



# Central New York Marian Center, Inc.

Promoting The Gospel Through The Marian Messages

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Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 26th year!

## The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: June 25, 2018

“Dear children! This is the day that the Lord gave me to give Him thanks for each of you, for those who have converted and have accepted my messages and have set out on the way of conversion and holiness. Rejoice, little children, because God is merciful and loves you all with His immeasurable love and leads you to the way of salvation through my coming here. I love you all and give you my Son that He may give you peace. Thank you for having responded to my call.”



**See a rose . . . Say the Rosary!**

**Volunteers Needed, if interested call the center at 315-452-4698**



For visitors, if the CNY Marian Center is locked, you can obtain a key upstairs at the doctor's office M- F 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The CNY Marian Center is available for group Meetings. For a reservation, call the Center and leave a message. Current Prayer groups meet Mon. 7:30 PM, Tues. 7 PM , First Wed. 6:30 PM and Thur. 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 in celebration with great joy as we celebrate the **4th of July, Independence Day** and treasure our freedom from slavery and tyranny from foreign monarchs???

The month of July is dedicated to **The Precious Blood of Jesus**. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color **green**. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.

This month we also celebrate the great **Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel** and Her great sacramental, the Brown Scapular.

We also celebrate **The Feast of Our Blessed Mother**, Our Heavenly Father and other great saints.

### St. Thomas, Apostle July 3, 2018

**St. Thomas**, the disciple who at first did not believe, has become for the Church one of the first witnesses to her faith. There is very little about the apostle Thomas in the Gospels; one text calls him the "twin." Rarely during **Jesus'** lifetime does he stand out among his colleagues. There is the instance before the raising of **Lazarus**, when **Jesus** was still in Perea and Thomas exclaimed: "Let us also go and die with Him." Best-known is his expression of unbelief after the Savior's death, giving rise to the phrase "**doubting Thomas**." Nevertheless, the passage describing the incident, had as today's Gospel, must be numbered among the most touching in Sacred Scripture.

**Patron:** Against doubt; architects; blind people; builders; construction workers; Ceylon East Indies; geometricians; India; masons; Pakistan; people in doubt; Sri Lanka; stone masons; stonemasons; sur-

veyors; theologians.

**Symbols:** Spear and lance; carpenter's square and lance; builder's rule; arrows; five wounds of our Lord; girdle; book and spear; t-square.

**Often Portrayed As:** With a lance (because of his martyrdom) or with a square (because of the legend that he was sent as an architect to the king of India).

**The Fourth of July** is the most patriotic of U.S. holidays. As the 'Red, White and Blue' waves from sea to shining sea, parades, fireworks and social celebrations fill the day. It's a special time to cherish the dignity of all human life that the **Creator** intended for us.

Patriots gave up their fortunes and very lives to give us this free Nation under **God**, with certain unalienable rights. Free at last to practice our faith and live our lives adhering to the guiding principles that the **Father in Heaven** intended for this great land we call **America**.

Two thousand years ago, a man called **Jesus** came into the world, sent by our



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**Heavenly Father** to set us free from the bondage and tyranny of sin under the influence of the monarchy of the evil one. Like the patriots of the American Revolution, **He gave up His life, His own precious Body and Blood** to gain our freedom from the influence of Satan and the penalty of sin. **He opened up the gates to "Eternal Salvation"** and gave us the constitution of His holy gospels to live by.

Our **Blessed Mother** over the centuries calls us to give continuous thanksgiving to our **Heavenly Father** for all His blessings. Our **Lady** also tells us we must be willing to pay a price for our faith and the salvation of souls as She calls us to daily prayer, sacrifice and penance, keeping us **"One Nation under God."**

### **St. Maria Goretti July 6, 2018**

**St. Maria Goretti** was born of a poor family in Corinaldi, Italy, in 1890. Near Nettuno she spent a difficult childhood assisting her mother in domestic duties. She was of a pious nature and often at prayer. In 1902 she was stabbed to death, preferring to die rather than be raped. (**Office of Readings**) Her mother was present at her canonization in 1950, the first time a parent was present for a child's canonization by **Pope Pius XII**.

**Patron:** Against impoverishment; against poverty; children; children of Mary; girls; loss of parents; martyrs; rape victims; young people in general.

### **St. Kateri Tekakwitha July 14, 2018**

Kateri was born in 1656 near the town of Auriesville, New York, the daughter of a Mohawk warrior. She was baptized by Jesuit missionary **Fr. Jacques de Lambertville** on Easter of 1676 at the age of twenty. She devoted her life to prayer, penitential practices, and the care of the sick and aged in Caughnawaga near Montreal (where her relics are now enshrined). She incurred the hostility of her tribe because of her faith. She was devoted to the **Eucharist**, and to **Jesus Crucified**, and was called the **"Lily of the Mohawks."** She died in 1680 and was beatified June 22, 1980 — the first native American to be declared **"Blessed."** She was canonized on October 21, 2012.

