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# The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Father Director Karl Stehlin

29<sup>th</sup> of June 1988 — 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2018



## **Dear Reverend Father,**

On the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of your ordination, the Knights worldwide would like to offer you cordial greetings. We wish you the blessings of Christ the High Priest, every support and resource you need to provide constant help to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the protection of St. Maximilian.

May the Immaculate lead you, Father, on the apostolic path to gain the whole world for HER.

*Knights of the Immaculata*

# Dear Knights of the Immaculata!

What is the deepest mystery of Our Lady, the innermost treasure of her Immaculate Heart? Many would answer: the fullness of graces she has received! Other would say: her admirable vocation to be Mother of God, Mediatrix of all graces and Co-Redemptrix. Indeed, all these privileges exceed almost infinitely the vocations, merits and graces of all the Saints and Angels. However, they do not yet reach the peak of her greatness and majesty.

About this "treasure of all treasures" of the Immaculate Heart St. John Eudes writes: "Do you not know that not only is Jesus resting and dwelling continually in the Heart of Mary but that He is Himself the Heart of Mary?" This means that the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the very centre, the vivifying principle of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, "the life of her life, the Heart of her Heart".

Consequently the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary must necessary lead to an always deeper knowledge and devotion of the Heart of her divine son. Through the Heart of Mary souls penetrate into the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the veneration of Mary's love grows into adoration of the infinite love of Jesus. Saint John Eudes explains: "You must see and adore her Son in her and see and adore Him alone. It is thus that she wishes to be honoured, because of herself and by herself she is nothing, but her Son Jesus is everything in her, her being, her life, her sanctity, her glory, her power and her greatness." In short: Jesus is Mary's reason for being. Mary's reason for being is to give Jesus.

But there is another consequence highlighted by the great apostle of the Holy Hearts of Jesus and Mary, St. John Eudes: the Heart of Jesus teaches us how to love his Mother, he is the perfect model of the true devotion to the Immaculate Heart. If God wants to establish in

the world the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, he gives us himself the example: "As you must continue the virtues of Jesus and keep with you His sentiments, so also you must continue and maintain in your hearts the love, tenderness and devotion that Jesus cherished for His Blessed Mother. He loved her most perfectly and accorded her the very highest honour in choosing her to be His Mother, giving Himself to her as Her Most Beloved Son, taking from her a new being and life, becoming subject to her, following her guidance in outward things during His Childhood and hidden life, afterwards crowning her Queen of Heaven and earth, glorifying her and causing her to be glorified by the whole world."

Through Mary Jesus comes to us; through Mary we come to Jesus. The devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary fosters and deepens the knowledge and devotion to the Sacred Heart. The devotion to the Sacred Heart deepens and strengthens the devotion to Her Immaculate Heart. Each month we celebrate this incredible mystery on the first Fridays and Saturdays: through Mary we love Jesus, through Jesus we love Mary. The first Friday demonstrates the goal: the universal Reign of the Sacred Heart of Christ the King. The first Saturday shows us the means to reach the goal: the Reign and triumph of the Immaculate Heart.

"Almighty God, Who didst will the Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the sanctuary of the Divinity, the throne of every virtue and the treasure of all sanctity, grant, we beseech Thee, through the merits and prayers of this most Holy Heart, that we may unceasingly bear the likeness of her in our heart; so that, in imitation of her, by accomplishing all that is most pleasing to Thee, we may merit to become eternally conformed to Thy Heart. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

*Fr. Karl Stehlin*  
Singapore, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April 2018



# St. Maximilian about May — month of Mary

Every great feast of Our Lady brings us some gift from her; indeed the month of May brought us all an endless string of such gifts.



Devotees and lovers of the Immaculate Queen! To us, the whole month of May is her month, dedicated in a special way to her veneration.

How can we possibly show our love, then? Shall we confine ourselves to ardent feelings and loving words?

No, we shall not. It would be far too little.

She must be the Queen of every heart. To win over to her the hearts of all and each person individually: that is our task, especially in this her month.

How to do it?

First of all, entrusting every task we undertake to her, particularly when it comes to winning souls for her.

What else?

