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The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." (LK: 23: 35-37)

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Monthly Message of October 25th, 2025:

Dear children! The Most High in His goodness gave me to you to lead you on the way of peace. Many have responded and are praying, but there are many creatures who do not have peace and have not come to know the God of love. Therefore, little children, pray and love, create prayer groups to encourage each other to the good. I am with you and am praying for your conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call. (With ecclesiastical approval)

On the 25th of each month, Our Lady gives a message through the visionary Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti for the villagers in the parish of Medjugorje and for all those who choose to follow her on the path to holiness.



Christ the King

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A Former Satanist Who Became a Saint: Bartolo Longo

from dominicanfriars.org

St. Bartolo Longo was born to a devout Catholic family near Brindisi, in southern Italy. He was a brilliant, though mischievous kid, who began to lose his way at the age of ten after his father died. His adolescence was a time of great upheaval in his country, when Garibaldi was seeking to eliminate the papal city states and unite Italy. By the time Bartolo entered the University of Naples law school, many of his professors were ex-priests preaching nationalist venom against the Church. He was quickly caught up in their fervor. "I, too, grew to hate monks, priests and the Pope," he would later write, "and in particular I detested the Dominicans, the most formidable, furious opponents of those great modern professors, proclaimed by the university the sons of progress, the defenders of science, the champions of every sort of freedom."

In his confusion and emptiness, without God to turn to, he began to visit some of Naples' infamous mediums. That was his introduction into the occult. Soon, his thirst for the supernatural led him into outright Satanism, where after a period of intense study and such rigorous fasting that he was reduced to skin and bones, he was consecrated a satanic priest and promised his soul to a demon. For the next year, he began to preside over satanic services and to preach more boldly and blasphemously against God and the Church — treating them, in a diabolical reversal, as the real evils.

His family back home tried to talk him about of the path he had chosen, to no avail. They began to pray and to ask for help from whoever might lend a hand. Professor Vincenzo Pepe, a solidly Catholic professor at the university, responded. He began to meet with Bartolo, accosting him, "Do you want to die in an insane asylum and be damned forever?" Bartolo couldn't ignore the psychological and physiological state he was in. Professor Pepe eventually convinced him to see a Dominican priest, who after three weeks of lengthy conversations, on the feast of the Sacred Heart in 1865, was able to welcome him back into the Church and give him absolution.

To keep an eye on him, Professor Pepe allowed Bartolo to move in with him and started to surround him with faithful and dedicated Catholics. Each day for two years, as a voluntarily-imposed penance, Bartolo worked in the Neapolitan Hospital for Incurables. He prayed. He became a third-order Dominican. He made a promise of celibacy to serve God with an undivided heart. He sought to do reparation for his scandal by returning to his Satanist hangouts, holding up the Rosary and publicly renouncing his former ways. But he still despaired. He couldn't forgive himself or see how God could ever forgive him. One day, while fulfilling some legal business in Pompeii for his client Countess Mariana di Fusco, and seeing how great was the people's poverty, ignorance, moral corruption and dependence on witchcraft, God helped him to see both how he could be saved and how he could spend his life saving others.

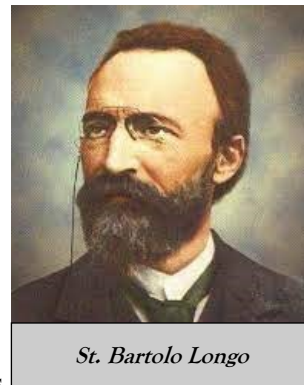
"One day in the fields around Pompeii," he wrote, "I recalled my former condition as a priest of Satan... I thought that perhaps as the priesthood of Christ is for eternity, so also the priesthood of Satan is for eternity. So, despite my repentance, I thought: I am still consecrated to Satan, and I am still his slave and property as he awaits me in Hell. As I pondered over my condition, I experienced a deep sense of despair and almost committed suicide. Then I heard an echo in my ear of the voice of Friar Alber-

to repeating the words of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 'One who propagates my Rosary shall be saved.' Falling to my knees, I exclaimed: 'If your words are true that he who propagates your Rosary will be saved, I shall reach salvation because I shall not leave this earth without propagating your Rosary.'"

