March 17, 1967, a Friday of Lent, the Seven Sorrows of Our Sorrowful Mother of the Passion Prayer was given. It was suggested that it be used as a meditation for the Seven Sorrows Rosary.

### Sorrowful Mother Prayer

Oh Sorrowful, Oh Holy Mother, Thy Heart was pierced through when you stood beneath the Cross of Thy Divine Son, who died to redeem man. The anguish, the pain and sorrow you suffered for man. Oh Sorrowful, Oh Heavenly Mother, again Thy Heart is pierced with anguish and sorrow, for man has forgotten the crucifixion, the death of their Lord, and what it stands for. They continue on their wayward ways while Thy Heart is pierced for love of them. Oh Sorrowful, Oh Heavenly Mother, pierce my heart of stone and fill its veins with pure blood of love for My Lord and My God, whom I have neglected, whose Wounds I have renewed. Take me beneath Thy Mantle, oh Heavenly Mother, Protect me, guide me so I cannot go astray and hurt Thy Divine Son and pierce Thy Heart with sorrow, Oh Heavenly Mother. Amen.



Oh Holy Mother, make us worthy of Thy anguish. Show us the way, the way to love Thy Son as Thou lovest Him. Open our hearts as Your Heart has been opened with pain and sorrow. Open ours with love for Thy Son, Our Lord, Our God, who is hanging there nailed to a Cross, every bit of blood gushing forth from His Body, all for us—so unworthy, so faithless, so thoughtless, so heartless. The film of greed and sin and worldliness is in front of our eyes.

Oh Blessed Mother, pierce that film, tear it away so that we too, can see Thy Son the way Thou hast seen Him. Open Thy Arms and take us to Thy Bosom, show us the way, the light. Oh God, have mercy on us.

Oh Sorrowful and Holy Mother, pray for us, guide us, protect us with Thy Blue Mantle. Lead us on the road to Thy Divine Son, make us worthy of Him. Amen.

### SORROWFUL MOTHER ROSARY MYSTERIES

**First Sorrow:** Oh the sorrow and pain that pierced Her Holy Heart when told Her Son would die for man. The anguish and sorrow and grief.

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# SAINTS IN REVIEW

## Saint Theophilus

Theophilus was a heathen and a philosopher in the Eastern Roman Empire. He began to study the Scriptures with the intention of attacking the Catholic Faith. After comparing his beliefs with those of Christianity, he saw his errors in thinking and became a Convert to that which he was trying to destroy.

Early Records are scarce, but we know he was a strong Defender of the Faith against the Heresies of his day. Theophilus authored an Apology in three Books that demonstrated the Superiority of Christianity over the immoral Myths of Pagan Religion. In his Books he discussed the Christian Idea of God, and the Scripture Accounts of the Origin of Man and of the World

Theophilus became the Bishop of Antioch, which was located in the area we now refer to as Turkey. St. Theophilus died in the year 181, and the Church Established October 13th as his Feast Day.

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Sorrowful Mother Rosary Mysteries Continued from page 14

**Second Sorrow:** The flight to save their child. Again Thy Heart was pierced, for not only was Her Son in danger, but many other mothers' sons also.

**Third Sorrow:** For three days Thy Heart bled with grief and sorrow looking for Thy Son.

**Fourth Sorrow:** Oh Sorrowful Mother, how painful, how great your anguish and sorrow at this moment when you meet Thy Son carrying the Cross of all mankind.

**Fifth Sorrow:** Oh Sorrowful Mother, how painful the anguish, the grief to see Thy Divine Son Who just died upon the cross. for the redemption of man. Thy grief was so great had it not been for the Apostle, you would have fallen.

**Sixth Sorrow:** They have now placed Your Son into Thy arms. The pain, the sorrow as it pierced you to see the broken thorns in the head of Thy Son, to see the bruises, the blood as Thy hands gently cleansed it. No grief could be greater than this.