No chance should be wasted in engendering devotion and love toward her and in ensuring that as many souls as possible take part with us in the May service, either in church, or for those who live far away, before small shrines or before the sacred places along the roads.

And what else?

Some small mortification should be suffered for the following intention: that she may reign in the hearts of everyone, but especially of those whose conversion we are now undertaking.

And what else?

"Knight of the Immaculata" promotes veneration and love toward the Immaculata.

**Let everyone, therefore, endeavour with all his strength to attract, in this her month, as many readers as possible for her "Knight".**



This month of May is dedicated in a special way to the Immaculate Mother of God, to Mary, our spiritual Mother: all of nature renews itself during this month.



## Feast of Mary, Help of Christians



24<sup>th</sup>  
May

The devotion to Mary Help of Christians could have been forgotten had not the Spirit raised up St. John Bosco for the salvation of youth. As a young priest, Don Bosco had promoted the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Mary and to Our Lady of Sorrows, devotions which had been popular for centuries.

Read more: <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Prade241.php>

## The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary



31<sup>st</sup>  
May

Pope Pius XII by his Encyclical *Ad Caeli Reginam* established the Feast of the Queenship of Mary and ordered that it be celebrated throughout the world. The Pope commanded that on this day each year, the world should renew its consecration to her. If we would be certain of salvation we should have recourse, and always have recourse, to this most sweet Queen, the Queen of Mercy. Read more: <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Prade254.php>

## Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



8<sup>th</sup>  
June

During the Octave of Corpus Christi in June 1675 the great revelation was made to St. Margaret Mary that she was to be the chief instrument for instituting the Feast of the Sacred Heart (the Friday after the Octave of Corpus Christi) and for spreading devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the world.

Read more: <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Prade258.php>



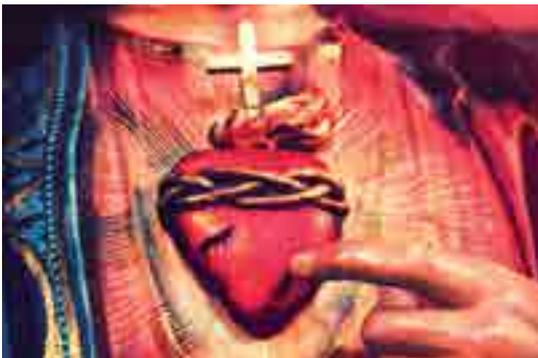
# Through the Immaculata to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**"Through the Immaculata to the Divine  
Heart of Jesus: that is our watchword"**

— so wrote St. Maximilian in 1938.

The very first chapel founded by St. Maximilian and the brothers in Niepokalanów was very modest. The altarpiece was set up on the wall. Above the Tabernacle with the Blessed Sacrament hung a framed printed picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and beneath it was placed a gypseous statue of the Immaculata. This arrangement of the main altar perfectly reflected the hierarchy of the faith and piety of St. Maximilian.

His plans for the future church in Niepokalanów contained a similar set up: "On the main altar, I envision a beautiful statue of the Immaculata with



her arms outstretched, serving as a backdrop to the monstrance for the perpetual exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. (...) Above the statue, in a window (in the wall), a beautiful depiction of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

The way to the Sacred Heart of Jesus led through an intimate love for the Immaculata. This is reflected in the following words of the Act of Consecration to the Immaculata, repeated after St. Maximilian by her Knights: "in your immaculate and merciful hands to serve thee, so as to increase as much as possible thy honour in so many tepid souls that have fallen away from the faith and thus to extend the Kingdom of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

Saint Maximilian gives us the following commentary on

the second part of the act of consecration:

"The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is the love of God for mankind. His Kingdom is the domain of this love in the hearts of men, the love that Jesus manifested in the manger, throughout His life, on the Cross, in the Eucharist, and in giving us His Own Mother as our Mother; and He wants to enkindle this love in the hearts of men. To infuse and to enhance the glory of the Immaculata, to conquer souls for her, means to win souls over to the Mother of Jesus, who introduces the Kingdom of Jesus to them."

Saint Maximilian stressed that the only motive for the existence and works of the Militia Immaculata was "to teach and to help souls, to win them over to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus through the Immaculata."



