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THE PRAYER TO MARY THAT UNITES ALL THE SHRINES OF THE WORLD.

The month of May 2021 will certainly be remembered as an extraordinary Marian month, due to the intense and mysterious bond of prayer that will unite in a particular way all the Shrines of the world, at the explicit request of Pope Francis. Thirty significant Marian shrines, scattered over the five continents (in Italy: Loreto and Pompeii), will guide this great prayer to Mary to invoke the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and the resumption of social and work activities.

This extraordinary initiative, based on the theme "*Prayer to God incessantly rose from the whole Church*" will obviously also involve all the other Shrines in the world, so that they become promoters to the faithful, families and

communities, of the recitation of the Rosary according to the proposed intentions: all will therefore be invited to participate in this universal ecclesial gesture, dedicating a space in their daily prayer, also through the modern technologies that do not prevent bonds of spiritual communion in conditions of distance, valuing the most of our time, our movements, our silence.

At the Shrine Rosa Mystica and Mother of the Church, we gladly welcome this invitation, certain that the power of prayer and the intercession of the Virgin can fulfil the wishes and transform history with an efficacy far superior to our expectations or our human efforts: at the Sanctuary of Fontanelle, we will pray the daily prayer of the Rosary at 4.30 pm precisely with this desire and according to the pro-

posed intentions, inviting all the devotees of Rosa Mystica to join us spiritually, possibly at that same hour.

In the joy of the Easter season that we are experiencing, in which the action of the Holy Spirit is affirmed as Protagonist who realizes things that seem impossible in the eyes of men and heals as Liberator situations of imprisonment, sickness and death, we implore with confidence from the Virgin Mother the gift of Easter hope: in Christ who died and is risen, in the living body of the Church, the consoling power of the Spirit is already in action, in ever new and creative forms, and with our hearts filled with this one certainty, we can look to the future, we can

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reconstruct our days on the cornerstone rejected by the 'builders' of every age, without letting ourselves be suffocated by anguish and fear. It is the same path as that



of the first apostles, incredulous and fearful, after the days of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus: and it was precisely the Virgin Mother, Queen of the Apostles, who walked with them in those days, the Morning Star at the rising of the nascent Church.

We, particularly, entrust to Rosa Mystica according to the Pope's intention, the full resumption of the so important "social activities", i.e. that hope, communion of human relationships and mutual trust can be reborn: that of our Churches and of our Sanctuaries, of our works of charity, education and apostolate. The community life of worship and prayer, which nourishes every action of evangelization and charity in the Church, is the greatest contribution we can make to the rebirth of our communities, of the social fabric and of our na-

tion.

We invoke from the Mother of the Church this rebirth, for each of us, as the true Easter fruit of this troubled time which we are going through, a time so full of challenges for the maturation of our faith and our hope; we join in this request for intercession to **our Bishop Pierantonio, who on the evening of the liturgical Memory of Mary Mother of the Church, Monday, May 24, after Pentecost Sunday, will preside over the solemn Eucharistic celebration at Fontanelle:** his presence among us and the paternal attention that He is reserving to this diocesan Shrine, in the first steps of its journey, is for us, in the present moment, one of the most concrete and evident signs of the consoling Spirit.

Mgr. Marco Alba
Rector of the Sanctuary

MOTHER OF JESUS, OUR MOTHER, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

On last June 11, the feast of Mary, Mother of the Church, was celebrated throughout the Church. Perhaps not everyone knows that this feast has a history behind it; it is an interesting story that directly involves Montichiari and Fontanelle and therefore each of us, as devotee of Rosa Mystica. For this, I would like to tell you about it.

Let us start from the most recent events, i.e., from the fact that this feast was officially celebrated starting only from last year, that is, from 2018, when a decree, is-

sued by the will of Pope Francis, which bears the date of February 11 – the anniversary of the first apparition of Lourdes – the date was set for this feast and the reasons were specified. Therefore, while the date was established on the Monday following Pentecost, it was specified that: "This celebration will help us to remember that the Christian life, in order to grow, must be anchored to the mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic banquet, to the offering Virgin, Mother of the Redeemer and of the redeemed".

That is, to the incarnation of the Word in Jesus, to His death on the cross and resurrection but also to the important role of sharing with the Son and of supporting His mission, always performed by the Virgin Mary. It is the maternal role that from the moment in which, at the foot of the cross, the dying Son Himself entrusted all brothers in humanity to Her, that She began to perform precisely from that Upper Room where, united with the apostles, She awaited the manifestation of the Spirit. She, Mother of the Church that was born in the

concealment of Calvary, found Her official status at Pentecost.

The institution of the feast of Mary Mother of the Church and the establishment of the date is virtually the point of arrival of a journey that began in the first Christian centuries. Already the Fathers, those many giants of holiness and doctrine, that the Lord gave to His Church in the early centuries, so that it might find its own form and stability, have always recognized Mary's motherhood over the whole Church. Among them, Saint Augustine called Her: "Mother of the members (of Christ)... Because she worked with Her charity at the birth of the faithful in the Church, who are the members of the Head".

