

# Central New York Marian Center, Inc.

Promoting The Gospel Through The Marian Messages

August 2022

5180 West Taft Rd, North Syracuse NY 13212

cnymariancenter@gmail.com

Hours: Mon. — Fri 9am– 5pm Phone (315) 452– 4698

Website: cnymariancenter.com

Currently we are blest to be celebrating our 29th year!

## The Monthly Message of Our Blessed Mother from Medjugorje: June 25, 2022

“Dear children! I rejoice with you and thank you for every sacrifice and prayer which you have offered for my intentions. Little children, do not forget that you are important in my plan of salvation of mankind. Return to God and prayer that the Holy Spirit may work in you and through you. Little children, I am with you also in these days when Satan is fighting for war and hatred. Division is strong and evil is at work in man as never before. 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](http://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 ?

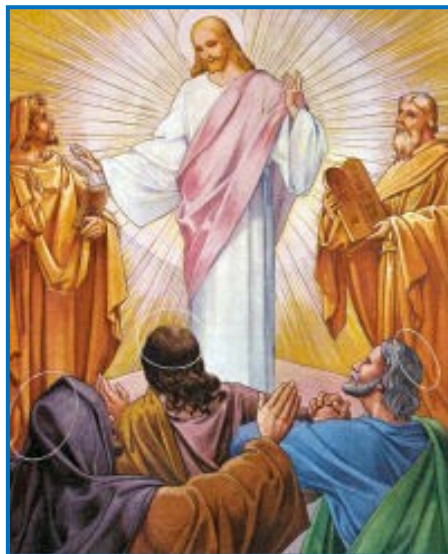
Blessing and prayers to all our friends, supporters and newsletter subscribers of the Central NY Marian Center.

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 month of August is dedicated to [The Immaculate Heart of Mary](#). 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 Feast of the Transfiguration 8/6/22

The Feast of the Transfiguration was started 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. “**He** was transfigured before them. And **His** face did shine as the sun: and **His** garments became white as snow.”

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.

#### St. Lawrence, Martyr and Deacon 8/10/22

Lawrence was chief among the seven deacons who served the Roman Church during the mid-third century. The young cleric held a position of great trust, caring for the goods of the Church and distributing its alms among the poor. He was arrested under the Emperor Valerian in 258, laid upon a gridiron and slowly roasted to death. Lawrence rejoiced in his awful martyrdom and died praying for the conversion of the city of Rome, in the hope that from it the faith of Christ might spread throughout the world. From that time idolatry began to decline in Rome.

This young deacon and heroic martyr is numbered among those saints who were most highly venerated by the ancient Roman Church. Next to the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, that of St. Lawrence ranked highest in the Roman sanctoral cycle. "From the rising of the sun unto its setting," says St. Leo, "whenever the glory of Levites beams



forth in splendor, Rome is deemed no less illustrious because of Lawrence than Jerusalem because of Stephen."

During the persecution of Emperor Valerian (253-260), Sixtus II and his four deacons were martyred. Very ardently Lawrence desired to die with his spiritual father and

therefore said to him: "Father, where are you going without your son? Where are you hastening, O priest, without your deacon? Never before did you offer the holy Sacrifice without assistants. In what way have I displeased you? In what way have you found me unfaithful in my office? Oh, try me again and prove to yourself whether you have chosen an unworthy minister for the service of the Church. So far you have been trusting me with distributing the Blood of the Lord."

Lawrence was tortured, scourged, and scorched with glowing plates. In the midst of excruciating pain he prayed: "Lord Jesus Christ, God from God, have mercy on Your servant!" And he besought the grace of faith for the bystanders. At a certain point the soldier Romanus exclaimed: "I see before you an incomparably beautiful youth. Hasten and baptize me." He had observed how an angel dried the wounds of Lawrence with a linen cloth during his passion. Turning to God in prayer: "I thank You, O Lord, that I am permitted to enter Your portals." To comfort him during his torments God said to him: "My servant, do not be afraid. I am with you." He was put to death upon the Viminal Hill and buried on the Tiburtinian Way.

### The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8/15/22

This Feast Day is a Day of Holy Obligation

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 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.

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."

### Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8/22/22

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.

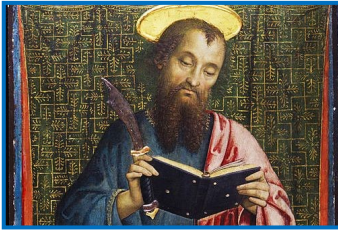
Mary was assumed into Heaven by Jesus and the angels. That means she was carried. Jesus ascended into Heaven, which is a different word, He went up to Heaven by His own power. Mary doesn't have that kind of power, so Jesus carried Her.