"The reason for our action is the love of the Heart of Jesus, namely the love of God, which is the essence of perfection and sanctification, to which we want to draw all of those who are and who will be, through the Immaculata, by her loving heart (as on the Miraculous Medal); because the name of Mary is closely linked to the cross of Jesus (as on the Miraculous Medal)."

Thus, the true goal of the life of the Knight of the Immaculata is to spread the blessed Kingdom of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, that is to 'en-graft' the reign of Jesus in human hearts and to enlarge the community of those united with Our Lord: "The only reason for the existence and the activity of the Militia Immaculatæ is love, a love without limits for the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, in order to offer up to Him as many souls as possible and to unite

them to Him as closely as possible."

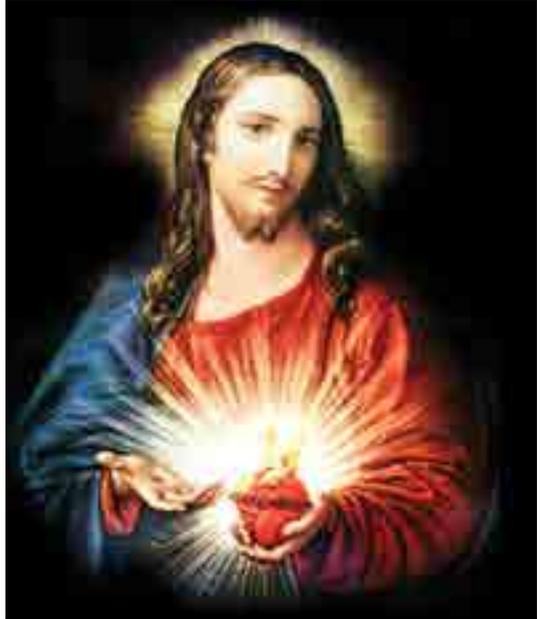
Saint Maximilian wrote in 1935: "Many wonderful things could be said about devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus — such as about aspiring to love the Immaculata with the Heart of Jesus, and so on. I would just like to mention that we cannot possibly settle for any ordinary type of love for the Heart of Jesus, but — in keeping with what is written on the M.I. enrolment card — we must aspire to the most perfect love, that is, to loving with the Heart of the Immaculata, and only with a love of that kind."



For Saint Maximilian, love and devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and love and devotion to the Immaculata, were not two different loves or devotions. The bond between Mary and Jesus was for him the

ideal of love. His desire for himself and for others, was to get as close to that ideal as it was possible. Most of all, he wanted to love Jesus in the same way as He was loved by His Heavenly Mother, to love Him with her Heart, and to love the Mother of God, as Jesus loved her — that is to love her with His Heart.

In 1925 St. Maximilian wrote: "The Divine Heart is like the heart of a good father. If a child is guilty of something, the father must punish him. Justice, or rather love for the child, calls for that, lest the child underestimate his own mistake. Nevertheless, the father would not really want to cause pain to his child, even though the child deserves it, and would like to find any legitimate way to inflict punishment. Forgiveness without an adequate reason would be tantamount to encouraging impudence in his guilty child.



Yet the father would want someone to intercede in favour of his child and thereby mete out justice as well as affectionate love.

The Divine Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, who are guilty, has found to this end a means most worthy of divine wisdom. He gives to us his own dear and beloved Mother as mother and protectress, the holiest creature among saints and angels, to whom nothing can be denied, because she is the wor-



thiest and the most beloved of all mothers.

In addition, He has given her a most magnanimous heart, so much so that she could never fail to spot even the smallest teardrop on earth or neglect to worry about the salvation and sanctification of every man.

There lies a bridge to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. She is

not concerned with whether or not he is worthy of mercy. She just is the Mother of mercy, so she rushes to assist, even if she is not invoked, wherever misery of souls is most severe. Indeed, the more a soul is disfigured by sin, the more divine mercy — which the Immaculata in fact embodies — manifests itself.

We therefore strive to give the Immaculata complete sway over every soul.

