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They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Mt: 2: 10-12)

Our Lady of Medjugorje's Monthly Message of December 25th, 2022:

Dear children! Today I am carrying my Son Jesus to you, that you may be His peace and a reflection of the clarity and joy of Heaven. Pray, little children, to be open to receive peace because many hearts are closed to the call of the light which changes hearts. I am with you and am praying for you to open yourselves to receive the King of peace, Who fills your hearts with warmth and blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call.

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.



Mother of God

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Statue Cried Tears of Blood Because 'You Do Not Listen'

from forosdilavirgen.org

Our Lady instructed us how to avoid war, the destruction of the family, and the apostasy of the priests. In Italy, Our Lady manifested herself through tears of blood and oil images to draw attention to a dramatic message.

She said the evil one is furiously attacking the family and the Church, and planning to generate a nuclear war to destroy humanity. And she told us how we can combat the attack on the family, the apostasy in the Church, and the danger of the war escalating into a nuclear conflagration.

Here we will talk about how the manifestations of the Virgin occurred, what messages she gave, and the recommendations she gave to weather this crisis that we have upon us. The Spanish priest Father Pablo Martín bought in Medjugorje a small plaster statuette, 17 inches, of the Queen of Peace and gave it to the Gregori family. The family placed the Madonna in a niche in the garden of their house in the Pantano neighborhood of Civitavecchia, a city about fifty miles from Rome. And there 3 things happened: tears of blood from the first statuette of the Queen of Peace of Medjugorje, exudations of oil from a second identical statuette, and apparitions and messages from the Blessed Virgin to the members of the Gregori family.



On the afternoon of February 2, 1995, the little daughter of the Gregoris, Jessica, only five years old, observed the "Madonnina" beginning to cry blood. The next day, more tears occurred, witnessed by the parish priest Pablo Martín. In the following days, other tears follow, until February 6, when the statuette is removed from its place and taken to the Bishopric.

On February 13, Bishop Girolamo Grillo received a phone call from the exorcist Father Gabriele Amorth, who told him that a spiritual daughter of his had told him about this possible miraculous event in the summer of 1994, and begged him not to be skeptical, but the Bishop did not want to believe Don Amorth's words. And on February 15, the image wept blood in the hands of Bishop Girolamo Grillo, who had been openly hostile to these manifestations.

On February 10, 1995, an analysis carried out by experts from the Gemelli Polyclinic in Rome indicated that the reddish liquid removed from the image was human male blood and other analysis revealed that it was human blood with male and female characteristics, with a preponderance of female's. A radiological examination of the plaster image ensured that there was no apparatus or cavity in its internal structure, which would exclude any internal trick. And on August 26, 1995, Our Lady would say in a message, **"I cry because I am speaking to you in all parts of the world giving you extraordinary signs, but you do not listen to me."**

Later, the image was confiscated by the bishop for several months in 1995 and in the middle of that year, after the confiscation was lifted, it was permanently placed in the Church of San Agustín. But John Paul II asked Bishop Grillo to take the image to the Vatican so that he could pray before it, and the Pope blessed it and placed a crown on it and a Rosary in her hands.

Cardinal Andrzej Maria Deskur, a close friend of John Paul II's, bought an identical image in Medjugorje and gave it to the Gregori family on behalf of the Pope and put it in the small grotto in front of the house, replacing the previous one. And on April 3, 1996, a highly scented oily liquid began to emanate from it, which often also manifests itself in the ivy leaves that surround the grotto, in other nearby plants, and also in the stone of the grotto.

The first messages they received came from an external male voice, audible to the ears; sometimes the voice of God the Father, other times it was presumably Jesus. And then the apparitions and messages of the Virgin Mary began. In total there were 93 messages that the Virgin delivered to the Gregori family, among which were two secrets for the bishop and one for the Pope. When the news of these apparitions reached Bishop Grillo, the old skepticism returned; he interrogated the girl Jessica in September 1995, accusing her of lying, but the girl stood her ground.

She revealed to him in a second meeting that the Blessed Virgin had told him that the bishop **"has a heart of stone."** Then the Bishop asked her to tell him a fact about himself that only he knew. And Jessica later returned with not one, but several pieces of information about him personally.

