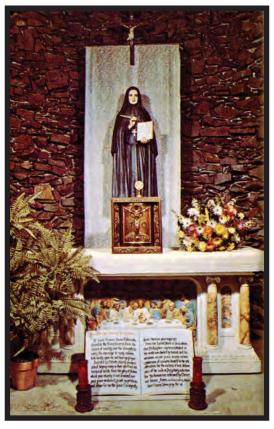
### Queen of the Holy Rosary Mediatrix of Feace, Mediatrix Between God and Man



## **Shrine Newsletter**

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St. Francis Xavier (Mother) Cabrini

#### About Our Cover

Mother Cabrini is America's first Saint. She set up one institution for each year of her life; 67 in all. Besides a special interest in youth, she stood for unity, love, and devotion; fearing not ridicule or persecution, her life was dedicated to God. Mary Ann Van Hoof envisioned on her feast night, July 7, 1968, a series of jumbled words. She envisioned these jumbled words again on August 15, 1968 which were now readable: "War unavoidable to the Western Hemisphere; can be spared only with a Constant Vigil of Prayer immediately."

Mother Cabrini has also requested several times that we do not drive over 55 miles per hour. She promised to be with us if we fulfill her request.

#### **ATTENTION EVERYONE !!!**

Some newsletter readers may not have received our 2015 Spring Newsletter due to incorrect addressing. If you wish to receive a copy, call or email the Shrine with your name and address and we will mail a copy to you. The Newsletter can also be downloaded directly from our website.

We are sorry for this inconvenience.

#### **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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#### A PROMISE

A promise made by the Blessed Virgin Mary previous to Mary Ann Van Hoof'sdeath.

"When we take your sister home, I will be with you on all the Anniversary Days to bless these grounds. You will not see Me or the Celestials with Me. I will not abandon you unless you abandon Me. Is that understood?"

#### Vigil Schedule at the Shrine

#### July, 2015

- 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, 2015

- 5th **Our Lady of the Snows**—Procession 8:00 p.m. 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**—Procession 8:00 p.m. 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, 2015

- 8th **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 12th **Holy Name of Mary**—Procession 8:00 p.m. 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**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 24th **Our Lady of Ransom**—Procession 8:00 p.m. 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

#### **Shrine Newsletter**

#### **ANNIVERSARY DAY - MAY 28, 1969**

"Pray for the enemy so that he sees the way of God, to awaken him, to enlighten him to the love that God has for him."

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#### **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 ecstacy, 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.

#### **HEAVEN'S MESSAGES IN REVIEW**

#### **Modesty and Respect for Womanhood**

The Catholic Church set standards for modest dress some years ago, knowing the impact scantily clothed women would have on society. These standards seem to have gone by the wayside; as we find inappropriate dress in our Churches and every day in our daily lives. Such standards must be restored for women to gain the respect of men again and to respect themselves as well. Our Holy Mother at Necedah often requested "Mary-like" attire, knowing that without it, morals would decay.

In the November 24, 1961 Message, She expressed Her deep concern over the immodest styles currently being flaunted. "WAKE UP, AMERICA! WAKE UP! For a continent or a country will crumble when the morals are ruined. Why did Paris fall? You had your example. As long as the young maidens are running the streets in Bikinis, and as long as the designers make clothing so tight that every part of the body is exposed, and as long as the parents accept these, there can be no respect for womanhood. Yes, even mothers wear them. Why don't the mothers and daughters dress as Our Holy Mother would want you to dress? Mary-like! Don't follow the styles if it makes you look disgusting. The dresses too, and above the knees; too tight a skirt; and when you sit down, you're exposed to the others across the way. Parents and mothers, Christ Our Lord and God does not like these things. If a woman does not respect herself and dress Christ's ways, and Mary-like ways, then how can

she ask respect of her own appearance and command respect. For God put man on earth as the beast, and the woman to keep her purity and respect as a woman."

Again Holy Mother explained the need for modesty in Her Message of May 30, 1967, "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 in these mini skirts. Look in Her eyes and say, 'Mother, I'm not ashamed. I dare you to. We all have been taught (that is the older generation, the squares as they are called) they have been taught to dress modestly, and that does not mean you have to wear skirts down to the floor, but at least three inches below the knee, not above the knee. Flared skirts instead of the tight skirts. What is the matter with the women and the men to allow it? Where is the husband, the fathers, and brothers of these girls; these women? They should put them to shame and right openly, publicly; it doesn't matter, maybe they will wake up. And parents why are you not parents? Daily you read in the newspaper where your daughter has been dragged into the alley and beaten to death or raped; or worse than that, why? You are looking for it. You're tempting the animal in a man and causing this man to sin."

And still another powerful Message that was given Dec. 5, 1969 where She states, "If you are persecuted because you are dressing Mary-like, do not be ashamed, do not be ashamed; for you will find the Glories of Glory. And when Christ comes on earth and you hear of His Presence, you won't have to bow your head in shame; but now, you that do not heed, WILL BURN IN HELL – IN HELL – CHRIST DOES NOT SANCTION NUDITY. You must dress Mary-like. Why are you so ashamed? Why? When it only means your salvation. Why are you so ashamed to admit that you love Thy Lord and God? Why are you so ashamed to speak of it? Because they will be classified as squares, fanatics? Don't be ashamed of that. Take persecution; take it and love it. Do not shed tears. Why are you shedding tears? You have no faith, no faith. You will only receive the graces if you are willing to accept them. If you are ashamed of Thy Lord and God, the graces won't befall you; they will fall by the wayside. No graces are showered upon anyone that wants to deny Their Lord and God."



#### SHRINE NEWS



#### **Shrine History Effort**

Ever since Our Blessed Mother first appeared to Mrs. Van Hoof on November 12, 1949, a "Historical Event" began and continues. Why? Because it was created by Our Holy Mother and will belong to Her for "All Ages."

Through the years clergy, religious, and many, many lay people who had honored Our Lady's Apparitions at Necedah have testified on Her behalf about the physical and spiritual favors they received through Her. Carefully these testimonials have been recorded and preserved; along with letters of correspondence relating to the Apparitions, pictures that were taken at the Shrine, and news articles that were published about the Apparitions at Necedah.

Recent efforts to compile an Historical Account of this Historical Event is developing into an impressive Story. To help make the Story even more complete and impressive, please send us your testimonial experiences, any letters of correspondence relating to the Apparitions, pictures that were taken during your visits to the Shrine, and any news articles pertaining to Our Holy Mother's Visits at Necedah.

We thank you in advance for your help and support in this effort. May God bless you!

#### **House Of Prayer News.**

With the warmer weather settling in, our volunteers continue to work on the House of Prayer construction; building and setting forms, and installing reinforcing bars. Work will continue with hopes to make a concrete pour later this Summer. We would like to thank our volunteers that are helping to fulfill the Blessed Mother's Request. Also, thank you for all your prayers and support!



#### MARY ANN'S STORY August 15, 1950 From "My Work With Necedah"

By Henry Swan (Continued from Spring Newsletter)

Joe Engel spoke to me and he said I did fine. "Oh no, I didn't. I was so nervous I didn't know the mysteries. I didn't intend to lead, only follow the rest." Joe laughed and said, "You did fine. Your voice carried very clear." I believe if I could have disappeared somewhere I would have done so.