**Seventh Sorrow:** As the procession comes to the tomb, and they lay your Son into it and the guards rudely push you out of the tomb and close it, this pierced Thy Heart greatly as they walked away from the tomb. Oh Sorrowful Mother, pray for us. Amen.

## 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, one is led to be very impressed. With the recent passing of Sr. Genevieve, it seemed appropriate to have us ponder over what they must have witnessed to make them so supportive. This first Profile will lead us in that reflective venture.



### **Fr. Francis Rushman**

In 1966 Fr. Rushman, a Priest in the La Crosse Diocese, was made the Pastor at St. Francis Parish in Necedah by Bishop Freking. Because Father was a former teacher in Madonna High School for the St. Patrick's Parish in the neighboring town of Mauston, one day he came back to visit the school; as some of the nuns he worked with were still in the Grade School.

During this visit, Father was introduced to Ronald Schelfhout, who was a teacher at St. Patrick's School and a member of the Shrine Community in Necedah. Even though Father Rushman was familiar with the Apparition claims by Mrs. Van Hoof, he went to the Schelfhout home in Necedah and asked Ronald and his wife, Patricia, to teach CCD for him in the Parish. Ronald was to teach the upper grades in preparation for Confirmation, and Patricia was to teach 2nd grade in preparation for First Confession and First Communion. The CCD Program would use the Baltimore Catechism which Father thought was most appropriate.

In early June of 1967, Fr. Rushman had Patricia and Ronald help him prepare the meals for the visiting "teaching Brothers" during their short Summer School Religion Program; and the dinner the next week when Bishop Freking would be in the Parish for Confirmation. Both events were successful; including the very warm and friendly dinner with the Bishop.

Fr. Rushman was very visible during CCD classes. On one occasion he visited Ronald's class for students and their parents to view two of Fr. Peyton's films on the Rosary. After class Ronald showed Father a copy of a letter that Archbishop Cousins of Milwaukee sent to all the parishes in his diocese playing down the rosary. Father explained that it was not a mumble jumble of words. He then went on to say that many Bishops, including our own Bishop Freking, are afraid of losing priests; and that is why the liberal priests are not put in line.

# FOOD FOR THE SOUL

## Pentecost and Mary

The Holy Spirit communicated Himself to Mary for the first time in the home of her parents, Joachim and Anne, on the day of her Immaculate Conception. The second great effusion was in her humble dwelling at the time of the Annunciation, when Mary uttered her Fiat of Immolation; and which was brought to completion only on the Hill of the Infamous Gibbet where her Son writhed in agony before the whole World. Then at Pentecost the Holy Spirit poured out upon Our Holy Mother infinite riches of His Grace when a single Tongue of Fire rested upon her forehead. The Holy Ghost now comes to Mary and God charges her, the Mother of the Human Family, with the distribution of all Grace. From now on God gives nothing to Earth without first confiding it to Mary; without causing the Gift of Grace to pass through her hands.

The immense Plenitude of Grace in Mary's Soul, unfathomable since her Immaculate Conception, has been increasing in a singular manner. It has been beyond measure since the Annunciation. What can the Holy Spirit add to the Divine Life that is already hers? Nothing, according to our way of thinking. But in the Eyes of God, Mary has not yet reached that Degree of Sanctity to which He wishes to raise her. That is why the Holy Ghost descends upon her again; and He who is abiding Love, the Love of the Father for the Son, expands the Heart of Mary and increased its capacity beyond human limits in order to enrich it immeasurably. It is not a question of enriching Mary's Heart for herself, but of enriching it for us. Now she is going to exercise her Maternal Function on behalf of the present and future needs of Humanity down through the Ages.

The Effects of the coming of the Holy Ghost were more apparent in the Apostles than in Mary. They began to speak the various Languages needed for those whom they were to convert. If the effects of the descent of the Holy Ghost were less conspicuous in Mary than in the Apostles, they were, nevertheless, more profound. The Divine Effusion made her pass, not as the Twelve from imperfection to holiness, but from one sublime and which, according to the words of St. Thomas of Aquinas, fringes on without quite attaining, of course, the limits of the Divine Life in God Himself.

