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Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 27th year!

The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: September 25, 2020

“Dear children! I am with you for so long because God is great in His love and in my presence. I am calling you, little children: return to God and to prayer. May the measure of your [way of] living be love and do not forget, little children, that prayer and fasting work miracles in you and around you. May everything you do be for the glory of God, and then Heaven will fill your heart with joy and you will feel that God loves you and is sending me to save you and the earth on which you live. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

See a rose Pray a Rosary!



BISHOP LUCIA NOVENA PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC www.syrdio.org:

O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and worldwide need we seek your intercession for the human family before your Son’s throne of grace and mercy. We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness, and comfort in sorrow. Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender compassion of our God. Let us not be afraid, like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted her life and ministry among the outcasts of society into the care of our Divine Physician. Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as those who care for them and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HEAVEN CALLS—IS YOUR RINGER ON ?

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

The month of October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. October falls during the liturgical season known as **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.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus October 1, 2020

Today is the memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face, more popularly known as "the Little Flower." Although just an obscure cloistered Carmelite nun, she has had universal appeal since her death in 1897. **St. Thérèse is the patroness of all foreign missions and patroness of France.** Her feast day was formerly October 3.

According to the 1962 Missal of St. John XXIII the Extraordinary Form of the Roman



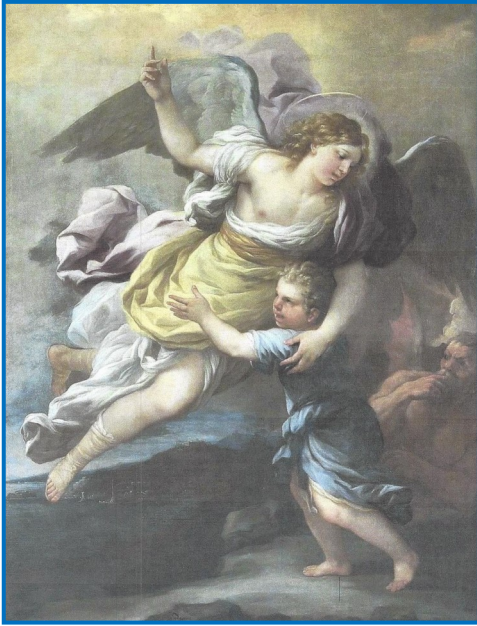
Rite, today is the feast of St. Remigius, bishop and confessor, who died in 533. He baptized King Clovis, bringing the Frankish nation to Christianity. He is one of the patrons of France.

Marie Thérèse Martin was born at Alençon, France on January 2, 1873, the youngest of five daughters. Her father, Louis, was a

watchmaker, and her mother, Zélie, who died of breast cancer when Thérèse was four, was a lace maker. She was brought up in a model Christian home. While still a child she felt the attraction of the cloister, and at fifteen obtained permission to enter the **Carmel of Lisieux**. For the next nine years she lived a very ordinary religious life. There are no miracles, exploits or austerities recorded of her. She attained a very high degree of holiness by carrying out her ordinary daily duties with perfect fidelity, having a childlike confidence in **God's** providence and merciful love and being ready to be at the service of others at all times. She also had a great love of the Church and a zeal for the conversion of souls. She prayed especially for priests. **She died of consumption on September 30, 1897, at the age of 24, and was canonized in 1925. She has never ceased to fulfill her promise: "I will pass my heaven in doing good on earth." Her interior life is known through her autobiography called *Story of a Soul*. Pope John Paul II declared her a Doctor of the Church in 1997.**

Feast of The Holy Guardian Angels October 2, 2020

Angels are servants and messengers from God. "Angel" in Greek means messenger. In



unseen ways the angels help us on our earthly pilgrimage by assisting us in work and study, helping us in temptation and protecting us from physical danger.

The idea that each soul has assigned to it a personal guardian angel has been long accepted by the Church and is a truth of our faith. From the Gospel of today's liturgy we read: **"See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10).** **The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "the existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith (328)."** From our birth until our death, man is surrounded by the protection and intercession of angels, particularly our guardian angel: **"Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life (336)."** The Church thanks God for our helpers, the angels, particularly on this feast day and September 29 which is the feast of **Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, archangels.** Today's feast appeared in Spain during the sixteenth century. It was extended to the universal Church and made obligatory in 1670.