There was a knock at the back door where someone had brought another box of Brown Scapulars; and, so I prayed over them and they were taken out and distributed to the Pilgrims. After taking care of the Scapulars, I could hear the Pilgrims singing. It was beautiful! I also received word that the Bishop allowed Mass at the Chapel, Parish Hall, and Church at daylight; so, the Masses were scheduled for every half hour. They would pick me up for 7 o'clock Mass.

They were now singing: 'Mother Dearest, Mother Fairest, Pray for Me.' The children had by now all gone to bed; also, Fred had gone to bed. My brothers were all crowded in the living room, which I felt was so wrong after the congestion of the day and into the night.

Then there came another knock at the door, which was a Priest from near Pittsburgh. I had heard earlier in the evening that a Priest from Pittsburgh said he had permission to say Mass anywhere, and that he would like to say Mass here in our home. Father Scheetz had inquired, and had sent word in that he had the same kind of Privileges; but he still must have the consent from the Bishop. Well, this was the Priest and Louis Bernicken who had a large box well tied. He opened it; and it was filled with wooden Rosaries made of olive wood from Jerusalem. He said that the Rosaries had touched all the places of Our Lord and Blessed Mother, except the Coronation in Heaven. He gave me several of them to give to my friends, to only those that would appreciate them. Father asked if he could say Mass here; that he would feel so honored and privileged; that he had the privilege of saying Mass anywhere, direct from the Pope. Well, he must know what he had, I didn't. After discussion back and forth, we finally decided OK, he could say Mass here. He would say Mass here on the table at 5 A.M., as they were going to pick Fred and me up at 7 A.M. for Mass uptown. Bob Broderick would take us.

Then Louis Berniken prayed over Rose's Mother's spine and legs, as she seemed to have trouble. He told us of his trip to Jerusalem. It was 10:30 when they left, and by 11 P.M. the Bieber family (my relatives) had settled in the living room. My brother, Richard, slept on some chairs in the kitchen. I believe Mother let a couple of people sleep in her car.

During all this there was a steady drone of Prayers, the Litanies, Consecration Prayers, and Songs to Our Lady. At 12:30 I tried to retire, but the steady talking of the women outside my window, and laughing, kept me awake. The recitation of the Rosary and prayers would not have disturbed me, even the loud speaker was just a little ways away on the post north of my bedroom window. It was the talking and laughing that kept me from sleeping. Somebody did "Sh, sh, sh" them once; said that this was our bedroom and probably we couldn't sleep, but it was not very long when it all started up again.

It was daylight already and I still had no sleep; and there was more noise outside now. I was getting so tired that I had a strange taste in my mouth from it. Fred got up to do the chores. It seemed quiet by the window and I just started to doze when my brother, Richard, told me Father was getting ready for Mass. So, I got up. In a daze washed my face to feel a little refreshed. There were eight of us at Mass. Fred, Joanne, and I did not receive Communion. Some of the others did receive. Louis Bernicken was Father's Server. After Mass they left for uptown.

Fred finished the chores and we cleared everything away, as we had hung blankets on the windows so no one from the outside could see in. At 6:30 A.M. Bob was here to pick the three of us up. The rest of the children went to Mass later, when it would not be so crowded. I believe they got to 10 o'clock Mass. Bob drove us up and as near to the Church as possible. Father Kennedy and Father Sig were watching and waiting for us. The Church was jammed full, and so was the Parish Hall; and, the people were standing in line to get in. Father said he thought it best to take us to the side door into the Sacristy. While he was talking, Pilgrims had spotted me and were heading for the car. Father and Bob grabbed me; and it was a mad rush for the side door. Father Val Rykowski was already vested for the next Mass while Father Schultz, I believe, was just finishing Mass. So, when the next Mass started, we were directed through the Sanctuary to the first pew on the Gospel side of the Church.

Then the cameras started to flash after Mass. Fred was at the end of the pew and thought it best to wait for the Church to empty; but, I noticed instead of leaving they were pushing forward. I told Fred, let's go out through the Sanctuary as we came. We got up but a little too late. A woman grabbed the flesh on my arm and just hung on. One grabbed Joanne's dress and tore it, but we got away. And then Father Kennedy, Father Rykowski, and Bob Broderick started to take us out the side door and noticed about 25 or 30 people heading for the side door. So, we went around the back of the Church behind the Parish Hall. But, it seemed the crowd moved with us around the front, for as we came around the side of the Parish Hall a group was there.

In the meantime someone had sent for the Cops. So two Cops came and they held the crowd back, so we barely got into the car and locked the doors and closed the windows. The Cop helped us leave the Church yard and come home in a steady stream of cars. It made me think of disturbing an anthill, the way the people seemed to be going everywhere; mostly streaming towards the Shrine.

When I got home the house was full of people, relations and other people. Then they wanted a picture of the family. Fred ate his breakfast, I only drank some coffee. I was called out to the back as someone wanted to see me. It was to identify one of Fred's brothers. They would not let him through the gate. About that time Jack Van Hoof and family arrived, and so did Bernard, our son. He was working at his Uncle Jack's. About this time different ones wanted me to pose for pictures, and I just walked away.

Henry Van Hoof and his son, Jim, arrived from Hurley. Mother and my brother kept after us to get ready to have our pictures taken. Joanne and I went out first to put the Crown of red Roses on Our Lady, and a Rosary made of red roses. Joanne felt embarrassed climbing up on the fence behind the Shrine to Crown Our Lady of Fatima Statue.

Father Heithaus, Father Scheetz, and Father Kennedy were near the Shrine with cameras and recorders. I had noticed Father Bernard Duffy in the group outside among the Priests. Father Val Rykowski came in. He was nervous as I could see. I then got ready and went out to have our family picture taken. There was a big group of photographers; some on the fence, some on the chicken coop. They were everywhere. I later realized why they wanted us on the East side of the house, because the broadcasting and movie equipment was there.

After the pictures were taken, I started to go into the house when a Priest grabbed me by the arm and hung on. He called to some that must have been with him to take our picture. I didn't want any more pictures. But, he got his picture. (This Priest, as I found out later, was Father Kodak from Casco, Wisconsin, who lectured on Therese Neumann and Father Pio). After taking the picture I started to walk towards the house when I met Mary Fisher. And, she introduced me to Father Killoran from New York; also, his brother, Walter Killoran, from Detroit, Michigan. Some other man was also there. I don't recall his name, who had done considerable traveling; and, he felt so privileged in being able to shake my hand. To myself I thought, "Oh no, not that again!"

I left for the house when I was met with excitement about a Rosary that was white and had turned blue. Someone brought it in and showed it to me. They said it was a much brighter blue before, but it was getting lighter. It belonged to a girl who was crying. This happened the day before to 7 or 8 Rosaries. I do recall they had brought them in, and I had them in my hands. Stephen Breen was talking on Our Lady outside; about LaSalette, Fatima, and Lipa. He also mentioned Lourdes.