How much more transparent is her Purity now in the Eyes of God. How much more humble now, as she realizes that all she is and has comes uniquely from Him who works within her. She abases herself in the knowledge of her own nothingness; and of the infinite Greatness of Him who is All-Powerful.

How much more Wisdom does she possess now that the Spirit of



Wisdom, of Prudence, of Holiness possesses her as an Immense Sea; whose Tides rise ever higher. The Virgin, since her Consecration to God at the age of three, was filled with Love for Him and for Souls; esteeming herself as the Servant of the Most High, and of us all. But now who can conceive of her tremendous Love for the Triune God; and for Humanity of whom she is the Salvation, the Consolation, and the Refuge!

If the heart of any mother is an abyss of indulgence and goodness, what must the Heart of Mary be? Mary's influence is Sovereign in the Realm of Mercy. When a Soul is in distress, Mary intervenes. We need not be endowed with special merits to obtain her Intercession; the more destitute we are, the more Indulgent she is; the less we deserve her help, the more Merciful she proves herself to be.

Only when Earth will be no more, will the Blessed Mother rest. Not one Grace comes to us unless the Blessed Virgin has her Maternal Part in it. St. Louis de Montfort stated, "*God wishes that Mary be at present more known, more loved, more honored than she has ever been. If Our Lord is not known as He ought to be, it is because Mary is still unknown. It is she who brought the Savior into the World the first time; a second time, in the Modern Age, she will give her Son to the World ...*"

This article was taken from excerpts of the book, "Mary In Our Soul – Life", by Rev. Raoul Plus, S.J.

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During another visit to one of Ronald's classes, a student asked Fr. Rushman if it was ok to go to the Shrine; and Father's response was, "*I'm not telling you to go to the Shrine; but if you do, be respectful and no horsing around.*" On several occasions Fr. Rushman, himself, came to the Shrine with visiting priests.

After spending two years as pastor of the St. Francis Parish in Necedah, Fr. Rushman was transferred to Colby, WI; and later to Cook Valley, WI. Many of the families had become close friends with Father because he proved to them that as a priest he was truly a "Spiritual Father".

Later when Fr. James Barney no longer allowed members of the Shrine Community to belong to the Necedah Parish, Shrine followers had to seek the Sacraments elsewhere. Opportunities for Mass, Communion, and Confession, were very difficult; however, Baptisms, First Communions, Marriages, and Confirmations were even more difficult.

Fr. Rushman, as the true "Spiritual Father" that he was, often came to the rescue of the Shrine Community when in need; even though it meant families had to travel many miles to see him.

## PRO-LIFE NEWS

On May 1, 2022, an unprecedented leak from the US Supreme Court rocked the Country and the World. The First Draft of a Majority Decision on the controversial Dobbs Case heard by the Court in December was circulated to the Justices in February. The Draft written by Justice Samuel Alito, and apparently concurred with by Justices Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barret was leaked to and published by Politico. Why would someone risk their Career to leak this information? Obviously, someone on the Right would have no reason to leak this “ruling” since it was in their favor. The Left, on the other hand, had ample reason to hope that it’s Early Release of a possible Decision could cause Rioting and Threats to the Conservative Members of the Supreme Court, thus possibly causing one or two to flip their Decision.

Chief Justice John Roberts stated, *“To the extent this betrayal of the confidences of the Court was intended to undermine the integrity of our operations, it will not succeed. The work of the Court will not be affected in any way.”*

Roberts then pledged this in a written statement, *“This was a singular and egregious breach of that trust that is an affront to the Court and the community of public servants who work here.”*

Roberts also stressed that the Draft Opinion, *“does not represent a decision by the Court, or the final position of any member on the issues in the case”*; but rather, the Draft suggests the overturn of Roe v. Wade after 50 years of allowing the Killing of Innocent Babies in the Womb, as well as overturning the Planned Parenthood v. Casey Ruling which, in 1992, confirmed Roe v. Wade.

