



"...The more you die to self, the more you will understand and see..."

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Editorial

The Messages

We sent our Newsletter out early last month as we wanted to get it to you before Easter. A very beautiful Message was given by Jesus on Friday 31 March in which He asked us to spend Holy Week with Him. That Message has not ended, Jesus always wants us to spend time with Him and always walk with Him on this Journey through life.

He continues to call us in the subsequent Messages to die to our sin and self, to look in Truth at our own lives and see if we really do follow Him or simply pay lip service to Him.

Jesus also tells us that the time is upon us and so few have prepared. He speaks again about the needs of His Houses of Prayer and asks us for our continued help in these.

Pro-Life

We have begun this month to include up-to-date information from an active Pro-Life group on the work that they do. We hope to have new information on this every month. The article is called 'What happens at an abortion clinic.' Sometimes this work is very rewarding and at other times it can be heartbreaking but it is always necessary. The work is made much more difficult now by the buffer zones that were recently introduced around abortion clinics.

However, difficult does not mean impossible as you will see from the articles.

Other articles

The articles in the Newsletter this month centre around dying to self because Jesus speaks so much about it. There can be no Journey to God without the death of self.

Saint Michaels

There is no article from Saint Michael's House this month as our Houses of Prayer article is about how this House started and the work needed done.



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The Messages of Love

as given to the two Patricks

Friday 31 March 2023

My children, as you begin to enter the week leading up to My Passion, I ask of you to spend a few moments of your time, each day, thinking of Me. As a friend or a loved one enters your thoughts if they are ill or dying. Come away from the noise and the bustle of life and give Me your moments. Find a place to be with Me, a lonely place, as I sought to be with My Father.

Think of Me! Think of what I am building up to in this week. Read My Scripture and know the events that happened and are still happening in many ways. Say often the little prayer I gave you... "My Jesus... My Jesus... My Jesus..." Then, I will be at your side in an instant, knowing that you love Me and wish to share a little time with Me in this Time of My Passion. Oh! That you would remember Me!

Oh! That the Fire of My Holy Spirit were already burning bright within you!

Oh! That Love, My Love, were already animating in you!

I have seen you; I have always seen you as I saw Nathaniel under the fig tree and I say to you as I said to him:

50 ... "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these."

51 And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

John 1:50-51

I ask little things from you in this time: find time for Me. Come away from the world; find a place where only you and I are. My Passion comes quickly and I have need of your company.

Saturday 1 April 2023

Look only to the Truth and do not accept lies as Truth. Never try to justify lies as being Truth for so many in this time walk the path to hell in this way, they blind themselves into thinking they are followers of Mine.

I have told you, clean water and dirty water cannot run from the



same pipe; there are no grey areas, there is only Truth and lies. Look and see what I say and believe. I Love you.

Monday 3 April 2023

I have given much to this world and, again, I give it a Gift that will be seen as My Power begins to flow back into this world. Trust Me, children, I begin to reclaim what has been stolen through lies. I will show this world the Truth of My Words as the Power of My Love flows back into this world of unlove.

Trust Me, children, it is time for this world to know the Truth that, that has been hidden through lies and unlove. I am with you, My children. See, the Gift of Love is among you. Every Word that I utter is My Love, My Truth for My people.

Trust Me.
I Love you.

Tuesday 4 April 2023

Believe in Me and walk this Path of Truth I set before you. Do not be afraid, children of Mine, for I will be with you every step of the way. This Path is a hard path for you have to turn your back on the desires of self so, it is a fight to overcome self but, children, the

rewards are unfathomable; not with your earthly mind could you ever imagine the reward that awaits all those who enter the Gates of Heaven.

Trust Me and come walk with Me.
Trust Me.

I Love you.

Holy Thursday 6 April 2023

My children, you call this Night Holy and so it is. On this Night, I gave you all of Me but it was only the beginning. Much more was to come.

Walk with Me in this Night and in your lives. I do not ask that you walk with bloodied feet, cut with the whips but, I ask you to walk nonetheless. Walk through your own lives and see, this Night, how you serve Me. Is your service only lip service, is there nothing real, for Me? Is the world the one to whom you pay your debts and not to Me?

I know the answer, children, I know you.