Then Father Wagener and other Priests arrived; and, with them also was Father Duffy and Father Ed Sobezyk. Father Wagener was very uncharitable.

He snapped very rudely at members of my family when he spoke to them. Other Priests arrived. Someone told of the white Rosary turning blue. He took his black Rosary out of his pocket saying he'd like to see this turn white; in a sarcastic way.

It was 11:45 A.M. so I went into the bedroom to be alone and say some prayers. I stepped out of the room to pick up a pamphlet in which I had seen a Consecration Prayer I wanted to say. As I stepped out to pick it up, Father Wagener started to ask questions. He said that the Bishop wanted to know if there was anything I could tell him. I said, "No, unless Our Lady has a Message for him later."

"Surely you must have something to tell him now," he said. "My Bishop sent me, us here (referring to the Priests with him) for you to tell us about the happenings here." I said, "Father, please, not now. I'd like to be left alone so I can pray." He said, "You surely must have a Message for your Bishop." I said, "No." I had given him the Message, and I did not know if Our Lady would have a Message for him now. And, I would have to wait until I saw Her. Also, I said, "This is my home, and I want to be left alone at this moment."

I turned around and walked into the bedroom with Fred. They followed; Father Wagener did, but my brother Mathias stood by the door and didn't let him in. Then Father insisted I talk to them. I said, "Please, Father, afterwards. Not now as it is so close to Our Lady's time." But he insisted, and they all filed into my bedroom with the same insisting manner; very rude. I noticed Father Duffy disapproved and suggested not to bother me now, and I would see them later. I tried again to assure him if there was any Message after Our Lady's Message, my Bishop would receive it. Since August 4th, when I saw my Bishop last, I had had no contacts with Our Lady and could not give him any Message.

Then Father Wagener threw an accusation at me that was false; and I was shocked. "Oh, Father," I said. "You know that's not true. That's a lie. Father, why do you say such things?" He was lost for words; and wheeled around and said, "Let's get out of here." Just before this happened, Mary McInnes opened the bedroom door and cried, "What will they do to you?" I stepped to the door and told her not to worry; I was OK. My Mother and my brothers were very concerned. I assured them there was nothing to worry about. Also, Father made the same remark, so they left the room.

There was Father Anthony Wagener, Father Robert Agnew, Father Bernard Duffy, Father Paul Flad, Father Ed Sobczyk, and another whose name I do not remember. Father Duffy, when walking by me, said that this action and behavior was very uncalled for; and he was sorry. I assured Father there was no offense taken toward him. I also left the room for I knew it was very close to 12 noon, and went into the living room. There I could not watch for the Blue Mist, so I went into the hallway when I noticed all the Priests were in the kitchen. I stood by the window. Some of the Priests left.

Then what was worse, there was the dissension and tension in the air. I was very much upset, for I knew Fred had all he could do to control his temper and keep from saying the wrong things to the Priests. The anger in everyone else in the home was so very wrong at this time. "Oh, Father, forgive them; and, Holy Mother, help us and help them to understand." I tried to say some Hail Marys, but I was too shaky.

If I could only talk to Father Sig or someone that would understand, but I had no one. I felt bad because I was unable to talk to Father Sig and I had not seen him this morning; for, he was forbidden to come out by the Bishop, so he stayed and prayed in the Church. It would have helped me a great deal had I been able just to say a few words to him. But, again I had to offer this up and go on without him, as I since have learned to do many times. I felt if Father could have been here, he would give me strength and I would not be so shaky.

Suddenly I felt as if something was pulled over my head and moved all the way down, just as if one pulls a dress over your head; and, this feeling continued all the way down to my feet. The shakiness left and then I felt calmness. I looked up towards the tree and there was the Blue Mist. It had already moved towards the front of the four Ash Trees.

I at once walked out and, as before, Our Heavenly Mother appeared. So beautiful! Oh, so lovely! Her arms were extended as if She wants one to walk right into Her arms. But, today She stayed higher up because of the Statue and Shrine, I believe I felt shaky again and unclean because of what happened in the house; but, Her beautiful smile makes one lose all control and you go towards Her like in a trance. "Oh, Lady, how beautiful!" And those eyes, they draw one like a magnet. The beauty of Our Lady is so hard to describe. Especially today. For She looked so different, so brilliant and bright, whiter than snow; and, still it does not hurt your eyes. Such Heavenly Beauty!

At all other times Our Mother was dressed in blue. Today She was in white, a real dazzling white; so brilliant and radiant! All Her garments were white. Her veil was a very thin material. On Her head She had a wreath of small pink roses. She had the same golden cord around Her neck, with a globe of the world, and the tassel. She again stood on a pillow, or cloud, with large pink roses on it. She was barefooted, and held the same large Rosary. She smiled as I approached Her; and looking over the crowd, smiled again.

Then She said, "You are upset. Don't be, My Child. But you must do as 1 say. Give My Message to the people. First, I want you to give this Message to your Bishop and then to the people, no matter what happens. Bless the people with the Good Friday Crucifix. This Blessing is from Me." This I did.

I could not see the people, only a wave of faces; even those close, like my own family, and Father Scheetz, Father Heithaus, Ray Schelfhout, my own family. As I have seen from pictures, they were all right close to me, as were the (Investigating) 5 or 6 Priests. They claim I made the Sign of the Cross five times. I know I did say, "Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Holy Ghost."

I asked Our Lady for a Special Intention (Omitting here). Then Our Lady gave me a Message for my Bishop (Omitting).

Our Lady also gave one for Father Lengowski, that Father would be removed; which will cause much confusion and disunity; which will be reflected upon me severely. "Pray much for this to lessen the pain it will cause. Your Spiritual Director will direct you to whom you shall go in his absence; that, he will make mistakes caused by those uncharitable, selfish, who seek to guide him. Pray. You, My Child, must help your Spiritual Director and he is to help you with Spiritual Guidance. Pray for each other; and pray for his confessor."

I didn't know who his confessor was. She told me about my Spiritual Director's Confessor; how as a child he loved Jesus; and, how it made him feel sad to see "Our Lord" Crucified. From the age of five being a Priest was deeply embedded in his heart; but, he needs many prayers, for his family makes a heavy Cross for him to carry. At this I was not sure who he was. I saw a shape, then a Vision of a Priest that could only fit one Priest, whom I have since learned to love and pray for every day.

"My Child, do not grieve over your spouse, the confusion and misunderstanding. Tell him to be patient and to be more firm with the children. He is too good, and this can be harmful to them. He prays many rosaries a day. His concern, My Child, is for you. So pray, My Child, and try to comfort him."

"Child, do not neglect your family. Tell the people to pray direct to Me; ask for My intercession; to have Faith, Hope, and Charity in their hearts at all times; be charitable; above all, work for Unity. You must have patience, courage. Pray for Guidance."

"My Child, I am asking you to always wear a Crucifix around your neck. This is to protect you from Satan. And when things don't seem right, and you are troubled, hold it in your hand, say a prayer: 'Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Holy Ghost,' shall protect you from evilness; as you have, and will, come in contact with souls who have Satan within them."