'Through Mary Immaculate to Jesus': that is our watchword, highlighted by Archbishop Msgr. Sapieha in the pastoral blessing he granted to the Militia, also published in the Polish certificate: 'With all our hearts we bless the members of the Militia of the Immaculata. Fighting under the banner of the Mother of God, may it help the Church bring the whole world to the feet of Jesus.'" **M**

## **The Militia Immaculatae renewed by Fr. Stehlin**

On the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ordination of Fr. Karl Stehlin, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of his appointed to the post of Director of the M.I., and of the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the restoration of the M.I. its original form, Knights have written a short history of the M.I. of the Traditional Observance.

Father Karl Stehlin was touched by St. Maximilian in his first year of the seminary, in 1981, when the leaders of the traditional Catholic Youth Movement in Germany issued a bulletin consecrated to the life and the apostolic work of St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Seminarians were fascinated to discover this Saint of our times.

In 1986 he was appointed to Africa. Inspired by the message of the apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima and the biography of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Fr. Loic Duverger founded in 1988 a movement for girls, the "Compagnie de l'Immaculee". The most marvelous fruit of the "CI" was the inner change of many young girls. Some of them brought their parents, brothers and sisters, to conversion.

But it was only in 1994, when Fr. Stehlin was appointed to begin the work of Catholic Tradition



*Ordination on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1988. Fr. Stehlin is third from left side*



*Fr. Stehlin with Archbishop Lefebvre in Africa*

in Poland, that he really discovered St. Maximilian Kolbe and the M.I. The reading of his letters and conferences in the maternal language enabled him to discover a universal genius, both contemplative and very active, a theologian of the deepest mysteries of Mary and a master of organization who used modern technical means and inventions to make Our Queen known and loved by millions of people.

When in 1998 Fr. Stehlin settled in Warsaw to open the first priory, it was obvious that he paid frequent visits to nearby Niepokalanów, the City of the Immaculata.

The M.I. had continued to flourish even after the martyrdom of its Founder because all its Knights had a common cause — the saving of souls for Jesus through Mary. The Second Vatican Council gave the enemies of the M.I. the opportunity they had been scheming for — to bring about the emasculation of this group of Militants whose very growth threatened their Masonic plans for the future of the Bride of Christ. They renamed it. They created new statutes for it. They changed its objectives. They grossly played down the role of its Chief — Mary Immaculate. There was nothing spiritual to be gained by remaining a member, and it rapidly crumbled.

Fr. Karl Stehlin took it upon himself to emulate the determination of its Founder, to follow his spirituality, to imitate his methods but with the communication facilities of today, and to revitalise the M.I. under its original statutes.

With the permission of the Superior General of the Society of St. Pius X, he restored the M.I. to

its original form, just as it was established and led by St. Maximilian himself.

In Warsaw (Poland) on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2000, Fr. Stehlin accepted first people into the ranks of the M.I. In 2016, bp Bernard Fellay, general superior of the Society of St. Pius X, appointed Fr. Karl Stehlin to the post of Director of the M.I.

By 2016 the M.I. had 15,000 Knights, and everyone knew that he was seeking a Membership of 100,000 worldwide by the end of the Fatima Centenary year. The target was reached and Fr. Stehlin is now in the process of visiting country after country to strengthen the M.I. even more.



*Fr. Stehlin in Niepokalanów, in front of statue of the Immaculata. This is original first statue which St. Maximilian has placed to Niepokalanów*

### **Dear Reverend Father**

We, Knights of the Immaculata, would like to thank you for your example, for your strength and determination to lead everybody to Jesus Christ, the one Savior, through His blessed Mother. We would like to thank you for all the love you have for HER and which you want to ignite everywhere you are sent: as a missionary to Africa, then to Eastern Europe and Asia as the Superior, and wherever you go as a Director of the M.I.: North and South America, Western Europe, Australia...

## First enrolment of the M.I. in Guatemala

The Chapel of Our Lady of the Assumption (Capilla Santa María de la Asunción) of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Pius X in Guatemala City held a gala ceremony on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February, on the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady and the Presentation of the Jesus in the Temple. On this occasion, the first admission in Guatemala of Knights of the Immaculata took place. In this ceremony, led by Fr. José Carlos Ramírez, 45 new knights consecrated themselves to the Immaculata in front of the open Tabernacle.