On this Night, I saw you. On this Night when I saw you, I did not hesitate to drink the Cup nor, would I again. I would drink it a thousand times. Not, My children, for your convenience, no, for your Salvation.

I asked of you to walk with Me through this week and few of you heard Me, few listened. Some did and I thank you.

Come to the depths of you where I am. Come and be with Me. Are there not many hours in the day? Could you not find one hour for Me?

Oh children, if you stayed awake

to Me for one hour and slept to the world, you would find Me. You would know Me, you would share My Passion with Me this Night because you would know Me. You would think of nothing else.

Many things are to happen in this world and many are happening already. Your blindness to them causes you to stumble into them. Indeed, you wish to hear more about them than you do about Me. Come they must and they will pass and I, only I, will be left. Will you know Me and what I have wrought for you when that time comes? Will you understand?

As you read My Scripture, find Me in your heart for I am Humble and Meek.

Holy Thursday 6 April 2023

My children, it is the Will of your God that you all enter the Gates of Heaven but, I will not force anyone to believe and so it is in mankind's own free will for all live their lives and make their own decisions.

But, in this time, a few make laws that are taking the free will of man away and all are being forced to believe that sin is Truth. Yes, this has happened through the centuries but only to a few, now, the greatest majority of this earth are being forced to believe that sin is Truth. This I must rectify so all are given a chance to believe in the Truth.

It is time, children, for Me to show this world that I am not a dead God.

Trust Me and prepare.

I Love you.

Friday 7 April 2023 Good Friday

My children, I am with you, believe, for the more you believe, the more you will see and understand the meaning of My Words. Remember, all works in accordance with your free will, the more faith you have, the more I can work through you. My Disciples saw Me work many miracles so, when I sent them out, they had faith in Me and were able to work many miracles according to their faith.

Trust Me, children, I do not ask the impossible of you for the Path I put before you in these Words only leads to faith and so Me being able to work through you. You will become My Hands, My Tongue and My Feet. You will become a soldier of Love if you walk this Path of Truth.

Trust Me and overcome self and the World of your God will open before you.

Trust Me. I Love you.

Saturday 8 April 2023

My children, I am Coming. Read the signs of your times. Look, children, at your days: if time had



not been shortened, not even My remnant would survive. I have fulfilled My Words. Look, see and understand that I am close and that I come to save My remnant; be ready, children of Mine. The days are numbered and so few have prepared.

Trust Me and see My Coming is imminent. Believe: I have given you the means to overcome self. Trust Me and repent of your sin.

Trust.

I Love you.

I Come.

Monday 10 April 2023

My children, I, your God, am with you. This you will know as this Time of Justice passes. My remnant, you shall understand the meaning of My Words and the events that take place by your dying to self. The more you die to self, the more you will understand and see.

Trust and believe in Me and be obedient to My Words, My Laws and you shall see the Glory of your God.

Trust Me.

I Love you.

Tuesday 11 April 2023

My children, I am Coming. Read the signs of your times and begin now to prepare. I am Coming and only those who have Love in their hearts will see this time through. My Angels will cleanse all evil from this earth and I shall renew all life and mankind will know Peace, once again.

Believe, children, and prepare

while there is still a little time left. Already, it is too late for so many for they have hardened their hearts to the Truth and no longer want to see or hear Truth.

Come, you who still have eyes to see and ears to hear. Your God is asking you to prepare for already the danger is among you. Believe, children, and listen to My Words of Truth.

Trust Me.

I Love you.

Thursday 13 April 2023

Come to Me, children of Mine, and do not listen to the lies of this world. I have come in these Words to Warn the children of this world of the danger they are in. I have hidden these Words until the right time so that lucifer could not destroy them in his web of lies for these he cannot see but, now, children it is time.

I will ignite My Houses and this world will see My Words and all will be given a time to change and repent of their sin. Those that listen will be My remnant and shall see the Glory of their God. All who refuse to listen will be swept away in the fire of their own making for the wages of unrepented sin is death eternal.

Prepare, children, for all is about to ignite and so many are not ready.

Trust Me and prepare, now.

I Love you.

Friday 14 April 2023

Believe, children of Mine, for it is near time for all that you know and

understand to change. I mean to show the scientists of this world how little they really understand about My Creation. They see all as being matter; I will show them all is Spirit and can only be understood through Me.