"My Child, many that have believed will turn bitterly against you. Do not despair. But pray for them, My Child. For only through prayer will there be an awakening. Pray. Pray, Child. Pray."

"It grieves Me so much that your Country destroyed innocent children, helpless old men and women - by dropping the A BOMB on this helpless Country. Much suffering will come from this. (Hiroshima came to my mind.) This grieves your Pope very much; makes his heart very heavy, the destruction of innocent children and the aged so helplessly destroyed.

Oh, to see Our Holy Mother so sad. It seems She becomes smaller, as if this all just pressed Her down. Oh, why can't the people wake up?

"Give this Message to the people. No matter what happens, this Message must go forth."

"My Child, tell the people that there are one-third more Rosaries and prayers said than there were on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. But, this is far from My satisfaction. For greed, hatred and jealousy between Religions, laymen, and workers of Christ My Son must end, before peace and love for thy neighbor and My Son can win; and must win! This greed, hatred and jealousy is just what the Enemy of God feeds on."

"You must have faith, love, and charity in your heart. Consecrate yourself to My Immaculate Heart and pray to the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

"Mothers, your sons are being destroyed in the most brutal way by the Enemy of God. Pray, pray, and pray the Rosary. Prayers only will save them and bring them home. No other way will save them!"

She told me not to neglect my family. That people should pray direct to Her and the Sacred Heart.

She then asked for my Rosary and Crucifix, which She blessed with Her Rosary. For this She moved directly in front of me, either in or just before the Fatima Statue. She then told me always to obey Her no matter what happens; and, that I must do fifteen days of fast, Communion, and Mass starting September 1st. She then asked me to speak to the people which I did as follows.

August 15th - To be continued in the Autumn 2015 Newsletter

#### **Summer Projects For Our Volunteers!**

As volunteers again plan for helping us this Summer, we want to tell them that our goal is to continue working on the House of Prayer preparing forms with reinforcement rods of steel that will be needed for our concrete pour on section four of the Mezzanine floor.

**Crucifixion Shrine** - need carpenter help on replacing the roof. **St. Ann Shrine** - mason help needed for sand blasting and tuck pointing.

We are so grateful for the workers asking to be notified of our needs; and we look forward to teaming up with them again this Summer. God bless all the volunteers for helping us fulfill Our Blessed Mother's request to build Her Shrine with our donated efforts.

#### OUR CONSECRATION TO JESUS CHRIST THOUGH THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

#### Feature Article

Our Holy Mother requested of Mary Ann Van Hoof on March 31, 1972, to "Tell My children, the only way for them to reach the Resurrection and Heaven they must give their whole life to My Divine Son. They must Consecrate themselves, they must be willing to give up all and completely give themselves, material things cannot count. To Consecrate wholly, it means complete, thy whole life, thy whole body, thy everything. There are many false consecrations made. They offer themselves, My Child, to My Divine Son, but they retain the material things for themselves. To Consecrate themselves wholly to the Holy Mother, you give all, thy soul, thy body, thy blood, thy limbs, thy everything. for in Heaven you will have a Paradise. You will walk with Thy Lord and God. You will walk with and meet all the Saints, St. John and St. Peter will be thy friends. A TOTAL CONSECRATION means thus and when God the Father in Heaven calls all mortals to Him, My Child, I hope that all here with you will be amongst them, dressed in white linen and not in spattered, speckled and darkened linen. For when the Resurrection comes you will arise in white linens, or will yours be dark and be turned away from the gates of Heaven? A total Consecration, My Child, total, my all to God the Father in Heaven."

"Consecration to the Mother of God," says Pope Pius XII, "is a total gift of self, for the whole of life and for all eternity; and a gift which is not a mere formality or sentimentality, but effectual, comprising the full intensity of the Christian life – Marian life." This consecration, the Pope explained, "tends essentially to union with Jesus, under the guidance of Mary."

St. Louis de Montfort's book, *True Devotion to Mary*, is an excellent source to learn and contemplate the beauty of total Consecration – to Jesus through Mary. The following article is taken from excerpts of this book.

Mary has received from God a great domination over the souls of the elect; for she cannot make her residence in them as God the Father ordered her to do; and as their mother, form, nourish and bring them forth to eternal life; and have them as her inheritance and portion; and form them in Jesus Christ and Jesus Christ in them; and strike the roots of her virtues in their hearts and be the inseparable companion of the Holy Ghost in all His works of grace – she cannot, I say, do all these things unless she has a right and a domination over their souls by a singular grace of the Most High, Who, having given her power over His only and natural Son, has given it also to her over His adopted children, not only as to their bodies, which would be but a small matter, but also as to their souls.

Mary is the Queen of heaven and earth by grace, as Jesus is the King of them by nature and by conquest. Now, as the kingdom of Jesus Christ consists principally in the heart or the interior of man – according to the words, "The

kingdom of God is within you." (Luke 17:21) In like manner the kingdom of Our Blessed Lady is principally in the interior of man; that is to say, his soul. And it is principally in souls that she is more glorified with her Son than in all visible creatures, and so we can call her, as the saints do, the Queen of All Hearts.

Many saints have proved invincibly that devotion to Our Blessed Lady is necessary to salvation, and that it is an infallible mark of reprobation to have no esteem and love for the holy Virgin; while on the other hand, it is an infallible mark of predestination to be entirely and truly devoted to her.

If devotion to the most holy Virgin Mary is necessary to all men simply for working out their salvation, it is still more so for those who are called to any special perfection; and I do not think anyone can acquire an intimate union with Our Lord and a perfect fidelity to the Holy Ghost, without a very great union with the most holy Virgin, and a great dependence on her assistance.

It is Mary alone who has found grace before God without the aid of any other mere creature; it is only through her that all those who have since found grace before God have found it at all; and is only through her that all those who shall come afterward shall find it,. She was full of grace when she was greeted by the Archangel Gabriel, and she was superabundantly filled with grace by the Holy Ghost when He covered her with His unspeakable shadow. The Most High has made her the sole treasurer of His treasures, and the sole dispenser of His graces to enoble, and to enrich whom she wishes; to give entry to whom she wills into the narrow way of heaven; to bring whom she wills, and in spite of all obstacles. Jesus is everywhere and always the Fruit and the Son of Mary; and Mary is everywhere the veritable tree who bears the Fruit of life, and the true Mother who produces it.

It is Mary alone to whom God has given the keys of the cellars of divine love, and the power to enter into the most sublime and secret ways of perfection; and the power likewise to make others enter in there also. It is Mary alone who has given to the miserable children of Eve, the faithless, entry into the terrestrial paradise; that they may walk there agreeable with God. She gives no entry there except to those whom it is her pleasure to make saints.