On the same day, another group of 23 new Knights consecrated themselves to the Im-

maculata in the SSPX mission in the Department of Quetzaltenango in the interior of the country.

Subsequently, on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February, on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, led by Father Superior, 7 new knights entered the M.I. in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Assumption. God willing, in coming months, more people will prepare themselves in the hope that, little by little, our whole parish will be consecrated to Our Most Blessed Virgin Mary. We place all our faith in her and, if we are faithful to the grace of God, her reign will be expanded; or, rather, her reign will be reinstated in Guatemala, which has been infected



*First enrolment into M.I. in Guatemala City*



*Second enrolment into M.I. in chapel of Our Lady of the Assumption*

by the Protestantism financed by rich countries. Guatemala was, is, and will be Marian Catholic: we have many feasts of the Most Blessed Virgin, our city is dedicated to the advocating of Our Lady of the Assumption, and the whole country is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary; she will overco-

me! We are grateful for the visit of Fr. Karl Stehlin to our country in December, during which he was able to acquaint us with the Militia Immaculatæ. It brought a new spirit to the fraternity, and on the commendation of our Superior General, we received it with great joy and love.

*All for her, all with her, all in her and all for the Immaculate Conception*



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### **First enrolment into the M.I. in Mukwonago (U.S.)**

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of February, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Pius V Church of Mukwonago enrolled 99 new Knights of the Immaculatæ to the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (M.I. 1). Despite a raging snow-storm, these fervent parishioners refused to let the inclement weather prevent their coming to the Church on this special day.

The preparation for the enrolment was begun years ago with all the previous SSPX pastors who encouraged a strong devotion to Our Lady. The combination of an awareness of the critical state of the world, and knowledge of the apparitions of Our Lady at Lourdes, La Salette and Fatima,

has encouraged parishioners to have praying of the Rosary and continual imploring for her help and protection rooted in their spiritual life. In addition, most of the parishioners previously made the total Consecration to Our Lady according to the method of St. Louis de Montfort, and annually renew their consecration on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Sunday's enrolment into the Milita Immaculatæ was merely the next step for parishioners to build upon their devotional past and to express their love for her more deeply.

In addition to the traditional M.I. Corner in the St. Pius V





Church bookstore, there is also an M.I. station for the propagation of the Faith under the patronage of the Immaculata. Zealous parishioners have provided the means for pamphlets, booklets, parish "business cards," and Miraculous Medals to be distributed free of charge according to the M.I. Statutes; *"to use all valid and legitimate means for the conversion and sanctification of men...as occasions present themselves."* In the future, Father Trummer also hopes to set up this same station as a booth in local market festivals throughout the year *"to work for the conversion to God of all men... through the mediation of the Immaculate."*

On this special occasion Father preached about The Communion of Saints and the continual cry of

Our Lady to pray and sacrifice for poor sinners. He established a parish theme for Lent; *"labouring for the sanctification of others; ourselves sanctified,"* which refers to not thinking of oneself during Lent, but only thinking of our neighbour who needs graces merited for him. *"If we live in the state of grace and offer up all our mortifications, penances, prayers, sacrifices, and good works this Lent with a burning desire for the salvation of others, then it will automatically result in our own growth of holiness.... our sacrificial efforts will clear the way for the anti-biotic, the Immaculata, to restore the Mystical Body back to health one cell at a time."*

Another enrolment ceremony will take place in a few months for all those unable to be enrolled on this day.

## M.I. Enrolments at St. Anne's in Livonia

On the anniversary of the Apparitions at Lourdes, the 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2018, 57 new Knights were enrolled in the Militia Immaculatae (M.I.). Taking place at St. Anne's Church in Livonia, the mission chapel of the Detroit area, it was the first public enrolment to happen here.

The enrolment ceremony took place after each Sunday Mass. During the sermon at the Masses, Fr. Kimball compared Juan Diego, the one who saw Our Lady at Guadalupe, to the Knight of the Immaculata. Juan Diego is said to have stayed near the site of the apparition his whole life, telling the story of the apparitions over and over again to the curious

Indians who came in a constant stream to learn about the "Little Mother" who had appeared to them. The dedication of this poor, simple Indian was a great factor in the millions of pagan Indians who converted in the years following the apparitions. Just so must the Knight work. Without needing a great amount of skill or learning, but merely by living a life consecrated to the Immaculata, one person can do wonders for God in her hands.

