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MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE

Pope Francis, perhaps the only voice left in Europe, continues to urge the powerful of the world to take concrete steps to end the war and avert the nuclear disaster. For some time now he has been clamouring to all parties to stop the absurd vortex of destruction: *"I am thinking of so much cruelty, of so many innocents who are paying for the madness, the madness of all sides, because war is madness!"*

He invited us to pray for all the countries that are at war, and in particular for Ukraine and Russia, asking above all for the intercession of the Virgin Mary: *"Both countries - he reiterated last August - I consecrated to the Immaculate heart of Mary. Oh Mother, look at these two beloved countries, look at Ukraine, look at Russia and bring us peace. We need peace".* And he reiterated during his recent apostolic visit to Kazakhstan: *"I believe that it is always difficult to initiate a dialogue with the states that have started the war ... It is difficult, but we must not discard it, give the opportunity for dialogue to*

everyone, everyone! Because there is always the possibility that in dialogue we can change things, even offer another point of view. I do not exclude a dialogue with any power that is at war ... Sometimes a dialogue must be done like this, always one step ahead, an outstretched hand, always! Because otherwise we close the only reasonable door to peace"

It is precisely for these intentions that in our Shrine we continue to invoke the Virgin Mary as Queen of Peace to open new and unexpected ways of dialogue and reconciliation in the hearts of the powerful and the peoples, overcoming the senseless escalation of death and destruction.

The Marian title of Queen of Peace, so dear to the Christian people above all thanks to the spiritual experience that arose in *Medjugorje*, was actually introduced a few decades ago, during the raging massacres of the First World War: in fact, on May 5, 1917 Pope Benedict XV ordered bishops from all over the world to raise the plea to the Immaculate Conception invoking her

as *Queen of Peace* and to insert the invocation *"Queen of Peace pray for us"* in the litanies of Loreto. It was a powerful decision, a universal cry from the Pope and the Church towards heaven, towards the Heart of Christ, to stop the war through the intercession of the Mother of the Lord, Mediatrix of all graces. This papal plea was recognized as the determining cause of the apparitions of Fatima: Our Lady promptly, as Queen of Peace, responded to the invocation of the people of God, appearing eight days later, on May 13, 1917, precisely at the Cova da Iria (cradle of peace) in Portugal. Our Lady at Fatima immediately announced the tools to obtain this gift from Heaven - rosary, penance, conversion - and the imminent danger of other even worse wars if the Church and the world had not humbly placed themselves in this spirit of conversion to God, back to the Father.

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lighting this dramatic urgency even more, as if we were facing a crossroads that can determine the fate of humanity itself and the salvation of many souls: in these emblematic and unique junctions of the history and civilization of peoples, which inevitably also have a strong spiritual significance, the intercession of the Virgin Mary plays a decisive role, capable of being able to direct and

change the fate of humanity, which at times it seems inexorably oriented towards nonsense and self-destruction. We entrust ourselves with renewed confidence to the Queen of Peace, so that in this time she helps us to "hope against all hope" (Rom 4:18), overcoming fear and resignation, overcoming the narrow worldly logic that tends to make us see the destiny of humanity according to

the eyes of the powerful and not the merciful ones of the Father.

In this period we want to look precisely with these eyes at a strong sign of hope that has recently blossomed in our Shrine, which is helping us to live the intensity of prayer and our entrustment to the Virgin: the presence of a large community of young consecrated persons, the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary Immaculate, constituted in the month of July by our Bishop Pierantonio and present daily at the Shrine, to animate singing, prayer and adoration.

We are truly grateful to Rosa Mystica for the gift she has given us through the enthusiasm and joy of these consecrated souls, an unequivocal sign that where she is present, the Holy Spirit continues to fertilize her Church, even in times when it seems to prevail dryness of hearts and the fear of giving one's life for the Kingdom of Heaven.

THE RECTOR
Mgr. Marco Alba



The Rector of the Shrine with the Community of young consecrated women, Franciscan Missionaries of the Immaculate Conception, established in July by our Bishop Pierantonio and present daily at the Shrine, to animate singing, prayer and adoration.