This current Ruling, if it is finalized, is what we have all been praying about for these 50 years; that being the end to the made-up Un-Constitutional “Right to Privacy Law” which was used to allow the Murder of Millions of Unborn Babies.

The Draft states: *“The inescapable conclusion is that a right to abortion is not deeply rooted in the Nation’s history and traditions.” “It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people’s elected representatives,” “Roe was egregiously wrong from the start.”*

As noted, this Decision WILL NOT Outlaw Abortion. What it will do is to return the Country back to the Pre-1973 Rule where each State will have the Right to make its’ own Laws Regarding Abortion.

Presently about 15 States have already made Laws Protecting Unborn Babies, should Roe v. Wade be overturned. Many other States have, or are working on, Legislation to limit the Access to Abortion. However some States, such as CA and NY, are working on codifying the “right” to kill babies at any Stage, from Conception to Months after Birth.

With regards to the first aspect — avoiding being an occasion of sin — the late Archbishop Albert G. Meyer of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has these words to say, taken from his Pastoral Letter to the Clergy, Religious and Faithful Laity of May 1, 1956:

*In the desire to fulfill the charge given to us as your pastor, whose duty it is to protect his flock against the enemy, and as an appointed watchman of God, who must speak out in clear and explicit warnings, lest the sins of those who err be charged to his account (Ezech. 33:8-9), we have decided to address this letter to you. In this letter, it is our thought to consider the general subject of Decency...*

*We are impelled to do this as we recall some of the recent forceful statements of our Holy Father (Pope Pius XII) ..*

*With regard to clothing, modesty requires especially two things: first, care that one does not make purity difficult for oneself, or for others, by one's own mode of dress; and, second, a prudent but firm and courageous resistance to the styles and customs, no matter how popular or widespread, or adopted by others, which are a danger to purity. .... We must emphasize in the strongest possible language that it is Catholic teaching, based on the most clear words of Christ Himself, that impure thoughts and desires freely indulged in are serious sins. To invite such impure thoughts and desires through dress ... [one] cannot help but participate of the grave sin of scandal and cooperation.*

Heaven too warned us to offer a *"firm and courageous resistance to the styles and customs,"* for Our Lady of Fatima told Blessed Jacinta Marto in 1919:

*Certain fashions are to be introduced which will offend Our Lord very much. Those who serve God should not follow these fashions. The Church has no fashions. Our Lord is always the same.*

Unfortunately many modern women do not understand the strong reaction men have to immodest dress. For this reason, even fifty years ago Pope Pius XII was led to exclaim: *"How many young girls there are who do not see any wrongdoing in following certain shameless styles like so many sheep. They would certainly blush if they could guess the impression they make and the feelings they evoke in those who see them."*

Dear Catholic ladies, you must clearly understand that, while not all men are tempted in the same way or to the same extent, in general, bare

thighs, mid-ribs, shoulders, and backs; low cut, sheer or see-through blouses and shirts; and dresses with long slits are all sources of temptation.

Therefore, all these must all be absolutely avoided to avoid serious sin.

Even when the body is adequately covered, be aware that clothes that adhere too closely to the flesh and reveal a woman's form are just as much a source of temptation. Pants on women are of special concern because by their very nature they conform more to the shape of the body than dresses or skirts. Therefore, it is generally more difficult for a woman to preserve

modesty in them, especially when she stoops or bends. Tight-fitting jeans — which are unfortunately so popular today — incite impurity in the most blatant manner. They are certainly the source of innumerable mortal sins and have no place on Christian women.