He spent the whole rest of his life, beginning in Pompeii, propagating the Rosary and imitating the mysteries it contained. With the financial support of the Countess, he built Pompeii's famous Basilica of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, founded elementary schools and orphanages, inaugurated a print shop and technical school to give the children of convicted criminals the chance of a better life. He wrote books on the Rosary, composed novenas and prayer manuals. The former Satanist eventually became a friend of Pope Leo XIII, who had a great devotion to the Rosary. From Pompeii he also began the popular movement that led to the solemn dogmatic proclamation of the Assumption in 1950.

Perhaps his most lasting contribution of all will prove to be the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. It was from St. Bartolo's writings that Pope John Paul II found not only the idea of mysteries covering the time of Jesus' public ministry, but also what the individual mysteries should be and what all five as a whole should be called. When he proposed the new Mysteries of Light in his 2002 encyclical "The Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary," Pope John Paul II didn't hesitate to show his admiration for this holy man whose conversion and subsequent holy life demonstrate that no matter how far away from the faith one is, there's always hope. After referring to St. Bartolo's insights throughout his Rosary encyclical, Pope John Paul II concluded by quoting the prayer of the man he beatified in 1980. This prayer is a fitting way for us to conclude the month of the Rosary and to pray for those who, like St. Bartolo once was, are still caught under the bondage of Satanism and the occult:

"O Blessed Rosary of Mary, sweet chain that unites us to God, bond of love that unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of Hell, safe port in our universal shipwreck, we will never abandon you. You will be our comfort in the hour of death: yours our final kiss as life ebbs away. And the last word from our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary of Pompei, O dearest Mother, O Refuge of Sinners, O Sovereign Consoler of the Afflicted. May you be everywhere blessed, today and always, on earth and in heaven."



St. Bartolo Longo



From the Diary of Sister Emmanuel

www.childrenofmedjugorje.com

On September 25th, 2025, the visionary, Marija, received the following monthly message:

Dear children, may this time be for you a time of prayer for peace. If you love God above all else it will be easy for you to pray and open your hearts up to Him. Thank you for responding to my call. (With ecclesiastical approval)

An incredible story!

During a Mass in English, the celebrant told an overwhelming story about his life...

"In 2014, I was a hospital chaplain, happy to be able to bring the sacraments to the sick. I listened to them, I brought them comfort, it was I who confessed and gave Communion: Me, me, me..." This was not good. The priest was putting himself at the center.

"One day, I was called in to see Tony, a patient who had just received a worrying diagnosis. He wasn't dying, but would soon no longer be able to walk. He had agreed to see a priest because he said he was Catholic. After we introduced each other, I asked him, "When was the last time you went to Holy Mass?"

"In 1966," he told me. Surprised, I asked him: What happened that day to make it your last Mass? "I was on a football team, and we had just won an important game. One of my friends suggested we go to Mass to thank God for this victory, so I went with him!"

I understood that this man had been distant from the faith and the Church for a long time, and I set out to explain the sacrament of Penance to him before hearing his confession. But after 2 minutes, I saw him looking impatiently at his watch. Nevertheless, I finished my explanation and offered to hear his Confession. He confessed two or three sins to me, and I gave him absolution. But then I thought: this is not the confession of a man who has not received any sacrament for 40 years



I continued my explanation before offering him the Anointing of the Sick. I then saw him lean over sideways. I turned around to see if anyone came into the room... No-one! What a surprise it was to realize that Tony had turned to the TV, and that he was more interested in the



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program than in what I was telling him!

I asked him if he would prefer me to leave. "... No, no, go on with your business", he said, waving his hand, while continuing to watch TV. I was annoyed but ended up giving him the Sacrament of the Sick anyway.

As I left the room, I clearly heard the voice of Jesus in my heart: "Go and give him Holy Communion!" It wasn't my own thought; it was very clear. So, I said to myself: no, he doesn't deserve it! He's not interested in anything about the faith; I am not going to give him Holy Communion! But Jesus' voice became more insistent: "You are not a priest for yourself, you are my priest, go and give him Holy Communion!" Although still annoyed by Tony's behavior, Jesus' words got the better of all my resistance. Against my own intuition I asked the nurse if I could bring Holy Communion to Tony. She had no problem with that.