Clearly impressed, the bishop fell ill from the impact, all doubts vanished, and he became a great supporter of the plans of the Blessed Virgin. The last apparition of the Virgin with a public message took place on May 17, 1996, but the private ones continued. And what are these messages about?

They call for the defense of the Christian family because it is the center of Satan's battle. Our Lady warned of imminent dangers for the Church: confusion, apostasy, and persecutions, and for the world: calamities and nuclear war. The messages also asked for consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

They also call for the sacramental life, particularly Confession, the Eucharist, and Eucharistic Adoration. Our Lady urgently called for prayer, especially the Rosary, and for penance, for reading and meditating on Sacred Scripture, and for faithfully following the Magisterium of the Church. She also asks for devotion and a relationship with the guardian angels and made an urgent call for the defense of the sanctity of life.

Our Lady specifically mentioned Fatima in her messages, saying **"My children, the darkness of Satan now darkens the entire world and also darkens the Church of God. Prepare yourselves to live what I had revealed to my little children of Fatima."** We know that we have already entered those predicted times and that even now **"the years of the triumph of my Immaculate Heart are imminent."**

And then Our Lady revealed the third secret of Fatima to Jessica on August 27, 1995, and the girl visited Sister Lucy in 1996, and together they discussed the secret. The central warnings are apostasy from the true faith, the satanic attack on the family, a third world war, and the importance of devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, because the third secret of Fatima began to be fulfilled at the end of the second millennium.

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From the Diary of Sister Emmanuel

www.childrenofmedjugorje.com

On November 25th, 2022, the visionary Marija received the following monthly message:

“Dear children! The Most High has sent me to you to teach you prayer. Prayer opens hearts and gives hope, and faith is born and strengthened. Little children, with love I am calling you: return to God, because God is love and your hope. You do not have a future if you do not decide for God; and that is why I am with you to guide you to decide for conversion and life, and not for death. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

We have noticed that for several months, the daily apparitions last longer than usual, and sometimes much longer. The visionary Marija says that Our Lady prays with her for a long time for peace, above all for peace in our hearts, peace in our families, and peace in the world. ***“Peace is damaged,”*** she said last May.

The time of peace

How to hasten the time of peace, in this ‘New Time’ that Mary has announced several times in her messages? This blessed time may relate to the Triumph of her Immaculate Heart and to the New Pentecost of Love, which Christ announced to Venerable Marthe Robin. This time will also be the Church of Light, according to what Jesus told the French mystic Filiola, when the Church will emerge purified from the grim trial it has begun to experience, and when as many people as possible have chosen life and not death. God's plan for our century was, as always, peace, true peace, in other words His own peace of divine essence, and not the fragile human tranquility so easily slackened.

The scoop of the Child Jesus. In two specific words, the little Child of Bethlehem gave us the answer we need on Christmas Day 2013. For the first time, Our Lady did not give her Christmas message, but to the great surprise of the visionary, Marija, it was the little newborn Child she was carrying in her arms who spoke. Have you ever seen a newborn baby speak? That day, Marija did! Jesus sat on his Mother's arm and spoke with the authority of a 7-year-old child. He said:

“I am your peace!”

Why look for it elsewhere than in Him? So many false paths are proposed to the world! So many false kinds of peace are making the headlines! They can be recognized by the fact that they exclude Christ, His cross and His resurrection, as if man were great enough to make his own peace and do without



Sister Emmanuel

God. This is how one can miss out on love, miss the door of mercy and delude oneself gravely. ***“The foundation of your peace is prayer,”*** Mary tells us. Without prayer, we are building on quicksand. Fortunately, there is no distress too deep for God, and His immense desire to save His children is never shaken. So now, what to do? He gives the answer...

“Live my commandments!”

Why fall into the snares of the Evil One, this prince of lies who makes us believe that the Words of God are to be thrown into oblivion, as if the divine light they contain were obsolete and that man had found something better than this light in order to be happy on earth and walk towards Heaven? What a terrible illusion! Everything God says, every one of His words, comes from His overflow of love for us, for our protection and happiness. To turn away from it is to mutilate oneself. It is to decide for death, according to Mary's words last month. How can we not quote here what Jesus revealed to the mystic, Marthe Robin, during an ecstasy: “If all Christians lived their faith, the whole world would be converted in the space of a year!” Oh Lord, have mercy on us! Forgive our sins of omission and indifference!

