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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 May 25, 2020

*"Dear children,
Pray with me for a new life for all of you. In your hearts,
little children, you know what needs to be changed.
Return to God and His commandments so that the
Holy Spirit may change your lives and the face of the
earth; which is in need of renewal in the spirit. Little
children, be prayer for all those who do not pray; be joy
for all those who do not see the way out; be carriers of
light in the darkness of this peaceless time. Pray and
seek the help and protection of the saints so that you
also could yearn for Heaven and Heavenly realities.
I am with you and am protecting and blessing all of
you with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having
responded to my call."*

Commentary on the May 25, 2020 Message

*"Do not be conformed to this world; but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."
(Romans 15:13)*

Life has changed! Our lives on planet earth has been put on pause. We were a busy people – a distracted people. Let's face it! We were an addicted generation – addicted to instant gratification through drugs, sex, alcohol, food, social media, sports, theater, success, power and the list goes on. The pause button has been pushed! A pandemic was unleashed upon the whole world. As this invisible enemy swept across the world, hundreds of thousands of people were infected and died.

In this month's message, Our Lady asks us to pray with her for a "new life for all of you". Life before Covid 19 is gone! So where do we go from here? If nothing else, we should have learned that life can change in an instant. Throughout this time of isolation, I spent a great deal of time weeding, planting flowers and tending to my garden. I noticed with enlightened fervor the beauty of nature coming alive with the new life of springtime. I became aware of things that I took for granted in the past- the freshness of new growth, the colors of the flowers and bushes that were awakening to new life. I observed how quickly they faded away. I became aware, more than ever, of the brevity of life through my daffodils, crocus, and tulips as they disappeared.

"Yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes." (James 4:14)

During this time of isolation, social distancing, and Eucharistic famine, are we learning anything? Did we learn that there is no security or salvation in the world of matter and form? Did we learn that the destiny of humanity is not in the hands of government, scientists, or doctors? Did we learn that our destiny is in the hands of God? As we social distance, did we draw closer to God who alone is our help and salvation? As we masked our faces to the world, did we unveil our hearts before God? As the days and weeks of the Eucharistic famine passed, did we long for the only Food that can bring life to our soul? Did we set up a routine of prayer? Have our hearts become vulnerable? Has everything that comprised our lives and affections before Covid's destruction swept into our world become nothing but straw? Have we yet "returned to God and His commandments so that the Holy Spirit may change your lives and the face of this earth which is in need of renewal in the spirit"?

Our Lady tells us that we know what needs to be changed as we move forward. Our Lady reminds us that there are many who do not pray. There are many who cannot see the way out – who live in darkness and have no peace.

Where do we who have responded to Her

messages go from here? She has spelled it out for us!

* Pray for those who do not pray.

* We are Easter people. We are Eucharistic people. Be joyful and willing to give them the reason for our hope!

* Our faith lived out in its' fullness will be the light that shines in the darkness.

* Pray and seek the help and protection of the saints who are always with us.

* Yearn for Heaven and Heavenly realities.

"I came that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly". (John 10:10)

Perhaps we needed a lesson in what Jesus meant by living life abundantly! Perhaps the passing of the coronavirus will have been the conduit of illumination. Perhaps many souls heard the call of the Spirit in the silence of this isolation and pause. Perhaps the death of multitudes paved the way to conversion and new life for many more..... Perhaps!

Come, Pray the Rosary!

Join us every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. as we pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the rosary. St. Mary's Church, 25 Center Street. Waterloo, NY. All are welcome!

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