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*To make known the Message of
Our Lady 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 December 25, 2016

"Dear children! With great joy, today I am carrying my Son Jesus to you, for Him to give you His peace. Open your hearts, little children, and be joyful that you can receive it. Heaven is with you and is fighting for peace in your hearts, in the families and in the world; and you, little children, help with your prayers for it to be so. I bless you with my Son Jesus and call you not to lose hope; and for your gaze and heart to always be directed towards Heaven and eternity. In this way, you will be open to God and to His plans.

Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the December 25, 2016 Message

In every Christmas message Our Lady offers us the greatest gift and the solution to all of our fears and anxieties. It is her Son Jesus. Christmas is the utmost manifestation of the love of God. St. Luke describes that a great heavenly army – the same heavenly army "that is fighting for peace in your

hearts" – joined the angels and praised God: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests" (Luke 2:14). With their song the angels express the meaning of what happened, saying that the glory of God is materialized through the birth of the Child bringing peace to people of good will. The biblical expression for peace is close to the expression of grace. The peace granted by God stands for much more than a mere absence of wars and conflicts. It stands for a re-established, peaceful relationship towards God, that is, the realization of our salvation. Justified by faith, we are in peace with God. Peace is identified with the very person of Christ. "For He Himself is our only peace". (Eph. 2:14)

Mary continues to come and bring us Jesus as she did when she came and appeared on Apparition Hill for the first time with the Baby Jesus in Her arms. God has revealed Himself in the simplicity of a child. Jesus remains with us dressed and hidden in the simplicity of the Eucharistic Bread – and it is this simplicity where the omnipotence of God's love and closeness resides. Our Lady comes to invite us once again to open our hearts to this great

mystery with JOY and HOPE. It is precisely within this mystery of God's love that will create new life and the transformation of hearts.

Mary is full of grace and full of God. She has emptied herself completely in order for God to reside in her fully, and through grace, to reside fully in us. She ceaselessly invites us to adore Him in our hearts, make prayer our life and chose Him at every moment. No one can grant us peace as He can. Only then will joy overflow and our lives will be complete. That our joy may be full and peace be the mantle that enfolds us is our mother's wish for her children – not only on Christmas but every day of our lives.

When Christ was born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, He made this earth His home. May Christ now enter your home and heart with His unconditional love. May Christ's teachings be an example and inspiration to all whom you meet along life's way and may you be a beacon of His hope, His love, and His everlasting life. Amen.

Our Lady's Message Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo December 2, 2016

"Dear children, my motherly heart is crying as I am looking at what my children are doing. Sins are multiplying, the purity of soul is all the less important; my Son is being forgotten - honored all the less; and my children are being persecuted. That is why, you my children, apostles of my love, with soul and heart invoke the name of my Son. He will have the words of light for you. He manifests Himself to you, He breaks the bread with you and gives you the words of love so that you may transform them into merciful acts and, thus, be witnesses of truth. That is why, my children, do not be afraid. Permit my Son to be in you. He will make use of you to care for the wounded and to convert lost souls. Therefore, my children, return to the prayer of the Rosary. Pray it with feelings of goodness, sacrifice and mercy. Pray, not only with words, but with merciful acts. Pray with love for all people. My Son, by His sacrifice, exalted love. Therefore, live with Him so that you may have strength and hope; that you may have the love which is life and which leads to eternal life. Through God's love, I am also with you, and will lead you with motherly love. Thank you." Mirjana said that Our Lady was very sad.