### Strong Admonitions from the Saints

Be well aware that the strict necessity of modesty in dress has been the constant teaching of the Church throughout the centuries. As Fr. Stefano M. Manelli, FFI (once an altar boy for St. Padre Pio), stated in his marvelous book, Jesus Our Eucharistic Love: *"A strict insistence on this particular point is a constant in the lives of all the Saints, from the Apostle, St. Paul (telling the woman to wear a veil so that she may not need to have her head appear 'as if she were shorn': [1Cor. 11:5-6]), to St. John Chrysostom, St. Ambrose, etc., down to Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, who would permit no halfway measures, but always insisted on modest dresses clearly below the knees."*<sup>7</sup> In fact, when coming to confess, if their dresses were low-cut or too short, St. Padre Pio would send the women away, refusing them this Sacrament. As dresses in the 60's became scantier and scantier, he sent larger and larger numbers of women away. It

finally came to pass — since He was sending so many away — that his fellow friars posted a sign on the door of the Church which read: *"By Padre Pio's explicit wish, women must enter the confessional wearing skirts at least 8 inches below the knee...."* If those whom he refused asked why he treated them in this manner, he would answer: *"Don't you know what pain it costs me to shut the door on anyone? The Lord has forced me to do so. I do not call anyone, nor do I refuse anyone either. There is someone else who calls and refuses them. I am His useless tool."*

Certainly this action was most appropriate, since it would not have been right to grant them absolution while dressed in an indecent manner. For as St. John Chrysostom, Doctor of the Church, taught:

*When you have made another sin in his heart, how can you be innocent? Tell me, whom does this world condemn? Whom do judges in court punish? Those who drink poison or those who prepare it and administer the fatal potion? You have prepared the abominable cup, you have given the death-dealing drink, and you are more criminal than are those*

*who poison the body: you murder not the body but the soul. And it is not to enemies you do this, nor are you urged on by any imaginary necessity, nor provoked by injury, but out of foolish vanity and pride.*

These are some of those "*hard sayings*" (Jn. 6:61) of the Gospel which are often unpopular in our times. Yet, since the Gospel must be preached "*in season*" and "*out of season*" (2Tim. 4:2) no compromise can be made. The words of the Angelic Doctor help us to keep the proper perspective: "*The good of our soul is more important than that of our body; and we have to prefer the spiritual welfare of our neighbor to our bodily comforts.*" ° For precisely this reason, Pope Pius XII concluded that if a certain kind of dress "*becomes a grave and proximate danger for the salvation of the soul.. it is your duty to give it up.*"

## Messages Given Through Mary Ann Van Hoof Pertaining to Modesty In Dress

### Friday December 10.1965

"Remove the nudist bathing suits from your sales stores, windows and catalogs. It's less than a bikini. Fight for cleanliness. **Lengthen the girls and women's skirts. Make it your project Don't shrug your shoulders - What can we do? Fight for it! Put a few more inches into the slacks.** Remember the beast in man will seek the female as a beast. But if the female keeps herself clean the beast will respect her thus, no matter what category he is in. He always respects the one that keeps her womanhood, who can stand before the Blessed Mother and say, Here I am Mother, I kept myself within the Grace of My Lord and God. Thy wishes that you must remember as a mother and father, for the son that seekest a mate will not seek

### May 30.1967

"But as Joan of Arc said, just a few moments ago, there is not enough Faith, Love and Devotion in the hearts of the Christian today, to turn to their Creator, to their Maker and ask for help in these darkened times. The example is the satanic way many of the youth are exposing their bodies. That is not the Christian way...that is the satanic way! He wants you to expose yourself—demoralize yourself. He doesn't care. That's his purpose! Women, what has happened to your modesty and respect? Why are you degrading yourself? The styles, do you have to follow the styles of the enemy? Of Satan? **When you sit down with these little bitty skirts, are you not exposed?** That is the reason for it—to be exposed! Where is your shame? Where is your respect? Our Holy Mother has asked for you to be Mary-like. Kneel before Her statue, (if you can find one yet), in these mini skirts. Look in Her eyes and say, "Mother. I'm not ashamed." I dare you to. We all have been.

