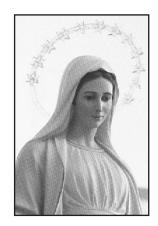
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Our Lady's Message is:
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Frequent Mass
Monthly Confession
Daily Rosary
Love People
Use Blessed Objects

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Message Given to Marija Pavlovic-Lunett December 25, 2011

Dear children!

Also today, in my arms I am carrying my Son Jesus to you, for Him to give you His peace. Pray, little children, and witness so that in every heart, not human but God's peace may prevail, which no one can destroy. It is that peace in the heart which God gives to those whom He loves. By your baptism you are all, in a special way called and loved, therefore witness and pray that you may be my extended hands to this world which yearns for God and peace.

Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the December 25, 2011 Message

"For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rest. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful...." Isaiah 9:5-6

"Come let us adore Him, alleluia!"

Every year on December 25th, we celebrate with and through our Mother Mary the Gift of all Gifts....the Gift that keeps on giving – Peace Incarnate. Figuratively, Our Lady comes to us every Christmas Day with her baby Jesus in Her arms. The purpose for Her Christmas appearances is not just to give us a sneak peak of Her precious Baby Boy or even to remind us that God has chosen to pitch His tent among humanity for a time. Her purpose for coming to us on Christmas is to offer us the Gift of all Gifts – Peace Incarnate! Not just for the day or a month or a year does she offer Her Gift; but for the Eternal Now! The Gift she carries in Her arms this day is given to us for every moment of every day until we finally meet Christ face to face and possess eternal peace in the Kingdom of Heaven.

The Divine light that emanates from the Child in Mary's arms this day is the only light that will ever overcome the present day darkness. These are the times in which Satan has no chains. These are the days in which terrorism, economic doom, and threats of war and violence are not the greatest problem. There is today a darkness even greater – spiritual depravity! Where spiritual depravity exits – whether within cultures or individual hearts – peace cannot prevail.

Mary offers us the Light within her arms this day and tells us to take the Light and witness to the Light. She commissions us to go out into our world with this Light of Peace in our hearts to show the world that its' false security will not prevail....will not sustain ... in the challenging days to come. "...not human, but God's peace, may prevail which no one can destroy..." - (not even Satan who prowls about the world seeking the ruin of souls)

Sometime I don't think we realize how radically changed we were at our Baptism! Baptism transformed and fashioned us into the very image of God! We were chosen and called to Christ's own mission to be priest, prophet and king! When we were baptized, the clouds of this world parted and the Holy Spirit descended upon us. God spoke these words about us, "This is my beloved (son/daughter) on whom My favor rests!" We were made heirs to the Kingdom of God and given imperishable gifts. Where else, then, can we go to find a love like that?

The world as we know it has become a vast wasteland, spiritually – a dry and parched desert filled with dead men's bones! But Our Lady has gathered us into the lush, green garden of her Heart. She has nourished us with the Bread of Heaven and enlivened us with the Breath of Heaven. She has laid Her Infant Son within the stable of each heart – not for just Christmas Day but for the Eternal Now!

The Gift of peace that our Mother offers us is to BE given in return, to be played forward. She invites us to "be Her extended Hands in this world which yearns for God and peace."

Thank you, Dear Mother, for bringing us the Father's Gift of Peace which no one can destroy!

"God's sign is the baby in need of help and in poverty. God's sign is simplicity...God's sign is that he makes himself small for us. This is how he reigns. He does not come with power and outward splendor. He comes as a baby – defenseless and in need of our help. He does not want to overwhelm us with his strength. He takes away our fear of his greatness. He asks for our love: so he makes himself a child. He wants nothing other from us than our love, through which we spontaneously learn to enter into his feelings, his thoughts, and his will – we learn to live with him and to practice with him that humility of renunciation that belongs to the very essence of love. God made himself small so that we could understand him, welcome him and love him...Christmas has become the Feast of gifts in imitation of God who has given himself to us. Let us allow our heart, our soul, and our mind to be touched by this fact!" (Pope Benedict XVI)

Message Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo December 2, 2011

"Dear children,

As a mother I am with you so that with my love, prayer and example I may help you to become a seed of the future, a seed that will grow into a firm tree and spread it's branches throughout the world. For you to become a seed of the future, a seed of love, implore the Father to forgive you your omissions up to now. My children, only a pure heart, unburdened by sin, can open itself and only honest eyes can see the way by which I desire to lead you. When you become aware of this, you will become aware of the love of God - it will be given (as a gift) to you. Then you will give it (as a gift) to others as a seed of love. Thank you."