When she was four, Kateri lost her parents and little brother in a smallpox epidemic. She was adopted by an uncle, he hated the coming of the Blackrobes (missionaries), but could do nothing because a peace treaty with the French. She was moved by the words of three Blackrobes who lodged with her uncle, but fear of him kept her from seeking instruction. She refused to marry a Mohawk man and at nineteen finally got the courage to take the step of converting. She was baptized with the name **Kateri (Catherine)** on Easter Sunday.

**Patron:** Ecologists; ecology; environment; environmentalism; environmentalists; exiles; loss of parents; people in exile; people ridiculed for their piety; World Youth Day.

**Symbols:** lily (a symbol of her purity); a cross (a symbol of her love of Jesus Christ); or a turtle (a symbol of her clan).

### **Our Lady of Mount Carmel July 16, 2018**

The feast was assigned to July 16 because on that date in 1251, according to Carmelite traditions, the scapular was given by the **Blessed Virgin to St. Simon Stock**; it was first approved by **Sixtus V** in 1587. After **Cardinal Bellarmine** had examined the Carmelite traditions in 1609, it was declared the patronal feast of the order. **The Order of Carmelites** takes its name from **Mount Carmel in Israel**, which was the first place dedicated to the **Blessed Virgin** and where a

chapel was erected in Her honor before Her Assumption into heaven.

**Saint Simon Stock entered the Carmelite Order** when he was 40 years old. He was sent to **Mt. Carmel** in the



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Holy Land where he led a life of prayer and penance.

**St. Simon Stock** had great devotion to **Our Blessed Mother**. This may help to explain why the Carmelite Order began to prosper under his guidance despite considerable opposition. In response to his appeal to **Our Blessed Mother** for help for his oppressed Order, on July 16, 1251 A.D. **Mary** appeared to him holding a Brown Scapular in her hand. **Mary** said to him: **"Receive, My beloved son, this habit of thy order: this shall be to thee and to all Carmelites a privilege, that whosoever dies clothe in this shall never suffer eternal fire."** This was truly a great gift and a great promise from the **Mother of God**.

After this apparition, **Friar Stock** went on to establish Carmelite communities near university towns in England, France and Italy. He became the Superior-General of his order several years after the apparition. Until very recently, the brown scapular was one of the most widely used religious symbols of personal dedication to the mission of **Mary** found in her last recorded words in the **Bible** (John 2:5).

For over 700 years, the Brown Scapular of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel** has been one of the most precious gifts and highly indulged Sacramental of our church. It is more than that, however; it is in reality a garment, given to us by **Our Blessed Mother** which makes us her special children. Blessing and clothing with the Scapular of the '**Blessed Virgin of Mt. Carmel**' enrolls the individual in the **Scapular Confraternity** and admits him a share in all the spiritual works performed by the Religious of **Mount Carmel**.

### **St. Bridget July 23, 2018**

**Bridget** was born in **Sweden** of noble and pious parents, and led a most holy life. While she was yet unborn, her mother was saved from shipwreck for her sake. At ten years of age, **Bridget** heard a sermon on the **Passion of our Lord**; and the next night she saw **Jesus** on the cross, covered with fresh blood, and speaking to her about His Passion. Thenceforward meditation on that subject affected her to such a degree, that she could never

think of Our Lord's sufferings without tears.

**Patron saint of Sweden, Bridget** married a young prince and lived happily with him for 28 years, bearing him eight children. **St. Catherine of Sweden** was their daughter. After her husband died, Bridget founded the **Order of the Most Holy Savior**, erecting at Vadstena a double monastery for monks and nuns. Following the guidance of the **Holy Spirit**, she later went to Rome, where she worked for the return of the Popes from Avignon. She died of natural causes in 1373, at the age of seventy-one. This Scandinavian mystic is famous for her Revelations concerning the sufferings of our Redeemer.

For a long time **St. Bridget** wanted to know the number of blows Our Lord received during His Passion. He one day appeared to her and said: "I received 5480 blows on My Body. If you wish to honor them in some way, say 15 Our Fathers and 15 Hail Marys with the following prayers (which He taught her) for a whole year. When the year is up, you will have honored each one of My Wounds." The fifteen prayer and the 21 promises associated with them are found on pages **6-14** in the **Pieta** prayer book.

**Patron:** Europe; Sweden; widows.

### St. Joachim and St. Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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It was in the home of **Joachim and Ann** where the **Virgin Mary** received her training to be the **Mother of God**. Thus, devotion to Ann and Joachim is an extension of the affection Christians have always professed toward our **Blessed Mother**. We, too, owe a debt of gratitude to our parents for their help in our Christian formation.

