



# Central New York Marian Center, Inc.

**August, 2015**

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Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 24th year!

## The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: July 25, 2015

“Dear children! With joy I am with you also today and I call all of you, little children, pray, pray, pray so as to comprehend the love which I have for you. My love is stronger than evil, little children, therefore draw closer to God so as to feel my joy in God. Without God, little children, you do not have a future, you do not have hope or salvation; therefore leave evil and choose good. I am with you and, with you, I intercede before God for all of your needs. 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, Thur. 11:00 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 to transform our ways in this world to reach the goal of our eternal salvation in Heaven?

Eternal life is where we’ll contemplate, as the Apostles did, the Glory of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Beatific Vision (cc 1028, 1720) and indeed we shall proclaim, “**Lord it is good to be with you!!!!**”.

#### The Feast of the Transfiguration

Celebrated on August 6, 2015. **The Feast of the Transfiguration** was celebrated in Asia starting in the fourth or fifth century and spread throughout the Christian East in the centuries following. The Transfiguration prefigures the glory of the **Lord as God**, foretells His ascension into heaven, and anticipates the glory of heaven, where we shall see **God face to face**. Through grace, we already share in divine promise of eternal life. The feast of the Transfiguration of Christ celebrates the revelation of **Christ’s divine glory on Mount Tabor in Galilee (Matthew 17:1-6; Mark 9:1-8; Luke 9:28-36)**. After revealing to His disciples that He would be put to death in Jerusalem (**Matthew 16:21**), **Christ, along with Ss. Peter,**

**James, and John**, went up the mountain.

There, **St. Matthew** writes, “**He** was transfigured before them. And **His** face did shine as the sun: and **His** garments became white as snow.”

The brightness was not something added to **Christ** but the manifestation of His true divine nature. For **Peter, James, and John**, it was also a glimpse of the glories of heaven and of the resurrected body promised to all Christians. As **Christ** was transfigured, two others appeared with Him: **Moses**, representing the Old Testament Law, and **Elijah**, representing the prophets. Thus **Christ**, who stood between the two and spoke with them, appeared to the disciples as the fulfillment of both the Law and the prophets.

#### The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Celebrated every year on August 15, 2015 the **Feast of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** commemorates the death of **Mary** and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the **Blessed Virgin’s** passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

“Finally the **Immaculate Virgin**, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the **Lord as Queen** over all things, so that she might be more fully conformed to her **Son, the Lord of Lords** and conqueror of sin and death.” (cc 966) [Vatican II LG 59; cf. Pius XII, **Munificentissimus Deus (1950)**; DS 3903; cf. Rev 19:16] **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin** is a singular participation in her **Son’s** Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians.

The Feast of the Assumption is a very old feast of the Church, celebrated universally by the sixth century. The feast was originally celebrated in the East, where it is known as the **Feast of the Dormition**, a word which means “**the falling asleep**.” The earliest printed reference to the belief that **Mary’s** body was assumed into Heaven dates from the fourth century, in a document entitled “**The Falling Asleep of the Holy Mother of God**.” The document is written in the voice of the **Apostle John**, to whom **Christ** on the Cross had entrusted the care of His mother, and recounts the death, laying in the tomb, and assumption of the **Blessed Virgin**. Tradition variously places **Mary’s** death at Jerusalem or at Ephesus, where **John** was living.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared "Munificentissimus Deus" that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."

The Rosary in Image and Text Mediations Based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church includes the Glorious Mysteries and therefore the Assumption.

Finally, however, the dogma of the Bodily Assumption of Mary might be considered to be more than ever relevant today when the human body is so often and so grossly de-graded: not only by its abuse through the drug culture and by the exploitation and degradation of its sexual attractions, but by the whole hedonistic, materialistic culture in which we live, in which the body dominates the soul. Our mortal bodies, like Mary's, are destined for their share in eternal glory.

The holy death of Our Blessed Mother should teach us to prepare for our own death, and to say fervently every day those words of the Hail Mary, "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death." Let us always celebrate this feast with gladness and rejoicing, mindful that it is far above all feasts of the saints and the greatest of Our Lady's festivals. Let us pray to Mary crowned above that we may sanctify our lives as she sanctified hers, not so much by the performance of many and great deeds, as by fidelity in small things and to the ordinary duties of our state!!!

### Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 22, 2015 is the Feast of The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Traditional Calendar and the Queenship of Mary, the New Calendar. Pope Pius XII, by his encyclical letter on October 11, 1954, granted unanimous desire of the faithful and their pastors, and instituted the Feast of the "Queenship of Mary." With the certainty of faith we know that Jesus Christ is King in the full, literal, and absolute sense of the word, He is true God and true Man. Mary, in a limited way, shared in His royal works. She was the Mother of Christ, and Christ is God.

She shared in the work of the Divine Redeemer, in His struggles against enemies and in the triumph, He won over them all.

Mary was assumed into Heaven by Jesus and the angels. That means she was carried. Jesus ascended into Heaven, which is a different word, He went up to Heaven by His own power. Mary doesn't have that kind of power, so Jesus carried her.

After she was assumed into Heaven, Jesus took His Mother to a throne next to His own. Since He is King and Lord of all, then as His Mother, she was to become Queen. Jesus, God our Father and the Holy Spirit placed a beautiful crown of twelve stars on her head. All the angels and saints sang wonderful songs praising her as their Queen.

From the earliest centuries of the Church, belief in Mary's Assumption and Her Coronation in the Bible, these beliefs are based on both scriptural references and tradition. First, if Jesus is our Lord and King, then surely His Mother Mary is a Queen. "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son the Most High.

...Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God." (Lk 1:31-35)

Mary is our Mother and Queen in as much as, being the new Eve, the one who obeyed, she IS the "Women" described in Revelation: "A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars." (Rev. 12:1)

By first carrying her to heaven, then crowning her in the sight of all the angels and saints, God richly rewarded his most faithful of servants. Mary's own prophecy was fulfilled: "Truly all people shall call me blessed, for the Lord has done great things for me."

As with all else in the Catholic Faith, the Queenship of Mary is not something theoretical. It encompasses soul and body, devotion and action. It would be useless for Her subjects to try to act on Her behalf without prayer; it would be pointless for them to think that said prayer should not govern the spirit of their actions. Mary Our Queen acts always in concert with Christ Our King, and with their subjects, the angels, the saints, and the Church Militant on Earth. With such Sovereigns, who have done so much for us, dare we not give everything they ask in return!!!

Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board

## Announcements

### San Gennaro Festival

New York City

Sunday, September 13, 2015



6 am depart Salina Town Hall, School Rd.

11 am Arrive in NYC, 8 pm Depart NYC

1 am estimated arrival home

\$59 per person

San Gennaro is venerated as the patron saint of Naples, celebrated devotionally in the old world and exalted as a symbol of Italy in the new world by Neopolitan immigrants in Manhattan in the 20th century.

Legend has it that Januarius was born in Benevento into a wealthy family that could trace its origins back to the Samnites. At age 15 he became bishop of the mostly pagan Benevento and by the time he was 20 he was bishop of Naples. During this time Christianity was still a burgeoning 'cult' and there was much persecution, Januarius hid Christians as best he could. He also insisted on visiting the captured to offer rites to the condemned. Unfortunately on one such visit, he too was imprisoned. Legend states he was thrown to a group of wild bears in the Flavian Amphitheater at Pozzuoli, but the beasts refused to maul their victims so instead the saint was scheduled to be beheaded.

When Januarius was beheaded a local Neopolitan man gathered the head and wrapped it in cloth and gathered his blood in two glass phials. More than 40 years later when a slave woman, Januarius' wet nurse Eusebia, carried the phials in a procession to the catacombs of



Naples, there occurred a liquefaction of the blood, it turned from solid to liquid state. This was the first manifestation of a miracle that the faithful claim happens three times every year since then.

On the first Sunday in May, on 19th of September (his fest day), and on the 16th of December (to commemorate the saint's protection against the threatened eruption of the volcano at Vesuvius), the blood turns once more to liquid state.

The 89th Annual Feast of **San Gennaro** will be held in Little Italy for 11 days from Thurs., Sept. 10, through Sun., Sept. 20, 2015, on the streets of historic Little Italy, the lower Manhattan neighborhood which served as the first home in America for hundreds of thousands of Italian immigrants who came here seeking to improve their lives beginning in the early part of the 20th century.

This feast today continues to fund the needs of their community. A trip you won't want to miss!!!