Be alert in your every action as one should be who is accompanied by angels in all your ways, for that mission has been enjoined upon them. In whatever lodging, in whatever nook or corner you may find yourself, cherish a reverence for your guardian angel. In his presence do not dare to do anything you would not do in mine. Or do you doubt

his presence because you do not see him? Would it really help if you did hear him, or touch him, or smell him? Remember, there are realities whose existence has not been proven by mere sight.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary October 7, 2020

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary celebrates the victory of Christian naval forces at the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571.

Following the great Christian victory at Lepanto, **Pope St. Pius V declared that henceforth a commemoration of the Rosary** would be a part of the Vatican's Mass on every October 7. His successor, **Pope Gregory XIII, went further. In 1573 he established the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary** to be celebrated at all Churches which had specific altars dedicated to the Rosary. **This feast was extended by Pope Clement XI to the whole of the Latin Rite, inserting it into the Roman Catholic calendar of saints** in 1716, and assigning it to the first Sunday in October. Leo XIII has since raised the feast to the rank of a double of the second class and has added to the Litany of Loreto the invocation **"Queen of the Most Holy Rosary"**. On this feast, in every church in which the Rosary confraternity has been duly erected, a plenary indulgence *toties quoties* is granted upon certain conditions to all who visit therein the Rosary chapel or statue of **Our Lady**. This has been called the "Portiuncula" of the Rosary. Pope Pius X changed the date to October 7th in 1913, as part of his effort to restore celebration of the liturgy of the Sun-



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days.

The word Rosary means **"crown of roses."** **St. Louis De Montfort calls the Rosary "the mystical rose tree of Jesus and Mary in life, death, and eternity."** He tells us that reciting the Rosary produces spiritual roses which will **"never wilt or die, and they will be just as exquisite thousands of years from now as they are today."** In regards the worth of saying the Rosary, he professes it to be a "priceless treasure which is inspired by God" (**The Secret of The Rosary, Montfort Publications, 1954**).

On October 13, 1917, seventy thousand pilgrims witnessed the miracle of the sun at Fatima. Just prior to noon of that same day, the Lady "more brilliant than the sun" appeared to the three children, saying, **"I am the Lady of the Rosary.** I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and to ask pardon for their sins. They must not offend our Lord any more, for He is already too grievously offended by the sins of men. People must say the Rosary. Let them continue saying it every day."

St. Teresa of Jesus October 15, 2020

St. Teresa (1515-1582) was born in Avila and died in Alba, Spain. When only a child of seven, she ran away from home in the hope of being martyred by the Moors; in this way, she said she could come to see God. **At the age of eighteen she joined the Carmelite Order and chose Christ as her heavenly Spouse. With the help of St. John of the Cross she reformed most of the Carmelite convents and founded new ones.** She reached the highest degree of prayer and through prayer obtained such knowledge of divine things that in **1970 Pope Paul VI named her the first woman Doctor of the Church.**

St. Teresa of Jesus, honored by the Church as the "seraphic virgin," *virgo seraphica*, and reformer of the Carmelite Order, ranks first among women for wisdom and learning. She is called *doctrix mystica*, doctor of mystical theology; in a report to Pope Paul V the Roman Rota declared: "Teresa has been given to the Church by God as a teacher of the spiritual life. The mysteries of the inner mystical life which the holy Fathers propounded unsystematically and without orderly sequence, she has presented with unparalleled clarity." Characteristic of her mysticism is the subjective-individualistic approach; there is little inte-

gration with the liturgy and social piety, and thus she reflects the spirit of the sixteenth and following centuries.

Truly wonderful were the exterior and interior manifestations of her mystical union with God, especially during the last decade of her life. She practiced great devotion to the foster-father of Jesus, whose cult was greatly furthered throughout the Church through her efforts. **1582, when dying she often repeated the words: "Lord, I am a daughter of the Church!" Her holy body rests upon the high altar of the Carmelite church in Alba, Spain; her heart with its mysterious wound is reserved in a precious reliquary on the Epistle side of the altar.**

Announcements

Alice Kirkpatrick

We are deeply saddened by the recent passing of Alice Kirkpatrick. Alice, along with husband Nelson, made Rosaries for years. When they taught a group at the CNY Marian Center, it began a ministry that is flourishing today. In Father Severine Yagaza's funeral homily, he referred to Alice as a Missionary. The rosaries she and Nelson made were distributed worldwide. From her modest home, she filled hearts and homes with the love of the Blessed Mother. She gave them the Rosary, a powerful weapon, as described by Padre Pio. Alice was much loved by all of us and we will miss her sweet smile and cheerful demeanor. We are sure Our Lady was waiting for her as she left this home to go to her eternal Home. Alice died on the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 8th, a sure sign for all of us. If you see Rosaries dropping from the skies, you'll know our little Rosary maker has taught the heavenly court to string beads in honor of Our Mother.