In the latter day, the Most High with His Holy Mother has to form for Himself great saints who shall surpass most of the other saints in sanctity as has been revealed to a holy soul whose life has been written by M. de Renty. These great souls, full of grace and zeal, shall be chosen to match themselves against the enemies of God, who shall rage on all sides; and they shall be singularly devout to Our Blessed Lady, illuminated by her light, strengthened with her nourishment, led by her spirit, supported by her arm and sheltered under her protection, so that they shall fight with one hand and build with the other. With the one hand they shall fight, overthrow and crush the heretics with their heresies, the schismatics with their schisms, the idolaters with their

idolatries and the sinners with their impieties. With the other hand they shall build the temple of the true Solomon and the mystical city of God; that is to say, the most holy Virgin, called by the Father the Temple of Solomon, and the City of God. By their words and their examples they shall draw the whole world to true devotion to Mary. This shall bring upon them many enemies, but shall also bring many victories and much glory for God alone. This is what God revealed to St. Vincent Ferrer.

It is through Mary that the salvation of the world was begun, and it is through Mary that is must be consummated. In the second coming of Christ, Mary has to be made known and revealed by the Holy Ghost, in order that, through her, Jesus Christ may be known, loved and served.

God, then, wishes to reveal and make known Mary, the masterpiece of His hands, in these latter times, because she hid herself in this world and put herself lower than the dust by her profound humility. She is the masterpiece of the hands of God, as well here below by grace as in heaven by glory. He wishes to be glorified and praised in her by those living upon the earth. She is the dawn which precedes and reveals the Sun of Justice, Who is Jesus Christ, so she must be seen and recognized in order that Jesus Christ may also be. She will be the way by which Jesus will come the second time, though not in the same manner. It is by Mary that souls are to shine forth especially in sanctity to find Our Lord. He who finds Mary, shall find life in Jesus Christ, Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. But no one can find Mary who does not know her. Mary must shine forth more than ever in mercy, in might and in grace, in these latter times. Mary must be terrible to the devil and his crew, principally in these latter times, because the devil, knowing that he has but little time to destroy souls, will every day redouble his efforts and his combats. He will presently raise up cruel persecutions, and will put terrible snares before the faithful servants and true children of Mary, whom it gives him more trouble to conquer than it does to conquer others.

It is principally of these last and cruel persecutions of the devil, which shall go on increasing daily till the reign of the Antichrist, that we ought to understand that first prediction and curse of God, pronounced in the terrestrial paradise against the serpent. "I will put enmities between thee and the woman and thy seed and her seed; she shall crush thy head, and thou shalt lie in wait for her heel." (Gen. 3:15)

God has not only set an enmity, but enmities, not simply between Mary and the devil, but between the race of the holy Virgin and the race of the devil; that is to say, God has set enmities, sacred hatreds, between the true children and servants of Mary and the children and slaves of the devil. They have no love for each other. They have no sympathy for each other. The slaves of Satan, the friends of the world have always up to this time persecuted those who belong to Our Blessed Lady, and will in the future persecute them more

than ever. But the humble Mary will always have the victory over that proud spirit, and so great a victory that she will go so far as to crush his head, where his pride dwells. She will always discover the malice of the serpent. She will always lay bare his infernal plots and dissipate his diabolical councils, and even to the end of time will guard her faithful servants from his cruel claw.

But the power of Mary over all the devils will especially shine forth in the latter times. She will raise up her humble slaves and her poor children to make war against Satan. They shall be little and poor in the world's esteem, trodden underfoot and persecuted. But in return for this, they shall be rich in the grace of God, which Mary shall distribute to them abundantly. They shall be great and exalted before God in sanctity, superior to all other creatures by their lively zeal, and so well sustained with God's assistance that, with the humility of their heel, in union with Mary, they shall crush the head of the devil and cause Jesus Christ to triumph.

God wishes His holy Mother should be more known, more loved, more honored than she has ever been. Thus this will take place if souls enter with the grace and light of the Holy Ghost into the interior and perfect practice of total consecration. They will learn the grandeurs of that Queen and will consecrate themselves entirely to her service as subjects and slaves of love. They will experience her sweetness and her maternal goodness, and they will love her tenderly like well-beloved children. They will know the mercies of which she is full, and the need they have of her help; and they will have recourse to her in all things, as to their dear advocate and mediatrix with Jesus Christ. They will know what is the surest, the easiest, the shortest and the most perfect means of going to Jesus Christ; and they will give themselves to Mary, body and soul, without reserve, that they may thus belong entirely to Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ our Savior, true God and true Man, ought to be the last end of all our other devotions. Jesus Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, of all things. We labor not, as the Apostle says, except to render every man perfect in Jesus Christ; because it is in Him alone that the whole plenitude of the Divinity dwells together with all the other plentitudes of graces, virtues and perfections. It is in Him alone that we have been blessed with all spiritual benediction and He is our only Master, Who has to teach us, our only Lord on Whom we ought to depend; our only Head to Whom we must be united; our only Model to Whom we should conform ourselves; our only Physician Who can heal us; our only Shepherd Who can feed us; our only Way Who can lead us. There has been no other name given under heaven, except the name of Jesus, by which we can be saved.

If then, we establish solid devotion to Our Blessed Lady, it is only to establish more perfectly devotion to Jesus Christ, and to provide an easy and secure means for finding Jesus Christ. Here on earth there are two ways of belonging to another, and of depending on his authority; namely, simple service

and slavery, whence we derive the words, servant and slave. By slavery a man is entirely dependent on another during his whole life, and must serve his master without claiming any wages or reward. There are three sorts of slavery: a slavery of nature, a slavery of constraint and a slavery of will. All creatures are slaves of God in the first sense. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof"; the damned are slaves in the second sense; the just and the saints in the third. Because by slavery of the will we make choice of God and His service above all things, even though nature did not oblige us to do so. Slavery of the will is the most perfect and most glorious to God, Who beholds the heart, claims the heart, and calls Himself the God of the heart, that is, of the loving will.

"All that is fitting to God by nature is fitting to Mary by grace," say the saints; so that, according to them, Mary and Jesus, having but the same will and the same power, have also the same subjects, servants and slaves. We may, therefore, following the sentiments of the saints, call ourselves the loving slaves of the most Holy Virgin, in order to be, by that very means, the more perfectly the slaves of Jesus Christ. Our Blessed Lady is the means Our Lord made use of to come to us. She is also the means which we must make use of to go to Him. The strongest inclination of Mary is to unite us to Jesus Christ, her Son; and the strongest inclination of the Son is that we should come to Him through His Holy Mother. It is to honor and to please Him.

This good Mother, having received the perfect offering which we make to her of ourselves and our merits and satisfactions, by the devotion I am describing, strips us of our old garments; she cleanses us and so makes us worthy to appear before Our Heavenly Father. She clothes us in the clean, new, precious and perfumed garments of Jesus Christ her Son. She adorns them with the merits and value of their own actions. She kills and mortifies all that is impure and imperfect in them, but she neither loses nor dissipates one atom of the good which grace has done there. She bestows a new perfume and a new grace upon their garments and adornments, that is, her merits and virtue, which she bequeathed to them by her testament when she died, as said a holy religious of the last century.

Finally, she enables them to obtain the blessing of Our Heavenly Father, though being but the adopted children who have no natural right to have it. His Majesty, not content with blessing them in their person and their goods, blesses also those who shall bless them and curses those who shall curse and persecute them.