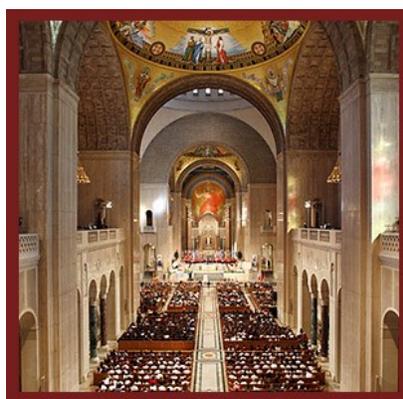
Please contact Mary Scarsciotti at 315-437-2360 or 315-416-1184

### Tour of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Washington DC October 18-19, 2015

**Sunday, 18 5am** Depart from Salina Town Hall Liverpool, NY making stops enroute

**12pm** Arrive in DC, lunch followed by a 4 hour photo op bus tour, White House, all National War Memorials and Martin Luther King Memorial

**7pm** Dinner in Alexandria, VA hotel stay



**Monday, 19** Breakfast buffet.

**8am** Depart for the Basilica

**9am** One hour tour of the Basilica The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a pilgrimage church. This is the largest Roman Catholic church in the United States and one of the ten largest churches in the world, the Basilica is the nation's preeminent Marian shrine.

There are over 70 chapels and oratories that relate to the peoples, cultures and traditions of the Catholic faith and the mosaic of our great nation.

**12noon** Mass

**1:30pm** Lunch on own at Basilica Café

**3pm** Return trip home

**10pm** Arrive back with many great memories!

Single—\$326; Twin—\$275; Triple/Quad—\$252; Need \$75 deposit by Sept. 8th please.

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Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board

## August 2015 Apostolate of Prayer for Priests ..Diocese of Syracuse

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Father, enkindle in Your priests a hunger for the glory of Jesus, and for the love of souls.... Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress						1) Rev. J Croghan Rev. W Dolan SJ
2) Bishop J M Moynihan	3) Rev. J Fenlon Rev. J Smegelsky	4) All Priests	5) Rev. A Baranski Rev. R Sullivan	6) Rev. C Cerwonka Msgr. J Flanagan	7) Msgr. F Osei-Nyarko Rev. F Daley	8) Rev. C Vavonese Rev. P C Pilla
9) Bishop T J Costello	10) Fr. E de la Pena OFM Cv Rev. R Riccioli OFM Cv	11) Rev. J Salerno Msgr. J Putano	12) Rev. V Hevern SJ Rev. T Rudnik	13) Rev. P Madej Rev. W Bosch SJ	14) Rev. F Wapen Rev. T Hobbes	15) Our Holy Father
16) Bishop R F Cunningham	17) Rev. W Regan Rev. J Dahlinger SJ	18) Rev. J Mikalajunas Msgr. J Heagerty	19) Rev. C Aho Rev. M Galuppi	20) Rev. C Stirpe Rev. B Manding	21) Rev. J Cesta Rev. A Keeffe	22) Rev. J Cook FI Rev. A Dunge SJ
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30) Rev. J Larkin	31) Rev. J Hage Rev. V Long	May Your priests be happy, may they be esteemed a thousand times, privileged to drink of the Fountain of the Savior each day!				Mother Catherine Aurelia, Foundress



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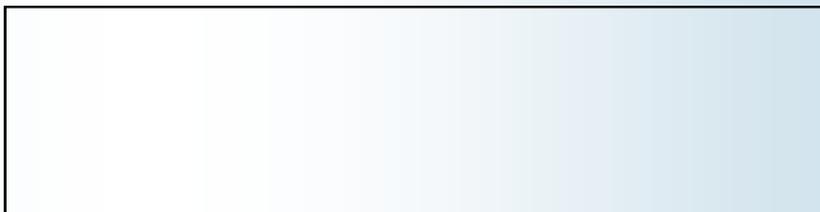
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## The CNY Marian Center is pleased to present:

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage Sept. 24th-Oct. 3th 2015 (10 day) via Boston; \$2,585.00**

**Leading us is Richard Bingold who for many years has had a great healing ministry as his calling. He has lead numerous pilgrimages to Medjugorje over the years.**

**Day 1** Travel from Boston to Europe and picked up on arrival. **Day 2** Arrival in Medjugorje where dinner awaits us upon arrival at the house. **Day 3–10** Each morning breakfast, St. James Church for Holy Mass, visits to visionaries for public talks, public apparitions are available when Our Blessed Mother invite all to attend. Climb Apparition Hill, visits to Cenacolo and Mothers village, Blue cross, the weeping statue of the Risen Christ, Fr. Slavko's grave, the priest who Our Lady said is in heaven praying for us. Confessions available.

**Rev. Ronald Bill** (retired) will be joining us as a fellow pilgrim.

**Applications can be picked up or mailed out from the Marian Center or you may contact**

**Richard Bingold directly**

**PO Box 644, Alburg, VT 05440 Phone #802-796-4545**

### Important Notice to Our Readers

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