I found myself in Tony's room, where he was still watching TV with great interest, not paying any attention to me. I then took a Host and lifted it up saying, "Here is the Lamb of God, the One who takes away the sins of the world...". Since he wasn't looking, I had to pat him on the shoulder energetically. His eyes then left the screen, and he looked at the Host. Suddenly, the situation changed completely! He was overwhelmed with a powerful emotion, and he began to ask for forgiveness: "Forgive me Jesus for having done this ... Forgive me Lord for having done that ..." This lasted several minutes. I could not believe it!

He had shown no interest in anything I explained to him, and now that he was looking at the Host, he understood that it was really the Body, the Blood, the Soul and the Divinity of Christ, living and present in our midst! Not only was he completely repentant of his sins, but he recognized Jesus as his Lord and Savior! After this confession, the confession of his life, he received Communion.

In silence, amazed at what had just happened, I left the room. I was truly humbled. I said to myself: it is the Lord who does this through me, not me doing this! As for me, I do nothing! Barely a little while later, seeing that I had forgotten my prayer book in Tony's room, I turned back. I saw the nurse, who said to me: "My goodness! That was close!"

Surprised, I looked at her without understanding... - What do you mean, that was close? "After you left," she told me, "Tony asked for a glass of water and then he died a few minutes later." I was stunned.

This very sincere homily touched people's hearts. In the assembly, many were crying. "How great is the Mercy of God", he said! Without ever tiring, and until the last minute, He seeks to bring his lost children back to Himself, and He does so even through an arrogant and broken priest, as I was! He used me to reach His child at the time of his death. Always be confident and sure of God's love for you, and be sure of His Providence!

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When Souls in Purgatory Return from the Dead

By Susan E Wills from Aleteia.org

We don't hear a lot about Purgatory these days and that's a shame because most of us will be very lucky to slip in there rather than dropping straight into hell. And lest anyone complain that God is mean or judgmental in sending people to hell, it is well to remember that it's entirely our own doing, having used the gift of free will to tell God "Nah, I won't" or more often today "MEH."

What a terrifying, creepy but marvelous gift it would be if, one night, we were awakened by the presence of a deceased family member or friend asking for our prayers and sacrifices, for Masses to be said to gain their release from Purgatory. And especially if that suffering soul left a permanent mark so that – by the light of day and forever after – we would know that the visit hadn't been a nightmare occasioned by too much wine with dinner.

In Jesus' parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Lk 16:19-31), Dives, from hell, begs Father Abraham to send "someone from the dead" to warn his brothers to repent. Abraham replies: "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." The reference, of course, was to Jesus' own Resurrection, but in his great mercy, the Lord has also sent many emissaries from the dead to the living and they have left proof behind.

By "proof" I'm not referring to the many written testimonies of saints concerning purgatory or hell – Sts. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Gertrude, Bridget of Sweden, John Vianney, Maria Faustina, Catherine of Siena, Catherine of Genoa et al. – and visionaries – such as the children of Fatima or Kibeho, Medjugorje or Garabandal – compelling though they are. But actual concrete proof, housed in a small room off the vestry of a church in Rome, the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Prati (also called Sacro Cuore del Suffragio or the Sacred Heart of Suffrage). The neo-Gothic church, completed in 1917, is situated on the Tiber River, ten minutes from St. Peter's Square. It is unique in being home to the Little Purgatory Museum (Piccolo Museo del Purgatorio).

The mission of the Order of the Sacred Heart, founded in 1854 in France, was to pray for and offer Masses for the repose of the souls in Purgatory. Their chapel in Rome, dedicated to our Lady of the Rosary, was largely destroyed by fire on September 15, 1897. After the fire, the priest assigned to the chapel, Fr. Victor Jouet, was astonished to see the image of a suffering face of what appeared to be a soul in Purgatory on one of the charred walls. He obtained the permission of Pope Pius X to travel around Europe, collecting relics that bore evidence of visits from souls in Purgatory.