From Fatima to Montichiari: the importance of the Communion of Atonement

Maria Rosa Mystica asks Pierina Gilli that the practice of the Communion of Atonement, explained to Sister Lucia of Fatima, is extended to the whole world every October 13.

Maria Rosa Mystica "appeared" at Fontanelle di Montichiari on August 6, 1966, the feast of Corpus Domini, and said: "My Divine Son Jesus has sent me again to ask for the World Union of the Communion of Atonement. And this should happen on October 13th. This devotion is for everyone, and to make Pierina understand how much she cares about it, Our Lady sealed it with a promise addressed to the ministers of God and to the devotees who will listen to her: "I want the news of this holy initiative to be spread worldwide; it must begin this year for the first time and then it must be repeated each year.

Those reverend priests and faithful people who perform this Eucharistic practice will unfailingly have the abundance of my grace".

Then the Holy Virgin asked that the wheat from the fields around Fontanelle be cut and sent to Pope Paul VI to be blessed by him: "Tell him that it has been blessed by our visit".

There is documentary evidence that this wish has come true: Mgr. Enrico R. Galbiati reports in his book *Maria Rosa Mystica Mother of the Church* that the bishop of Fatima Venanzio Pereira thanked for the gift of wheat received from Rome, while in the *Diaries* of Pieri-

na there is an indirect confirmation when the following year, to be precise, on May 4, 1967, the Madonna exhorts the visionary that her confessors Giustino Carpin and Ilario Moratti, as well as the then future saint Luigi Novarese, do their utmost in unity of purpose with the bishop of Fatima "for the worldwide extension of the Communion of Atonement on October 13".

In 1968, Maria Rosa Mystica "appeared" to Pierina on October 19 to show her gratitude: "Tell all the children who wanted to adhere to my desire to join together for the Holy Communion of Atonement, that I will grant them an abun-

dance of graces”

All the references to the Communion of Atonement present in the Message of Montichiari underline three very significant aspects of this Marian devotion. In order of importance: 1. The reality and centrality of the Eucharistic Presence of Christ in history; 2. Mary's salvific, sharing and effective mediation, symbolized in her Immaculate Heart; 3. The link between Montichiari and Fatima.

The first fact that catches the eye is that Maria Rosa Mystica asked for the World Union of the Communion of Atonement for October 13, the anniversary of the last apparition in the Cova da Iria, re-connecting a thread with that event, but there are other aspects to be considered for a definitive seal between Fatima and Montichiari.

In her first “apparitions” to Pierina in 1947, the Mother of God presented herself as Our Lady of Fatima, explaining her coming to Brescia in the wake of what was done in Portuguese soil. “I came to Fatima for the sanctification of the whole world”, she revealed to Pierina on 6 September 1947, “and to Bonate for the sanctification of Christian families. I come to Brescia for the sanctification of religious souls”. And again, on December 7 : “In Fatima I made spread the devotion of the Consecration to my Heart. In Bonate I tried to make it penetrate into Christian families... In Montichiari I want the devotion of Rosa Mystica combined with that for my Heart, to be deepened in religious institutes so that the souls of consecrated persons may attract more abundant graces from my maternal Heart”. On this occasion, the Virgin declared to close a single cycle / project with Montichiari, which began in 2017 in Portugal and which had as particular recipients in every single part of humanity, Christian families, consecrated persons.

It is in Fatima that Our Lady first asked for the Communion of Atonement as a remedy for the

sufferings inflicted by the sins of men specifically to her Immaculate Heart; in Montichiari she asked for it again before closing the cycle. In Portugal, having finished the description of Hell, on 13 July 2017 the White Lady told the three little shepherds that to avoid a new world war she would return to ask for the Consecration of Russia to her Heart and the Communion of Atonement on the first 5 Saturdays of the month.

