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Our Lady at Medjugorje.
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(The Way To Peace)

LIVE THE MESSAGES

given at
MEDJUGORJE

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Our Lady's Message is:

Pray and Fast

Frequent Mass

Monthly Confession

Daily Rosary

Love People

Use Blessed Objects

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Message Given to Marija Pavlovic-Lunett April 25, 2019

"Dear children! This is a time of grace, a time of mercy for each of you. Little children, do not permit that the wind of hatred and peacelessness rule in you and around you. You, little children, are called to be love and prayer. The devil wants peacelessness and disorder, but you, little children, be the joy of the risen Jesus who died and resurrected for each of you. He conquered death to give you life, eternal life. Therefore, little children, witness and be proud that you have resurrected in Him. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the April 25, 2019 Message

What might Our Lady mean by "be proud that you have resurrected in Him"?

Before the Paschal Mystery, all of humanity was held in bondage – worse than the Old Testament Exodus of the Hebrew people from the bondage

of Pharaoh. Before the death and resurrection of Jesus, humanity was trapped in sin – held shackled by the master of deceit and evil – the devil!

As Jesus breathed out His last words from the Cross, "it is finished", the gates of Heaven opened for all generations – past, present and future. Humanity was freed from the reign of terror led by Lucifer. Thy Kingdom had come upon the earth with Jesus' last breath. We are free! We are resurrected people! We were raised in and through and with Jesus, the Savior of the world. The earth quaked! The veil between Heaven and earth was torn in two! When Jesus frees, we are free indeed!

We wish that were the end of the glorious story of our salvation. But, unfortunately, it is not. Satan's hatred reached a new level. Jesus freed us from the bondage of sin and death. However, from the lure, the attraction to sin, we must still struggle because we have been endowed with free will. Through free will, we have been given the humbling privilege of returning Jesus' love for us through our lives, our choices, our sacrifices and our renunciation of sin and all that is not of God.

And so, our journey of conversion begins. Our path to life, eternal life, won for us on the Cross, will be for us a journey to the cross. Our conversion will mean dying to self, detaching from worldly possessions and a turning toward God through prayer, sacraments, atonement and acts of charity. Our journey to the eternal life that Jesus won for us will wind through the desert of "peacelessness and hatred". As we travel through a dark and dry land, we will continually arrive at many oasis of grace provided by our faithful Mother Mary. At every turn, we encounter the unfathomable mercy of God. We are indeed a chosen and favored people.

As we celebrate the overflowing mercy of God on Divine Mercy Sunday, let us witness to the victory that is ours, stand proud and rejoice in the incomprehensible gift of mercy that is ours as sons and daughters of God and Mary's "Dear children"!

"I have opened My Heart as a living fountain of mercy. Let all souls draw life from it. Let them approach this sea of mercy with trust. My mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world". (Diary of Saint Faustina)

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Message Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo April 2, 2019

"Dear children, as a mother who knows her children, I know that you are crying out for my Son. I know that you are crying out for truth, for peace, for that which is pure and not deceptive. That is why I, as a mother, through the love of God, am addressing you and calling you that, by prayer and a pure and open heart within yourselves, you may come to know my Son - His love, His merciful heart. My Son saw beauty in all things. He seeks the good in all souls - even that which is little and hidden - so as to forgive evil. Therefore, my children, apostles of my love, I am calling you to adore Him, to ceaselessly give Him thanks, and to be worthy. Because He has spoken to you divine words, the words of God, the words which are for all and forever. Therefore, my children, live joy, radiance, unity and mutual love. This is what you need in today's world. In this way you will be apostles of my love. In this way you will witness my Son in the right way. Thank you."

Mark Your Calendars!



The 38th Anniversary of the Apparitions of

Our Lady of Medjugorje

will be celebrated

Tuesday - June 25, 2019

St. Mary's Church

25 Center St., Waterloo, NY

6:00 p.m. The Most Holy Rosary

7:00 p.m. Benediction

7:15 p.m. Mass

Celebrant: Rev. Paul Bonacci

Confessions will be heard during the Rosary

A healing service will follow the Mass

Come, Pray the Rosary!

Join us every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. as we pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the rosary. St. Mary's Church, 25 Center Street. Waterloo, NY. All are welcome!

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