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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 November 25, 2012

"Dear children! In this time of grace, I call all of you to renew prayer. Open yourselves to Holy Confession so that each of you may accept my call with the whole heart. I am with you and I protect you from the ruin of sin, but you must open yourselves to the way of conversion and holiness, that your heart may burn out of love for God. Give Him time and He will give Himself to you and thus, in the will of God you will discover the love and the joy of living. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the November 25, 2012 Message

We are living in special times. These are times of presence and purification. God is present among us in our Church. God is present in a special way through all who have heard the call to conversion. God is present through the unprecedented apparitions of Mary for over 31 years – leading, and guiding and calling to conversion the lost, the hearts yet to be awakened to God's love and mercy. God is present in those of us who Mary refers to as her "dear children" – those of us who have heard and are spreading her messages.

God is purifying His Bride, the Church....through persecution and trials. God is purifying a fallen world through natural disasters, uprisings and distress, wars and rumors of war. God seems to be giving Godless societies over to their wanton excesses. Yes, we are living in special times – "this time of grace".

Our Lady gives us another roadmap through the present age. "I call you to renew prayer....Open yourselves to Holy Confession".

- **Prayer –**

Pray all ways, in every circumstance....pray constantly. Pray the Holy Rosary. Attend daily Mass. Pray in the silence of your room where only the Father can hear you. Pray in supplication and petition for your conversion, for your family, community, the world. Pray without using words – contemplate the majesty and mystery of God. Just 'be' in God's presence. Pray through journaling. Pray through your suffering. Talk to Mary and Jesus in your own words. In the St. Ignatian Exercises, there is a prayer form I am particularly drawn. It is called the triple Colloquay. Invite Mary into your prayer. Talk to her about what is in your heart. Listen to her. Say the Hail Mary then ask her to take you to Her Son. Tell him also what is in your heart in the presence of Mary. Listen. Say a prayer to Jesus.

Then ask them both to take you to the Father. Tell your Father in Heaven what you need. Listen and then say the 'Our Father'. Pray, pray, pray....

- Holy Confession –
“...I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I covered not. I said, ‘I confess my faults to the Lord, and you took away the guilt of my sin.’” (Psalm 32)

We all have an interior need to open our souls to another. We need help to understand what we are feeling and why. We have a need to understand, with St. Paul, why we do that which we do not want to do. We need help in understanding why “the spirit is willing; but the flesh is weak”. We need a confession that goes deeper than the conventional laundry list, and looks for causes rather than symptoms. We need help in exploring our motivations and fears, and the underlying causes on our sinfulness.

We need, like the Prodigal Son, to “come back”. When we are guilty of sin, have become a stranger to the ways in which we were taught, we need to apologize to God and to one another. The purpose of the sacramental action is to be a sign of God’s welcoming embrace to those of us who stray from home.

We need to believe in sin! Today, we suffer from a diminished sense of sin. We need to awaken to the real destructive power of sin that is oppressing our world. It is hard to believe that we can watch the evening news reporting of wars, terrorism, murders, alcohol and drug abuse, promiscuity, persecution and a general lack of morality and respect for human life; yet, continue to think that “nothing is a sin anymore”! The final sinfulness (way of life) is to deny our sinfulness. This is a sin against truth. It is the blindness for which Jesus admonished the Pharisees. If we do not recognize our sickness and need for healing, we are in effect rejecting Jesus’ forgiveness.

We have a need to see and hear forgiveness. Jesus spoke words to the adulteress: “Your sins are forgiven.” He looked at people. Sometimes he embraced them. He assured the converted Zacchaeus, “Today salvation has come to your house.” These people went away with Jesus’ words in their ears, his image in their minds, and the touch of his hands on their shoulders. We need to externalize or ritualize or visibly celebrate God’s victory over sin. We also need to recognize that our sin is linked with society’s. If the human heart is not healed and converted, the transformation of unjust social structures cannot take place. We need to confess our wrongs not only to heal or save our own souls, but to help liberate the world from its sinful patterns.

Our Lady is with us – protecting us from the ruin of sin. But we must cooperate with her plan to keep us on the path of conversion and holiness. She wants us to be free from the bondage of sin. She wants freedom for us so that nothing hinders our hearts from opening fully to God’s love, His will for our lives. Our Lady wants us to be free to receive God Himself. In receiving God, we receive abundant life – a love and joy of living we never thought possible.