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To be continued in Autumn Newsletter

## 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.

### *Message*

**August 15, 1950** *“But all of you must remember My Warnings of Fatima, Lipa, and LaSalette.*

*I warned you then; I’m warning you again.”*

### *Fulfilled --- By Time*

#### **“What About Necedah?”**

On July 14, 1955 Fr. Claude Heithaus, one of the two main investigators of the “Apparitions” at Necedah, gave a Lecture to the public at Holy Angels Academy in Milwaukee, WI. As reported in The Marquette Tribune of July 21, 1955, Father states, *“Mrs. Van Hoof stands condemned out of her own mouth. She claimed to have been told to repeat the words of the Blessed Virgin: ‘I warned you at Fatima, Lipa, and LaSalette.’*

Fr. Heithaus then went on to inform Mrs. Van Hoof that she was wrong; because the “Apparitions” at Lipa were investigated, and they were found to be false.

Mrs. Van Hoof went on to say, *“The Bishops are only men – they can make mistakes.”*

## **Fifth Marian Dogma Advances?**

### **Archbishop of Lipa: Apparitions are “worthy of belief”**

By Joseph Pelletier

September 14, 2015

The Apparitions, known as Our Lady of Lipa, Mediatrix of All Grace, took place over 15 successive days in 1948 to Carmelite postulant Teresita Castillo; the Messages given to Castillo stressed a need for humility, penance, and praying for the clergy and the Pope; with a particular emphasis on dedication to the Holy Rosary.

On Saturday, Abp. Arguelles declared the Apparitions to be of “supernatural character” and “worthy of belief.”

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If the Conservative Justices prevail, and the Abortion Issue is returned to the States, it will be up to all Pro-life People to work hard to get their Legislatures to pass Legislation to protect our most Vulnerable Citizens, the Unborn. We must not let the Federal Government Codify Abortion; and we must Elect Pro-life Legislators in our State and Federal Governments, starting this November!

Please Pray, especially many Rosaries, for the Safety and Perseverance of the Justices, so they may not be swayed by the Actions that are being taken by the Pro-death Left. We must remember, this may be the only chance we have to correct a 50-year old Mistake that is killing our Country. The Future of our Country depends on it.

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### **SCHOOL EDUCATORS WANTED**

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**We are looking to fill**

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*High School:* English, History, Language, Science, Music

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**Gabrielle at 608-565-2341**

(We are a non-diocesan Christian/Catholic school with no state funding. We encourage retiree's or volunteers as many positions are only an hour or 2 a day - not full time).

**Wisconsin:** We always like to receive the Shrine Newsletter. Please use our donation to continue the House of Prayer construction. You have beautiful Grounds, and we hope to visit again this summer. Jerome is having back pain to walk, so we would appreciate prayers for healing.



**Illinois:** Thank you for your Newsletters! We have had beautiful memories from the very first time visiting your Shrine in the late 1970's. It is a perfect secluded holy place, away from noise and stressful life; well designed for quiet prayers. May God bless you and your group of volunteers. We're sending this little help for your work.

**Wisconsin:** My friend and I visited the Shrine on Thursday, May 5th in the late afternoon. We are both feeling prompted, through much prayer and discernment, to return to the Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine and offer to wash the glass of each of the Grottos, both inside and outside; as well as sweep and dust the insides. Would you accept this gift of labor? And if so, we would like to find time on a Wednesday/Thursday in July to come.

**Ohio:** Please accept this donation in appreciation for the Newsletters sent to us for so many years.

**Iowa:** Thank you so much for keeping me on your Newsletter list. Leon and I were so proud of your Shrine every time we visited. Both of our Rosaries turned gold. Leon passed away in 2007, and I left the farm 6 years ago. Enclosed is a donation for your needs.

**Wisconsin:** We always like to receive the Shrine Newsletter. Please use our donation to continue the House of Prayer construction. You have beautiful Grounds, and we hope to visit again this summer. Jerome is having back pain to walk, so we would appreciate prayers for healing.

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### **Our Lady of Good Health Prayer**

O Lady of Good Health, our Merciful Father chose you to be a powerful intercessor in times of trouble and woe.

As in past centuries when you have interceded to end contagious diseases, we the Coronavirus which is damaging the health of many and spreadimplyre you now to end ing fear in our communities.

Teach us not to be afraid, to be courageous and generous in offering assistance to others, and to live joyfully in the state of grace.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.