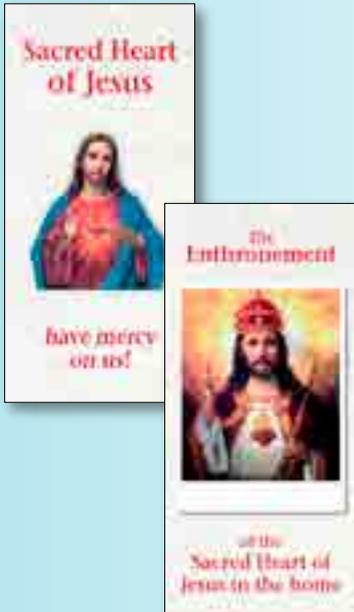
During the ceremony, Father explained how everything changes when we consecrate ourselves to her. The past, and the discouragement it may cause us — whether it's because of past



misfortunes or the sins we have committed — need discourage us no longer, since it is all hers. The present, with its challenges, its responsibilities, and its burdens, need weigh down on us no longer, since it is all hers. The future, with its worries because of our weakness, the uncertainty that comes because of our fear of failing, need bring anxiety no longer, since it is all hers. If the gift of ourselves is complete, she carries all in her hands, and gives whatever strength is needed to bear the burdens of life.



Let us pray that the new members of the M.I. — and all of us — remain faithful to our Mother, the Virgin most Faithful!



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## Visit of the Father Director in France and 220 new Knights

From the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2018, Fr. Stehlin, Director of the M.I. visited France. He gave a few conferences and enrolled 220 Knights into the M.I.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February, Father visited the chapel of the Prieuré Saint-Vincent-de-Paul in Bailly. He gave conference to the students of Saint-Bernard's school. He explained to them what the M.I. is and how it works; as a result, students were able to become involved. The majority thus put themselves at the service of the Immaculate with enthusiasm!

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February, the faithful attended a conference on the apostolate of the M.I. in Asia, with a magnificent slide show. The room was packed. The



pilgrimage of the statue of the Blessed Virgin to the Philippines left its mark on spirits and hearts.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of February, Fr. Stehlin preached on the M.I. at all the Masses at the Chapelle de Notre-Dame-de-l'Espérance in Versailles. He gave a lecture on the same subject to the faithful of Bailly in the afternoon, with a ceremony of commitments at the end. The chapel was full. The Blessed Virgin received many of our faithful into her troops. After this quick but fruitful passage in our house, Fr. Stehlin left by plane just after the conference.

It was a weekend filled with grace and fervour. Thanks to the immaculate! The organization of the M.I. in our chapels is in progress to maintain this; the faithful push us there...

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of February, invited by Father Graff, prior of Bordeaux, for the presentation and launch of the Militia Immaculatæ, Fr. Stehlin gave his first lecture in Saintes, as soon as he got off the plane, before an audience of about forty people. The faithful present were thus able to make their commitment to this new "Order".

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of February, it was the turn of Saint Macaire to welcome Fr. Stehlin. The faithful present, attentive to the information given by the Director of the M.I., were also able to pronounce their commitment to the Militia of the Immaculate. And in the afternoon, a third lecture was given at the Priory of Bruges. The retreatants were thus able to support the action in honour of the Virgin Mary by signing their commitment to the Militia of the Immaculate.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of February, Fr. Stehlin preached during three Masses at Notre-Dame-du-Bon-Conseil chapel, insisting on the commitment of each of the faithful in this beautiful work dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Father Stehlin's last lecture, which preceded the evening Mass, focused on the apostolate of the M.I. in Asia and the World, especially in the Philippines.

In total, more than 220 Knights have committed themselves with joy and generosity to the service of the Immaculate! May they be faithful to their apostolic commitment!



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## M.I. Banner on Gateshead and new Knights in GB

The faithful of the SSPX Chapel (The Holy Name of Jesus) in Gateshead (Great Britain) now have a beautiful banner to draw their attention to their M.I. Corner and to remind them of the Immaculata and her great part in their lives, now and in times gone by. It was suggested by one of the Knights and painstakingly constructed by Eugene who also provided financial support.