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.

### St. Bartholomew, Apostle 8/24/22

St. Bartholomew, a doctor in Jewish law, was a dear friend of St. Philip the Apostle. Because Bartholomew was a man "in whom there was no guile," his mind was open to the truth. He went willingly with Philip to see Christ and recognized the Savior immediately as the Son of God. After having received the gifts of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost, Bartholomew evangelized Asia Minor, northwestern India, and Greater Armenia. In the latter country, while preaching to idolaters, he was arrested and condemned to death.

In St. John's Gospel, Bartholomew is known by the name Nathaniel (the liturgy does not always seem aware of this identity). He hailed from Cana in Galilee, was one of the first disciples called by the Lord. On that initial meeting Jesus uttered the glorious



compliment: "Behold, an Israelite indeed in whom there is no guile!" After the Resurrection he was favored

by becoming one of the few apostles who witnessed the appearance of the risen Savior on the sea of Galilee (John 21:2). Following the Ascension he is said to have preached in Greater Armenia and to have been martyred there. While still alive, his skin was torn from his body. The Armenians honor him as the apostle of their nation. Concerning the fate of his relics, the *Martyrology* says: "His holy body was first taken to the island of Lipari (north of Sicily), then to Benevento, and finally to Rome on an island in the Tiber where it is honored by the faithful with pious devotion."

The Church of Armenia has a national tradition that St. Jude Thaddeus and St. Bartholomew visited the Armenians early in the first century and introduced Christianity among the worshippers of the god Ahura Mazda. The new faith spread throughout the land, and in 302 A.D., St. Gregory the Illuminator baptized the king of Armenia, Dertad the Great, along with many of his followers. Since Dertad was probably the first ruler to embrace Christianity for his nation, the Armenians proudly claim they were the first Christian State. Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

### St. Monica A Mother's Saint 8/27/22

**Saint Monica** is a patron saint for mothers and wives. She was an exemplary woman who never gave up hope and her faith in God among all tribulations in her family life.

**St Monica** was born in the year 332 in Tagaste, which is present day Algeria. Monica had a conversion experience at a very young age and lived a life of virtue.

When she reached a marriageable age, her parents gave her in marriage to a non-Christian man named Patricius. Monica's husband Patricius, not only came home drunk each day but had a violent temper and Monica was often the victim of his rage. Patricius was neither a faithful husband and therefore, Monica's life was full of trials.

Monica and Patricius had three children out of whom **St Augustine** was the son who was

to give his mother the worst heart aches.

Monica never gave up her prayers for her son. She would fast, cry and beg God for her son's conversion. The conversion of Augustine, whose earlier ways had caused many tears, brought particular joy to Monica. She was present at his baptism. On her way back to Africa with Augustine, she died at Ostia, near Rome, probably some time in October, 387. Her remains are at the church of **Saint Augustine, Rome.**



**St. Monica** was buried at Ostia, though her body was removed during the sixth century to a hidden crypt in the church of **St. Aureus.** About the thirteenth century, the cult of **St. Monica** began to spread and a feast in her honor was kept on May 4. In 1430 **Martin V** ordered the relics to be brought to

Rome. Many miracles occurred on the way, and the cultus of **St. Monica** was definitely established. Later the **Arc bishop of Rouen, Cardinal d'Estouteville,** built a church at Rome in honor of **St. Augustine** and deposited the relics of **St. Monica** in a chapel to the left of the high altar.

### Passion of Saint John the Baptist 8/29/22



The Church, having celebrated the earthly birthday of St. John the Baptist

on June 24, today honors the anniversary of his martyrdom. Besides our Lord and our Lady, St. John the Baptist is the only one whose birth and death are thus celebrated. He had the courage to blame Herod to his face for the scandal of his illegal union with his sister-in-law Herodias, whose husband was still alive. Herodias contrived to make Herod imprison him and beheaded the saint.

