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You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Mt. 37: 39)

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

Dear children! In this time of grace, when the Most High permits me to love you and lead you on the way of holiness, Satan wants to entangle you with the cord of peacelessness and hatred. Do not permit him to prevail, but, little children, fight for the holiness of every life. 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.



Queen of Heaven



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Is There A Queen in the Kingdom?

by Carl A Malito

On August 22nd, we will celebrate the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a feast established by Pope Pius the XII in 1954. However, Christians around the world have been celebrating this feast for centuries. And Christians everywhere have been praying for the coming of the Kingdom since Jesus taught us the Lord's prayer.

So, is there a Queen in the Kingdom of Heaven? Is it possible that we have a King without a Queen? Is there a place next to the King that is now vacant, waiting for someone to be chosen? Every year, there is a pageant where young women vie for the title of Miss Universe. Is the same true of Heaven? Are we waiting for someone to be selected? Or was the Queenship of Mary 'destined by God by eternal decree', as the famous hymn puts it?

Catholics around the world have honored the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Queen of Heaven for centuries. All of Mary's titles, of course, derive from her unique relationship to Jesus, her Son. So, when we refer to Jesus as the Divine Mercy of God, we refer to Mary as the Mother of Mercy. When we refer to Jesus as the Savior of the world, we acknowledge Mary as the Mother of the Savior. When we refer to Jesus as the Redeemer, we acknowledge Mary as the Mother of the Redeemer. And so on. So, is it appropriate to refer to Mary as the Queen of Heaven simply because her Son is the King?

Does this title detract from the unique role of Jesus as the one mediator between God and man? Or do Mary's titles help us to understand more fully what Jesus has done for all mankind and allows us to peek into the mystery of how God was able to accomplish the mission of salvation by uniting Himself to all of humanity by an indissoluble bond by being born of a woman.

Two episodes from the Old Testament can help us to understand Mary as the Queen of Heaven and her unique role in salvation history. In the Book of Esther, we find Queen Esther interceding for her people to save them from complete annihilation. Certainly, we can see the human race under the same threat of annihilation after the sin of Adam and Eve. But remember, Esther is a replacement queen. Esther replaced Vashti who had embarrassed the King by refusing to do his will, by refusing to appear at a banquet. By her disobedience, Vashti embarrassed not only the king, but also 'his officials and everyone in the empire.' Can we not see here an echo of the original sin of Eve, after she disobeyed the Father's will and how her sin introduced disorder into the whole universe?

Haman, the instigator of the evil plot to exterminate the Jews, hates the Jews with the same level of intensity with which Satan hates all of humanity. But Haman's plot to exterminate the Jews is undone by the beautiful and courageous Esther who, after fasting for three days, begs the king to 'let my people live.'

Esther prefigures Mary who intercedes for her people before God. As Mordecai says, "Yet who knows— maybe it was for a time like this that you were made queen!"

After Haman's evil plot was exposed, the Jews were allowed to fight back and defend themselves and they won a great victory over their enemies, a triumph still celebrated today during the Feast of Purim. Some Jews consider this one of their greatest feasts, almost on a par with Yom Kippur, the day of atonement. It is certainly their most joyous celebration, with costumes and feasting and sharing with the poor. Can we not see how the King reverses the call for extermination of the Jews but it is because of his great love for his queen that he grants her request?

The second Old Testament reference involves the great King Solomon who inherited the kingdom from his father David. Which of Solomon's 700 wives and 300 concubines reigned as queen during his reign? None of them. He had many wives and concubines but only one mother: Bathsheba. When Bathsheba, his mother enters the room to beg a favor, the king rises to greet her. This sign of respect by the king for his mother reminds us that Bathsheba is the **Gebirah**, the Queen Mother, or the 'great woman' as some translations have it.

As Scripture scholar Scott Hahn writes: "Consider the following scene from early in Solomon's reign: "So Bathsheba went to Solomon, to speak to him on behalf of Adonijah. And the king rose to meet her, and bowed down to her; then he sat on his throne, and had a seat brought for the king's mother; and she sat on his right" (1 Kgs 2:19).

We see that the queen mother was approaching her son in order to speak on behalf of another person. This confirms what we know about queen mothers in other Near Eastern cultures. We see in the epic of Gilgamesh, for example, that the queen mother in Mesopotamia was considered an intercessor, or advocate, for the people.