Prayer works wonders

A simple story of a great victory. I will let my friend Toussaint, a French sports fan, tell it to you in his poetic style:

“Another ten kilometers and this beautiful bike ride will end. The slight sound of the wind, the smell of oncoming spring, the water evaporating like the harshness of winter. My sister Claire remains in my thoughts. Where could she possibly find the courage to keep this child? I understand the difficult situation she is going through. Everything is pushing her, like a bad wind, not to keep it. My opinion is far too weak, and I infinitely respect her freedom. She will probably be arriving at the hospital soon. The minutes and the landscape sweep by. Suddenly a thought arises and imposes itself on my mind without knocking: “Recite a Hail Mary”!

What??? Here, in the middle of the bike path???

Yes.

Okay. So, I hide away a little, because I have quite a few cycling friends in the area. And here I am on my knees in the grass. Even if I don't pray very much, this is a prayer that I do know. Clearing the air, deep calm, everything fades.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Freeze frame, I couldn't go on, I couldn't finish the prayer. Life is immense, holy, sacred, irreplaceable and divine. All of this filled me with unparalleled strength and beauty. I got back on my bike and sped away as if on a galloping horse. I have to get there on time, even if it means forcing the door of the hospital. There it is, I see my sister getting ready to go in. She listens

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Healed at Lourdes: The 70th Official Miracle

by Joan Frawley Desmond from ncregister.com

When Franciscan Oblate Sister of the Sacred Heart Bernadette Moriau made the roundtrip journey for her 2008 Lourdes pilgrimage, she was transported from her French convent in an “ambulance” train car designated for the sick visiting the Marian shrine where the Blessed Virgin appeared in 1858.

Nights on the train were spent in agony, getting little rest as she lay on a narrow upper bunk. For 42 years, a painful degenerative disease of the spine had slowly taken control of Sister Bernadette’s body. And by 2008, the woman who had dreamed of bringing God’s love to the needy and trained as a nurse had been reduced to a state of powerlessness by an illness that left her dependent on others.

Mincing no words in her newly-released memoir, *My Life is a Miracle*, which traces the astonishing events that brought her case to the world’s attention as the 70th miracle effected at Lourdes, she describes her left foot as almost completely twisted in a “backward position.” And her “back, spine, and pelvis were like jelly,” supported by a “rigid cervical-lumbar corset.” Day and night her body ached, even as electric shocks rippled through her legs. A steady supply of morphine made “the burning of these invisible thorns” just bearable, but impaired her cognitive functioning. And a “spinal neurostimulator had been implanted under the skin to ease the excruciating pain.”

More than once, the harrowing daily struggle had brought her to the brink of despair, but she had long since made her peace with her condition. At Lourdes, she did not pray for her own recovery, but her spirits were fortified as she took part in the daily processions and bathed in the waters of the grotto. There where Mary and her Son preside, and space and time stand still, the values of the world are held at bay and the radiant dignity of each person created in God’s image is made manifest.

So as Sister Bernadette made the agonizing return trip, she channeled what energy she possessed into petitions for the healing of her fellow pilgrims. And as the creaking ambulance train was sidelined to allow high-speed trains to move more quickly to their destination, she was briefly reminded that she had left the grotto behind. “They shoot past without giving us a look,” she thought of the speeding trains rushing by the ambulance cars. “That’s life.”

But life, as she knew it, would soon change radically. Within days of her return from Lourdes, Sister Bernadette experienced a sudden cessation of pain and a complete healing of her body, or — as she calls it — a “re-creation.” Her twisted foot had been straightened, and her back was strong. She cast off her corset and walked freely. The degenerative disease that had defined her life for four decades had itself been rendered powerless through a miracle. Weeping tears of joy, she rushed to share the news with the other sisters, who joined her in prayers of gratitude for God’s gratuitous love and mercy.