One relic in the museum shows a section of wood from the desk belonging to Ven. Mother Isabella Fornari, Abbess of the Poor Clares Monastery of St. Francis in Todi. Mother Isabella was visited by the deceased former Abbott, a Father Panzini, of the Benedictine Olivetan Order in Mantua on November 1, 1731. To show her that he was suffering in Purgatory, he placed his left "flaming" hand on her writing desk, leaving a scorched hand print, and also etched a cross in the wood with his burning forefinger. For good measure, he also placed his hand on the sleeve of her tunic, which burned through to her chemise and burned her arm to the point it bled. Reporting the event to her confessor, Holy Cross Father Isidoro Gazata, the latter asked her to cut out the sections of tunic and chemise and to give him the small desk for safe-keeping. All were determined to be of supernatural origin.

In 1815, Margherite Demmerlé, who lived in the Diocese of Metz was visited by a soul who identified herself as her mother-in-law who had died in childbirth 30 years earlier. She asked Margherite to go on a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariental and to request that two Masses be said there for her. Margherite asked her for a sign and the soul put her hand on the book Margherite had been reading, *"The Imitation of Christ"* leaving her hand print on the open page. Her mother-in-law returned to her after the pilgrimage and Masses had been said to thank her and tell her that she'd been released from Purgatory.

In 1875, Luisa Le Sénéchal, who had been dead for two years, appeared to her husband Luigi in their home in Ducey, France. Asking for his prayers, she left scorch marks of her five fingers on his night-cap, as concrete proof for their daughter of her request to have Masses said for the repose of her soul.

About a dozen more artifacts of this nature can be seen in the Little Museum of Purgatory. These examples are not meant to shock or frighten, and many, many more can be found in books authored by the renowned 19th Century French Jesuit, Father F.X. Schouppe, *"Purgatory Explained,"* for example. He wrote: *In giving us a warning of this kind, God shows us a great mercy. He urges us, in the most efficacious manner, to assist the poor suffering souls, and to be vigilant in our own regard.*

Those who do think about the Four Last Things, may entertain a curiosity about Purgatory. While the Church does not claim to know the nature of the suffering endured by the souls in Purgatory, comments by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and the writings of St. Catherine of Genoa (1447-1510), especially her *"Treatise on Purgatory,"* are instructive. She described Purgatory not as a place engulfed in flames, but rather a state in which souls experience the torment of interior flames as they recognize their profound sinfulness in the face of the perfection of God's holiness and love for them.

Blessed John Henry Newman composed a beautiful prayer for the souls in Purgatory. In this month dedicated to the faithful departed, we'd do well to recite this often:

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From the Museum of the Souls in Purgatory



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St Faustina and the Souls in Purgatory

by Maura Roan McKeegan *from catholicexchange.com and prayforsouls.org*

ONLY WE CAN COME TO THEIR AID

+I saw my Guardian Angel, who ordered me to follow him. In a moment I was in a misty place full of fire in which there was a great crowd of suffering souls. They were praying fervently, but to no avail, for themselves; only we can come to their aid. The flames which were burning them did not touch me at all. My Guardian Angel did not leave me for an instant. I asked these souls what their greatest suffering was. They answered me in one voice that their greatest torment was longing for God. I saw Our Lady visiting the souls in PURGATORY. The souls call her "The Star of the Sea." She brings them refreshment. I wanted to talk with them some more, but my Guardian Angel beckoned me to leave. We went out of that prison of suffering. (I heard an interior voice) which said, **"My mercy does not want this, but justice demands it."** Since that time, I am in closer communion with the suffering souls.

+When Sister Dominic died at about one o'clock in the night, she came to me and gave me to know that she was dead. I prayed fervently for her. In the morning, the sisters told me that she was no longer alive, and I replied that I knew, because she had visited me. The sister infirmarian (Sister Chrysostom) asked me to help dress her. And then when I was alone with her, the Lord gave me to know that she was still suffering in PURGATORY. I redoubled my prayers for her. However, despite the zeal with which I always pray for our deceased sisters, I got mixed up as regards the days, and instead of offering three days of prayer, as the rule directs us to do, by mistake I offered only two days. On the fourth day, she gave me to know that I still owed her prayers, and that she was in need of them. I immediately formed the intention of offering the whole day for her, and not just that day but much more, as love of neighbor dictated to me.

