

## Society of Saint Pius X

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### SAINT MARY'S NEWSLETTER



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My Dear Faithful,

**T**he month of October is traditionally dedicated by the Church to the Most Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a prayer pleasing to God very much. It is a continual and tender praise of God for what He performed in the soul of our Blessed Lady, the Virgin Mary. God made her full of grace but then she, by her own and deliberate cooperation, kept and developed this grace placed in her soul. This is an example for us which we need to contemplate and imitate every day as the model of what we too should do.

But more than an affectionate prayer towards our heavenly mother, which gives the honours due to her, the Rosary is a powerful means we must use in our daily life's struggles. To say the Rosary is the way chosen by God for imploring great graces and winning battles against the enemies of our souls. This is observable throughout History. The most famous example is, of course, that of the battle of Lepanto. On 7th October 1571, the victory of the Holy League prevented the Ottoman Empire from expanding further along the European side of the Mediterranean because of Christians who, under the order of Pope Saint Pius V, prayed the Rosary.



We are similarly in great dangers today, and it is Our Lady herself who is asking us to pray the Rosary every day so that we may obtain similar favours in a more or less near future. What Our Lady says is not just a

piece of pure advice for the better of mankind, but is rather an imperative request for the obtaining of peace in the world and in our souls. To seek after another means is a complete disregard of Our Lady's request.

Our Lady often demands in addition that we all do penance. It should be the case in theory, but in practice we have to admit that the simple recitation of our Rosary can take on a character of penance as we have the tendency to want to use our time for other things, which won't be as beneficial for our souls. The recitation of our Rosary with application can bring a penitential character too, but this is necessary in order to perfect our dispositions of heart. Indeed we must get rid of what we might call the spirit of the world, so that Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Peace, may take the whole place in our hearts. This is why the Ecumenical meetings at Assisi are so evil since they strive to obtain peace by challenging Our Lord with all the false divinities invoked all over the world. They don't pray to the King of Peace! They hope to establish peace by not praying the Trinitarian God, Creator of all man, to whom honour is due as such. We must make reparation for this public scandal which set people in a great illusion. Let us make amends by simply obeying Our Lady of the Rosary with generosity and confidence for the honour of the Blessed Trinity and for the good of our souls, of our families, and of our nations.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us!

Father Vianney Vandendaele +

## Apparitions of Our Lady in 1917: 3rd apparition

Location: Cova da Iria

Date: 13th July 1917

People present: 4,000 to 5,000 or 2,000 to 3,000

- "What do you want of me? I asked.

- I want you to come here on the 13th of next month, to continue to pray the Rosary every day in honour of Our Lady of the Rosary, in order to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war, because only she can help you.

- I would like to ask you to tell us who you are, and to work a miracle so that everybody will believe that you are appearing to us.

- Continue to come here every month. In October, I will tell you who I am and what I want, and I will perform a miracle for all to see and believe.

[- I have here a petition to make, that you convert a woman from Pedrógão and another one from Fátima, and cure a child from Moita.

She said that she would convert them, and restore the child's health, within a year.]

- Sacrifice yourselves for sinners, and say many times, especially whenever you make some sacrifice: O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

As Our Lady spoke these last words, she opened her hands once more, as she had done during the two previous months. The rays of light seemed to penetrate the earth, and we saw as it were a sea of fire. Plunged in this fire were demons and souls in human form, like transparent burning embers, all blackened or burnished bronze, floating about in the conflagration, now raised into the air by the flames that issued from within themselves together with great clouds of smoke now falling back on every side like sparks in huge fires, without weight or equilibrium, amid shrieks and groans of pain and despair, which horrified us and made us tremble with fear. (It must have been this sight which caused me to cry out, as people say they heard me). The demons could be distinguished by their terrifying and repellent likeness to frightful and unknown animals, black and transparent like burning coals. Terrified and as if to plead for succour, we looked up at Our Lady, who said to us, so kindly and so sadly:

- You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war is going to end; but if people do not cease offending God, a worse one will break out during the pontificate of Pius XI. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that he is about to punish the world for its crimes, by means of war, famine, and persecutions of the Church and of the Holy Father.



To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church. The good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, various nations will be annihilated. **In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph.** The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she will be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world. In Portugal, the dogma of the Faith will always be preserved.

{After the two parts which I have already explained, at the left of Our Lady and a little above, we saw an Angel with a flaming sword in his left hand; flashing, it gave out flames that looked as though they would set the world on fire; but they died out in contact with the splendour that Our Lady radiated towards him from her right hand: pointing to the earth with his right hand, the Angel cried out in a loud voice: 'Penance, Penance, Penance!'. And we saw in an immense light that is God: 'something similar to how people appear in a mirror when they pass in front of it' a Bishop dressed in white; 'we had the impression that it was the Holy

Father'. Other Bishops, Priests, men and women Religious going up a steep mountain, at the top of which there was a big Cross of rough-hewn trunks as of a cork-tree with the bark; before reaching there the Holy Father passed through a big city half in ruins and half trembling with halting step, afflicted with pain and sorrow, he prayed for the souls of the corpses he met on his way; having reached the top of the mountain, on his knees at the foot of the big Cross, he was killed by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows at him, and in the same way there died one after another the other Bishops, Priests, men and women Religious, and various lay people of different ranks and positions. Beneath the two arms of the Cross there were two Angels each with a crystal aspersorium in his hand, in which they gathered up the blood of the Martyrs and

with it sprinkled the souls that were making their way to God.}

Do not tell this to anybody. Francisco, yes, you may tell him. When you pray the Rosary, say after each mystery: "O my Jesus, forgive us, save us from the fire of hell. Lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who are most in need."