It represents a compelling incentive to affirm the Immaculata as Our Queen and to consecrate our lives to saving souls through her for Our Lord.

In the District of Great Britain 13 new Knights were enrolled by Fr. Alphonsus Krutsinger at Our Lady of Victories at Preston. Also 4 new Knights at the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus at Gates-



head, 8 new knights at St. Nicholas on Jersey, 3 new Knights at St. George's at Wimbledon and 1 new Knight at St. Joseph and St Padarn parish in London were enrolled by Fr. Robert Brucciani.

## New Knights in Poland

We are pleased to announce that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March, Father Łukasz Szydlowski enrolled 6 persons into the Militia Immaculatae in the FSSPX Chapel in Chorzów (Poland). There was a mother with her three children among them.



## **New Knights and new M.I. Corner in the Philippines**

In Manila (Philippines) on the 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2018, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Father Carlo Saa enrolled 16 new Knights into the Militia Immaculatæ.

We would like to inform everyone that the Knights made a beautiful M.I. Corner in the chapel in Butuan City (on the island of Mindanao). Congratulations to the zealous Knights in Butuan City! We pray for the new Knights and the Militia Immaculatæ in the Philippines. Let the zealous Knights spread the spirit of St. Maximilian and the Militia Immaculatæ.



## **Knights honoured the relics of St. Anthony of Padua**

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of March Knights from Chennai (India), visited St. Sebastian's Church in Madhavaram to venerate the relics of St. Anthony of Padua, A piece of his flesh and rib bone having been brought from Padua for public veneration.

It should be noted that we were the only external group that was allowed to lead the prayers for an hour, no other parish or group was

allowed. We sang hymns, recited the Rosary and chanted the Litany of St. Anthony and Our Blessed Mother, all in Latin. Many who had come to venerate sat through the entire hour of prayer.

It was only fitting then that we honoured with Tradition the Hammer of Heretics.

A special word of thanks to Mr. John Bosco who organised this for us.

## 110 new Knights in Australia

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2018 (Friday) St. Thomas Aquinas College was blessed with a visit from Father Karl Stehlin, Director of the M.I. Father Stehlin spent the day giving a Recollection Day for the High School students.

We publish a report of one of students: "Father began the day with a conference based around the miraculous medal. To help inform us of the medals significance and power, he used stories of some of the saints. Father told us how Maximillian Kolbe requested that all of the Militia should wear the medal because he knew this was what Our Lady wanted. The second half of his first conference was about how we, the Militia, are Our Lady's instruments to give her grace to others. He

made it clear to us that when we leave school and go into the world we will gain friends who will not believe in or even know about Our Lady let alone the Catholic Church. We need to give them the miraculous medal; they will either take it out of friendship or just ignore it. In these cases, as we are Our Lady's instruments we need to ask her to let her graces go through to the other person. We all have a big fight which goes on within our hearts and with Our Lady's presence (the medal) she helps make us strong against evil.

Before Father started his second conference we said the rosary and had a short break, all the while keeping the silence. In Fr's second conference he made it clear to us what our role is to Our Lady. She only asks two things from us: 1. that we pray and 2. That we make sacrifices. This is how we help Our Lady. The more we follow these two requests, the more we want to obey her and do things for her, the more we will begin to find happiness. He spoke about no matter how small the prayer is it means so much to Our Lady. Even if it is just once per



day it helps so much, and he used St. John Bosco and St. Therese of the child Jesus as examples. He ended this conference by talking about sacrifice. He reminded us just how much Mary and all the saints suffered so much and how we should strive to take all our sufferings and pains and make them a sacrifice for Our Lady, just as she has asked us, and to accomplish this we have to practise. We said another rosary in honour of Our Lady and prepared for the sung Mass.

