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the world”.*



Advent and Christmas at Fontanelle

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In spite of the hardships of cold and fog which the faithful and pilgrims have to undergo during the month of December in an almost “open-air sanctuary” like ours in Fontanelle, most of them somehow experience the cele-

brations in an even more intensive way.

On the second Sunday of Advent, the afternoon mass has been inspired by the vespers song and prayer during a live broadcast by Radio Maria right

from Fontanelle; that allowed us to spread nationwide also useful news and information about the kind of worship that is celebrated and valued in our places.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is a particularly festive day for the history of Fontanelle and the participation of the faithful is impressive and devoted. In addition to the celebration of the two solemn morning and afternoon masses, as usual we did a recollection in communion involving everyone all over the world who believes in Rosa Mystica. This special prayer from 12:00 to 13:00 is called the “Hour of Grace”, during which we im-

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plore Our Lady to grant graces and spiritual fruits, whether for individual purposes or for the good of the universal Church, especially in this utterly complex and confusing time. Therefore, let us please simply renew our act of entrustment to Mary Immaculate, knowing that according to our Christian view, small and big changes in the history are hidden fruit of our personal conversion.

In Fontanelle Our Lady is also invoked as Mother of the Universal Church: thus our prayer is raised through Her in a particular way for the whole Church throughout the world, for the persecuted church as well as for our own diocesan Church, especially in this time in which the attention and reflection on the events of Fontanelle is experiencing a new impetus and an in-depth phase. We deliver ourselves in the hands of our Mother Church with renewed confidence and availability, in the certainty that the intercession of Our Lady will enlighten the discernment of our ministers.

With these desires in the heart we are vigilant looking forward together

We noted with joy that, after the publication of the diaries of Pierina Gilli (by Riccardo Caniato, Edition Ares Milan, (720 pages, € 18), many letters of gratitude and encouragement are still mailed to both the Foundation and to the editor, even by the highest level of the ecclesial hierarchy. The work is based on the original (recognized) documents. All these letters are a support, which may effectively contribute to the knowledge and discernment of the Montichiari and Fontanelle events.

Directly from Fontanelle Radio Maria broadcasted a recording of the round table, focused on the presentation of the diaries of Pierina Gilli and Our Lady's apparitions in Montichiari and Fontanelle with the intervention of Riccardo Caniato, editor of the book, Rosanna Brichetti Messori, journalist and writer, Mgr. Marco Alba, chancellor of the Diocesan Bishop of Brescia and episcopal delegate for the Foundation Maria Rosa Mystica – Fontanelle, as well as the journalist Stefano Chiappalone, conductor in the studio.

In case you would like to hear this recording, please click on:
<https://www.gloria.tv/audio/kLXg8h1Lg3xU2TSNCFcAKGU2L>

er with Mary Rosa Mystica to the Feast of Nativity of Our Lord Jesus. Let us contemplate with humility and awe the great mystery of the night of Bethlehem, the mystery of the Divine Mercy, which is never weary to visit and save our miserable humanity, deeply wounded by sin and forgetfulness. May Maria Rosa Mystica accompany us on our journey and keep our hope alive!

Thus is the Christmas wish I send to all our readers and the faithful of Rosa Mystica around the world, also on behalf of our priests and volunteers who offer their help with dedication in this place of prayer and on the part of all the members of the Foundation Rosa Mystica

Fontanelle.

Mgr. Marco Alba
Episcopal delegate



We have received



■ *From Congo* - This Chapel shows the joy and love of the people and the parish priest of the town of Congo for Rosa Mystica who have entrusted their difficulties and their country.