After this, there was a moment of silence, and then I asked:

- Is there anything more that you want of me?

- No, I do not want anything more of you today."

*Fatima in Lucia's own words, Fátima, p. 177-179 (IV Memoir); the section between square brackets appears in the parish priest's interrogation of July 14, 1917, Documentação Crítica de Fátima. I, pp. 13-15; the section in curly brackets is the famous third part of the secret of Fatima (Memórias da Irmã Lúcia, p. 213)*

## The Secret of Mary

### THE CARE AND GROWTH OF THE TREE OF LIFE, or, in other words, HOW BEST TO CAUSE MARY TO LIVE AND REIGNS IN OUR SOULS

Here is **the best way**, chosen soul, to **cultivate it**:

**71.** (1) This tree, once planted in a docile heart, requires fresh air and no human support. Being of heavenly origin, it must be uninfluenced by any creature, since a creature might hinder it from rising up towards God who created it. Hence you must not rely on your own endeavours or your natural talents or your personal standing or the guidance of men. You must resort to Mary, relying solely on her help.

**72.** (2) The person in whose soul this tree has taken root must, like a good gardener, watch over it and protect it. For this tree, having life and capable of producing the fruit of life, should be raised and tended with enduring care and attention of soul. A soul that desires to be holy will make this its chief aim and occupation.

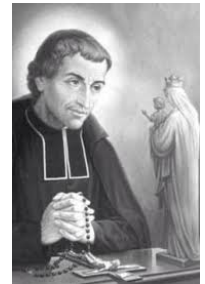
**73.** Whatever is likely to choke the tree or in the course of time prevent its yielding fruit, such as thorns and thistles, must be cut away and rooted out. This means that by self-denial and self-discipline you must sedulously cut short and even give up all empty pleasures and useless dealings with other creatures. In other words, you must crucify the flesh, keep a guard over the tongue, and mortify the bodily senses.

**74.** (3) You must guard against grubs doing harm to the tree. These parasites are love of self and love of comfort, and they eat away the green foliage of the Tree and frustrate the fair hope it offered of yielding good fruit; for love of self is incompatible with love of Mary.

**75.** (4) You must not allow this tree to be damaged by destructive animals, that is, by sins, for they may cause its death simply by their contact. They must not be allowed even to breathe upon the Tree, because their mere breath, that is, venial sins, which are most dangerous when we do not trouble ourselves about them.

**76.** (5) It is also necessary to water this Tree regularly with your Communion, Masses and other public and private prayers. Otherwise it will not continue bearing fruit.

**77.** (6) Yet you need not be alarmed when the winds blow and shake this tree, for it must happen that the storm-winds of temptation will threaten to bring it down, and snow and frost tend to smother it. By this we mean that this devotion to our Blessed Lady will surely be called into question and attacked. But as long as we continue steadfastly in tending it, we have nothing to fear.



## Notices

### All Saints Feast Day



- ♦ Manchester: 12.30pm;
- ♦ Preston: 7pm.

### All Souls Commemoration



- ♦ Manchester: 11am & 11.45am — 2nd and 3rd of the three Masses of the day;
- ♦ Preston: 7pm — Sung Requiem Mass (1st of the three Masses of the day).

### Additional Mass

Please note that there will be an extra Mass at **Bingley** on **Sunday 30th October 2016**.

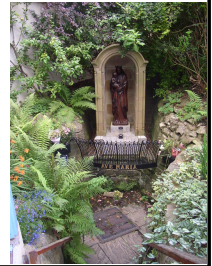
## Fernyhalgh Pilgrimage

**Saturday 8th October 2016**

- Departure from St. Mary's Church at 2.30pm.
- Walk along the lane to Ladyewell Shrine by reciting the Rosary followed by Prayers at the Well Chapel.
- Visit of the Reliquary at the Shrine House.

St. Mary's, Fernyhalgh & Ladyewell  
— The Shrine of Our Lady and the Martyrs —

Fernyhalgh Lane  
Fulwood  
Preston  
PR2 5RR



### Sunday Mass Schedule and Locations

<b>PRESTON: Our Lady of Victories' Church</b> East Cliff, off Winckley Square - PR1 3NA	Every Sunday: 9.30am
<b>MANCHESTER: Saint Pius X's Chapel</b> 16 Deerpark Road, off Alexandra Road South - M16 8FR	Every Sunday: 12.30pm
<b>LIVERPOOL: Saint Peter and Paul's Church</b> 35 Upper Parliament Street - L8 7LA	2nd & 4th Sunday of the month: 5pm
<b>RHOS-ON-SEA: Saint David's Chapel</b> Conwy Road (A547), Mochdre - LL28 5AA (North Wales)	1st Sunday of the month: 5pm
<b>BINGLEY: The Little House</b> Market Street - BD16 2HP	3rd Sunday of the month: 5pm

### Ordinary Weekday Masses at Preston

(This schedule is subject to change; please check beforehand on the **inside notice board** or <http://sspx.uk> — **Mass Times** — **this week**)

Monday: 9am  
Tuesday: —  
Wednesday: —  
Thursday: —  
1st Friday: 7pm  
1st Saturday: Holy Hour at 10.30am & Mass at 12.15pm