+When the soul of a certain young lady came to me one night, she made me aware of her presence, and made known to me that she needed my prayer. I prayed for a while, but her spirit did not leave me. Then I thought to myself, "If you are a good spirit, leave me in peace, and the indulgences I will gain tomorrow will be for you." At that moment, the spirit left my room, and I recognized that she was in PURGATORY. (Diary, 1723)

+When I had gone to the chapel for a moment, the Lord gave me to know that, among His chosen ones, there are some who are especially chosen, and whom He calls to a higher form of holiness, to exceptional union with Him. These are seraphic souls, from whom God demands greater love than He does from others. Although all live in the same convent, yet He sometimes demands of a particular soul a greater degree of love. Such a soul understands this call, because God makes this known to it interiorly, but the soul may either follow this call or not. It depends on the soul itself whether it is faithful to these touches of the Holy Spirit, or whether it resists them. I have learned that there is a place in PURGATORY where souls will pay their debt to God for such transgressions; this kind of torment is the

most difficult of all. The soul which is specially marked by God (134) will be distinguished everywhere, whether in heaven or in PURGATORY or in hell. In heaven, it will be distinguished from other souls by greater glory and radiance and deeper knowledge of God. In PURGATORY, by greater pain, because it knows God more profoundly and desires Him more vehemently. In hell, it will suffer more profoundly than other souls, because it knows more fully whom it has lost. This indelible mark of God's exclusive love, in the [soul], will not be obliterated. (Diary, 1556)

+On the evening of All Souls Day, November 2, 1936, St. Faustina went to the cemetery. After praying there for a while, she went to the chapel and prayed to "gain the indulgences," as she writes in her Diary (748).

The indulgences for which she prayed are a special gift the Church offers every year in the beginning of November, when the faithful can gain plenary indulgences for the souls in Purgatory. The day after St. Faustina prayed in the cemetery, during Mass she saw "three white doves soaring from the altar toward heaven." She understood that those three souls, along with many other souls, had gone to heaven.



Three years earlier, in 1933, St. Faustina was visited by the soul of a religious sister from her order who had died two months previously. The sister "was in a terrible condition, all in flames with her face painfully distorted," and St. Faustina increased her prayers for her. The next night, St. Faustina was astonished to see the sister come again, in an even worse state, surrounded by even more intense flames, with despair "written all over her face."

"Haven't my prayers helped you?" St. Faustina asked.

The sister answered that her prayers had not helped, and that nothing would help her.

"And the prayers which the whole community has offered for you, have they not been any help to you?"

The sister said no, these prayers had instead helped other souls.

"If my prayers are not helping you, sister, please stop coming to me," St. Faustina responded. The soul disappeared at once. Still, St. Faustina kept praying.

Some time later, the sister returned during the night. This time, though, her appearance had been completely altered. The flames were gone, and "her face was radiant, her eyes beaming with joy," St. Faustina writes in her Diary (58). The sister told

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What about lukewarmness?

In their priestly life, many priests who have become lukewarm, one day experience a very special moment of grace, as we just saw. It enables them to truly welcome Jesus into their hearts and to live for Him. Their celebration of Mass looks the same, but within, burns a fire that changes everything. A fire that communicates to the faithful and reaches them in their very depth. That is the great desire of the Heart of Mary! In the messages she entrusted to Mirjana, she never stopped inviting us seriously to pray for our priests.

"I invite you to pray for your priests. Standing by their side, I will triumph." (10.2.2010)

"Love your shepherds as my Son loved them when He called them to serve you." (06.02.2013)

"Do not allow evil to separate you from your shepherds." (09.02.2013)

"Pray for the shepherds! May your mouths be closed to all judgment, for do not forget that my Son chose them. He alone has the right to judge." (01.02.2013)

The impact of Holy Priests

Huge is the impact that the holiness of priests has on the world. But the enemy of our souls tries to trap them in a thousand ways. We can and must do a lot to help them! Let us listen to God's cry in the Bible: "Do not touch any of my consecrated ones; do not harm my prophets!" (Ps. 105,15) And also: "Do not touch anyone who is consecrated to me, do not mistreat my prophets!" (1Ch 16:22)

The end of the Jubilee Year is approaching (January 6th). This is an opportunity to pull ourselves together, if we have become lukewarm. Let us take advantage of the special graces of the Jubilee Year as they pass on... Let us not let the gifts that the Church is offering us slip away! Let's take our priests to heart, our prayer for them is vital!