Next, we notice that Solomon rose from his throne when his mother entered the room. This makes the queen mother unique among the royal subjects. Anyone else would, rise in Solomon's presence; even the king's wives were required to bow before him (1 Kgs 1:16). Yet Solomon rose to honor Bathsheba. Moreover, he showed further respect by bowing before her and by seating her in the place of greatest honor, at his right hand.

His power and authority are in no way threatened by her. He bows to her, but he remains the monarch. She sits at his right hand, not vice versa. Yet clearly he will honor her requests—not out of any legally binding obligation of obedience, but rather out of filial love...

Remember when the mother of James and John asked Jesus to sit her son's in places of honor in His Kingdom, one at the right and the other at his left. And Jesus asks them, "Can you drink of the cup of suffering that I am about to drink?... These places belong to those for whom my Father has prepared them." (Mt: 20-23) Jesus implies that the places of honor in the Kingdom are reserved for those who will suffer as He will. And those places have already been reserved by the Father. So, who will ever suffer as much as His mother did in witnessing His passion and death? Most parents will relate that it is much more

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From the Diary of Sister Emmanuel

www.childrenofmcdjugorje.com

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

Dear children, Also, today I thank the Almighty that I am with you and that I can lead you towards the God of love and peace. The ideologies which destroy you and your spiritual life are transitory. I am calling you, little children: return to God, because with God you have a future and eternal life. Thank you for responding to my call.” (With ecclesiastical approval)

Our Lady's message to Ivanka on June 25, 2025: “Renew family prayer. Pray, pray, pray.” Our Lady gave us her motherly blessing.

A very captivating saint!

Mary told us: **“Dear children, do not forget that each of you is a unique world in the eyes of the Heavenly Father!”** (May 2, 2016)

One of my favorite saints is Blessed Ines of Beniganim. She is indeed a unique world in herself! She was a Discalced sister of the Augustinians (in charge of the contact outside the convent) from Valencia, Spain (1625–1696), who was beatified by Pope Leo XIII. One of her rare characteristics is that as an adult, she retained the innocence of a four-year-old child, shining with simplicity and humility. She took on the hardest and most humble tasks in the monastery, and her mystical life resembles that of St Maryam of Bethlehem. She lived in close relationship with the Child Jesus and never suspected that others did not see Him as she did.

Careful! Don't get dirty! Here's an episode from her life that describes her character:



One day, she accidentally dropped the cellar key down the well. Knowing her naivete, her sisters said to her with a touch of irony: "Well, take a rope, put a hook on the end of the rope, and plunge it into the well to pull up the key." Since she didn't understand the irony and believed everything she was told, she did exactly that with the utmost seriousness. The sisters stood around the well



Sister Emmanuel

to observe the scene. Shortly after, they heard Ines shout: "Careful! Don't get dirty!" Then they saw Ines pull up the rope, and the key was indeed at the end of the hook! Dumbfounded, they asked:

- "Why did you shout?"
 - "Because the Child Jesus was at the bottom of the well; he put the key on the hook, but since he was dressed in very fine clothes, I was afraid he would get dirty with the mud from the well!"

She carried out all her tasks with great love, as Jesus had asked her. When she saw someone sick, she would say, "For you, no; for me, yes!" and she would ask Jesus if she could take the illness upon herself. Therefore, the sick person would be healed that same day, and she would suffer from this illness for several days. Many sick people recommended themselves to her, and she often offered her sufferings for the deliverance of the souls in Purgatory.



She would talk to people in difficulty or in danger of losing their souls due to serious sins. Her presence exuded a very special fragrance. One day she stood at the bedside of a young woman who wanted to give birth all by herself, in secret, and then drown her baby without anyone knowing. As she cried out in labor pains, a neighbor ran to her. Seeing the awful situation and the woman who was at risk of death, she asked for divine help by invoking Ines. Immediately, she made herself visibly present accompanied with the fragrance of perfumes. She performed the delivery with the skill of a midwife, saved the woman, took in the child and took care of him. She said to this good neighbor: "I couldn't not come! I will always come when you call me if God allows me. My Guardian Angel always warns me when you call me. Tell this mother to take care of her soul and her child, and to give thanks to God."

As the requests multiplied, she often bilocated and therefore helped many people. I imagine that being now in Heaven, with infinitely more power than on earth, she will not fail to help those who call upon her with faith, according to the will of God which she has always sought.

