

Medjugorje (continued)

During the war years, Medjugorje and the pilgrims were unscathed and peace reigned as Communism fell.

The Blessed Virgin Mary has continued to appear to six children, now adults, with personal and public messages. One of the early, most important messages included Our Lady's Five Stones. "I give you the weapon against your Goliath. Here are your little stones:"

1. Prayer with the heart: Rosary
2. Eucharist
3. Holy Bible
4. Fasting
5. Monthly Confession

Three of the six, **Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo**, **Ivanka Ivankovic-Elez**, and **Jakov Colo**, receive messages once a year on a day designated by Our Lady. Each of them have received the ten secrets. The other three visionaries, **Ivan Dragicevic**, **Vicka Ivankovic-Mijatovic**, and **Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti**, continue to receive a daily apparition. Marija receives the monthly message on the 25th for the world.



Pictured above: Statue of Our Lady on Apparition Hill, The Risen Christ statue with liquid weeping from the right leg, Our Lady of Grace statue holding the Pilgrim Rosary, St. James Church, the Blue Cross, Mt. Krizevac cross made by the parishioners to protect the harvests and commemorate 1900th anniversary of the death of Jesus Christ on a cross.

HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY

The rosary is divided into five groups of ten beads called *decades*. As we pray the rosary we meditate on the events of Our Lord's life and Passion, which are called *Mysteries*. The rosary, in essence, is a compendium of the Gospel and leads us, through the intercession of Our Lady, to contemplate Jesus Christ.

Begin by praying the Sign of the Cross.
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

1. On the crucifix pray the Apostles Creed.
2. Begin the rosary with 1 Our Father.
3. Pray three (3) Hail Marys for an increase in the virtues of faith, hope, and love, and follow with a Glory Be.
4. Next, you will begin to pray the Mysteries, or decades, of the Rosary.

It is suggested you focus on the mysteries according to the day of the week you are praying.

Joyful – Monday and Saturday
Glorious – Wednesday and Sunday
Sorrowful – Tuesday and Friday
Luminous – Thursday

4a. Announce the first mystery (Ex: "The first Joyful Mystery is the Annunciation.")

5. Pray one Our Father and follow with ten (10) Hail Mary's for each of the 10 beads in the decade. End the decade with one (1) Glory Be and conclude the decade with the Fatima Prayer.

O MY JESUS, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy. Amen.

6. Repeat until five decades are completed.
7. Pray the Hail Holy Queen and the concluding prayer.
HAIL HOLY QUEEN, mother of mercy; our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us. And after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen. V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.--

O GOD, WHOSE only-begotten Son by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that by meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Pilgrim Rosary

*Made of stones from
Apparition Hill
In Medjugorje*



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See a Rose...Pray the Rosary



Richard Bingold and the Pilgrim Rosary

Richard Bingold made the Pilgrim Rosary following a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in 1993. While on Apparition Hill (Mount Podbrdo) where Our Lady first appeared to six visionary children, he began to pick up stones. The first one was shaped like a human heart and had colors and lines running through it like veins. Richard told Fr. Albert Shamon, that he was going to make a rosary and he left Medjugorje with a suitcase full of stones. Richard put the stones in a closet and knew before he could return, he must complete the rosary. He began to work on it by drilling the stones and watching them crack and break. He remembered his father drilling metal under water and did the same with the stones. This was successful and he began to link the stones together. As he began to drill the first stone he picked up from Apparition Hill, the heart shaped stone, the aroma of roses flooded over him. He would stop and start again, not believing what was happening but each time the roses flooded over him. He added a cut out metal plaque with an image of Our Lady's face and sprayed it with 14 carat gold paint. Richard's wife, Monique, gave him twelve tiny stones from a piece of her jewelry and he adorned these over Our Lady's head to represent the twelve tribes of Israel.

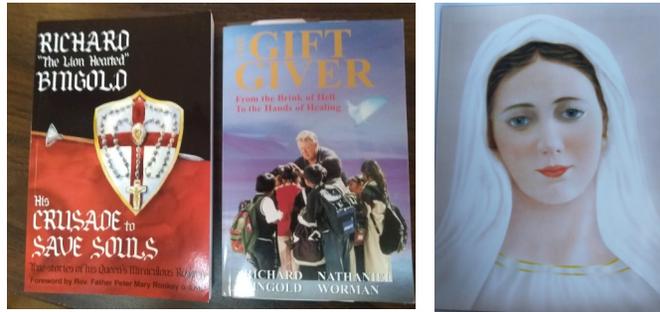
The crucifix was ground from a larger stone with the image of Our Lord cut from brass, polished and attached to it. This image was copied from a medal that belonged to his mother-in-law, which Monique now wore.

The crown of thorns and the nails in the hands and feet are thorns from Medjugorje. When the Rosary was completed, Richard returned to Medjugorje in 1994 where it was blessed by Father Jozo and presented to Our Lady by Vicka, one of the visionaries. Our Lady approved the Rosary to travel as a "Pilgrim" Rosary and Richard began his mission and ministry.

Richard passed away June 24th, 2019, the Feast of St. John the Baptist.

The items below are available for donation payable to Monique Bingold. Call 315-450-5402 to inquire.

- ✦ **Richard Bingold's Books—The Gift Giver (Richard's life and testimony)**
- ✦ **The Crusade to Save Souls—Stories of the Miraculous Pilgrim Rosary**



- ✦ **CD Testimony of Richard**
- ✦ **DVD Pilgrims By their Fruits you will Know Them**
- ✦ **8.5x11 Image of Our Lady**
- ✦ **4x6 photo Our Lady of Grace statue holding the Pilgrim Rosary**

Traveling with the Pilgrim Rosary is a postcard picture of the first Christmas Mass after the fall of Communism and a reliquary containing:

- ✦ *A Crucifix given to Richard by a priest friend, which contains a Relic of the True Cross*
- ✦ *A Second Class Relic piece of cloth that bound the hands of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos in death. He was a Redemptorist Priest from New Orleans.*
- ✦ *A Stone Relic from the Cave of Saint Michael, Monte Gargano, Italy*
- ✦ *First Class Relic of St. Pius X*



The Reliquary pictured below contains over 50 First, Second, and Third Class Relics of Saints. A picture of it touched to the original Reliquary travels with the Pilgrim Rosary. The center wheel contains relics of the apostles and St. Paul. There is a piece of the house of St. Ann, a piece of cloak of St. Joseph, Relics of familiar saints, Benedict, Augustine, Patrick, Veronica, Maria Goretti. A chart of the reliquary to locate saints and copies of documents accompany the Pilgrim Rosary.



Medjugorje

"If you knew how much I love you you'd cry of joy." Have you ever been there? Medjugorje is one of the most peaceful, peace-filled places you could visit. One of the main fruits of Medjugorje is conversion—of hearts, of minds, of souls.

Millions of pilgrims have visited there and left with a heart that has been forgiven and touched by the mercy of God.

Medjugorje is a small town in the former Yugoslavia which suffered under Communism at the time of the first apparition, June 24, 1981.