The flood of joy, she explains, “had nothing to do with a feeling of victory. For, though I had battled this disease, the

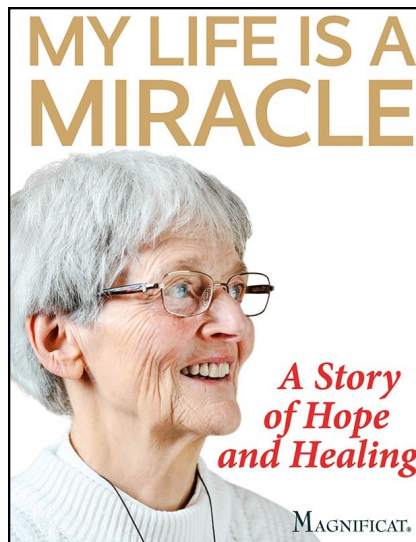
healing had been granted by pure grace.” On Feb. 11, 2018, the date marking the 160th anniversary of the apparition, Sister Bernadette’s healing was declared the 70th official miracle effected at Lourdes. The extraordinary healing, the years of pain and struggle that preceded it, and the decade-long medical and ecclesiastical investigations that followed are the subject of her story, told by a woman of faith who has long pondered the problem of suffering as well as the mystery of her recovery.

“To embrace total thanksgiving is not to be dismissive of those who have not received the same grace, or forgetful of the suffering and misery of others,” she writes. “I survived a forty-two-year struggle. But that was a sign from God, a visible sign of his love for all of us.” Her story thus serves as an invitation for her audience to draw close to the beating heart of the Savior who makes all things new. Likewise, she offers a window into a lonely and hidden place: the daily battles of those burdened by chronic illness and disabilities and who subsist on hope alone.

She has not forgotten what it is like to be consumed with agony, to visit a pain clinic for relief only to receive confirmation that one’s condition has worsened. And though she is a spirited woman, she conveys the sting of feeling invisible in a culture that moves too quickly and is too impatient to accompany the weak and the infirm.

The book also traces the Lourdes Office of Medical Assessments’ confidential and thorough investigation of Sister Bernadette’s case, with her own doctor and other medical specialists testifying to the inexplicable and permanent nature of her recovery. As she acknowledges with characteristically blunt humor, the medical community was asked to engage in an “odd kind of diagnosis”, not to effect a cure, but to “prove why they had absolutely nothing to do” with her healing.

The extensive inquiry was shrouded in secrecy until the miracle was formally confirmed by Church authorities, after a period of discernment, and publicly announced in 2018. Since then, Sister Bernadette has become something of a celebrity, even for France’s mostly secularized media. She has offered her testimony for reporters and youth groups. And though the public has latched onto the extraordinary nature of the miracle itself, and the scientific process of verification, Sister Bernadette has sought to fulfill what she understands to be the Lord’s purpose in bringing her into the spotlight. The story she writes, is that “faith, hope, and charity are the core that had always been burning in my former life, that fuels my present life, and will, I hope, assure my future life and my eternal life in heaven.” The language of faith shocks most of her French countrymen. But to those who suffer, to those struggling to keep the flame of hope alive, to those consumed with self-hatred or doubts about the meaning of life itself, she is the Lord’s emissary. The healing that changed her life, is a “sign of the mad love of the Creator for His creation.” God is not “vengeful or manipulative.” The loving Father who re-created her seeks to wash each of us in His ocean of mercy. He is “restorative ... loving, begging, assisting, humble in his grandeur, powerful in his love, and above all faithful.”



Deb McEllistrem's Story: The Messages Brought me Peace

From spiritofmedjugorje.org

In 2005, I met my husband... we got married, and in 2006 we had our daughter. Then when she was five, my husband was diagnosed with cancer. It was a rare, aggressive form of cancer called "Double-Hit Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma." Double-Hit means it is two types of cancer at once, as if one type of cancer is not bad enough. He would go into the hospital for three to five days at a time and then come home for three weeks and then go back into the hospital... he did that until December of 2012. Then they did a whole bunch of scans and gave us the results in January 2013.

I was praying a lot in 2012, asking the Lord for a miracle to heal my husband. I would tell Him, "I'm not that good of a parent! You can't leave me with our daughter, I need him in our life." She was the apple of his eye. People come into this world with a vocation, and his was to be a father. He was an amazing father. He was wonderful to her.