Alice and Nelson handed out the Fifteen Promises of the Rosary. As we celebrate the month of the Rosary, October, and the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, October 7, let's reflect on those Fifteen Promises.

- 1) To all those who shall recite my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and very great graces.
- 2) Those who shall persevere in the recitation of my Rosary shall receive some signal grace.
- 3) The Rosary shall be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver

from sin, and dispel heresy.

4) The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies; it will substitute in hearts love of God for love of the world, and will lift them to the desire of heavenly and eternal things. How many souls shall sanctify themselves by this means!

5) Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary, shall not perish.

6) Those who shall recite my Rosary devoutly, meditating on its mysteries, shall not be overwhelmed by misfortune. The sinner shall be converted; the just shall grow in grace and become worthy of eternal life.

7) Those truly devoted to my Rosary shall not die without the Sacraments of the Church.

8) Those who recite my Rosary shall find during their life and at their death the light of God, the fullness of His graces, and shall share in the merits of the blessed.

9) I shall deliver very promptly from purgatory the souls devoted to my Rosary.

10) The true children of my Rosary shall enjoy great glory in heaven.

11) What you ask through my Rosary, you shall obtain.

12) Those who propagate my Rosary shall be aided by me in all their necessities.

13) I have obtained from my Son that all the members of the Rosary Confraternity shall have for their brethren the saints of heaven during their life and at the hour of death.

14) Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are all my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.

15) Devotion to my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

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Reliquary



St. Camillus de Lellis (Feast 7/18) A soldier who became penniless, Camillus changed his life to become a Capuchin novice and took over hospital care in the Order. He set up medical protocols that are still used to this day in hospitals and home care and founded the Order of the Camellians. Camillus is the patron of the sick, nursing and nurses.

St. Bonaventure (7/15) was a Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Bonaventure joined the Franciscan Order and was friends with St. Thomas Aquinas and King St. Louis. He brought peace to his order and composed *The Life of Francis*. Bonaventure was General of the Franciscan Order at the time of his death, July 15, 1274.

St. William, Abbot (6/25) Schooled by his uncle, Abbot Hugo, William prayed for God's help in his vocation. He studied to become a priest and dealt with much jealousy because of his visible goodness. After he became a priest, he was sent to Denmark to revive and convert the Danish people. After a little success, everything failed. His three fellow priests left but William stayed and God rewarded his faithfulness with a complete turnaround in faith of all those he worked with.

St. Benedict (7/11) St. Benedict of Nursia founded 12 orders of monks. He wrote the Rule of St. Benedict, which was adopted by many Christian monastic communities. St. Benedict Medals represent the life of Benedict. He had great devotion to the Cross and had numerous miracles with the sign of the cross. The medal has St. Benedict holding a cross and several letters with special connotation. In particular, the capital letters on the reverse side of the medal are the initial letters of a prayer of exorcism against Satan.

St. Peregrine (5/1) is the patron saint of those who suffer with cancer. Peregrine stood for long periods of time working with the people in his hometown, Forli. This appeared to cause varicose veins which resulted in a severe leg wound. It was diagnosed as cancer. Leaning on his own faith in the goodness of God, he prayed before the image of the crucified Christ in the Chapel. Peregrine fell into a deep trance-like sleep. He envisioned the crucified Christ leaving the cross and touching his cancerous leg. When he recovered from the trance, the wound was healed and the leg was saved from amputation.

Bud O'Brien, Chairman of the Board



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We have reopened according to NYS/CDC guidelines with social distancing, and masks required.

In Person Meetings: Mondays: 9:45AM-11:45: Divine Mercy Cenacle: 7:30PM: Intercessory Rosary

TelePrayers (free with unlimited calls feature on your phone) **Tuesday 4PM, St. Michael Chaplet; Wednesday 4PM, Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph; Friday 4PM, Seven Sorrows Rosary of Our Lady; Saturday 10:10AM, Weekly Rosary - Easy Dial in - 516-597-9459 to join the TelePrayers.**

Outside, enjoy Our Lady of Mount Carmel Garden Shrine or stop inside to pray in our Chapel. Watch for events on our YouTube channel livestreaming and recorded (CNY Marian Center).

Do you want to know more about the Rosary? Listen to our podcasts of *The Secret of the Rosary* by St. Louis de Montfort on our website and Facebook (www.facebook.com/pilgrimrosary) Need a Rosary? We'll send you one. See the 15 Promises of the Rosary from Our Lady inside.

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