Lunch followed straight after Mass. Some of the people struggled to keep the silence during it especially when their friends were nearby, but I really enjoyed being able to sit down and contemplate everything Father had said. After you had finished eating you were able to go back into the church and spend time with God, it was a really good opportunity to be able to talk with Him alone. Once the sisters had gotten everyone back in the church, Fr. Stephens led us in the Stations of the Cross which always bring back to my mind just how much Our Lord suffered for us. The High School boys came back into the church and Fr. Stehlin began the renewal



of the militia vows and enrolled those who were not members. He gave us the final blessing before finishing the recollection. It was really good to be able to have a day where I didn't have to worry about study or homework and just be with Our Lady and Our Lord all day. I thank Fr. Stehlin very much and hope we can do it again in the future."

On Saturday Father gave conferences which the faithful were able to attend and on Sunday Father gave the sermon at Corpus Christi Church for Passion Sunday.

Father enrolled more than 110 new knights from Tynong.

### **Visit to Holy Cross Seminary**

On the feast of St. Joseph, Fr. Stehlin arrived at Holy Cross Seminary. The primary purpose of his visit was met in his capacity as

District Superior of Asia. While at Holy Cross, he was able to speak individually to the Asian seminarians and also observe the spirit of the house in which they are being formed.

But Fr. Stehlin also took advantage of his stay at Holy Cross to speak to the seminarians in his capacity as Director of the M.I. about the spirit and the work of the M.I. Almost all of the seminarians are Knights and it is important for them to understand the powerful means of apostolate that are available through the M.I.

To that end, Fr. Stehlin gave the seminarians two conferences. In the first conference, he spoke about the concrete work that has been done in various countries, especially the Philippines. In the second, he spoke about the consecration that a Knight of the M.I. makes and how the spirit of this consecration sanctifies souls: it helps them live in dependence on Our Lord and Our Lady, and it helps them see themselves as instruments whom Our Lord and Our Lady want to use in order to bring about the triumph of the Immaculate Heart.

Through these powerful conferences, the zeal of the seminarians



*Recollection day in Brisbane*

for souls was enkindled and their enthusiasm for devotion to Our Lady was increased. May they one day be ordained as priests, so that they may go out into the world as ardent apostles of Jesus and Mary!

After, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March, Father Director visited Brisbane and in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish he held a Recollection Day. There were between 80–100 parishioners who attended 3 conferences and the Way of the Cross.

Conferences are available on the M.I. Channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRsF4L-1CnB\\_YbHtIz0kteYw?disable\\_polymer=true](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRsF4L-1CnB_YbHtIz0kteYw?disable_polymer=true)

**The Militia Immaculatæ** is an army of Knights of Mary Immaculate which works for the conversion of all men to God, whether they be Protestants, or Jews, or Muslims, & in particular the Freemasons, and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

The Militia Immaculatæ was founded by St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October 1917. Since 1937 Militia Immaculatæ is also called the Knights of the Immaculata.



## **Original Statutes of the Militia Immaculatæ (by St. Maximilian)**

*"She will crush your head."* (Genesis 3:15)

*"Thou alone hast vanquished all heresies throughout the world."*

(from the Roman Breviary)

### **I. Goal of Membership:**

To work for the conversion to God of all men, be they sinners, heretics, schismatics, Jews, etc., in particular the Freemasons; and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

### **II. Conditions of Membership:**

1. To consecrate oneself entirely to the Immaculate Virgin, placing oneself freely as a docile and generous instrument in her hands.
2. To wear the Miraculous Medal.

### **III. Duties of Membership:**

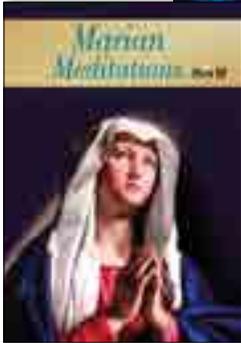
1. If possible, to pray the following ejaculatory prayer at least once a day: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee, and for all those who do not have recourse to thee, especially for the Freemasons and for those who are commended to thy care."

2. To use all other valid and legitimate means for the conversion and sanctification of men, according to one's means, in the different states and conditions of life, as the occasions present themselves; this is entrusted to the zeal and prudence of each one. Particularly recommended, however, is spreading the Miraculous Medal.

N.B. These means are recommended only as suggestions and not as an obligation; not one of them obliges under pain of sin, not even venial sin. Our principal motive is to help the greatest possible number of souls to be united with the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the mediation of the Immaculata.

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