So, when we got the results of the first round of chemotherapy, it wasn't good. They said, "It doesn't look good and we will have to continue the chemo." I had so much anxiety. You can't even imagine. I would wake up in the middle of the night. I had never understood people who would pace, but then I understood them. I couldn't watch TV, I couldn't play video games, I was just too distracted. I had all this energy at 2:00 or 3:00 in the morning, so I would pace back and forth downstairs on our main floor, and wring my hands. The anxiety level was through the roof. And I thought things like "what if he dies...what if this... what if that..."

You know, when someone has cancer, they tend to have other things go wrong as well. So he had had a stroke, and he started to have issues with his heart because the Chemo was very aggressive because the cancer was very aggressive. So there was a lot for me to have anxiety over.

I would talk to my siblings and tell them what was going on, but nothing seemed to help. My father was going through a bout of dementia and I didn't want to burden my mother with more negativity. And so I wouldn't call her or talk to her. So after about two or three weeks of just wringing my hands, two things happened.

First, my friend, Roseanne, told me: "When you have anxiety, it is because you are looking into the future and you are trying to predict what is going to happen. But the truth is, Debbie, you are not the master of time. You do not know what is going to happen in the future. And the Lord doesn't give you the grace for six months from now. He gives you the grace for right now! That is all He gives us the grace for – the grace for today..."

The other thing that happened was I started to think, "What would my own mother, my earthly mother, Eleanor, do if she was in this situation. And I thought, "She would pray! Ok, that's it, I am going to read the messages!" So, starting from the first ones in 1981 all the way through to 2013, if I was up in the middle of the night, I would read them: one message, two messages, 25 messages. For however long I was up, I just

read the Blessed Mother's messages. And slowly, over time, I started to have peace. What was revealed to me was... "Even if I take your husband, I am not going to abandon you...I will always be there for you..."

A priest said to me once, "If the Lord takes your husband, then He Himself, will be that provider that your husband would have been, had he been on earth with you. The Lord will be with you and take care of you and give you peace because He has taken your husband."



And I think that after hearing this and reading the messages, over time... and I wasn't even good at it...I'm not like some people where they think deep thoughts through the messages...I just read them. But I just kept on reading, and the anxiety went away. And I still got up in the middle of the night and I started reading more and more of the messages. It took probably five months to read all the messages. There are a lot of messages!

I told my sister that I didn't know what I would do now that I had read all the messages. Should I start over from the beginning? And my sister said, "No, you should watch Mary TV, because Denis and Cathy will give a message and then pray a decade of the Rosary, and then another message, and a decade..."

I believe that there is a sixth stone. Our Blessed Mother talks about the five stones: The Bible, Prayer with the Heart, Confession, Fasting, and the Holy Eucharist. Those are the five stones. But there is a sixth stone. But she would never say there is a sixth stone, because the sixth stone is Her messages. If you read those messages and you have anxiety, they will give you peace – a peace that surpasses all understanding – the peace that you get when you read Sacred Scripture, the peace that you get when you have just received the Eucharist and you are alone with Jesus and you are just communing with Him, the peace that you have after you have come out of Confession. That peace will be yours if you just go through and read the messages!

And you don't have to think deep thoughts. You don't have to be Padre Pio – I am certainly not. But just to read them...I believe they are the sixth stone! The Blessed Mother ... is with Him all the time in Heaven, so whatever words She comes to give us, She gives them for our good, for our salvation!... One of the messages that She gave us was: "***If you can, grasp the rosary... One Rosary alone can work miracles in the world and in your lives.***" And so, I try to always have a rosary with me, and carry a rosary with me to Mass. I tell my daughter that if I don't have a rosary with me, I don't sleep well. So, I always have the rosary with me.

And what the Blessed Mother did, as my husband was going through his cancer – through his last treatments - they gave him 2 weeks' notice before he passed – I just had a profound sense of calm. People would come up to me and say, "I don't understand how you do it. I would be a mess. How do you do it?" I tell them that if the Lord puts you in the situation, then the Lord will give you the grace to deal with it. He doesn't give you the grace for six months from now...He gives you the grace for today. That's it, that is all He does. And so, slowly, what the Blessed Mother did was that She started to build a net around me of people who would support me. I would listen to Cathy

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to my little story with great attention, and says just one single sentence:

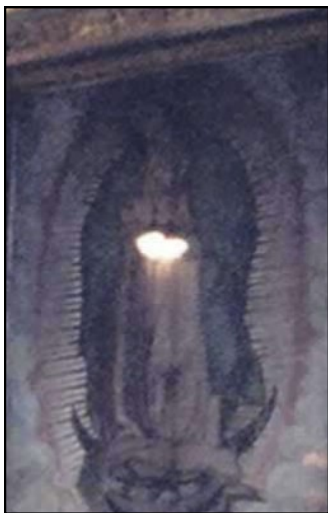
Let's get out of here!"