Annual Apparition to Jakov - 12/25/16

At the last daily apparition to Jakov Colo on September 12th, 1998, Our Lady told him that henceforth he would have one apparition a year, every December 25th, on Christmas Day. This is also how it was this year. The apparition began at 2:20 pm and lasted 10 minutes. Afterwards Jakov transmitted the message:

"Dear children! Today, on this day of grace, in a special way, I am calling you to pray for peace. Children, I came here as the Queen of Peace and how many times have I called you to pray for peace. But, children, your hearts are restless. Sin is preventing you from opening yourselves completely to grace and peace which God desires to give you. To live peace, my children, is to first have peace in your hearts and to be surrendered completely to God and to His will. Do not seek peace and joy in the things of this world, because this is all passing. Long for true mercy and peace which come only from God; and only in this way will your hearts be filled with true joy; and only in this way will you be able to become witnesses of peace in this peaceless world. I am your mother and intercede before my Son for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Novena to Our Lady of Good Remedy

Please notice that we have included the prayers for the Novena to Our Lady of Good Remedy on the last page of this newsletter.

Queen of Peace Prayer Cenacles

Queen of Peace Night: Third Wednesday of every month. All are invited. St. Dominic's Church, 6 Canandaigua Street, Shortsville, NY. 7:00 pm Rosary, 8:00 pm Mass followed by healing prayer. The celebrant for January 18 is Fr. Thomas Mull.

Their will not be a Queen of Peace night in February.

Marian Cenacle: Every Wednesday evening. St. Mary's Church, Waterloo, NY. All are welcome. 7:00 pm complete Rosary. Contact Darlene Duprey 315-539-9010.

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A NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF GOOD REMEDY



O QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, Most Holy Virgin, we venerate thee. Thou art the beloved Daughter of the Most High God, the chosen Mother of the Incarnate Word, the Immaculate Spouse of the Holy Spirit, the Sacred Vessel of the Most Holy Trinity.

O Mother of the Divine Redeemer, who under the title of Our Lady of Good Remedy comes to the aid of all who call upon thee, extend thy maternal protection to us. We depend on thee, Dear Mother, as helpless and needy children depend on a tender and caring mother.

Hail, Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women, and Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

O LADY OF GOOD REMEDY, source of unfailing help, grant that we may draw from thy treasury of graces in our time of need.

Touch the hearts of sinners, that they may seek reconciliation and forgiveness. Bring comfort to the afflicted and the lonely; help the poor and the hopeless; aid the sick and the suffering. May they be healed in body and strengthened in spirit to endure their sufferings with patient resignation and Christian fortitude.

Hail, Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women, and Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

DEAR LADY OF GOOD REMEDY, source of unfailing help, thy compassionate heart knows a remedy for every affliction and misery we encounter in life. Help me with thy prayers and intercession to find a remedy for my problems and needs, especially for... (Indicate your special intentions here).

On my part, O loving Mother, I pledge myself to a more intensely Christian lifestyle, to a more careful observance of the laws of God, to be more conscientious in fulfilling the obligations of my state in life, and to strive to be a source of healing in this broken world of ours.

Dear Lady of Good Remedy, be ever present to me, and through thy intercession, may I enjoy health of body and peace of mind, and grow stronger in the faith and in the love of thy Son, Jesus.

Hail, Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women, and Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of Good Remedy,

R. That we may deepen our dedication to thy Son, and make the world alive with His Spirit.

THE STORY: 800 years ago Christians were being captured and sold into slavery by the thousands by Muslims, and nobody knew what to do about it. Then, in the year 1198, a man had an idea. St. John of Matha founded the Trinitarians to go to the slave markets, buy the Christian slaves and set them free. To carry out this plan, the Trinitarians needed large amounts of money. So, they placed their fund-raising efforts under the patronage of Mary. They were so successful at that, over the centuries, the Trinitarians were able to free thousands and thousands of people and to return them safely home. In gratitude for her miraculous assistance, St. John of Matha honored Mary with the title of "Our Lady of Good Remedy." Devotion to Mary under this ancient title is widely known in Europe and Latin America, and the Church celebrates her feast day on October 8. Our Lady of Good Remedy is often depicted as the Virgin Mary handing a bag of money to St. John of Matha.

When in need - for whatever reason, but especially where you have had difficulty obtaining help - invoke the aid of Our Lady of Good Remedy, and you will surely experience the power of her intercession.