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Promoting The Gospel Through The Marian Messages

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

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

“Dear children! Pray that the Holy Spirit may enlighten you that you be joyful seekers of God and witnesses of love without bounds. I am with you, little children, and, anew, I am calling all of you: take courage and bear witness to the good works that God is doing in and through you. Be joyful in God. Do good to your neighbor so that it will be good for you on earth and pray for peace, which is threatened because Satan wants war and peacelessness. 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.

Do our hearts ring out with great love for the **Saints** and prayer for the **Poor Souls in Purgatory** as the month of November calls us to?

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 our great Saints in heaven and the souls in **Purgatory**.

All Saints Day November 1, 2022

During the year the Church celebrates one by one the feasts of the saints. Today she



joins them all in one festival, the feast of All Saints. In addition to those whose names she knows, she recalls in a magnificent vision all the others "of all nations and tribes

standing before the throne and in sight of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands, proclaiming Him who redeemed them in His Blood."

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)**. 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; **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 feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heav-

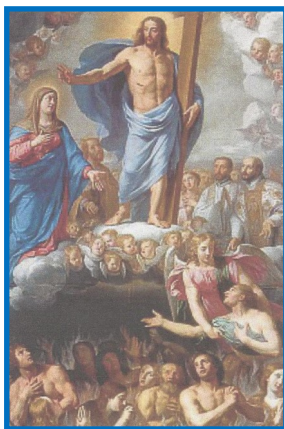
en are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. The Gospel of the Beatitudes, read today, while it shows their happiness, shows, too, the road that they followed; there is no other that will lead us whither they have gone.

All Souls Day November 2, 2022

The Holy Souls in **Purgatory** are incapable of helping themselves. They depend on the works of mercy by the living and the mercy of Jesus and Mary to shorten their time in purgatory. Their souls are very dear to God's Heart. He is most generous to those who offer every good act, suffering, prayers, or Holy Mass for these souls. In gratitude they intercede for us.

Since, about the 900's, the Church has dedicated the month of November as a month in which to pray for those who have gone before us, especially focusing on those souls who are in **Purgatory**.

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 heav-



en, 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."**

Purgatory is not as some think a "second chance" after death, but, rather, a process of purification for those who have died, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says in "God's grace and friendship, but are still imperfectly purified." (CCC 1030) It is, as the Baltimore Catechism calls it: **"God's Hospital."**

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.

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.

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9, 2022

Today the Church celebrates the feast of the Dedication of the **Lateran Basilica** in Rome, the oldest and highest ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome. The **Basilica of St. John Lateran** is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, the official ecclesiastical seat of the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, not St. Peter's Basilica as so many mistakenly believe. The Basilica is also called the Church of Holy Savior or the **Church of St. John Baptist**. In ancient Rome this was the church where everyone was baptized. It the oldest church in the West, built in the time of Constantine and was consecrated by Pope Sylvester in 324. This feast became a universal celebration in honor of the archbasilica, the ecclesiastical mother church, called **"the mother and mistress of all churches of Rome and the world"** (*omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput*), as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter. Initially the observance of

this feast was confined to the city of Rome; beginning in 1565, it was extended to all the Churches of the Roman rite. The honoring of this sacred edifice was a way of expressing love and veneration for the Roman Church, as **St. Ignatius of Antioch** says, **"presides in charity" over the whole Catholic communion** (*Letter to the Romans, 1:1*).

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 20, 2022



The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking

and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world". — Rt. Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

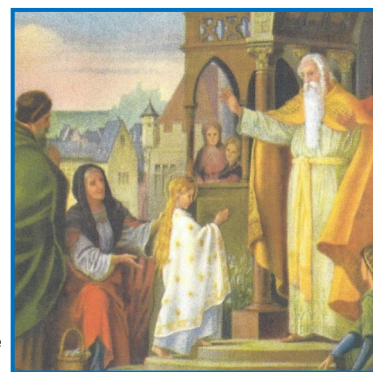
Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary November 21, 2022

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

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cation 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.