### Martyrdom of John the Baptist

In addition to the feast of the nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24), the Church,

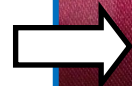
since the fourth century, commemorates the martyrdom of Christ's precursor. According to the *Roman Martyrology*, this day marks "the second finding of his most venerable head." The body of the saint was buried in Samaria. Only a small portion of his relics were able to be saved by monks and sent to St. Athanasius at Alexandria. The head of the saint is venerated at various places. That in the Church of St. Sylvester in Rome belongs to a martyr-priest John. Also in the Dominican church at Breslau the Baptist's head is honored. Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

Through his birth, preaching and baptizing, he bore witness to the coming birth, preaching and baptism of Christ, and by his own suffering he showed that Christ also would suffer.

He preached the freedom of heavenly peace, yet was thrown into irons by ungodly men. He was locked away in the darkness of prison, though he came bearing witness to the Light of life and deserved to be called a bright and shining lamp by that Light itself, which is Christ.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

This month we dedicate the reliquary article to **St. Dominic** who received the Rosary from Our Lady in the 1300s. St. Dominic's devotion is written about in St. Louis de Montfort's *The Secret of the Rosary*. Dominic founded the **Dominican Order** and they promoted the Rosary. In the 1470s Friar Alan de la Roche, O.P. established the first **Rosary Confraternity**. The Confraternities continued to spread under the direction of the Dominican friars, and eventually became an **apostolic privilege** reserved to the Dominican Order. There are many benefits to joining the Confraternity including your prayers united with other members. The sole obligation of membership in the Rosary Confraternity is the weekly recitation of the fifteen decades of the Holy Rosary. Join the Rosary Confraternity through <https://holyfamilysyr.org/rosary-society-form-sign-up> or through Epiphany Parish at St. Joseph the Worker, Terry Wellenzohn, 315-457-4630.





**Central New York Marian Center, Inc.**

**5180 West Taft Road**

**North Syracuse, NY 13212**

**Phone: (315)452-4698**

Non-Profit Org.

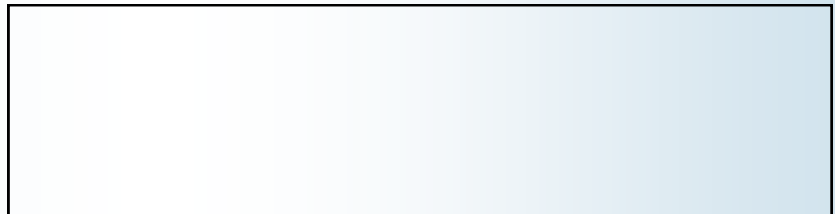
U.S. Postage

**PAID**

Syracuse, NY

13220

Permit No. 1817



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

In August, we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and her Queenship. Join us in the Rosary by TelePrayer Saturday 10:10AM weekly. Dial 516-597-9459. Call us at 315-452-4698 to confirm our Monday 7PM Rosary group is meeting in house or by TelePrayer. Join us live Monday and Friday, 10AM-Noon for study and rosary making.

**We ask for your prayers for the Marian Center:** *Holy Mary, "chosen to be the Mother of God and your mother";\* Jesus gave you to us at the Cross. We pray for your intercession that the mission given by God to the Central New York Marian Center will be fulfilled. May we, your children, give our Fiat for His Will to be done. Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us. Queen of Peace, Queen of Divine Mercy,\*\* pray for us. Amen. \*spoken by Our Lady in her February 2, 2020 message \*\*From 12/31/19 homily of Archbishop Luigi Pezzuti.*

For more information: [www.cnymariancenter.com](http://www.cnymariancenter.com); Call 315-452-4698; Email: [cnymariancenter@gmail.com](mailto:cnymariancenter@gmail.com); Facebook and YouTube: CNY Marian Center; Central New York Marian Center, 5180 West Taft Road, North Syracuse 13212

### **Important Notice to Our Readers**

Our lending library and DVDs are available to borrow. The Chapel is open for prayer during the doctor's office hours if no one is present in the Center. Over the last several years, through the efforts of Nelson Kirkpatrick and his wife, Alice, we learned to make rosaries. We are moving from cord rosaries to wire as well. There are currently about 15 rosary makers who work at home independently or gather in the Center on Friday 10AM-Noon to make rosaries. How to Pray the Rosary pamphlets are always available. Rosaries and chaplets recently went to a Ugandan orphanage, Joseph's House, St. Daniel's Sacred Heart Parish Mission. We feel blessed to offer Our Lady's "weapon" to those who want to grow closer to her son, Jesus. We appreciate your continuing support of our ministries.

**To Subscribe by email, please email us at [CNYMarianCenter@Gmail.com](mailto:CNYMarianCenter@Gmail.com), SUBJECT: Email Subscription**

August 2022 ed.