One day, two Discalced Carmelite priests were going to her convent to preach a retreat on St. Teresa of Avila. But they got lost amidst the rocks and ravines. Ines saw them while in an ecstasy and went to meet them in the guise of a little shepherd boy. Seeing them lost, she asked them:

"Where are you going? Follow me!" She guided them to the convent. When they told the sisters about their adventure, they said that a little shepherd boy appeared to them, who looked more like an angel from Heaven than a young man...

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Fr. Donald Calloway Returns to Medjugorje

from *Glas Mira*, Medjugorje.hr/en by Paula Tomic

A group of 180 pilgrims from all over America went on pilgrimage to Medjugorje from May 2nd to 10th, 2025. The pilgrimage was organized by the agency '206 Tours' in co-operation with local guides for pilgrims from the parish of Medjugorje, and they were accompanied by four priests as spiritual companions: Rev. Donald Calloway, Rev. Richard Heilman, Rev. Rick Wendell and Rev. William Kuchinsky.

Rev. Calloway belongs to the religious community: Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary and is a great promoter of spiritual vocations because he himself was miraculously converted to Catholicism and called to the priesthood precisely through the intercession of the Queen of Peace and Mercy of Medjugorje. You can read about his miraculous conversion from a severe drug addict to Catholic and then to a priest in the Peace Bulletin No. 8/2015. We used the opportunity to meet again with Rev. Calloway to talk about this pilgrimage, Medjugorje and the election of the new Pope.

How did you decide to come to Medjugorje on a pilgrimage with such a large group of people?

Fr. Calloway: I love Medjugorje and Medjugorje is the source of my conversion. I was not even Catholic, and after reading a book about Medjugorje (Joseph Pelletier's "*The Queen of Peace Visits Medjugorje*") I converted to Catholicism. After that, I have been to Medjugorje five times. In America, many people still do not know about Medjugorje and do not come here, so I announced to my friends and acquaintances that I was planning to go on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje again for the 'Jubilee of Hope' in 2025, and many people decided to join me. That is how we reached this number of 180 pilgrims and three more priests.



Donald Calloway, before his conversion



The surfing priest

Peace. That is why I, and also, I think, why other pilgrims came to Medjugorje – to fall in love with Jesus even more and strengthen their hope!

We want to use this pilgrimage as a time for our personal renewal and conversion, we want to experience grace and new hope. Because at this moment, the world is in a 'crazy state', there is so much worry, anxiety, drama and war, and stress... that is why we need Jesus to give us more hope! Because here in Medjugorje we want to reach Jesus through Mary, and Mary will give us peace because she is the Queen of

Your pilgrimage these days is concentrated only on Medjugorje. You have daily Holy Mass, you follow the evening prayer program, you yourself have had catechesis, and you have also listened to several catechesis by Fr. Leon who is in charge of the English-speaking pilgrims in the parish. Do you already see any changes in your pilgrims?

Fr. Calloway: Of course, the changes are already visible. They are happy and they tell me this every day. Many of them, after a long time of not confessing, went to Holy Confession.

You included in your pilgrimage a prayer for the election of a new Pope, which has since taken place. What are your impressions of the first Pope with American roots?

Fr. Calloway: Honestly, I don't know what to tell you because I don't know him. Most priests in America are not close to him because he was born in America and then spent most of his life in Peru and Rome... So we Americans have yet to get to know him. But I like his name: Pope Leo XIV.

You first came to Medjugorje in 2003. Now, with a gap of 22 years, how do you view Medjugorje and the message that the Queen of Peace continues to send to the world?

Fr. Calloway: In Medjugorje, changes are certainly visible in terms of external growth, construction, new apartment blocks...but for me it is always the same: Holy Mass confession...with so much joy, peace, love. The grace that is felt here is still the same and this, is a truly special place.

When people do not know what awaits them here, then they think twice whether to go or not, but when they come here and when they experience it - then they know: Here you feel a peace that is special, that is not found anywhere else. A peace in which you feel close to Heaven. And again I emphasize the miracle of so many Holy Communion distributed, so many who attend the sacrament of confession, in all the languages of the world. That is not found anywhere else in the world either.

What would you like to say to our readers in the end?

Fr. Calloway: Pray to our Mother, the Queen of Peace to help you have peace in your heart with which you will get to know Jesus even better and allow him to dwell more and more in your heart. And always be faithful to the Church and the sacraments. Always.