On October 13, the day of the great Miracle of Fatima, little Lenny was born. He is my godson, or rather the godson of "Mary full of grace."

Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe (12 December) was an explosion of graces! Graces of joy, peace and maternal tenderness for all those who prayed to her, and sometimes for those who did not pray to her! Let us recall that on March 1st, 2007, when the abortion law was passed in Mexico, the famous Tilma exhibited in the Basilica lit up precisely on her motherly womb, revealing for a few minutes a very luminous shape representing a fetus ready to be born. Hundreds of faithful were present at the celebration (offered for unborn children), and some photographed it. It was a sign both powerful and silent, a sign that remains!

Among the wonders discovered by scientists regarding the Tilma, let us note the wonderful music that emanates from this image that was able to be captured on a computer. Listen to it, it is so uplifting for the soul!



The vision of the saints

The Saints see farther than we do! A French pilgrim confided to me the other day this word of the Venerable Marthe Robin: "My wife and I often came to see Marthe because we lived in her region. We confided to her our desire to have many children. However, I pointed out to her that, in order for that to be possible, it would be necessary to have a good job! Marthe replied: "The job will get better as the children come!" And this happy father of 9 children today confirms that this is what happened.

"Dear children! This is the time of grace. Little children, today in a special way with little Jesus, whom I hold in my embrace, I am giving you the possibility to decide for peace. Through your 'yes' for peace and your decision for God, a new possibility for peace is opened. Only in this way, little children, will this century be for you a time of peace and well-being. Therefore, put little newborn Jesus in the first place in your life and He will lead you on the way of salvation..." (December 25th, 1999)

Dearest Gospa, as you did for Toussaint and Clare, come and strongly enlighten our minds so that in this season of Advent we may choose life and not death, choose your Son Jesus and not idols, true love and not its disappointing imitations! During this time, we walk with you toward Bethlehem to welcome, together with Joseph and you, our little Savior who is greater than the world!

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and Denis (on *Mary TV*), and my family would be a support, and my daughter was in kindergarten and 1st grade at the time, and the mothers would come to me at pick-up, and ask me how I was doing, and tell me they were praying for me. I had strangers stop me on the street and say things like, "My son works with you at the bank, and you don't know me, but I and my whole church are praying for you and your husband." Thousands of people prayed for us!!!! One reason I want to give this testimony is because in one message the Blessed Mother says: **"Give witness."** But I want to speak to anyone out there whose loved one might have cancer. I want to tell you to give everything to the Blessed Mother. She is your best friend. She wants to be there for you. And She will make your life heaven... She will build a safety net around you to help carry you through this difficult time. And it is that sixth stone that is Her messages that will really help to carry you through it...

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Our Lady warned that Satan wanted to unleash hatred and war to destroy humanity; he wanted to tear down the Church of God, starting with the little domestic Church that is the family. But Our Lady also spoke of the imminent final victory over evil with the return to the glory of the Lord.

Regarding apostasy Our Lady said, **"Children, the Church has entered a period of great trial. Satan is taking over all of humanity, and now he is trying to destroy the Church of God through many priests."** And she said without a new conversion, many pastors will betray their vocation, even with serious scandals, and the Church will experience great apostasy.

And a special chapter refers to the risk of a nuclear world war, with incalculable consequences. Our Lady said, **"Humanity is facing a looming tragedy. Mankind does not realize they are about to get into a world war."** It must be borne in mind that the messages occurred in 1995 and in that period the Soviet Union had dissolved and the Cold War ended, and Russia was no longer a danger to the West or to the world.