Message Given to Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo November 2, 2012

“Dear children, as a mother I implore you to persevere as my apostles. I am praying to my Son to give you Divine wisdom and strength. I am praying that you may discern everything around you according to God’s truth and to strongly resist everything that wants to distance you from my Son. I am praying that you may witness the love of the Heavenly Father according to my Son. My children, great grace has been given to you to be witnesses of God’s love. Do not take the given responsibility lightly. Do not sadden my motherly heart. As a mother I desire to rely on my children, on my apostles. Through fasting and prayer you are opening the way for me to pray to my Son for Him to be beside you and for His name to be holy through you. Pray for the shepherds because none of this would be possible without them. Thank you.”

Apparition to Vicka Was Not Announced By Jakob Marschner (www.medjugorjetoday.tv)

Medjugorje visionary Vicka Ivankovic-Mijatovic’s public apparition at the Shrine of Saint Girio near Potenza Picena, Italy, on Saturday remained a well-kept secret.

No online advertising had taken place beforehand, and the total number of attendees summed up to about 500, Medjugorje follower Marco Piagentini reports. Living 170 kilometers away, he was one of the few who heard about Vicka’s visit beforehand.

Vicka came to the small church not far from the Adriatic Sea along with her husband, Marijo. Inside the small church of the shrine, she was greeted with applause. Next to the church, a giant screen was in place.

In little more than one year, the visionary has gone through three operations in her back, and so her resounding, loud way of kneeling down when her 12 minutes long apparition began was noticed by Piagentini:

“We often find it hard to kneel, and here we saw how, after three surgeries in the back, a person falls

to her knees with a crash, then remains straight and assuming that position for nearly a quarter of an hour without moving an inch" Marco Piagentini reports.

Marija: We Are Free But Say Yes To God

By Jakob Marschner
(www.medjugorjetoday.tv)

Everyone is free to say yes or no to God. But joy is only found in saying yes, Medjugorje visionary Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti told attendees at The University of Notre Dame, IN (USA) from where her 4.30 minutes long apparition on November 15 was live-streamed by Mary TV.

"For what reason has Our Lady come here? To say, "Get up! Give this testimony. I am God the Resurrection. I am the God who was crucified and died. But I am resurrected! I am with you, and I died for you. But I give you freedom. In this freedom you have a choice: Good or bad. I call you to goodness" Marija said.

"And Our Lady says "I call you to a new life. It is your choice. It is your choice to say yes or no" she continued.

"Today my testimony for everyone of you is that I said "yes" with all my life. (...) But what brought me here is this big joy in my heart. And I would like to tell you that I am so happy because, through Our Lady, God choose for me to be here with you and to say God is love. He chose me to be hope and joy for everyone of you" the visionary said.

For a yes to God through the Virgin Mary to be more complete and stronger, Marija recommended people to consecrate not only themselves, but also their families and the places they live to Mary's Immaculate Heart. She told what happened when the Italian island of Sicily did so together:

"Sicily decided to make a day for Our Lady, so all schools were closed, all people were asked to go to the sanctuaries of Sicily. And a priest asked Our Lady to consecrate Sicily, saying here are all these people, mayors, schools, saying to you we give you our hearts, our families, our nation" Marija said.

"During the apparition, Our Lady gave an answer to that prayer, and she said: "Not only you, but also your sons and sons of their sons will be blessed". I was so surprised, Our Lady watched everyone present. How many graces this part of Italy received. Even today many of these people come to Medjugorje to give thanks for this day of Our Lady."

Marija further called Pope Benedict XVI "God's Providence for us today":

"Pope Benedict asks us for a year of faith. He would like to help us in this way for our own faith to grow. Pope Benedict XVI, really is God's providence for us today, because we need to be strong. And he is like a general. So tough. We pray for him because he fed us

through his Catechism which is really beautiful and deep" Marija said.

Marija: Mankind's Future Still

More At Risk

By Jakob Marschner
(www.medjugorjetoday.tv)

Medjugorje visionary Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti was unusually dire when she addressed a crowd of 5,000 people in the sports hall PalaWhirlpool in Varese, Italy, after her public apparition on Sunday.

"The Blessed Virgin Mary did not give any specific message, but urged all of us to find God by embracing the message of Our Lady. The only salvation for humanity's future is increasingly at risk" Marija said, according to the local online media Varese News.

"Without God you have no future or eternal life" Marija repeated from her public appearance on Saturday in Canazei and, indeed, from a number of other occasions.

Among the attendees, a scientist with personal experience in testing the Medjugorje visionaries noted that most people's attitude towards faith in God is locked: "Those who do not want to believe do not believe in spite of the scientific evidence, and those who believe due to grace believe regardless of instrumental tests. The fact remains that reason is in crisis" Mario Botta, one of the first physicians to submit the visionaries to scientific tests, told the regional newspaper Il Giorno.

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 December 19, 2012 is Fr. Thomas Celso. The celebrant for January 16, 2013 is Fr. Thomas Mull.

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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