Prepare, children. Stay close to Me and I shall guide you through this time of death that science has created through their greed and their blindness.

Prepare, children.

I Love you.

Sunday 16 April 2023 **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Believe, children of Mine, and walk in the Truth of your God. I have spoken many Words and now is the time when My Words shall all be fulfilled. Trust in Me, children, for I am the only One who can guide you safely through this time.

Trust in Me, your God, and you will see the change when Creation is forced into the defence of the Truth. I have told you that science, nor any man, can fully understand the Creation of your God but I will show all how wrong they have been in their beliefs. I will throw this world into turmoil as I reveal the Truth and begin to reclaim what has been stolen through the lies of greedy men, those are they who have given themselves over to lucifer through their sinful lives.

Now is the time to prepare, children, for you are almost out of time. Listen to My Words now. Trust Me, the Way of your God is the only safe way.

Trust.

I Love you.

Monday 17 April 2023

My children, I am with you. I hear your calls. I have not deserted you. I will never leave you. Simply believe and your life will change for the better and you will find Peace and you will begin to understand as you overcome self.

The key to understanding Me, your God, is dying to self; the more you deny self, the quicker you will walk the Path I set before you. Believe, children, and come walk with Me. Believe.

I Love you.

Monday 17 April 2023

Still, I call, children, for your help with My Houses for, very soon, these you will need. Soon, all will change, and My Houses will shine like great beacons and will call My remnant to safe refuge. Continue with the work and believe, children, it is near.

Believe.

I Love you.

Tuesday 18 April 2023

My children, in these Words I set the Path out for you that I have already set for you in My Gospels but, so few read or take on My Words in Truth. So, I am forced to give Words like this all over this world both through My Mother and My Prophets.

I have asked for many Houses of Prayer both through My Mother and through My Prophets. There are no greater or lesser Messages

or Prophecies: all the Words I give around this earth are equally as important, simply believe.

If you have a problem with any Messenger then simply ignore them and their Messages. Do not become involved with judgement and gossip for these only cloud your path. I have given so many Words to help My children find their way back to My Scriptures, My Truth.

Do not complicate the Path by looking for true and false prophets. I have told you, My own shall recognise My Voice. Trust in Me and die to self and all shall be revealed.

Trust Me.

I Love you.

Thursday 20 April 2023

My little ones, I am calling you to use your free will to fight the desires of self, as the call of this world grows ever louder. So much sin has been given to lucifer that he has the strength to cloud the hearts of so many with his calls, his lies.

Come, children of Mine, and listen to Me and fight the desires of this world that he inspires you with. Come, children, and listen. I have told you it is time and soon, you will see and the joy of knowing I am among you will be seen and felt by you, My remnant.

Trust Me and prepare, children of Mine.

Trust.

I Love you.

Friday 21 April 2023

Trust and believe. It is time for Me to show this world how they have gone against their God. You have grieved Me with your free acceptance of evil into your lives. I will put a stop to your barbaric ways. I will not stand back any longer as you murder the innocent and promote your sin as Truth.

You have blinded many but many will return when they see how they have been deceived by the rich and powerful of this world. Your days are numbered, and your stain will be wiped clean from this earth if you do not repent.

Trust Me, My remnant, I, your God, am about to free you from the chains of silence that you have been bound with for many years. I will give My people a voice and the liars, the deceivers, will come tumbling from their pedestals of power.

Trust Me, children.

I Love you.

Prepare.

Saturday 22 April 2023

Fight for My Truth within your lives. Do not give in to the desires of self and so sin. Fight, children, and do not fear to walk the Path of Truth for, when you walk it, you walk with Me. Trust Me and believe in My Words.

Come walk with Me.

I Love you.

Saturday 22 April 2023

Fear is the weapon that lucifer uses against My people. It is the weapon he uses to turn My people

away from My Truth in order not to offend others and so My Words are watered down into lies.

My Words cannot be changed, if they are then they become lies. This world hates My Truth and this is the reason I was Crucified. I am the Truth, I am the Word. I cannot change for I do not lie. My Word is My Word and any who change My Word are liars and deceivers.

In this time, many stand on the altars of My churches and call themselves My priests but they are nothing but puppets of lucifer as they change My Words in order not to offend those caught in the web of sin and are walking the road to hell. These are wolves in sheep's clothing and do not care about My Flock and they will pay for their actions unless they repent.

