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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 July 25, 2016

"Dear children!

I am looking at you and I see you lost; and you do not have prayer or joy in your heart. Return to prayer, little children, and put God in the first place and not man. Do not lose the hope which I am carrying to you. May this time, little children, every day, be a greater seeking of God in the silence of your heart; and pray, pray, pray until prayer becomes joy for you.

Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the July 25, 2016 Message

"No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Matt. 6:24

"....I see you lost...." What might Our Lady be communicating to the world in this July message?

She is reminding us that the mystery of sin is winning in the hearts of too many souls. Every act of sin is a turning away from God. But sin at the same time is a turning towards some created thing. Sin is a clinging in a disordered way to some human passion. Saint John Paul II wrote about this in his apostolic exhortation *Reconciliatio et Paenitentia*, noting that, "when someone is caught up in sin, he finds himself "preferring to turn in on himself or to some created and finite reality, something contrary to the divine will." Sin, especially if repeated, can lead to corruption. Habits are formed that limit one's capacity for love and create a false sense of self-sufficiency. This state, as Our Lady points out, puts God in the last place instead of the first.

The peace that God gives to those who love Him surpasses all the sensual delights which we can enjoy on this earth. It is necessary to persuade ourselves of this truth, that God alone can give content. Our Mother is carrying hope to us through her presence and in her messages. She has led us along the path of faith through Mass, fasting,

reconciliation and prayer. She is looking at us and sees that too many of her children do not have joy because they do not pray! In fact, She sees the misery that is spreading like a plague around our world.

A couple weeks ago at a Sunday Mass, the Celebrant began his homily: "Let me ask you a question – Can Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump or any politician forgive sins?" Everywhere I turn these days the conversations are permeated with talk of the upcoming election – as though people are looking for a savior! We have one Savior, Jesus Christ. Only Jesus can save us, fix us and give us hope for the future. Why are we looking for these things in a human being who will never be able to deliver what is needed in this world today? Why are we not looking to God for the answers to our problems? Why are we not seeking God's will for our lives and our country; but rather looking to a human being to bring us hope for the future? God allows suffering so that we will not trust in ourselves but only in God who raised the dead and forgives sins.

We are living in a troubled time; but a time of grace and mercy. Our Lady is constantly offering us the light of the Gospel and hope for our future. We must find our joy in prayer. We must use this year of mercy to spend seeking God "in the silence of your heart" as directed by Our Lady. We will find our joy only in God.

"...Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil." Matt. 6:33-34.

Dear Mother Mary, obtain for us the grace to find joy in prayer as we seek God daily in the silence of our hearts. Amen

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

*"Dear children,
My real, living presence among you should make you happy because this is the great love of my Son. He*

is sending me among you so that, with a motherly love, I may grant you safety; that you may comprehend that pain and joy, suffering and love, make your soul live intensely; that I may call you anew to glorify the Heart of Jesus, the heart of faith, the Eucharist. From day to day through the centuries, my Son, alive, returns among you - He returns to you, though He has never left you. When one of you, my children, returns to Him, my motherly heart leaps with joy. Therefore, my children, return to the Eucharist, to my Son. The way to my Son is difficult, full of renunciations, but at the end, there is always the light. I understand your pains and sufferings, and with motherly love I wipe your tears. Trust in my Son, because He will do for you what you would not even know how to ask for. You, my children, you should be concerned only for your soul, because it is the only thing on earth that belongs to you. You will bring it, dirty or clean, before the Heavenly Father. Remember, faith in the love of my Son will always be rewarded. I implore you, in a special way, to pray for those whom my Son called to live according to Him and to love their flock.

Thank you."

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 August 17 is Fr. Dan Ruiz, the celebrant for September 21 is Fr. Roy Kiggins, the celebrant for Oct. 19 is Fr. William "Mickey" McGrath.

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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