A few years later, on 10 December 1925, she visited Lucia dos Santos in Pontevedra and, showing her Heart full of thorns, she explained to her “that ungrateful men continuously pierce her Heart” and that “there is no one who makes an act of repair”. Grieving for the blasphemies, the profanations, the indifference towards God and the bad conduct of humanity, the Virgin asked the seer if she wanted to console her ... promising at the moment of death the sacred comforts, very useful for the salvation of the soul, for all those who, during their life, for five consecutive months, , approach Holy Communion on the first Saturday, also taking care to confess, to recite at least one Rosary and to contemplate the Mysteries for at least 15 minutes.

It was then Jesus himself who appeared to the three shepherd children on the night of May 29, 1930, to explain to them that the number of Saturdays indicated is a matter of “making amends for the five transgressions against the Immaculate Heart of Mary”, which are: 1. The blasphemies against her Immaculate Conception; 2. against her Virginity; 3. against her divine Maternity and the refusal to recognize her as the Mother of men; 4. The slander of those who instill indifference or even contempt for Mary Most Holy in souls; 5. the profanations of her sacred images.

The Communion of Atonement, therefore, “repairs” above all the Immaculate Heart of Mary wounded by souls. And, of course, as Jesus himself once explained directly

to Pierina, by offending Mary, her Son is deeply offended as well.

Time passes, but the response of men is obviously insufficient. Thus the Madonna reappears in Montichiari and on that cited August 6, 1966, she reappeared at Fontanelle still suffering since, in spite of her visits, her numerous apparitions, “men continue to offend the Lord: this is the reason for my wish for the ‘World Union of the Communion of Atonement’

“Worldwide”, that is, as an act, a sacred rite that spiritually unites the whole Church and the World. The urgency of this initiative is confirmed in the aforementioned 1968 apparition. The appeal to her Immaculate Heart and and to the love for the Holy Eucharist, she said , are the daughters of her grave concern for “the souls of the whole world, which is going towards ruin”, with “the Church which, as never before, is plunged in an apocalyptic darkness ».

The heart without sin and full of Grace of the Mother and, above all, the Eucharist, Jesus alive in the species of Bread and Wine, are, therefore, the antidotes to unbelief, indifference, on the one hand, and to blasphemy and offenses against all that is God and belongs to Him, on the other hand. Honouring and loving the Heart of Mary and Eucharistic Jesus, consecrating oneself to Our Lady and communicating with faith and a sinless heart are the best methods to repair those who offend God and renew the world. On 11 November 1966, Our Lady revealed to Pierina that Jesus had sent her on the day of Corpus Domini with the specific intent “to call souls to love for the Holy Eucharist, because there are so many people, among those who call themselves Christians, who would like to reduce it only to a symbol! ». And after a pause She added: “This is also why I came to ask for the World Union of the Communion of Atonement”

Riccardo Caniato

TIMETABLE OF OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2022

1st Sunday of the month Youth day

3rd Sunday of the month Day for the sanctification of the diocesan Clergy

4th Sunday of the month Day for the sanctification of consecrated life and prayer for religious vocations

4th Sunday of the month at 11.45 am Holy Mass of the Sinhalese Community

OCTOBER

WEEKDAYS

16:00 confessions

16:30 H. Rosary

17:00 H. Mass

SUNDAYS AND FEAST DAYS

10:00 - 12:00 and 16:00 - 18:00 confessions

16:00 H. Rosary

16:30 Eucharistic Adoration

17:00 H. Mass

13 of the month - MARIAN DAY

(In the previous 12 days, prayer of atonement)

Special celebrations

1 - 2 October - Inter-diocesan pilgrimage of the Indian communities of Switzerland

10:30 Mass co-presided by three Bishops and accompanying priests, organized by the Indian Communities of German-speaking Switzerland

Friday, October 7 - Feast of Our Lady of Victories, Queen of the Rosary

in addition to the daily celebration

20:00 Eucharistic celebration

Sunday, October 9 - Day of the World Union of Communion of Atonement

10:00 On the esplanade of the Crucifix, Liturgy of the blessing of the bread, followed by

the procession with the statue of Rosa Mystica and the Marian prayer

10:30 Eucharistic celebration

16:00 Eucharistic Adoration in reparation for sacrileges and offenses against the Blessed

Sacrament Eucharistic blessing

17:00 Eucharistic celebration

13th of the month - MARIAN DAY (In the previous 12 days, prayer of atonement 16:00

Confessions and silent adoration

17:00 Eucharistic celebration

Sunday, October 30 - WINTER SCHEDULE

The sanctuary celebrations are anticipated by 1 (one) hour.

