

Central New York Marian Center, Inc.

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Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 23rd year!

The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: October 25, 2014

"Dear children! Pray in this time of grace and seek the intercession of all the saints who are already in the light. From day to day may they be an example and encouragement to you on the way of your conversion. Little children, be aware that your life is short and passing. Therefore, yearn for eternity and keep preparing your hearts in prayer. I am with you and intercede before my Son for each of you, especially for those who have consecrated themselves to me and to my Son. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Volunteers Needed, if interested call the center at 452-4698

For visitors, if the CNY Marian Center is locked, you are allowed to obtain a key upstairs at the doctor's office M- F 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The CNY Marian Center is available to hold group Meetings. For a reservation, call the Center and leave a message. Current Prayer groups meet Mon. 7:30 PM, Tues. 7 PM, Thurs. 11 AM & Fri. @ 11:00 AM.

HEAVEN CALLS—IS YOUR RINGER ON?

Blessing and prayers to all our friends, supporters and newsletter subscribers of the Central NY Marian Center.

Do our hearts ring out with **Our Lady's** call to prayer and the dedication of our lives to Her and Her divine Son? Is our relationship with prayer a daily one? Do we really have that heart to heart talk with **God** everyday? The conversation of the heart is the essence of prayer!

As Our Blessed Mother continues to lead us to Her Divine Son, we are reminded of the words in Matthew's Gospel (21:22) "Whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith." And again in Mark (11:24) "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

Let's take time to take a hard honest look at ourselves. Do we really believe in the faith we have been given? If the answer is yes, then let's make a firm commitment to dedicate our lives like Mary to the vocations in life that we have been given.

Pray for the graces to fulfill the voca-

tions in your life. When you go before Our Lady and Her Divine Son and pray with all your heart, mind, body and soul, with faith every prayer is truly HEARD AND ANSWERED!

As we now look at the month of November, the great feast days of the church and the holidays of our Nation, our thoughts turn to families and friends. Let's reflect on the strong connection between All Saints day (11/1), All Souls Day (11/2), Veterans Day (11/11), The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary (11/21) and Thanksgiving Day (11/27).

All Saints Day November 1

This solemnity is celebrated on the first of November. It is instituted to honor all the saints, known and unknown, and, according to **Urban IV**, to supply any deficiencies in the faithful's celebration of saints' feasts during the year.

In the early days the Christians were accustomed to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr's death for Christ at the place of martyrdom. In the fourth century, neighboring dioceses began to interchange feasts, to transfer relics, to

divide them, and to join in a common feast; as is shown by the invitation of St. Basil of Caesarea (379) to the bishops of the province of Pontus. Frequently groups of martyrs suffered on the same day, which naturally led to a joint commemoration. In the persecution of Diocletian the number of martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each. But the Church, feeling that every martyr should be venerated, appointed a common day for all. The first trace of this we find in Antioch on the Sunday after Pentecost. We also find mention of a common day in a sermon of St. Ephrem the Syrian (373), and in the 74th homily of St. John Chrysostom (407). At first only martyrs and St. John the Baptist were honored by a special day. Other saints were added gradually, and increased in number when a regular process of canonization was established; still, as early as 411 there is in the Chaldean Calendar a "Cornmemoratio Confessorum" for the Friday after Easter. In the West Boniface IV, 13 May, 609, or 610, consecrated the Pantheon in Rome to the Blessed Virgin and all the martyrs, ordering an anniversary. Gregory III (731-741) consecrated a



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chapel in the Basilica of St. Peter to all the saints and fixed the anniversary for November 1. A basilica of the Apostles already existed in Rome, and its dedication was annually remembered on May 1. Gregory IV (827-844) extended the celebration on November 1 to the entire Church. The vigil seems to have been held as early as the feast itself. The octave was added by Sixtus IV (1471-84).

The question is often asked "Is All Saints Day a Holy Day of Obligation?"

In the United States and other countries, the bishops have received permission from the Vatican to abrogate (temporarily waive) the requirement for Catholics to attend Mass on certain Holy Days of Obligation, when those Holy Days fall on either Saturday or Monday. Because of this, some Catholics have become confused about whether certain Holy Days are, in fact, Holy days of Obligation. All Saints Day (Nov. 1) is one such Holy Day of Obligation.