Fr. Donald Calloway, Marians of the Immaculate Conception

John Boughton: I Came to Medjugorje as a Protestant and Became a Catholic priest

from Medjugorje.altervista.org

The first time I heard about Medjugorje was in 1991 in the autumn. I came in February or March 1992 as a Protestant. I was studying to become a doctor, at the age of 28 and I had just returned to university. A friend of mine from Texas, also a Protestant, who grew up as a Protestant, noticed the conversion of an acquaintance, Jeff Reed, who now runs the humanitarian foundation of St. David's Relief.

He noticed a change in Jeff, literally approached him and said: Jeff, what happened to you? I want it too! Because Jeff cultivated a peace within himself that he had never had before. My friend Robert and I were at his ranch in Colorado and we were talking and then he said: John, I don't know what to think, but I see a radical change in my friend Jeff and he gave me the book on Medjugorje by Wayne Weible. Read it and tell me what you think.

And that's when I heard about Medjugorje for the first time. We grew up together, we were best friends all our lives, but we never talked about religion. We talked, we chased girls together, we went hunting together, we drank together, but we never talked about religion.

We were also altar boys together in the Episcopal Church, but we had never talked about the faith until he gave me that book. He didn't know that I was asking myself big questions in life at the age of 28: Why am I feeling such a great emptiness in my heart? Even though I have everything the world can offer me and I'm going to medical school, why do I feel so empty?! What's going on? And then he gave me that book, and it was a great start. We started talking more about it and he asked me: What do you think? I said: Three things are possible: Either it is of the devil, or they are mad, or it is all true.

I have some military experience; I was a naval officer in the reserve units and, thanks to my military experience, I said that this could not be the devil's because he would never have told his enemy, that is, he would never have directed us to his enemy for confession, Holy Mass, prayer, the rosary.

The devil would never have told us to live these things, so we couldn't come to him. There are six children, how is it possible that everyone is crazy?! This does not make sense either. So, it must be true and Robert looked at me and said: "Dude, I think you're right. I think so too. We have to go there!" I told him: "Ok, let's go!" I can't say I came with expectations because I really didn't know what to expect. I read Wayne Weible's book and that was all I knew. In fact, it was also a very strange time to come here because of the threat of war.

It was early 1992, about February, March 1992, and Jeff Reed said, "Okay, let's go, but Father Svetozar begs us to bring some medical equipment with us." At that time he knew that war was approaching. And so, all of us, Jeff and a group of charismatic Mexicans from West Texas gathered some medical equipment and carried it in suitcases through Belgrade to Sarajevo and then to Medjugorje. Although the war was in sight, it was a very quiet place and you could feel the difference. I went on this first pilgrimage asking God what He wanted me to do

with my life. I was attending medical school. I realized that I had to ask God and stop telling Him what I wanted, so I asked Him what He wanted and a special moment happened on Mount Podbrdo, where I finally somehow signed a blank check to Jesus telling Him: All right, Lord, I will do whatever you want, I will even become, and I thought of the craziest things I could imagine, I would even become a Franciscan in Bosnia.

I don't even know who they are, I don't know what they do. I just met one a few days ago. But I would do this too if you liked. In that peace that then descended on me, at that moment, I did not think of becoming a Franciscan, but as time went by, when I returned home from the pilgrimage, I began to realize through a spiritual guide that that was the true vocation of giving my life completely to the Lord. But I was still not sure about the question of the Catholic Church.

So the first battle was the realization that the call to the Catholic Church would mean breaking off the relationship with my girlfriend if I really became a priest. Because, when I was an Episcopalian, I thought: Well, I could have had both. And this is a little more serious. But when I realized that I had to act according to the truth, I said, okay, this is what you want, God, let's go! However, by the grace of God the Catholic Church in its wisdom does not allow new converts to enter any order or diocese for at least two years. With God's providence and with the help of Our Lady I spent that time period of two years, here in Medjugorje leading convoys during the war for the humanitarian foundation of St. David's Relief. So here I was under the leadership of Brother Svetozar and Brother Slavko for almost two years. So my first two years as a Catholic were in this parish. And it was wonderful because I was able to literally look day by day, sometimes even several times a day, at the fruits of heaven and hell at the same time.

