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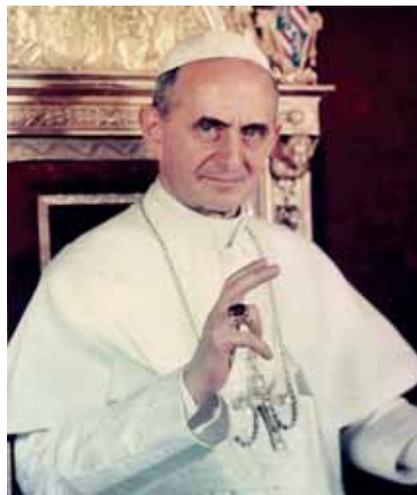


## EXPECTATION AND CHRISTMAS WITH MARY

*Paulus VI Apost. Exhort. "Marialis cultus" (I, A 4- 5)*

...The faithful, living in the liturgy of the spirit of Advent, by thinking about the inexpressible love with which the Virgin Mother awaited her Son, are invited to take her as a model and to prepare themselves to meet the Savior who is to come.

The Christmas season is a prolonged commemoration of the divine, virginal and salvific motherhood of her whose "inviolable virginity brought the Savior into the world." In fact, on the Solemnity of the Birth of Christ the Church both adores the Savior and venerates His glorious Mother. On the Epiphany, when she celebrates the universal call to salvation, the Church contemplates the Blessed Virgin, the true Seat of Wisdom and true Mother of the King, who presents to the Wise Men, for their adoration, the Redeemer of all peoples (cf. Mt. 2:11). On the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (the Sunday within the octave of Christmas) the Church meditates

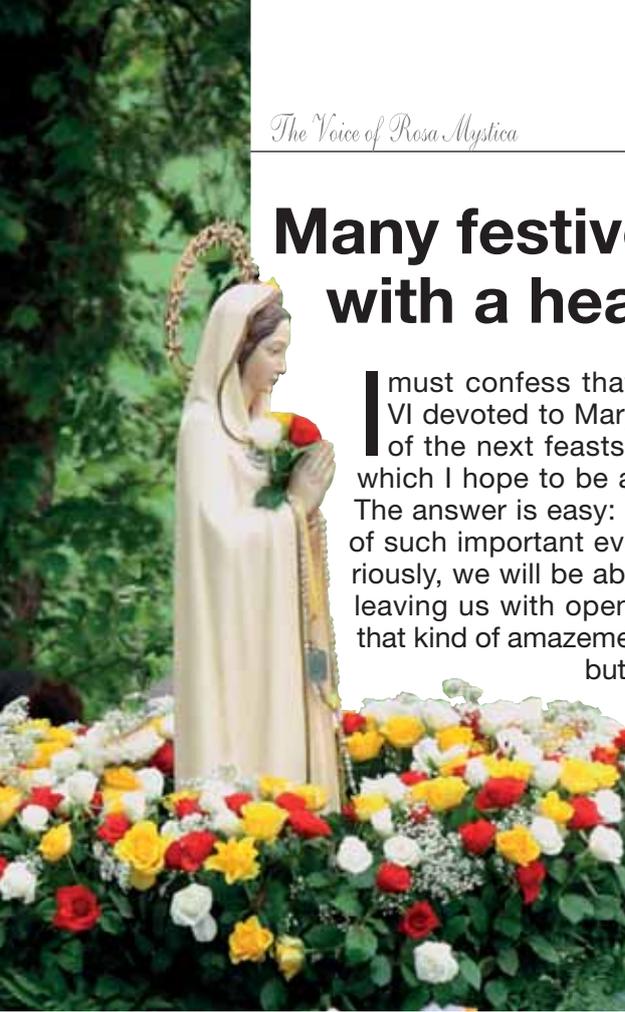


with profound reverence upon the holy life led in the house at Nazareth by Jesus, the Son of God and Son of Man, Mary His Mother, and Joseph the just man (cf. Mt. 1:19).

In the revised ordering of the Christmas period, it seems to us that the attention of all should be directed towards the restored So-

lemnity of Mary the holy Mother of God. This celebration, placed on January 1 in conformity with the ancient indication of the liturgy of the City of Rome, is meant to commemorate the part played by Mary in this mystery of salvation. It is meant also to exalt the singular dignity, which this mystery brings to the "holy Mother...through whom we were found worthy to receive the Author of life." It is likewise a fitting occasion for renewing adoration of the newborn Prince of Peace, for listening once more to the glad tidings of the angels (cf. Lk. 2:14), and for imploring from God, through the Queen of Peace, the supreme gift of peace. It is for this reason that, in the happy concurrence of the Octave of Christmas and the first day of the year, we have instituted the World Day of Peace, an occasion that is gaining increasing support and already bringing forth fruits of peace in the hearts of many.