All Souls Day November 2, 2014

All Souls Day is a day we reflect on and pray for of all the Faithfull departed. All Souls' Day commemorates the faithful departed. In Western Christianity, this day is observed principally in the Catholic Church, although some churches of the Anglican Communion and the Old Catholic Churches also celebrate it. The Eastern Orthodox churches observe several All Souls' Days during the year. The Roman Catholic celebration is associated with the doctrine that the souls of the faithful who at death have not been cleansed from the temporal punishment due to venial sins and from attachment to mortal sins cannot immediately attain the beatific vision in heaven, and that they may be helped to do so by prayer and by the sacrifice of the Mass. In other words, when they died, they had not yet attained full sanctification and moral perfection! a requirement for entrance into Heaven. This sanctification is carried out posthumously in Purgatory. The official name of the celebration in the Roman Rite liturgy of the Roman Catholic Church is "The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed."

The Western celebration of All Souls' Day is on November 2 and follows All Saints'

Day, which Commemorates the departed who have attained the beatific vision. If November 2 falls on a Sunday, the Mass is of All Souls, but the Office is that of the Sunday. However, Morning and Evening Prayer (Lauds and Vespers) for the Dead, in which the people participate, may be said.

Historically, the Western tradition identifies the general custom of praying for the dead dating as far back as 2 Maccabees 12:42-46. The custom of setting apart a special day for intercession of the faithfully departed on November 2 was first established by St. Odilo of Cluny (d. 1048) at his abbey of Cluny in 998. From Cluny the custom spread to the other houses of the Cluniac order, which became the largest and most extensive network of monasteries in Europe. The celebration was soon adopted in several dioceses in France, and spread throughout the Western Church. It was accepted in Rome only in the fourteenth century. While November 2 remained the liturgical celebration, in time the entire month of November became associated in the Western Catholic tradition with prayer for the departed; lists of names of those to be remembered being placed in the proximity of the altar on which the sacrifice of the mass is offered.

Veterans Day November 11

This is the day we remember and honor our Veterans. As we enjoy the great freedoms and liberties of our great country, let us never forget the men and women who have laid their lives on the line to defend and protect our precious liberties.

Veterans Day invites us to remember those killed in the line of duty, those still suffering the effects of their generous response in times of national need, and everyone who has retired from active duty. We cannot forget the sacrifices of so many. We have obligation to express our gratitude, and to remember them in our prayers.

Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary November 21

The Presentation of the **Blessed Virgin Mary,** celebrated every year on November 21, commemorates (in words of the

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Liturgy of the Hours, the daily prayer of the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church) "that dedication of herself which Mary made to God from her very childhood under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit who filled her with grace at her Immaculate Conception." Also known as the Dedication of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the feast originated in the East, where it is called the Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos Into the Temple.

This devotion is testified by a tradition that comes from a century after her life. The Presentation of Our Lady in the Temple is told in a delightful Apocryphal text, the Protoevangelium of James, which may be dated around the year 200 AD. This book offers a colorful account of many aspects of Mary's early life, which prepared for the Gospel. Her father, Joachim, tells Anna his wife that he wishes to bring their child to serve in the Temple of the Lord in Jerusalem. Anna gets him to wait until the child is three years old, before having her live away from her parents.

In the Roman Calendar it is a major double feast day.

Thanksgiving Day November 27

Thanksgiving Day we give thanksgiving for our family and friends, the bounty's of the earth and all the blessings of our Father in Heaven.

Through these holidays we see the connections, especially veterans and their families who reflect on their loved ones and attempt to seek closure to the realities of war.