Wake up, you blind servants of sin, for you are not My priests when you preach against My Truth and I speak to you who call yourself the highest within My Church and, to you who are seen as the lowest within My Church for the corruption has seeped into all but a few that still hold on to the Truth and are condemned for standing strong by their brothers. Look, I hold a Hand out to you in these Words and ask you to return. Trust Me.

I Love you.

Monday 24 April 2023

Children, it comes! The Justice of your God. It comes to every home, every person on this earth.



Justice will reclaim much of what has been stolen through greed and lies.

Trust only in Me, your God, and prepare.

I Love you.

Wednesday 26 April 2023

Come, children of Love, and follow the Path I set before you. This is the Path of Truth I gave to this world by My Death and Resurrection, it is not a new Path. It is the Path where self is no longer the one that is in control but this Path is where the soul is given the control to follow Me in Truth.

Listen and walk this Path with Me. Trust Me.

I Love you.

Thursday 27 April 2023

My children, My Love for you is great and it is not My Will that this world be chastised but, in order to save mankind from the path of destruction that they now walk, I am being forced into cleansing the earth of the evil that has been so freely accepted by millions. It is time to show this world that I am the Creator and that I have the Power to turn this world away from the path of destruction that it is now on.

Children, I will give My people a voice. I will show this world I am not a dead God. Trust Me, children of Mine, I Come to Save all those who want to be saved and I will cast all those who want to walk the path of evil into the pit of eternal fire. This is the Truth that mankind refuses to see. The signs are plain to be seen as My Justice seeps into all the dark places and it will show the lies, the evil, that those in power have cast upon the population of this earth. It comes, children, prepare. I Love you.

Friday 28 April 2023

Come to Me, children of Mine. These Words are the calls of My Heart to My people as the time draws to an end. It has begun; the Justice of your God is at work and soon you will see clearly the results of this as the Truth of

what the deceivers have hidden for so many years begins to be seen. Already, it can be seen but so many refuse to accept what is happening. The tide of death builds and soon will no longer be able to be ignored. The path of destruction has been walked and it is only I, who will be able to put a halt to what has been opened. Trust Me and prepare. I Love you.

Saturday 29 April 2023

My children, My Love for you is great and these Words are a lifeline that I throw to you in this time of great danger to your eternal souls. I call you, through these Words, to follow My Truth and so, on to the Kingdom of Heaven. Trust Me, children of Mine, and follow Me in Truth. Trust Me. I Love you.

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Sincere thanks for your continued support.

We continue to appeal for your help with the outstanding debts within the House. Thank you to everyone who has responded to this appeal, so far.

APPEAL FROM JESUS

Wednesday 29 March 2023

My children, once again, I call for your help with My Houses. I call each one of you to look into your hearts and see the Truth of My Words. I have told you that My own will recognise My Voice. Can you not see how I prepare for what is to come? Soon, you will see what you have built with your prayer, your sacrifice and your giving. This is why I call you, My remnant, once again, to help with My Houses which are in need.

Trust Me, children of Mine, for, soon, you will understand the meaning of My Words and My Refuges of Light. I prepare, through you, My remnant. My Houses of Prayer have been built by you and through your free will and so cannot be destroyed by demon or man for their foundations are built of the Spirit of Giving. My Spirit has bound My Houses of Prayer and they will stand to the end of time. See what you have built, children of Mine. I Love you.

As you can see from the Words Jesus has given in this Message, the Houses, once again, are in need of help; the bills are building, once again. The bills stand at about £43,184 for the day to day running costs of the fifteen Houses and the ongoing renovations. We are continuing with the renovations of the Houses, in faith and trust that Jesus will inspire His people to help finance the work we do. Remember, we do not just ask for financial help, we ask for your prayers, your sacrifices, to build what Jesus has asked for.

We thank you for all your help, your prayers, your sacrifices and your financial help for it is you who have built all the Houses through your giving. We thank you, once again, in Jesus' Name. The two Patricks and the servants of the Houses.