We would leave that small and quiet land of Medjugorje and leave for Mostar, then we would go up, up to Zenica and Tuzla and to places in, around and outside Sarajevo and face the fruits of hell. Then we would come back and look at the fruits of heaven. Then I watched the friars as they faced all the challenges. One of my heroes, Fr. Leonard Oreč, may he rest in peace, I remember the day when Muslims and Croats signed a truce. That day he called me and said: John, fill all your trucks and gather some more, let's go to the eastern part of Mostar, to the Red Crescent, we will give him everything they need and we will show that we are for peace. And I said... I remember how we were in the eastern part of Mostar with Leonard in his brown habit and a little boy was taking me by the hand because, you know, I was a civilian at the time and he was like, "This guy is crazy, there are snipers around us everywhere and he's wearing the Franciscan habit"

And I understood, this is the meaning of being a Franciscan and this strongly formed me, to see such a spirituality. I had no idea what religious life would be like inside, I had no idea, but in my heart I knew that I had the vocation to become a friar. They invited me to enter here in the Province, I was honored by the invitation, but in my heart I knew somehow that I was called to return to the United States. Medjugorje has a charisma

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She had the gift of prophecy. One day she was asked to pray for an elderly woman and for a 12-year-old girl who was dying of a serious illness. In prayer, she saw that the elderly woman was going to die but that the child would recover, for the Lord wanted her as His spouse in his monastery. When this young woman later entered the convent, she met Ines, who was still alive.

Like St. Faustina and so many other saints, she assisted the dying, especially those at risk of eternal death. One day, an elderly woman who had spent her life in a state of mortal sin was dying in great anguish. She knew Ines and called for her help. She arrived immediately, accompanied by Jesus. To the dying woman's right hand was the Queen of Heaven, the Archangel St. Michael, St. Peter, St. Paul, the Apostle St. John, St. Barbara, and other saints. But to her left was a great multitude of enemies, with distorted faces, who caused the woman great torment.

They insinuated to her that she could under no circumstances invoke Divine Mercy or the intercession of Mary or that of the saints, because she had always lived in a state of mortal sin. They told her they would take her soul to hell. The poor woman was terrified. Seeing this, Ines offered fervent prayers to God, invoking the intercession of the Virgin Mary and all the saints present at her side. She asked them that this woman would have a peaceful death.

She then saw that Our Lady held in her hands a beautiful rosary, made of gold beads and diamonds, which she presented to her Son Jesus. It was the rosary that this woman had used to pray with. The saints also presented the prayers she had said throughout her life, begging God to give strength and help to this dying woman. Angels came to show the weapons and instruments during Christ's Passion, the Passion that this woman had meditated upon throughout her life. Then, seeing this, in no time at all, the demons fled screaming, and the woman died in peace. Prayer had overcome the evil plan of the soul-destroyers, in favor of God's mercy!

These stories, among many others, speak of the power of intercession of this simple sister Ines...

Question: Would you like to have among your close friends such people, so close to God, always ready to help when we pray to them? I guess the answer is yes! You can count them among your closest friends! It all depends on you! The saints who eternally enjoy the beatific vision in Heaven are ours, especially when we pray to them with faith. They know us and love us infinitely, more than they could have on earth. They ardently desire our inner peace, our path of union with Christ, and above all our eternal salvation; in a word, they wish the best for us! They are aware of the battles we must wage against darkness and against ourselves, to choose the light of Christ at all costs; they have experienced them! Like our Guardian Angels, they are our best friends!

Confusion!

Please disregard the texts published under my name on the internet and social networks. Some people, even recently, have attributed words to me by mixing up what I said with what I have never said. Please do not forward these to your contacts, as

it is not fair and could harm Mary's plans in Medjugorje. My videos and letters can be found on our website www.sremmanuel.org

An inspired explanation!