## Many festive moments to be lived with a heart full of joy



I must confess that, on reading the words Paul VI devoted to Mary and seeing them in the light of the next feasts, my heart is filled with a joy, which I hope to be able to transmit to you. Why? The answer is easy: because they recall a number of such important events that, if we take them seriously, we will be able to perceive their greatness, leaving us with open mouths of amazement. Yes, that kind of amazement, for which today our spirit is but rarely open. In our human limit we have grown accustomed even to the most beautiful things. Instead, as soon as we are able to go deeper into the facts, Christmas, with all that precedes and follows, is absolutely an extraordinary event. It is like diving again in the commemoration of something unprecedented in

human views, something that happened two thousand years ago in Palestine, at that time a gloomy province of the Roman empire. Hidden to the eyes of the world, in dignified poverty, in a cave, a child was born in the night. To his mother, Mary, a girl of around fourteen years according to the historians, the Angel had announced nine months before, that it was the Savior to Whom she would give birth; the Savior since so long expected by the people, the Prince of Peace that was about to incarnate and Who, for that purpose, had chosen her womb, if she was ready to accept it. We know that with her immediate “yes” without any condition, she had opened wide

### The medal of Catherine Labouré

Catherine Labouré was a young nun of the Daughters of Charity founded by St. Vincent de Paul. She had one great desire: to see the Blessed Virgin. At the age of nine years she lost her mother and since then she used to call the Virgin “Mother”. She asked St. Vincent to fulfill this desire as a special grace in the evening of his feast, on July 18, 1830. That night toward midnight, Catherine heard a voice calling her name. It was a beautiful child that told her: “Wake up and come with me in the chapel, the Virgin is waiting for you.”

Catherine followed the child. All the lights were turned on. The door of the Chapel of the Convent of Rue du Bac in Paris opened as soon as the child touched it lightly with the point of the fingers. Catherine knelt down near the baluster. At midnight, the Virgin came and sat down on the armchair in the presbytery. Catherine told, “I jumped next to Her and I threw myself at Her feet on the steps of the altar, and I placed my hands on Her knees”. I have remained like that I do not know for how much time... it is the sweetest moment of my life”. The Virgin said to Catherine, “The good God wishes to entrust to you a mission”. Only on November 27 the young Nun knew the contents of that special mission the Lord wanted to entrust to her. “It was on the Saturday, before the first Sunday of Advent; it was five thirty in the evening, when in the silence it seemed to me that I heard some sound and then I saw the Blessed Virgin. Her robe had the

color of the dawn and she was standing on a globe I only saw partly. In her hands, raised to the height of her chest, she held a globe; her eyes were turned to the sky... her face was indescribably beautiful.” The Virgin explained to Catherine that the globe represents the whole world and every person in particular, the beams of light emitted by her hands are the symbol of the graces that are spread on the people who ask them from her. Then the vision changed, and now Mary stood within an oval shape in the form of a medal. Framing her figure was the inscription in golden letters: “O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee”. Then the oval turned and Catherine saw the reverse of the medal. There was a large “M” topped by a cross, under it there were two flaming hearts, one encircled by thorns, the other pierced by a sword. Then Our Lady spoke: “Have a medal struck using this model. Especially those who wear it with great faith will receive great graces.” As wished by the Virgin, the medals were made. This medal well known as “The Miraculous Medal”, is used until today by millions of persons. Also today Mary wishes to grant many graces, but people forget to ask her for them, many do not want to hear about it and others think they do not need it. Dear devoted friends, let us not be one of the ungrateful, neither one of the fools. Instead, let us approach the throne of graces at the feet of our sweet Lady, who never gets tired of granting us roses and graces, even when among the roses there are some thorns as a great privilege.

Don Giancarlo

## We have received

the doors to the Unimaginable. And now that Child, the Emmanuel, God with us, was there, still unknown to everyone, known only to a small group of shepherds who were staying in the proximities. Afterwards, also to three wise men, the Magi, who, having scrutinized the sky as it was in their habit, had read the extraordinary event and for this reason they were searching Him to adore Him. They came on a day, henceforth called "Epiphany", in other words, "Manifestation", which means that the event does not only concern the people of Israel but the whole world as well.

And what is Mary's role in all of this? We already know about her faith she showed us at the moment of the Annunciation. Imagine her trepidation during those nine months of expectation... It must not have been easy to know that in her womb the human form of the Verb of God was growing. It must have been both joy and anxiety. Furthermore, the extraordinary birth with the Angels illuminating the sky and announcing "Glory to God and on earth peace among men in whom He is well pleased." Then, first the humble shepherds looking at the Child with astonishment and deep adoration and afterwards also the Kings who came from so far, bringing precious gifts. Only her humility, together with that of Joseph, could accept and allow everything with simplicity. This, as the Gospel says, in order to meditate in silence all the things in her heart. And such should also be our attitude. Let us find a moment, at least one, in the hustle of the feast days laying before us, to reflect on the true meaning of these events that we are about to recall. Then, as soon as we are able to welcome them, our exultation will be equal to that of the Angels and of the Kings. Then, also our heart will be filled with joy when contemplating once again the marvels God has operated for us and is still continuing to do so for each of us.