■ *From Colombia* - **Henry Gomez Casas**, devotee of Rosa Mystica for almost 20 years and founder since four years of radio Rosa Mystica Colombia, presents his cooperators and transmits us the events that he organizes in:

www.radiorosamisticacolombia.com
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AvRA258kflo>
www.radiorosamisticacolombia.com



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This is how the evangelist John reveals us in clear and concise words the actual meaning of Christmas, which also this year we are going to celebrate. Regrettably, today it is not always easy to fully comprehend the significance of this day as we are usually distracted by many things. Health concerns and worries about life are carrying away our energy, leaving us little time to reflect and meditate quietly. This happens also due to a way of life that now is most popular, tending to focus our attention on what is not essential and often involving ourselves, even though we have faith. Thus, sometimes on the occasion of Christmas we risk being overpowered by a whirlwind of all these preparations, Christmas lights, presents, food to celebrate well among family and friends



became a man to announce to people the good news of a God loving us to death and expecting us to respond to His love. Equally, if Christmas is the feast par excellence in which beloveds exchange gifts to each other, it is because in reality it is on this day that we commemorate the greatest gift ever made to each of us, namely that Child, born in a stable, who is none other than God Himself, desirous to be close to His creatures to the point of assuming their same flesh. A gift that indissolubly unites us to Heaven, whether we acknowledge it or not, to that divine life in which, if we want so, we can

fully participate to our great joy.

Ultimately, if Christmas is the feast in which we prepare and taste the best foods which the culture of each country has brought forward, it is also because at least in our subconscious is lingering the memory of that Child who with His coming, fills our hunger for love and stills our thirst for the meaning of our life, which otherwise would be very difficult to explain. Once that Child became an adult, He provided for everyone concrete food in that mysterious but real sacrament which is the Eucharist.

These are a few simple reflections in the certainty that Mary, Rosa Mystica, will help us, if we ask her to do so. She will help us to understand and to relive also this year the depth of Christmas, so that we will be able to participate with serenity and joy also in the outward aspects of this feast.

this important day, exposing us however to the danger of losing its real and profound significance. Thus much, that even the most important symbol representing Christmas, namely the Crib, is often replaced by the other symbol, nice in itself but with very different meanings, the Christmas tree. Yet, despite everything, it is just by that somewhat faded tradition which has been transmitted to us that we can go back to the origins of Christmas. If in fact Christmas is a feast full of illumination, it is precisely because it has to bring in remembrance that very Light, about which John speaks, this very extraordinary Light showing itself in the world two thousand years ago. The Light, expected during a span of thousands of years, which came from Above in the form of a small Child who at first was recognized by only a few shepherds and then by the Three Wise Men who came from afar. A Light which unfolded fully until years later when that Child



Rosanna Brichetti Messori

Redevelopment of the Marian devotion area in Fontanelle di Montichiari PROJECT NEW OFFICE BUILDING BLOCK SERVICES



The project, implemented in cooperation with the municipality of Montichiari, provides works aimed at redeveloping the Marian Cult area in Fontanelle. It is an intervention proposing a redistribution of

the building plots and an expansion of the existing plant with construction elements that do not affect the condition of the premises and are suitable without losing the recognizability of the elements that characterize the surrounding territorial system. In particular, a prefabricated building is planned for worship purposes and the management of the area and some

maintenance work, including the work for the preservation of the protective cover of the Crucifix, the expansion of the paving of footpaths as well as the repositioning of the Stations of the Cross.

The estimated cost of this intervention is around 300,000 Euros. All those who wish to contribute to the realization of this important project in favor of the Marian devotion in Fontanelle are invited to transfer their donations and offerings, using the following bank account of the Foundation:

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Time table of December 2016

Daily:

15:00 Confessions
 15:30 H. Rosary

Every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday:

15:00 Confessions
 15:30 H. Rosary or Stations of the Cross
 16:00 H. Mass

Sundays and feast days:

15:00-17:00 Confessions
 15:00 Adoration
 15:30 H. Rosary
 16:00 Solemn H. Mass

December 24 - Christmas Eve

15:00 Confessions
 15:30 H. Rosary
 16:00 Vigil Mass - non pre-festive

December 25 - Christmas

Time table for festivities

December 31 - Saint Silvester

15:00 Confessions
 15:30 H. Rosary
 16:00 Thanksgiving Mass, pre-festive

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The lack of space does not permit us to publish many other beautiful testimonials co-operating in the recognition of the case; they are kept in the archive. *We all feel united in prayer in the maternal heart of Maria Rosa Mystica.*

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