Our Holy Mother conducts and directs her servants according to the will of her Divine Son. She conducts them by her hand along the paths of justice. She steadies them when they are about to fall; she lifts them up when they have fallen. She reproves them like a charitable mother when they fail; and sometimes she even lovingly chastises them. She defends and protects them against their enemies.

Lastly, Mary intercedes for her faithful servants with her Son, to appease Him by her prayers, to unite them to Him in a most intimate union, and to keep them unshaken in that union. She preserves them in Jesus and Jesus in them.

So how does one make his Consecration to Jesus through Mary? Often recommended is the method of St. Louis de Montfort. The act of a personal Consecration is preferably performed on a feast of the Blessed Virgin. A period of 33 days of preparation is laid out in his book, "True Devotion to Mary". Specific readings and prayers are required each day.

Two different periods are assigned for these exercises: a preliminary period of twelve days during which we endeavor "to free ourselves from the spirit of the world"; and a second period of three weeks: the first devoted to the knowledge of ourselves, the second to that of the Blessed Virgin and the third to that of Jesus Christ. According to circumstances, these periods may be lengthened or shortened.

The object of this consecration is to cast off the spirit of the world, which is contrary to that of Jesus Christ, in order to acquire fully the spirit of Jesus Christ through the Blessed Virgin. The spirit of the world consists essentially in the denial of the supreme dominion of God, a denial which is manifested in practice by sin and disobedience; thus it is principally opposed to the spirit of Christ, which is also that of Mary.

Following this period, they enter the week of asking for a knowledge of themselves and for contrition of their sons. This should be done in a spirit of humility. During this week, they consider the miserable and humiliating state to which their sins have reduced them. They need to be strongly convinced of their misery and helplessness, thus a knowledge of themselves is necessary. At the feet of Mary, they will examine themselves, have contrition for their sins, contempt for themselves and renounce their own will.

The second week will be devoted to the knowledge of the Blessed Virgin. They will endeavor to know the effects of her royalty, her mediation, her maternity, as well as the grandeurs and prerogatives which are the foundation or consequences thereof. This they cannot achieve without studying the interior life of Mary; namely, her virtues, her sentiments, her actions, her participation in the mysteries of Christ and her union with Him.

The third week involves the study of Jesus Christ. They will study the God-Man, His grace and glory, His exterior actions and His interior life, namely, the virtues and acts of His Sacred Heart; His association with Mary in the mysteries of the Annunciation and Incarnation, during His infancy and hidden life, at the feast of Cana and on Calvary.

How happy is the man who has given everything to Mary, and has entrusted himself to Mary, and lost himself in her, in everything and for everything! He belongs all to Mary, and Mary belongs all to him. He can say with the beloved disciple, "All that I have is thine, and all that thou hast is mine." (John 17:10)

Let each and every one of us pray to the Holy Ghost, that He may enlighten our minds to the beauty of this devotion and bring us to a better understanding that we may truly Consecrate ourselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

#### Queen of the Holy Rosary School

On behalf of Queen of the Holy Rosary School, as a past student and a present mother of 5 children who attend, I would like to share the benefits of our little Catholic school.

The classroom learning is infused with religion, daily prayers, religion classes, and the other subject materials correlating with our Catholic Faith. The class size is small which allows for a one-on-one learning benefit; and we have codes of conduct and dress to keep the students both respectful and modest.

Because we are a small school, we rely on parents to volunteer their time to cover recess or lunch duty. We also have many teachers who volunteer their services which helps keeps the cost of education very affordable.

Currently we are coming to the end of another school year, and are preparing for our Annual Summerfest (August 22, 2015), which is a day filled with food, fun, and spirits. It also is our biggest fundraiser to keep our school thriving.

Queen of the Holy Rosary School is in need of high school teachers in the subjects of Language and History for the upcoming 2015-16 school year. If you would like to volunteer your time in any way, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Joan at 608-565-2341.

So, on behalf of the families of Queen of the Holy Rosary School, please take the time to come to our Summer Fest to help support a good cause; and maybe consider becoming a volunteer and/or a teacher for our school. It's all about a good, solid, Catholic education without the worries of Common Core that is being pushed upon schools.

Donations are always appreciated; and they help tremendously. Please pray for the success our little Catholic school, and all

Catholic schools; because it is a responsibility of ours, and a foundation for future generations. God Bless You!

#### Queen of the Holy Rosary School's 14th Annual Summerfest Saturday, August 22, 2015

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- êê Country Store
- êê Air Rides & Tug of War
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#### FOOD FOR THE SOUL



#### LIVING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Growing in our spiritual life requires prayer to arouse our affections to God and enlighten our intellect. Thus it often inspires greater renunciation of our wills, thirst for Truth, and an illumination to set our souls on fire with love. Frequently turning to Our Lord or His Holy Mother takes us away from the distractions of the world, and raises our minds and hearts to greater heights. We must ask Them to take up Their abode in our hearts, so as we can "talk" to Them about our difficulties, our joys, our needs, etc. We can then express our love for Them and our sorrow for the offenses we have committed; begging forgiveness.

Our soul should remain united with the Sacred Humanity to remain in a state of grace. Only mortal sin can destroy this permanent union. Whether we acknowledge it or not, we live in Christ; and we pray that He lives within us. The fruits of this union are dependent upon the consciousness or unconsciousness of this union. Do we realize, we may be united with the God Who created us as was His beloved Apostle who reclined his head on the breast of his Master and listened to the secrets of His heart?

When we receive Communion, we have the greatest opportunity to express our love and desires to God present within us; to draw more fully the graces from this indwelling of Our Divine Lord by making this union more and more actual. We cannot be content with just being in the state of grace. Our love must be awakened and grow in the desire to live with the Blessed Trinity through Jesus every day of our lives.

Each of us has definite work in his state of life which occupies his mind, often very absorbingly. Christ will come to our aid in performing our duties, to help us do our best. Yet, do we need to cease contemplating the wonderful mysteries that Communion has instilled in our souls? Do we need to leave Jesus for the service of our neighbor?

We learn from Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection, in the book "The Practice of the Presence of God", that everything is possible for one who believes; still more for one who hopes; even more for one who loves; and most of all for one who practices and perseveres in these three virtues. We must keep our eyes fixed on God in everything we say, do, or undertake. Our goal is to be the most perfect adorers of God in this life, as we hope to be throughout

all eternity. We must make a firm resolution to overcome, with God's grace, all the difficulties inherent in the spiritual life.

When we undertake the spiritual life we must seriously consider that we are worthy of all scorn, subject to miseries and setbacks. We are persons God wants to humble by means of a multitude of internal and external troubles and trials.

We must believe that it is advantageous for us, and pleasing to God, to sacrifice ourselves to Him. Without this submission of heart and mind to the will of God, devotion and perfection cannot endure. A soul depends on grace in proportion to its desire for greater perfection. God's help is necessary at every moment because without it the soul can do nothing. The world, nature, and the devil together wage war so fiercely and so relentlessly that, without this special help and this humble necessary dependence, they would carry off the soul against its will.

The holiest, most ordinary, and most necessary practice of the spiritual life is that of the presence of God. It is to take delight in, and become accustomed to, His Divine company; speaking humbly and conversing lovingly with Him all the time, at every moment, without rule or measure.