At the end of the Second Vatican Council, which resumed this tradition but failed to reach an official definition, on November 21, 1964, Paul VI had, however, officially proclaimed "Mary, the Most Holy Mother of the Church," "to Her glory and to our comfort, "in the hope that with this title, given from then on special prominence," the Christian people would pay

Her even more honour and make more petitions to Her". This happened more and more right up to the institution of the feast of which we have talked about. It is precisely in these growing pains, in this ever greater awareness of the role of Mary, not only in the living Jesus but also in the Church that was born from Him, that Montichiari and Fontanelle joined in considerably. To the point that it seems very probable that Paul VI himself, certainly informed of what was happening in his diocese of origin, drew inspiration and strength from it for that official proclamation we have spoken of.

We know that the Marian apparitions that would have occurred here in 1947 and then in 1966 are still under study; however their content, perfectly adherent to the Christian faith, has already found life in the devotion of the faithful and in recognized worship. Well, right here, since 1947, Mary introduced herself as "Rosa Mystica", "Mother of Jesus and Mother of all of you", finally elected the cathedral of Montichiari, exactly in the

very center of this church, for Her most important manifestations. At the time She did not give any particular explanations of all this, however used symbols of which She later revealed the very important meaning. This happened on July 22, 1973, when She said really very important things: "In 'Rosa Mystica' the Fiat of the Redemption and the Fiat of my collaboration are symbolized. I am the Immaculate Conception, the Mother of Lord Jesus, and the Mother of Grace. The Mother of the Mystical Body: the Church! That is why my divine Son invited me to come to Montichiari in 1947 and then I came, placing my feet in the center of the Cathedral in the midst of so many children... and this to demonstrate that I am the Mother of the Mystical Body, the Church". Lastly, She added that She had been sent as Mother of the Church to warn us that "dark times, full of atheism and weakening of the love of the Lord" were arising which in fact, are very clear for everyone.

Rosanna Brichetti Messori

Obeck, April 6. 2021

Dear Friends of Maria Rosa Mystica,

In these days of the Octave, with the children of the Obeck-Mbalmayo catechesis (see attached photo) we rejoice, accompanied by Mary, at the resurrection of Jesus. She teaches us that joy is the fruit of hope in the Lord's promise, kept when everything seems to collapse around us.

"This Saturday is also Mary's day: She too experiences it in tears but Her heart is full of faith, full of hope, full of love. The Mother of Jesus had followed Her Son along the Via Dolorosa and remained at the foot of the cross, with Her soul pierced. "But when everything seems to be over, She keeps watch, She watches in anticipation, keeping hope in God's promise that He will raise the dead. Thus, in the darkest hour of the world, She became the Mother

of believers, Mother of the Church and a sign of hope. Her testimony and Her intercession support us when the weight of the cross becomes too heavy for each of us" (Pope Francis, General Audience, March 31, 2021).

Happy and Holy Easter to you all.
Fr. Franco Paladini



TIME SCHEDULE OF MAY - JUNE 2021

Daily

16:00 Confessions. 16:30 H. Rosary

17:00 H. Mass

Saturday

16:00 Confessions

16:30 H. Rosary

17:00 H. Mass – Prefestive

20:30 – 21:30 Adoration, meditated H. Rosary and benediction

Sunday

10:00 – 12:00 Confessions

10:00 H. Rosary

10:30 High Mass

16.00 – 18:00 Confessions

16:00 Adoration

16:30 H. Rosary

17:00 High Mass

Saturday, May 1st – St. Joseph the worker – Plenary indulgence

Beginning of Marian month (1st Saturday of the month)

10:00 Confessions

10:30 H. Mass – Followed by meditated H. Rosary with the exhibition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, May 13 – Monthly Marian Day

Memory of the Virgin Mary of Fatima

Sunday, May 16 (3rd Sunday of the month) – Solemnity of the Ascension

17:00 H. Mass for the sanctification of the diocesan clergy

(Presided over by the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy, Don Angelo Gelmini)

Sunday, May 23 – Solemnity of Pentecost - Plenary indulgence

Monday, May 24 – Feast of the Mother of the Church

17:00 H. Mass

20:00 High Mass presided over by the Bishop of Brescia

Monday, May 31 – Memory of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary

Saturday, June 5 – (1st Saturday of the month)

10:00 Confessions

10:30 H. Mass – Followed by meditated H. Rosary with the exhibition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, June 6 – Solemnity of Corpus Christi – Plenary indulgence

Friday, June 11 – Solemnity of the Holy Heart of Jesus – Plenary indulgence

Day of prayer for all priests

Saturday, June 12 – Immaculate Heart of Mary

10:30 H. Mass in honour of the Virgin Mary

Sunday, June 13 – Monthly Marian Day

Sunday, June 20 – (3rd Sunday of the month)

17:00 H. Mass for the sanctification of the diocesan clergy

(Presided over by the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy, Don Angelo Gelmini)

Thursday, June 24 – Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist

Tuesday, June 29 – Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul

“Corrigendum”

On **Monday, 24 May 2021** the celebration at 20:00 will be presided over by the Vicar General of the Diocese of Brescia Mgr. Gaetano Fontana

Monday, 31 May 2021 on the occasion of the Memory of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and at the end of the Marian Month there will be at 20:00 the Solemn Holy Mass presided over by H.E. Mgr. Tremolada Bishop of Brescia.

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