A mass in honor of the Holy Spirit



St. Maryam of Bethlehem

Saint Maryam of Bethlehem conveyed to Pope Pius XI the following request that she received from the Lord: "I ardently desire that every month the priests give a Mass in honor of the Holy Spirit. Anyone who says or hears it will be honored by the Holy Spirit himself. He will have light, he will have peace. He will heal the sick, he will awaken those who are asleep." I have spoken about this to priests who have taken this request seriously. They now testify that this simple practice has changed their priestly life.

Entire parishes have been renewed! Let many people know that! Let's share this widely!

Freeing a priest from Purgatory?



As a work of mercy, have you thought of having a Mass celebrated for a priest to be freed from Purgatory? In celebration of this Jubilee Year, we can offer a departed soul a plenary indulgence and free them from Purgatory! Priests suffer enormously in this place of purification. We could ask our Blessed Mother before Mass, to choose for herself the priest she wishes to free from purgatory. Once delivered, this priest will have within his heart to powerfully help his fellow priests on earth, those who have committed themselves to paths of sin and spiritual death. This will enable them to return wholeheartedly to Christ and His Word. In this way we can do immense good to the Church and to the world! Who prayed for this English priest I mentioned above? He was arrogant, and then he became an icon of Jesus' mercy. How many souls can he now reach, humbly letting Jesus work through him?

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O God of the Spirits of all flesh, O Jesus, Lover of souls, we recommend unto Thee the souls of all those Thy servants, who have departed with the sign of faith and sleep the sleep of peace. We beseech Thee, O Lord and Savior, that, as in Thy mercy to them Thou became man, so now Thou would hasten the time, and admit them to Thy presence above. Remember, O Lord, that they are Thy creatures, not made by strange gods, but by Thee, the only Living and True God; for there is no other God but Thou, and none that can equal Thy works. Let their souls rejoice in Thy light, and impute not to them their former iniquities, which they committed through the violence of passion, or the corrupt habits of their fallen nature. For, although they have sinned, yet they always firmly believed in the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; and before they died, they reconciled themselves to Thee by true contrition and the Sacraments of Thy Church.

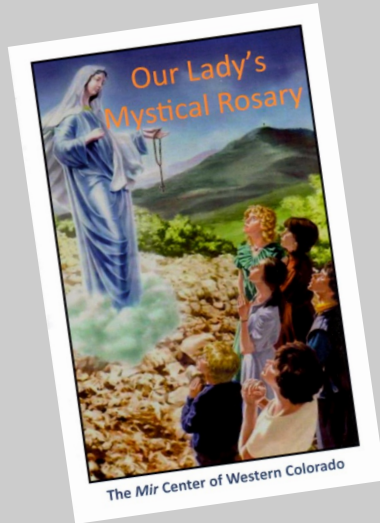
O Gracious Lord, we beseech Thee, remember not against them the sins of their youth and their ignorances; but according to Thy great mercy, be mindful of them in Thy heavenly glory. May the heavens be opened to them, and the Angels rejoice with them. May the Archangel St Michael conduct them to Thee. May Thy holy Angels come forth to meet them, and carry them to the city of the heavenly Jerusalem. May St Peter, to whom Thou gave the keys of the kingdom of heaven, receive them. May St Paul, the vessel of election, stand by them. May St John, the beloved disciple, who had the revelation of the secrets of heaven, intercede for them. May all the Holy Apostles, who received from Thee the power of binding and loosing, pray for them. May all the Saints and elect of God, who in this world suffered torments for Thy Name, befriend them; that, being freed from the prison beneath, they may be admitted into the glories of that kingdom, where with the Father and the Holy Ghost Thou lives and reigns one God, world without end.