Message Given to Jakov Colo December 2, 2011

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 3:30 pm and lasted 11 minutes.

Our Lady's Message to Jakov:

"Dear children! Today, in a special way, I desire to take you to and give you over to my Son. Little children, open your hearts and permit Jesus to be born in you, because only in this way, little children, you yourselves will be able to experience your new birth and set out with Jesus in your hearts towards the way of salvation. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Vicka Ivankovic-Mijatovic Asks Pilgrims for Prayers By Jakob Marschner - January 1, 2012

During a meeting with pilgrims on December 31, Medjugorje visionary Vicka Ivankovic-Mijatovic asked the attendees for prayers.

"At eight o'clock, Vicka gave her testimony at Sister Kornelija's orphanage. She has the usual measure of energy and joy, and was as always engaging. However, we noted that Vicka does not pass through a good time. She was very thin and asked us to remember her in our prayers" the Italian photographer Daniel Miot reports from Medjugorje.

Throughouther 30 years as a visionary, Vicka's health

has often been fragile. She has voluntarily accepted much of her suffering as a penance for the conversion of sinners and for other purposes. Therefore, on previous occasions she has expressedly asked people not to pray for her.

While the sun was out when Vicka spoke to the pilgrims on the last day of 2011, weather conditions were severe on the evening before when a few thousand pilgrims made their way to visionary Ivan Dragicevic's public apparition on the top of Apparition Hill through heavy rain and mudslides.

"It was beautiful, unique and, although very wet, as special as ever. I was impressed to see so many people praying together and with such devotion, despite the bad weather conditions" Daniel Miot tells on his blog.

After the apparition on December 30, Ivan reported this message from the Virgin Mary:

"Dear children, the Mother blesses you with joy. Be carriers of my messages in this tired world. Welcome my messages with responsibility. Dear children, pray together with me for the plans that must be realized. Especially tonight, I call you to pray for unity of the Church and my priests. Dear children, pray, pray, pray. The Mother prays with you and intercedes before Her Son for each one of you. Thank you also today for having responded to my call, and for accepting my messages, and living my messages."

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Ivan Visits Four States This Winter By Jakob Marschner - December 8, 2011

The Virgin Mary comes to Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania and North Carolina when Medjugorje visionary Ivan Dragicevic has public apparitions in these states in January, February and March 2012. Two appearances in Ivan's US home state Massachussetts are likewise confirmed, and still more arrangements are expected to follow.

Three times in Illinois. Three times in Michigan. And two times each in Massachussetts, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Early next year, opportunities are many for Americans who would like to be present during an apparition to Medjugorje visionary Ivan Dragicevic.

Ivan visits Sycamore, Chicago, and Glenview, IL, on January 28-30, and Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor and Memphis, MI, on January 31-February 2. Next in line for the moment are confirmed appearances in Hopkinton and Winchester, MA, on February 9-10.

Ivan comes to Pittsburgh and Monroeville, PA, on February 26-27 – and to Southport and Charlotte, NC, on March 14 and 16.

Ivan's public arrangement coordinator Ana Shawl

further informs that more arrangements are expected, but that all of the above have been confirmed. Hours, addresses and contact information can be found in the Calendar.

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Guide: Four Seers Have Testified in Rome By Jakob Marschner - December 7, 2011

Medjugorje visionary Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti has appeared before the Vatican Commission that examines the events of Medjugorje, local official guide Anita Pehar informs on her blog.

Pehar also confirms visionary Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo's audience with the Commission, reported by the Croatian newspaper Vecernji List to have taken place on November 25.

The appearances of Mirjana and Marija before the Commission follow confirmed appearances of Ivanka Ivankovic-Elez and Vicka Ivankovic-Mijatovic earlier this year:

"Four out of six Medjugorje visionaries have already been investigated by the Commission and they all came back smiling, even if they did not and could not share anything of what was going on behind the doors of the Vatican" Anita Pehar writes.

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Join A Local Prayer Cenacle

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, 2012 is Fr. Tom Mull. The celebrant for February 15, 2012 is Fr. Don Curtiss.

Marian Cenacle: Every Wednesday evening. St. Mary's Church, Waterloo, NY. All are welcome. 6:45 pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet, 7:00 pm complete Rosary. Contact Darlene Duprey 315-539-9010.

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