"In the Gardens of Stone, many souls were cultivated for Heaven." As reflected in John's Gospel (15:13) "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends,"

Marian Apparitions Explained
Our Lady of Good Success
Prophecies about the 19th and 20th
Centuries continues next month
Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board

Announcements

Women's Conference 2014

Another year of great success!! We donated 1000 Rosary packets for all of the attendees and 200 brown scapulars for those attendees for enrollment in the brown scapulars. The Marian Center Vendor tables were a great success we gave out over 250 rosaries, as well as, over 27 of The Rosary of the 7 Sorrows of the Virgin Mary. This year prayer cards were on everybody's list. We gave out almost 1000 of the most commonly and special prayer cards that people in our parishes have been asking for. We also gave out a variety of prayer books, The Pieta prayer book and the St. Louis De Montfort "The Secret of the Rosary" continue to be the most popular every year. In addition we offered CD's of Dr. lannolo's "The Fifteen Prayers of St. Bridget," The Rosary, and "Heart in the Heavens" musical CD by Maria Iannolo.

This was our second year of bringing raffle baskets to the conference and it was a HUGE success!!

I would like to extend a great thanks to the team effort given by everyone who donated their time and effort to make this event such a GREAT success!!



Respect to Life

The Final document of the *Extraordinary Synod on the Family* was released on 10/18/14. Though it supposedly contains a few "contentious para-

graphs," it also contains positive developments that reaffirm Catholic Church teachings. It urges a rediscovery of the encyclical, *Humanae Vitae* and states the Church recognizes the family as the basic cell of human society.

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We are currently in our third year of expansion, constantly bringing new daily and special programs here at the center. Rosary making, brown scapular making, and special film presentations are just a few of the daily activities here at the center. To keep up with current events go to our website for daily updates at http://cnymariancenter.com.

For those of you that do not have internet access, please send a note to the Marian Center, attention Bud O'Brien or call me at 315-439-1250 and I will personally send you information that we list on our website.

Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board

November 2014 Apostolate of Prayer for Priests ..Diocese of Syracuse

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
O, Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant						
mission fields. Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress						1 Our Holy Father
2 All Deceased Priests	3 Rev. W Votraw Rev. P Machira	4 Rev. V Hevern SJ Rev. J Zareski	5 Rev. J Ahern Rev. R Morisette	6 Rev. J Carey Rev. P Angelicchio	7 Rev. J Neville SJ Msgr. J Kennedy	8 Rev. W Dolan SJ Rev. K Maloney
9 Bishop T J Costello	10 Rev. V J Lauducci Rev. D Orzel	11 Rev. R Chryst Rev. T FitzPatrick	12 Rev. P Hearn Rev. J Serowik	13 Rev. R Hyde Rev. D James	14 Rev. B Milunski OFM, CV Rev. A Keeffe	15 Rev. A Szebenyl SJ Rev. J Larkin
16 Bishop J M Moynihan	17 Rev. J Werner Rev R Dellos	18 Rev. J Queen Rev P C Pilla	19 Rev. J Schultz Rev. G Baccaro	20 Rev. F Mannara Rev. S O'Brien	21 All Priests	22 Rev. D Schoenhofen Rev. L Smith
23 Bishop R J Cunningham	24 Fr. L Desantis OFM Cv Msgr. J R Yeazel	25 Rev. V Long	26 Rev. W Jones Msgr. J Lang	27 Msgr. J McCloskey Rev. J O'Connor	28 Msgr. R Davern Rev. C Currie	29 Rev. W Mesmer Rev. P Alciati
30 Rev. J Kehoe Rev. D Kirby SJ	For the lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in Purgatory, I pray. Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress					



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The CNY Marian Center is pleased to present:

Immaculee Discovering Kibeho

Monday, November 10th at 10 AM and Thursday, November 13th at 6:45 PM
Join us as we visit the Kibeho apparitions, where Imaculee Ilibagiza shares her story when she and seven women spent 91 days huddled silently in the local pastors house. This DVD shares a series of short videos about Kibeho and Rwanda, Africa, which Immaculee shares during her retreats and presentations. Kibeho is an approved sight of the apparitions of The Blessed Virgin.

Please join us for this amazing viewing and discussion!!!

Important Notice to Our Readers

We pray for all of you that read our newsletter that are on our mailing list to see the hope that this publication has brought you some knowledge and insight into your faith. We are trying to continue to spread Mary's messages, and need your support too. Anyone who would like to be a regular sponsor, or provide a donation towards the production of this newsletter, & other Marian Center Projects Please fill out the form & mail it with your donation to the CNY Marian Center, 5180 W. Taft Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212								
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