Come to their assistance, all ye Saints of God; gain for them deliverance from their place of punishment; meet them, all ye Angels; receive these holy souls, and present them before the Lord. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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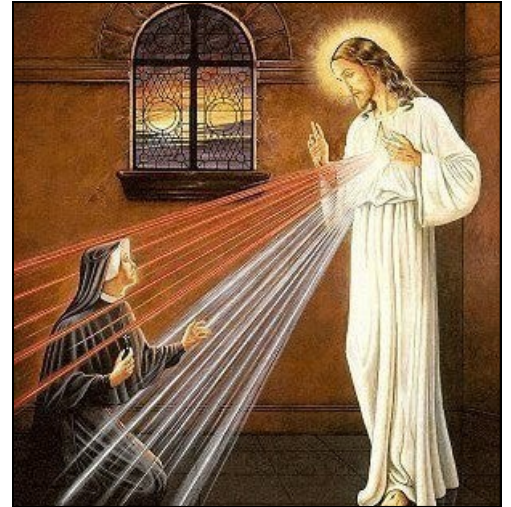
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St. Faustina that she had a true love for her neighbor and that many other souls had benefited from her prayers.

“She urged me not to cease praying for the souls in Purgatory, and she added that she herself would not remain there much longer,” St. Faustina writes. “How astounding are the ways of God!”

Even though this sister was still in Purgatory the third time she visited St. Faustina, her level of suffering was entirely changed. Through St. Faustina’s unfailing hope and prayers, she had gone from agony and despair to radiance and joy. She wasn’t in heaven yet, but she was on her way.



As St. Faustina saw in her vision, the souls in Purgatory cannot pray for themselves. So even if the deceased sister who visited her in 1933 had prayed as hard as she could to be delivered from the flames and despair, her prayers would not have been effective. In God’s mysterious plan, the sister needed the prayers of the faithful on earth in order to be freed from her suffering.

In the same way, all of the souls in Purgatory at this moment desperately need our prayers, for no matter how hard they pray for themselves, their own prayers won’t help them. Ours will.

Even though the souls in Purgatory cannot pray for themselves, they can pray for others. And in a beautiful reciprocal act of mercy, if we pray for them, they can pray for us. The Catechism (958) says that “Our prayer for them is capable not only of helping them, but also of making their intercession for us effective.”

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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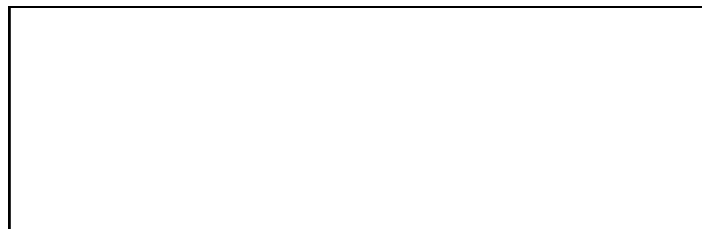
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		Medjugorje prayer group 7:00pm St Francis				1 All Saints
2 All Souls	3	4 Medjugorje prayer group 7:00pm St Francis	5	6	7	8
9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	10	11 Medjugorje prayer group 7:00pm St Francis	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Medjugorje prayer group 7:00pm St Francis	19	20	The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary	22
23 Christ the King	24	25 Medjugorje Prayer group 7:00pm St Francis	26	27	28	29

Upcoming events:

- + **All Saints Day, November 1st**
- + **All Souls Day, November 2nd**
- + **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, November 21st**
- + **Christ the King, November 23rd**



Our Lady's Five-Point Program
*Conversion
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Our primary goal, our main focus, is to bring Jesus Christ to the world and to bring the world to Jesus Christ. To accomplish this task, the MIR Center of Western Colorado was established to provide accurate information about the messages and events originating from Marian apparitions occurring in Medjugorje and elsewhere. We are committed to living and sharing the messages of Medjugorje and helping others to live the messages as well. By living the messages of Medjugorje, which are in essence the message of the Gospel, we hope to spread peace into our families, into our communities, and into our world. As a nonprofit organization, we intend to use any and all funds raised or donations received to aid in spreading the messages of Our Lady to all who will listen. With regard to the apparitions occurring in the world today we humbly submit to the final authority of the Catholic Church.

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