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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 September 25, 2016

"Dear Children, Today I am calling you to prayer. May prayer be life to you. Only in this way will your heart be filled with peace and joy. God will be near you and you will feel Him in your heart as a friend. You will speak with Him as with someone whom you know and, little children, you will have a need to witness, because Jesus will be in your heart and you, united in Him. I am with you and love all of you with my motherly love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Commentary on the September 25, 2016 Message

Once again, this message of Our Lady, as the majority of her messages, begins with a call to prayer. At this moment in history, she has nothing more important and more necessary to ask of us. Mary, our mother, wants us to become filled with peace and joy. She leads us on the only path that leads to life – a path that she highlights month after month with such zeal. Mary is a mother who

loves each one of her children and she cannot or will not mislead us. Saint Bernard taught us to pray, "Remember, O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided".

Today we need Her intercession to help us pray as though our very lives depend upon it! We need prayer to be a tangible experience of the power and efficacy of the presence of God. The most powerful prayer is one of thanksgiving which opens the heart to God, beginning by opening the door of our heart to God, through which God can and wants to approach us. What the Virgin Mary recommends to us – what she puts into our hands and wants us to put into our heart, is prayer, which may seem so simple! By pure human logic and intelligence it is difficult to believe that prayer can obtain something so big – God's nearness – the experience of God as friend! To the depth that we speak to Him, we will hear Him speak to our heart "as someone whom we know". Our Lady's language here is very simple; yet not wise in the eyes of the world.

St. Paul says, "For since in the wisdom of God,

the world through its wisdom, did not know Him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength". (1Corin. 1:20-21, 25) Jesus exclaims, "I praise you, Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your great pleasure." (Luke 10:21) Truly, only the little ones recognize God and they recognize the motherly presence in Medjugorje. We know from the Gospel that Jesus himself could not help those who approached him full of themselves—with mountains of haughtiness. God finds no space to approach those who are already filled with the world to offer Himself as Savior and friend. Through prayer, we create space for God who is our life, our only hope. Without this space, God is unable to enter our heart.

God waits for our decisions, in order to do everything in our lives himself. God is patient; he waits for us all our life. He waits for us with nothing else but his love, to give us Himself and to enrich us with His mercy and love. He waits for every human heart. He waits for each family to receive Him as a dear guest and friend, to open to Him the door of their houses as Zaccheus did. Then new life happens, a full life in His heart, which becomes grateful, able to forgive and to give witness, as Our Lady pointed out in this message. We can do little with our human powers. It is impossible to become holy with human strength. It is impossible to forgive, to love and to witness to others with our strength alone. Let us allow Mary our Mother, to lead us to Her Son Jesus, so that we may be filled with peace and joy – so that we may become people who see and experience God in our lives and in every person that God has put on our path.

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

"Dear children, according to the will of my Son and my motherly love, I am coming to you, my children, but especially to those who have not yet come to know the love of my Son. I am coming to you who think of me and who invoke me. To you, I am giving my motherly love and I am

carrying the blessing of my Son. Do you have pure and open hearts, and do you see the gifts, the signs of my presence and love? My children, in your earthly life, be led by my example. My life was pain, silence and immeasurable faith and trust in the Heavenly Father. Nothing is by chance: neither pain, nor joy, nor suffering, nor love. All of these are graces which my Son grants to you and which lead you to eternal life. Of you, my Son asks for love and prayer in Him. As a mother I will teach you: to love and to pray in Him means to pray in the silence of your soul and not only reciting with your lips; it is even the least beautiful gesture done in the name of my Son - it is patience, mercy, the acceptance of pain and sacrifice done for the sake of another. My children, my Son is looking at you. Pray that you also may see His face and that it may be revealed to you. My children, I am revealing to you the only and real truth. Pray that you may comprehend it and be able to spread love and hope; that you may be able to be apostles of my love. In a special way, my motherly heart loves the shepherds. Pray for their blessed hands. Thank you."

October is the month of the Rosary

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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 October 19 is Fr. William "Mickey" McGrath. The celebrant for November 16 is Father Michael Mayer.

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