According to the 1962 Missal of **St. John XXIII** the Extraordinary Form of the **Roman Rite**, today is the feast of **St. Ann**; **St. Joachim's** feast in this rite is celebrated on August 16.

Who does not know about the great

shrine of **Ste. Anne de Beaupre** in Canada, where miracles abound, where cured cripples leave their crutches, and where people come from thousands of miles to pray to the grandmother of Jesus? Our information about **Mary's** parents comes from an apocryphal Christian writing, the **Protoevangelium Jacobi** (or **Gospel of James**), written about the year 170. According to this story, Joachim was a prominent and respected man who had no children, and he and his wife, Anne, looked upon this as a punishment from God. In answer to their prayers, **Mary** was born and was dedicated to **God** at a very early age.

**St. Anne** has two great shrines, that of **Ste. Anne d'Auray** in **Britannia, France**, and that of **Ste. Anne de Beaupre** near **Quebec in Canada**. We know little else about the lives of **Mary's** parents, but considering the person of **Mary**, they must have been two very remarkable people to have been given such a daughter and to have played so important a part in the work of the Redemption.

There is a church of **St. Anne** in **Jerusalem** and it is believed to be built on the site of the home of **SS. Joachim and Anne**, when they lived in Jerusalem.

#### Patron:

**Anne:** against poverty; barren; broom-makers; cabinetmakers; carpenters; childless couples; equestrians; grandmothers; grandparents; homemakers; housewives; lace makers; lace workers; lost articles; miners; mothers; old-clothes dealers; pregnancy; pregnant women; horse riders; seamstresses; stablemen; sterility; turners; women in labour; **Brittany; Canada; France; Quebec; archdiocese of Detroit, Michigan; diocese of Norwich, Connecticut; Santa Ana Indian Pueblo; Taos, New Mexico.**

**Joachim:** fathers, grandfathers, grandparents.

The lives of the saints show us in many ways how Jesus has taught us to live by His examples through His public ministries to obtain eternal life.

**Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board**

## Announcements

### Marian Eucharistic Healing Conference 2018



*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).*

**Mary, Queen of Hope**  
**Christ the King (CTK) Retreat House**  
**500 Brookford Rd. Syracuse**

**Friday, July 20 6:30 - 9:30 pm (free)**  
Praise & Worship, Rosary, Mass, Adoration and Healing Prayer

**Saturday, July 21**  
**Sunday, July 22**

**Keynote speaker**  
**Rev. Fr. William Garrott O.P.**

**Rev. Fr. William Garrott O.P. (Retreat Master) , Sr. Beth Ann Dillon, Dr. Patsy Iannolo, Founder CNY Marian Center, Mr. Caleb Payne , Ms. Eileen Hoyt, Mr. Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the CNY Marian Center, Mr. and Mrs. Don O'Mara**

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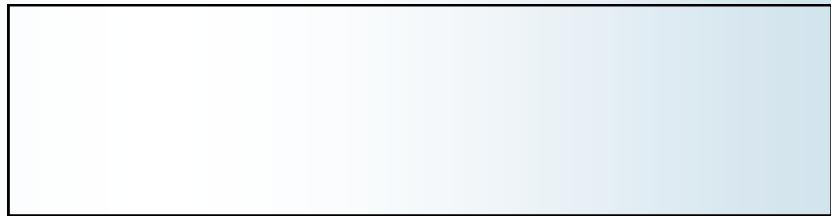
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## **CNY Marian Center Is Pleased to Present**

**Saturdays, July 7 & Aug 4, 9:30AM, Fatima Prayers & Rosary at the Catholic Shop**

**Monday, July 16, Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, 6:00PM**, picnic at the Marian Center, **7:00PM**, Rededication of Our Garden Shrine Statue; followed by the Intercessory Rosary. Please bring a dish or dessert to pass. Hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages provided.

**Wednesday, beginning August 1, 10AM for 8 weeks Queen of Heaven, World Apostolate of Fatima** video series at the Catholic Shop. Materials Cost: \$25.00 for the Study Guide. Email [cnymariancenter@gmail.com](mailto:cnymariancenter@gmail.com) or call 315-452-4698 or 315-475-9332 for more information.

**Saturday, August 4, 6:30PM** at the Marian Center The movie, **Full of Grace**, the story of Peter's struggles in the early Church and Mary approaching the end of her earthly life.

For more information: [www.cnymariancenter.com](http://www.cnymariancenter.com); Call 315-452-4698; Email: [mariancenter.cny@gmail.com](mailto:mariancenter.cny@gmail.com)  
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