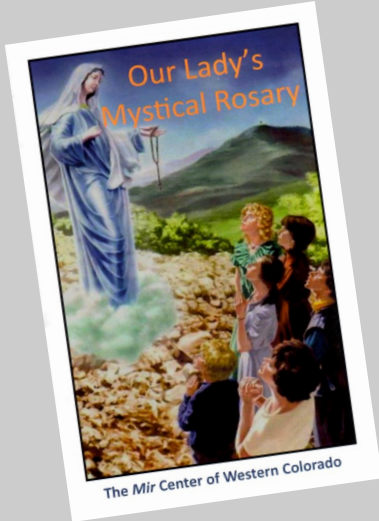
At the time, China had not started the race that made it the economic giant it is today, and it was not considered a military danger to the world. Therefore it was humanly absurd to warn about a world nuclear war in 1995. But Our Lady made these dramatic warnings, which unfortunately seem very relevant today. The Virgin recalled that painful tribulations, calamities, and wars are always the consequence of corruption and sin. And that we could stop the war, she said, **"You have more powerful weapons that are not used, which are love, prayer, humility, the Rosary, and the true conversion of your hearts to God through the Heavenly Mother."**

And although the family and the Church are going through their terrible Passion, after the painful years of darkness from Satan, the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will come, which today is already imminent. Shortly after the events began to unfold, Bishop Grillo created an 11-member diocesan theological commission to study the events, including two representatives from the Vatican. They met between 1995 and 1996 and in the end, the majority voted in favor of the supernatural nature of the events in Civitavecchia. In 2005, Bishop Grillo published the diocesan dossier in which he made clear his position that the events had a supernatural character, and in his diary he reiterated the same conclusion, as well as in public homilies. He consecrated his diocese and the city of Civitavecchia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on December 8, 1996, and raised the Church of Civitavecchia to the category of Sanctuary for the veneration of the image that is there, the statue that cried tears of blood.

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Our Lady's Annual Apparition to Jakov on December 25th, 2022

from medjugorje.hr

At the last daily apparition to Jakov Colo on September 12th, 1998, Our Lady told him that henceforth he would have one apparition a year, every December 25th, on Christmas Day. This is how it was also this year. The apparition began at 2:18 pm and lasted 8 minutes. Our Lady came with little Jesus in her arms. Through Jakov, Our Lady gave the following message:



Jakov was 10 years old when the apparitions began in Medjugorje in 1981

Today, when the light of Jesus' birth is illuminating the entire world, in a special way, with Jesus in my arms, I am praying that every heart becomes a stable of Bethlehem, in which my Son will be born, so that your lives become a light of His birth. Little children, you live in peacelessness and fear. That is why, little children, today, on this day of grace, implore Jesus to strengthen your faith and to become the ruler of your lives; because, my children, only with Jesus in your lives will you not be looking at peacelessness but praying for peace and will live in peace; and you will not be looking at fear but at Jesus Who frees us of all fears. I am your Mother who ceaselessly keeps vigil over you and I am blessing you with my Motherly blessing.

Aren't the messages of Our Lady too good to keep to yourself? Isn't there a friend or relative that you'd like to add to our mailing list? There is no charge for "Our Lady's Monthly Messenger", but donations are accepted. Please Note: if you add more than 2 names, please consider a donation of 20 dollars per name per year. Make checks payable to: *The Mir Center*. And please, no overseas orders... Thanks and God Bless!

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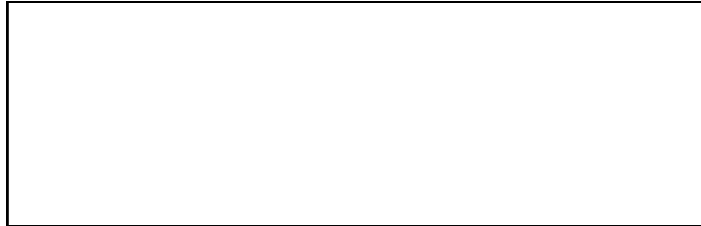
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January

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1 Holy Mary Mother of God	2	3 Medjugorje prayer group St. Francis	4	5	6	7
8 Epiphany of the Lord	9 Baptism of the Lord	10 Medjugorje prayer group 7:00pm St Francis	11	12	13	14
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Upcoming events:

- + **Mary, the Holy Mother of God, January 1st**
- + **The Epiphany of the Lord, January 8th**
- + **The Baptism of the Lord, January 9th**



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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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