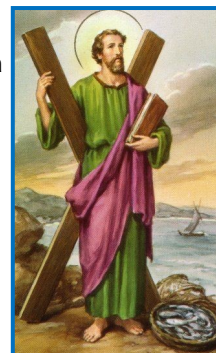
This devotion is testified by a tradition that comes from a century after her life. **The Presentation of Our Lady in the Temple** is



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.

Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle November 30, 2022

St. Andrew was a native of Bethsaida in Galilee, a fisherman by trade, and a former disciple of John the Baptist. He was the one who introduced his brother Peter to Jesus, saying, "We have found the Messiah." Overshadowed henceforth by his brother, Andrew nevertheless appears again in the Gospels as introducing souls to Christ. After Pentecost, Andrew took up the apostolate on a much wider scale, and is said to have been martyred at Patras in southern Greece on a cross which was in the form of an "X". This type of cross has long been known as "St. Andrew's cross."



Andrew, Peter's brother, and John were the first disciples to follow the Lord. With tender delicacy the Gospel (John 1:35-42) describes their first meeting with Jesus. Andrew did not belong to the inner circle of the apostles, Peter, James and John, and the evangelists narrate nothing extraordinary about him (John 6:8); but tradition (resting on apocryphal Acts) extols his great love of the Cross and of the Savior; and the Church distinguishes him both in the Mass (his name occurs in the Canon and in the Libera since the time of Pope St. Gregory I who had a special devotion to him) and in the Breviary.



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Dear Friends of the Marian Center:

In the last 31 years we have maintained a monthly newsletter that we have been sending free of charge to over 2,600 people who all seem to appreciate it very much. Our services in the community have increased, along with new programs and speakers, so have expenses. We have supported the cost of this endeavor with fund raising efforts and by the generous donations of the many individuals who have enjoyed receiving this excellent publication. You will note that we have recently improved the newsletter content and presentation format with excellent feedback from the recipients. We hope you like it!

Please consider becoming a subscriber to the newsletter and a supporter of the Marian Center with a donation. These donors are listed and prayed for in our Prayer Chapel:

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For those that are unfamiliar with the chapel, it is a warm, beautiful and quiet place of prayer. The main statue of the Blessed Mother is also accompanied by a number of beautiful statues and pictures of Our Lord and the saints. In the first year of the Marian Center this particular statue was brought to a home in Waterloo where Ivan (Medjugorje visionary) was to have an apparition of Our Lady. As the owner of the home had already set up a table and statue for the occasion, this Marian Center statue was set off to a place in the back of the room. Ivan and the group began in prayer before the homeowner's statue; **however, when the time came for Our Lady to appear, she appeared instead before the Marian Center statue in the back of the room.** Imagine the surprise of the group as Ivan began to walk on his knees toward this statue to greet our Blessed Mother! We feel truly blessed to have this statue in our chapel and our faith is constantly affirmed by the many blessings and conversions of heart that have come from the prayer that occurs here.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request and your anticipated generosity. Thank you to all who have already donated.

God Bless You,

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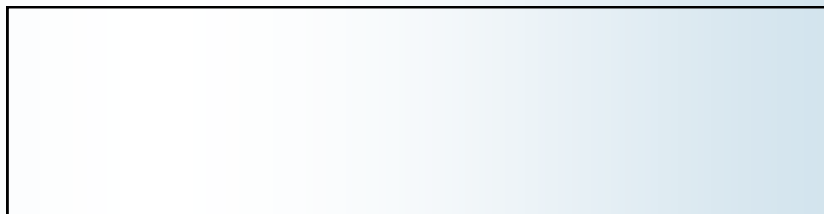
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We continue to make and provide rosaries to parishes, hospitals, nursing homes, small groups and individuals. Please keep our ministry in prayer.

Pray the Divine Mercy with Sharon Bubniak Monday through Friday at 3:00PM. Tuesdays at 4:00PM, Carol Puschaver leads us in St. Michael prayers and Chaplet. Just dial in to our TelePrayer number, 516-597-9459. The Intercessory Rosary group meets in-person at the Marian Center Mondays 7PM.

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.*

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Look forward to seeing you there!

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