**Rosanna Brichetti Messori**



**Soldiers of Maria Rosa Mystica**

■ *From Colombia* - Dear brothers in Christ, I write you from Cali, Colombia. On July 13, 2014, we have made a prayer vigil in honor of Maria Rosa Mystica, in which more than three hundred young people participated: it was a special night of prayer of praise and of thanksgiving with conversions, recoveries and liberations. On that special day we have founded the Community of **Soldiers of Rosa Mystica - Colombia**: we are 25 young volunteers willing to realize in our life the value of the three roses that we wear on our shirt as an evidence of our belonging to Maria Rosa Mystica. Conducted by our Lady Maria Rosa Mystica and under the guidance of our priest, every day we are busy evangelizing young people and adults, rendering glory to God. I herewith wanted to share with you, dear brothers, our joy of belonging to this Army of Soldiers of Rosa Mystica, and our commitment for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Warm regards,

**Jhonattan Duque**  
*Soldier of Maria Rosa Mystica*  
*Cali-Colombia*



### ■ *From Medellin, Colombia*

Our regards in Jesus and Mary! We thank you very much for the bulletin that unites us all together with our Mother Maria Rosa Mystica. We are a Community of Daughters of Maria Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church, and are worshippers of the Eucharistic and

Priestly Heart of Jesus. We pray and make reparation for our brothers, the Priests. We are contemplative, but on Saturday and Sunday we allow the faithful to enter into our convent that has become a Sanctuary of Maria Rosa Mystica. She manifests herself often with physical and spiritual miracles.

## We have received



■ **From Mexico** - Dear brothers in Christ, the purpose of this letter is to inform you that on October 23, 2014, our diocese has officially welcomed the statue of Maria Rosa Mystica. The event has been

diffused by radio and television and was also announced on the portals of the diocese: the arrival of the statue of Maria Rosa Mystica has been made known publicly in the parishes for the glory of God. On the day of the enthronement many people came from everywhere: the prayer was initiated with the rosary and songs of welcome to Mary, followed by the H. Mass. During his homily, Father



Fontanelle, October 12, 2014. A group from Ravenna with their group leader, Castelluci Bruno. They offered us the mosaic of the Sorrowful Lady. Together with them is Mgr. Marco Alba

Armando spoke about the meaning of this reception in the Diocese and about the deep significance of the three roses of Maria Rosa Mystica and he encouraged us to welcome this in our life. After the benediction Fr. Armando invited us to celebrate every 13th of the month as a day of particular prayer, as well as all the other important dates of Maria Rosa Mystica, who from now on has been introduced officially in the cathedral.

Susanna

### Schedule of the Liturgical Celebrations

#### Every day

15:00 Confessions  
16:00 H. Rosary

#### Every feast day

15:00 Eucharistic Adoration and confessions  
15:30 H. Rosary  
16:00 Solemn Mass, followed by the procession

#### Every 13<sup>th</sup> of the month, Marian Day

15:00 Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, H. Rosary  
16:00 H. Mass

#### Every Saturday of the Advent (December 6, 13, 20)

16:00 H. Mass in honor of Our Lady

#### Novena prayer Immaculate Conception (November 29-December 7)

16:00 H. Rosary and novena prayer

#### Sunday, December 7,

after the H. Mass short Eucharistic & Marian vigil

#### Monday, December 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception

09:00-12:00 Confessions; 10:00 H. Rosary; 10:30 Procession; 11:00 Solemn High Mass by Mgr. Marco Alba; 12:00-13:00 **Hour of Grace. Adoration, personal and communal prayer**; 15:00 Eucharistic Adoration; 15:30 H. Rosary; 16:00 Solemn High Mass

#### Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

at 11:30 Fr. Padre Jude celebrates the H. Mass for the Community of Sri-Lanka.

**Important announcement:** We kindly ask the priests, the religious and the escorts of the groups to announce their arrival on time to the secretary and the responsible director of the Cult in order to enable us to organize in the best possible way your reception and visit in Fontanelle. In this way we can prepare and provide you a pilgrimage in an orderly, devoted and fruitful way. We cordially invite you to visit the directory in the official website ([www.rosamisticafontanelle.it](http://www.rosamisticafontanelle.it)) regarding the Marian worship in Fontanelle, the schedules and the new brochure «History and places of worship». In organizing your pilgrimages kindly act according to the rules of the Directory and the above quoted brochure. Thank you for your kind cooperation!

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The Indian families living in Switzerland, march with devotion in the procession at Fontanelle. They stayed here for a retreat of two days (November 1 and 2).

*United in prayer, we wish you  
a Happy and Holy Christmas and a New Year,  
with abundant benedictions.*

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