We must continually apply ourselves so that all our actions, without exception, become a kind of brief conversation with God, coming from purity and simplicity of our hearts. We must perform all our actions carefully and deliberately, not impulsively or hurriedly, for such would characterize a distracted mind. We must work gently and lovingly with God, asking Him to accept our work; and by this continual attention to God, we will crush the head of the devil and force the weapons from his hands.

During our work and other activities, even during our religious exercises and vocal prayers, we must stop a moment, as often as possible, to adore God in the depths of our hearts, to savor Him, even though just in passing. Nothing is more pleasing to God than to turn away from all creatures many times throughout the day to withdraw and adore Him present within. Such a practice destroys our self-love.

All these adorations must be made by faith, believing that God is truly in our hearts; that we must adore, love, and serve Him in spirit and in truth; that He sees everything that happens and will happen in us and in all creatures. We must depend on Him. All our thoughts, words, and actions belong by right to Him. We must have recourse to God with complete confidence at the moment of combat; remain firm in the presence of His Divine Majesty; adore Him humbly; bring Him our miseries and weaknesses; and lovingly ask Him for the help of His grace. Let us put this into practice, to the best of our abilities, begging God's grace to do so.

#### St. Francis Xavier (Mother) Cabrini

Mary Francesca Caprini was born on July 15, 1850 into a farm family in Italy. She was the thirteenth child of a mother who was fifty-two years old at the time of her birth. At an early age she was drawn to a life of religious service through several influencing factors: the stories her father read to her about the missions; her older sister, who was a schoolteacher; her uncle, a missionary priest; and the Daughters of the Sacred Heart, who were her normal school teachers.

After graduating from school, Mary tried to enter the Daughters of the Sacred Heart, but was denied on the grounds of poor health due to the effects of smallpox that she contracted while caring for the sick during an epidemic.

Mary then began doing charitable work in an orphanage which eventually led to her being accepted into the Daughters of the Sacred Heart; and she made her vows in 1877. That same year she was appointed Prioress of a new foundation, the Institute of Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, which consisted of seven orphan girls whom she had trained. As head of a religious order, Sister Mary Francis Cabrini could now be called "Mother."

Mother Cabrini craved to do missionary work in China; but Bishop Scalabrini, the Founder of Missionaries of Emigration, and Pope Leo XIII urged her to carry her talents to Italian immigrants in the slums of the United States. Dutifully, but reluctantly, Mother Cabrini sailed in 1889 with six sisters to New York City.

In 1909 Mother Cabrini adopted the United States as her new country; and in spite of her dislike for sailing, over these twenty years she made nearly 30 crossings of the Atlantic on behalf of her Mission efforts and the caring for her Foundation.

Though she remained physically frail throughout her life, Mother Cabrini was able to dedicate her hospitals and nuns to the World War II effort in Italy; and, establish other hospitals, orphanages, schools, and convents in various parts of the world.

After 37 years of tireless labor and heroic charity spent in Italy, France, Spain, England, So. America, and the United States, Mother Cabrini contracted Malaria and finally passed away to her eternal reward on December 22, 1917 at the age of 67. She died at her own Columbus Hospital in Chicago, IL with at least 67 institutions credited to her efforts; one for each year of her life.

Cardinal George Mundelein of Chicago launched the process of her canonization in 1928, and later presided at her beatification in 1938. She was finally canonized St. Francis Xavier Cabrini in 1946; becoming the "First American Saint". Her remains are now enshrined in the chapel of Mother Cabrini High School in New York City.



#### DIAMOND STAR RESEARCH NOTES



#### **PUNISHMENT OR PEACE?**

#### **Cultural Corruption and the Coming Chastisement**

It is generally understood by Marian-minded Catholics, and even by Christians in general, that there is a cause and effect that works throughout all of creation. There is a cause and effect principle that works in nature and even more so in the supernatural. This is especially true of End Time events and conditions. Moral degeneracy and cultural corruption lead to God's punishment and eventual cataclysms of God's Divine Chastisement.

The following prophetic revelations given over the years reinforces this concept that the coming cataclysms of the Divine Chastisement are a direct result of the causative factor: moral degeneracy and cultural corruption. The sins of mankind are the causative factors that bring on the wrath of God's Justice.

"Pray, pray. My Grandson's arm is hard to hold back. The Chastisement will hit thy Nation, thy Country. First, for the dreadful destruction of the unborn; second, for the blackest of sins they have wallowed into; third, for the lack of Christian duty by the priests, the religious, and my children, the laity." Given by St. Anne at Necedah – July 26, 1973

"The seasons will be altered, the Earth will produce nothing but bad fruit, the Stars will lose their regular motion, the moon will only reflect a faint reddish glow. Water and fire will give the Earth's globe convulsions; and terrible earthquakes which will swallow up mountains, cities, etc..." La Salette – September 19, 1846.

At Fatima, Sister Lucy stated in response to a question about whether the Secret of Fatima is in Holy Scripture: "It's in the Gospels and in the Apocalypse; read them." She specifically mentioned Apocalypse chapters 8 through 13. Akita, Father Gobbi, and the revelations on the Three Days of Darkness given through St. Padre Pio also tell of the coming rain of fire and cataclysms to come. The above revelations are but representative samples of the many prophecies foretelling of cataclysms of the Divine Chastisement being sent by God to punish mankind because of his corrupted ways. All these profound prophecies are fully explained in THE APOCALYPSE UNFOLDS: Vol. 4 – The Apocalypse In Perspective: Ch. 7. "The Storm of the Chastisement."

#### **Cultural Corruption**

Society has now been transformed from a once Christian society into a pagan one, through one cultural shock after another that began in the mid 1960's into the 1970's. During this second cultural revolution (the "Roaring Twenties" being the first cultural revolution), cultural and religious standards of civility and morality were discarded by an increasingly decadent and corrupted society. What type of dress and living habits we have today is an outward sign of a manifest disintegration of Christian decency which has transformed a once Christian culture to a gutter-level of pagan promiscuity.

What we have today is a result of a strategy developed by Dr. Kurt Lewin, a scientist working out of the Tavistock Institute For Human Relations (England) for the express purpose of destroying Christian civilization. The technique to accomplish this was called "long-range penetration strain" (words of Dr. Kurt Lewin) to subject a very large group of people to various systematic "strains" on its culture, its economics, its morals, its political beliefs, and its religious beliefs until under such attack and cultural strain, fragmentation occurs followed by social breakdown. This strategy was premeditated and pre-planned by the New World Order scientists working through various organizations and movements to destroy Christian culture.

At the time of the cultural revolution (mid 1960's to mid 1970's) which fostered the destruction of decency in dress, manners, and customs, you also had the religious and liturgical revolution destroying the Catholic traditions of the centuries resulting in a complete reorientation of Catholic religious life and practice. This came about through a parallel plan via the Alta Vendita to corrupt the Roman Catholic Church from within. Meantime through the World Council of Churches (a New World Order organization) other denominations were undermined as well. So here we have two parallel diabolical plans timed at the same time, the cultural revolution and the liturgical revolution, to work in tandem to destroy Christian civilization from within.

