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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 February 25, 2020

"Dear Children,

In this time of grace, I desire to see your faces transformed in prayer. You are so flooded by earthly concerns, you do not even feel that spring is at the threshold. You are called, little children, to penance and prayer. As nature fights in silence for new life, also you are called to open yourselves in prayer to God, in Whom you will find peace and warmth of the spring sun in your hearts.

Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the February 25, 2020 Message

"See! The winter is past, the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth, the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land. The fig

tree forms its' early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come, my darling, my beautiful one, come with me." (Song of Songs 2:11-13)

Our Lady first reminds us that we are living in a time of grace – the amazing grace of the Holy Season of Lent. She reminds us that prayer is transformative. The light of God's presence within us will show in our faces and flow forth from the heart of those who pray faithfully. Mary comes this month to show us how to make our Lent 2020 fruitful. Like Jesus, we withdraw into the desert of these 40 days of Lent to pray and fast. Like Jesus, we nourish ourselves on the Word of God. Our Lady tells us that she wants to see our "faces transformed in prayer". Lent is a time to make prayer our priority. Lent is meant to be a spiritually transformative time – a time of silent spiritual renewal in preparation for the rising of the Son – Easter! Like the people of Israel during their 40- year exodus and like Jesus during His 40 days in the desert; we experience the grace of God in abundance during this season of grace.

"Flooded by earthly concerns", we are tempted to abandon our Lenten practices. We are besieged by the devil all around us. Our Mother reminds us that "spring is at the threshold". We must keep our focus on Christ and stay committed to penance and prayer. Just as "nature fights in silence for new life"; we also fight in silence with Lenten weapons to defeat the devil, for a renewed life in the Spirit.

As Lent continues, a silent season of waiting, let us all open ourselves in prayer to God in "whom we will find the peace and warmth of the spring sun". The beauty of the Resurrection will blossom in our hearts on Easter morning. So, as we continue our silent fight for new life, let us be encouraged as we perceive the passing of winter and the coming of new life in nature. If we look carefully, we can already see that the crocus is breaking through the dirt as a sign that all things are made new for the glory of God.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord. He is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretch out its' roots to the stream: it fears not the heat when it come, its' leaves stay green; in the year of drought it shows no distress; but still bears fruit". (Jer. 17:5-8)

Praise the Lord that we are the people who trust in the Lord with our whole hearts. We are those who enjoy the changes of the seasons on our spiritual journey racing toward our eternal Easter! We are those who will hear the Lord say "Arise, come, my darling, my beautiful ones, come with me"!

**Our Lady of Medjugorje's Message
Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo
February 2, 2020**

"Dear children,

By the act of the decision and love of God, I am chosen to be the Mother of God and your mother. But also by my will and my immeasurable love for the Heavenly Father and my complete trust

in Him, my body was the chalice of the God-man.

I was in the service of truth, love and salvation, as I am now among you to call you, my children, apostles of my love, to be carriers of truth; to call you to spread His words, the words of salvation, by your will and love for my Son: that with your actions you may show, to all those who have not come to know my Son, His love.

You will find strength in the Eucharist-my Son who feeds you with His Body and strengthens you with His Blood. My children, fold your hands [in prayer] and look at the Cross in silence. In this way, you are drawing faith to be able to transmit it; you are drawing truth to be able to discern; you are drawing love that you may know to love truly. My children, apostles of my love, fold your hands [in prayer], look at the Cross. Only in the Cross is salvation.

Thank you."

Come, Pray the Rosary!

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