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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

January 25, 2013

"Dear children! Also today I call you to prayer. May your prayer be as strong as a living stone, until with your lives you become witnesses. Witness the beauty of your faith. I am with you and intercede before my Son for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the January 25, 2013 Message

As often as our Mother calls us to prayer, I don't believe we will ever fully comprehend, while on this earth, its' power and its' strength. Prayer is an unbreakable bond between the pray-er and his/her Creator, Sustainer ... God. Prayer is our life-breath. Through prayer we come to know God intimately. It is in prayer that we find our way to peace and joy and meaning. Prayer strengthens our faith, and our hope because it is here that we taste that the Lord is good.

St. Peter extends us the same invitation that Our Lady has in her January message.

"Come to Him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God; and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices

acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" 1Peter 2:4,5

As we approach Lent 2013, it would be good for us to take inventory. Is our 'coming to Jesus, the living stone' in prayer building up a solid, unshakeable spiritual house?

Are we that connected and rooted in prayer? Have we become living stones ourselves; that is, images of Jesus – our corner stone?

All throughout Christian history, Jesus has been rejected by human beings caught up in the spirit of the world – and never so much as in our present age. Our culture has removed prayer, the virgin birth, the ten commandments from view. We find ourselves living in a spiritual culture of death fed by laws that perpetuate evil. Our Jesus is still being mock, scorned, scourged and put to death before our very eyes. License is masquerading as freedom as the Sacrament of marriage is being re-defined across our country.

What can we do about it? We can build up our spiritual houses (our souls) into mighty fortresses of prayer. We can light up our spiritual houses by the way we live. We can be peacemakers in our world. We can serve the needs of the poor and broken hearted. We can visit the imprisoned and teach the ignorant. We can take every opportunity to forgive those transgressions which are difficult to forgive and love the unlovable. We

can become prayer warriors for those who have no one who cares for them. We can worship our God in spirit and in truth. We can become the holy priesthood we were meant to be from the moment of our Baptism. In these ways, we give "witness to the beauty of our faith".

One final story: On January 22, the 40th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that allowed for abortion in the US, we celebrated a Mass of thanksgiving for the gift of human life – a gift that so many innocent souls have been deprived. Before the altar, flickered 55 candles in honor of the 55 million babies that have been destroyed over the past 40 years.

I was one of three Eucharistic Ministers serving that day. The presider handed me his chalice containing the precious blood to offer to the congregation. When I looked into the chalice, I noticed that the particle broken off from the large Host had taken the shape of a perfect 'valentine' heart. It was less than ½ inch in size. It was floating atop the precious blood in the lower right hand side of the chalice. The last person in my line consumed the heart of Christ along with the last sip of precious blood. This person has been a right to life advocate for most of his life!

I asked Jesus what message did he want to convey by way of the heart in His cup. He replied, "In your hands you hold every beating heart that has been bathed in My Blood".

The world today needs "living stones". It needs witnesses to the beauty of the Faith. As Lent 2013 approaches, let us commend ourselves to Mary's care and guidance. This time of Grace, like sand in an hourglass, is running out.

Message Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo January 2, 2013

"Dear children, with much love and patience I strive to make your hearts like unto mine. I strive, by my example, to teach you humility, wisdom and love because I need you; I cannot do without you my children. According to God's will I am choosing you, by His strength I am strengthening you. Therefore, my children, do not be afraid to open your hearts to me. I will give them to my Son and in return, He will give you the gift of Divine peace. You will carry it to all those whom you meet, you will witness God's love with your life and you will give the gift of my Son through yourselves. Through reconciliation, fasting and prayer, I will lead you. Immeasurable is my love. Do not be afraid. My children, pray for the shepherds. May your lips be shut to every judgment, because do not forget that my Son has chosen them and only He has the right to judge. Thank you."

Marija: The World We Live In Is Unreal

By Jakob Marschner

(www.medjugorjetoday.tv)

Medjugorje visionary Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti reinforced her critique of modern society and living on the phone to Radio Maria shortly after receiving the Virgin Mary's message on January 25.

"It seems that we are living in an unreal situation here because everything is lawful. Do you feel comfortable when you look at the city, the schools with bullying, so many things? This is not an Earth where each respects the other. Arrogance and selfishness are prevalent. I feel this very strongly. It seems like we have lost God in the middle of the road" Marija said.

The visionary went on to explain that the Virgin Mary talks about the antithesis and remedy to society's ills in her reference to "a living stone" in the January 25 message. (*see page 1*) "Our Lady asks us that all the moments of our lives are forever connected to God. Because, also now in this message, she wants us to become strong as living stones. With these stones we can also build a new society because this society is terrible company" Marija said, adding that the cure comes one person and one personal decision at a time: "The Madonna began, we deeply believe, to create a new civilization with all the people who found the faith. So often we find that people who have found the truth of God become stronger every day and have converted and become witnesses. When such a person starts talking, you become speechless because this person has the experience of God in his life and transmits it by his words" the visionary said.

"Our Lady always tells us that if you do not pray and fast, or if your fast is weak, you cannot resist. The two must go together. Through fasting and prayer, the desire to convert immediately arrives in the heart."

Gabriel Paulino transcribed and translated from Italian

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 February 20, 2013 is Rev. Donald Curtis. The celebrant for March 20, 2013 is Rev. Peter Nkansah.

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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