There was still another. The political process of the Country as well as other countries was also being undermined at the same time, especially in the educational institutions. While all the foregoing was happening, the revolution in education was introducing sensitivity training, sex education, core-curriculum teaching methods, and inculcated New World Order type philosophies; while at the same time erasing true historical, scientific, and cultural principles and facts from the textbooks. So the end result was an indoctrination, not an education. Now we had three cultural revolutions in one: one in education, another in religion, and yet another in culture – all timed to coincide together.

The cultural revolution promoted women to wear immodest and indecent clothing (mini-skirts, shorts, bikinis, streetwear that looked like underwear, etc.); and this eventually evolved into women wearing men's apparel to masculinize women and creating a unisex look. In the meantime men were encouraged by this cultural revolution to wear apparel formally only worn by women: flowered shirts, ear-rings, and other affeminette apparel. In addition, to complete the unisex look, men wore long hair while women were encouraged (even before the revolution was fully underway) to wear bobbed or otherwise short hairstyles.

We should note here, that the above corruptions in style of dress has been condemned by the Holy Scriptures. Deuteronomy 22:5 states: "A woman shall not be clothed with man's apparel, neither shall a man use women's apparel; for he that doeth these things is abominable before God."

Furthermore, this unisex or blurring of identity between men's and women's style in apparel encourages and promotes homosexuality; and hence, sodomy. This corrupted style of dress has severely affected the women. The women are the heart of the home and of the family; and how they dress seriously affects their children's outlook, often confusing them on the role of men and women in society. Dressing with dignity and nobility was out. The dress-down, unisex or "grungy" look was in, regardless of the occasion.

We should not overlook certain other developments during this same time frame while the cultural revolution was underway. Public prayer and God was taken out of the so-called "public" (actually government) school system. To top it all off, right in the worst of the cultural revolution, abortion was made legal. Then we turn around and ask God to bless America! How can He? — when we have thrown Him out of our schools and public institutions; abandoned the True Faith in droves; and flaunted Him with immorality, sodomy, unisex dress, promiscuity, disregard for the value of human life (abortion, euthanasia, etc.), and the abandonment of Christian civility, morals, and manners.

The cultural revolution, aided by the liturgical or religious revolution and the revolution in education, abolished the natural and good order ordained by God and long ago established by the True Catholic Christian Church over the centuries. The war against Christian culture was manifest many decades ago. It started long before the second cultural revolution of the sixties when the clothing and hairstyle of the "Beatles" as well as their so-called "music" was considered extremely revolutionary. (Though considered extremely revolutionary then, it is considered "normal" and accepted today).

Going back to the early 20th century, before the first cultural revolution (the "Roaring 20's" when "flappers", the Charleston, and shorter dresses were in vogue), a decent dress and moral code were still firmly in place. A film from the period (1905) shows the manner of dress and civility of the time before the cultural revolutions changed society forever. This 1905 film, "Boarding School Girls at Coney Island" shows the very feminine and modest dress worn, the customs and manners in place, and even the very modest swimwear of both the women and the men during that time. Incidentally, the typical swimwear of

both the women (dresses below the knee) – and the men (covering both the thighs and the upper torso), is far more modest in some respects than many of the so-called street-wear worn today.

It has been said that "clothes make the man" (and the woman). How a person is dressed not only reveals and reflects the implicit moral code or lack of it, but the person's way of thinking, their discipline (or lack of it), and their attitude and desires. Everything in the temporal order – dress, attitude, manners, recreation, decoration, etc. – favors either Catholic Christian civilization or the New World Order's cultural revolution.

The unfortunate thing is that people today, especially the youth, want to be "with the times" and to "fit in." Public opinion favors and gives implicit approval to certain "styles" and ways of being – which of course, unbeknownst to most, are being promoted by the Tavistock cultural revolution agents. While it is natural for a person to delight in feeling as one with the consensus, to follow the trends of the moment to "fit in" – one really has to take note and realize the consequences; and his (or her) influence on their children, the future of society. It appears that this revolutionary force of the times sweeps along the most of us (especially the youth) to wear immodest, unisex, and vulgar clothing.

Both cultural revolutions (the "Roaring Twenties" and the "Revolting Sixties") were premeditated plans to attack the Catholic Christian culture. The symbol of the "Revolting Sixties" was the "Broken Cross," erroneously called the "Peace Sign" today. (The true Peace Sign is the Dove of the Holy Ghost). This Broken Cross was an important sign of the cultural revolution, being used in riots and revolts against symbols of authority and the "Establishment." It was painted on signs, mini-buses, and on buildings, etc. in violent protest against the established order: Christian civilization.

It is important to understand what this symbol of the revolution meant. The conspirators took the Latin Cross and turned it upside-down to symbolize the overturning of Christian values and customs, making what was once considered indecent and abnormal appear "normal" and "accepted." Thus, what was once considered normal and decent, was to be considered abnormal and passé. The upside-down Cross then had its cross-arms broken to symbolize the fragmentation and breaking (or breakdown) of Christian society according to the Tavistock plan. Lastly, the Broken Cross was put within a circle symbolizing the final goal of the cultural revolution, the total fragmentation; and thus, the complete destruction of the Christian order of society.

Look at yesteryear's Christian order of society in speech, manners, customs, decorum, and dress; and then look at today's corrupted culture. What has become of manners and morals, civility and dress? It has been destroyed through the "Broken Cross" cultural revolution. This sign of the Broken Cross was born during the very violent protests of the hippie psychedelic drug cultural

revolution. This sign is NOT a "peace" sign, but a sign of VIOLENCE against the established order of Christian culture.

No wonder the Necedah revelations warned many years ago to pray for the youth: "...Pray for the children, for a cleaner life." (June 4, 1950). The "styles" of today were the very styles that Jacinta of Fatima warned about: "Styles will come that will offend Our Lord very much."

The difficult thing today is to have the courage to take a stand and act outside the public consensus and be contrary to it. But if we follow Our Lord Jesus Christ, that is exactly what we need to do. A true Christian is one who is in the world but <u>not of</u> the world. It's much like the man in a rowboat on the "river of life." He either mans the oars and fights against the current (ways of the world) and progresses towards his goal: the source of the "river of life," Heaven, his true home; <u>or</u>, he tips up his oars and drifts with the current and ends up being swallowed up at the "river of life's" end, the mouth of the river, Hell. It is an important life decision most fail to grasp.

Our choice is important, not only for our own soul, but for the influence (good or bad) it has on those around us; especially the youth and the children. We can either mitigate the coming cataclysms of the Divine Chastisement or we can hasten and worsen its affects upon us and our children. We have been warned by God and by the Mother of God that our times are much worse than the days of Noah before the Great Deluge.

Consequently, the Divine Chastisement of coming cataclysms will be like nothing ever experienced by mankind ever in history. A great galactic cosmic wave is on its way, no doubt, to trigger the Great Warning event being prophesied. All information coming from both scientific and prophetic sources indicates this final Great Warning event is very near. It is time to get our spiritual houses in order and choose either the way of the Catholic Christian civilization or the way of Cultural Corruption.

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