Timetable:

WEEKDAYS

15:00 confessions

15:30 H. Rosary

16:00 H. Mass

FEAST DAYS

10:00 - 12:00 and 15:00 - 17:00 confessions

15:00 H. Rosary

15:30 Eucharistic adoration

16:00 H. Mass

Tuesday, November 1 - Solemnity of all Saints

Timetable of feast days

Wednesday, November 2 - Commemoration of all the faithful departed

16:00 Eucharistic celebration in suffrage for all benefactors of the Sanctuary

N.B. *** PLENARY INDULGENCE ***

• On the occasion of the commemoration of all the faithful departed, it is possible to invoke the gift of plenary indulgence by visiting the Sanctuary or a church from midday on November, 1 to the whole day of November 2

• On the occasion of the Octave of the Dead, it is possible to invoke the gift of plenary indulgence by visiting a cemetery from November, 1 to 8.

The conditions for achieving the plenary indulgence are:

- Detachment from sin
- The sacramental confession
- Eucharistic communion
- Prayer according to the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff (Our Father and Creed)
- Carrying out a corporal or spiritual work of mercy
- Offering to God, with love, the pains and trials of life

First Saturday of November and December Celebration in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

10:00 H. Rosary - Confessions

10:30 Eucharistic celebration, blessing of sacramentals and prayer for spiritual healing

15:30 H. Rosary

16:00 H. Mass

13th of the month - MARIAN DAY (In the previous 12 days, prayer of atonement 15:00

Confessions and silent adoration

16:00 Eucharistic celebration

Sunday, November 20

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Under the usual conditions, plenary indulgence to all pilgrims who visit the Shrine in a spirit of repentance and in prayer.

Sunday, November 27

1st Sunday of Advent Beginning of the new Liturgical Year.

Wednesday, December 7 - Feast of Saint Ambrose, patron saint of Lombardy anniversary of the canonical constitution of the Sanctuary

15:00 Confessions

16:00 Vigil of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Pontifical, presided over by the Vicar General of the Diocese of Brescia, Msgr. Gaetano Fontana

Act of entrustment to Mary, Rosa Mystica Mother of the Church

Thursday 8 December - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

On this day, in the Sanctuary it is possible to obtain the plenary indulgence (Confession, Communion, detachment from all forms of sin, prayer according to the intentions of the Pope)

09:30 Morning Lauds

10:00 Confessions

11:00 Eucharistic celebration presided over by Msgr. Rector

12:00 "Hour of Universal Grace"

15:00 Confessions Exposition, Eucharistic adoration, H. Rosary

16:00 Eucharistic celebration

Sunday 11th December - 3rd Sunday of Advent - Gaudete

Timetable of feast days and at the end of the afternoon H. Mass

Blessing of the statues of the Child Jesus

Thursday, December 15 - Feast of Santa Maria Crocifissa di Rosa

Friday, December 16 - Beginning of the novena of the birth of the Lord

Saturday, December 24 - 16:00 Evening Mass on Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 25 - Solemnity of the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ

Timetable of feast days

Monday, December 26 - Feast of St. Stephen the first martyr.

Timetable of feast days

Saturday, December 31

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

On this day, in the Sanctuary it is possible to obtain the plenary indulgence

(Confession, Communion, detachment from all forms of sin, prayer according to the

intentions of the Pope)

15:00 Confessions

15:30 H. Rosary

16:00 Celebration of the Eucharist

Song of the «Te Deum» and Eucharistic blessing

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

On this day, in the Sanctuary it is possible to obtain the plenary indulgence

(Confession, Communion, detachment from all forms of sin, prayer according to the intentions of the Pope)

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