The last message of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Medjugorje must not be forgotten! Mary warns us of a very serious danger: the invasion of ideologies that, in subtle ways, threaten us. These ideologies present themselves as bearers of good for humanity, but they are traps because they exclude God. And without God... there is no future! The term "ideologies," uttered by Our Lady, is powerful. It's like a bombshell! To better understand this warning, I asked Gianfranco Amato, an experienced Italian lawyer, to write a clear explanation. You can find this on our website at the link below, so please read it carefully! <https://sremmanuel.org/pearls/an-inspired-explanation/>

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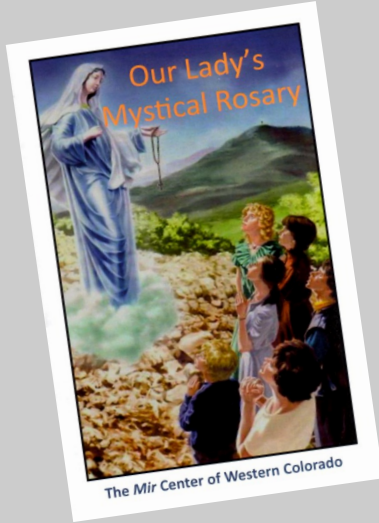
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difficult to witness the suffering of their child than to suffer themselves. The passion and death of Jesus was the culmination of a life of suffering and Mary was in attendance at His most difficult moments. She swaddled Jesus at His birth when there was no room in the inn. Mary nursed Him at her breast as she fled with Jesus to Egypt. She witnessed the constant rejection as Jesus travelled tirelessly preaching and healing. And she was with Him during the final humiliation and agony of the cross. Then, imagine her pain as she cleansed and anointed His dead body and helped to lay it in the tomb. After that, she kept vigil, hoping against hope, as she awaited the resurrection of her Son. Yes, there is a Queen in Heaven and Mary reigns in joy at her Son's right hand because she suffered with Him here on earth.

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through which Our Lady sends numerous departure commands to her troops and disposes them throughout the world to be able to do what the Lord wants and to be the light of the love of Jesus Christ in these dark times.

Our Lady plays chess. She calls people, gives them assignments, and that person can open their heart or not. A Dominican priest, Fr. Giles Dimock, from the United States, once spoke about Medjugorje and it was perhaps 15-20 years ago. He said: You know, there is an interesting thing: 80% of the people active in their parishes were moved by Medjugorje. He says: There is another interesting fact - it seems that they do not get afraid, they do not get discouraged when they confront the human failings in the church of Jesus.

Isn't that what we need nowadays? People who know how to weather the storm. That's what I see, but I see this as a special grace of Medjugorje. Everyone must commit themselves to putting their faith into practice. We have not received the gift of faith for ourselves. We have not received these gifts, the many things to which Our Lady invites us; the rosary, confession, the experience of the Eucharist, the reading of Sacred Scripture, fasting. Our Lady does not ask us for these things so that we can say: Oh, you see how good I am at doing all this and then... hey, isn't it wonderful what I do?! No, these are the weapons. We have to use these things and go into a spiritual struggle and fight. If you look around and see what's going on in the world and think there's no fight, your eyes are closed and your ears are plugged. We must be active, we must go out, we must proclaim the truth and love. The 5 stones that Father Jozo preaches so well about, these are means with a purpose, to make room for Jesus Christ, to give Him the first place in our hearts, so that we can individually, in whatever way the Holy Spirit inspires us, go out, and bring the light of Christ to other people.

If we don't do that, then we bury our talents in the ground and don't use what God has given us. We have to be active! To return to the Medjugorje where it all began and remember, we must remember where God took us from, where He found us. However, as a priest, but also as a layman who came to Medjugorje to confess, it is a very powerful experience! Now that I am on the other side of the confessional with the authority to participate in this intimate act of Jesus' mercy with the souls that follow one after the other, this makes me humble. It is indescribable, energizing, a beautiful experience! There are a lot of big fish here, as they say. You know, the small fish are the ones who go to confession every week or two. The big fish are those that have been away for 50 years. A lot of big fish come here! Why? It is the grace of conversion, which pours out from Medjugorje in streams. It is absolutely wonderful!

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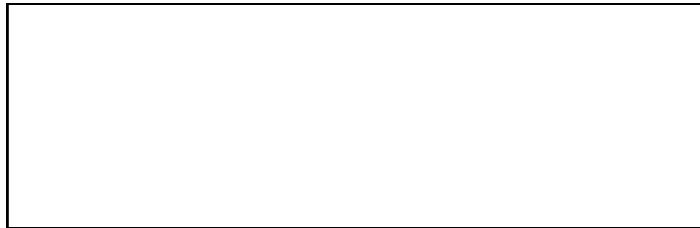
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Upcoming events:

- + **The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 5th (as revealed)**
- + **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15th**
- + **The Queenship of Mary, August 22nd**



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