Patrick Rushe, Patrick O'Kane

THE HOUSES OF PRAYER

Saint Michael and the Heavenly Hosts House, Tottenham

Established

In January 1995, we (the two Patricks) were asked to talk at a meeting in Tottenham, London. There we met Margaret Gallagher and her son, Thomas. Jesus spoke to Margaret in spoken prophecy about personal things. Next day, Jesus spoke again in prophecy and told us that the House was holy ground and we were standing on holy ground and that this House was His, given to Him by His Mother. Afterwards, Margaret told us that Jesus was really speaking through us because her and her husband had prayed to Our Lady for the House in 1980 and it was Her House.

It was one year before He spoke again, in Message form, and then only to ask Margaret did she wish to give it. This Message came out of the blue because sometimes Jesus never answers a question we have asked Him. In it He told Margaret that she was not to give an answer but she was to go to prayer and to think about it. When we telephoned her to read the Message she said, 'yes, yes.' Jesus had given specific Instructions and He wished her to obey them. It



was three months before He spoke again to say that He had accepted her house as a House of Prayer. He spoke in a Message that it was to be named Saint Michael and the Heavenly Hosts House of Prayer and the prayers there were to be offered for priests.

There are currently two Habit members in the House of Prayer in Tottenham. They also have a role in their area to feed the homeless and much good work is carried out by them.

Well established

This House is well established as a House of Prayer and follows the daily community prayer schedule, in as much as is possible for the few Habit members that are there. However, as Margaret has moved from this House, it has recently gone from being a family home to solely a House of Prayer and there will be some renovation work required in accordance with this.

Work Needing done

On a recent visit to this House in February, Jesus inspired that the Prayer Room be moved from upstairs to downstairs. This will also leave more room upstairs for another bedroom.

There will also be some renovation work concerning the Kitchen. It will be made bigger, using the space of the current downstairs shower room.

When the kitchen is done, we will start on a reception area or seating area beside the kitchen.

We would also hope to have a downstairs bathroom built as an extension onto the back of the House.

Working progress

These plans are all in working progress and we ask for your

continued prayers and sacrifices for these, and any other help that you can give. We are heartened greatly too, by Jesus' recent appeal Message,

"My children, once again, I call for your help with My Houses. I call each one of you to look into your hearts and see the Truth of My Words. I have told you that My own will recognise My Voice.

Can you not see how I prepare for what is to come? Soon, you will see what you have built with your prayer, your sacrifice and your giving. This is why I call you, My remnant, once again, to help with My Houses which are in need.

Trust Me, children of Mine, for, soon, you will understand the meaning of My Words and My Refuges of Light. I prepare, through you, My remnant. My Houses of Prayer have been built by you and through your free will and so cannot be destroyed by demon or man for their foundations are built of the Spirit of Giving. My Spirit has bound My Houses of Prayer and they will stand to the end of time. See what you have built, children of Mine. I Love you."

Wednesday 29 March 2023





Plan 75

The following article was written by Stephen Clark. We wanted to include it in our Newsletter because it makes some really good points. Life, in our society, is under attack. We have become like mini-gods who think we have the right to say who is born and who has outlived their usefulness to society.

Plan 75, by Stephen Clark
03/30/2023

Plan 75

There was a TV series years ago called Logan's Run set in a dystopian society where the people lived until 30 and then had to 'make room' for the next generation and were forcibly Euthanized:- of course, in those days Euthanasia, Doctor assisted dying or assisted suicide were still quite unthinkable; preposterous.

The most liberal laws

There was an interview recently given by a Canadian doctor who had herself dispatched 300 people so far under the Doctor assisted dying program in Canada, which has the most liberal laws in the

world with respect to Euthanasia. No serial killer or mass murderer can get near such a tally without being apprehended. But she found her work to be quite satisfying- the state bestowing its compassion on the vulnerable sectors of the population.

'state compassion'

Others in Canada, particularly the old, disabled and infirm are finding the policies lacking. One chap, who was a veteran and in need of a ramp to leave his house in his wheelchair was offered Euthanasia as an alternative. Others too who had run up large medical bills or were taking up bed-space in hospitals are also frequently nudged in that direction. So a combination of withholding the assistance needed for a good quality of life or the pressure to not become a financial burden has sent many to an early grave under the veil of 'state compassion'.

Nailed the subject

Last year, there was a movie by a Japanese film maker that really nailed the subject as he took a peek into the near 'possible' future. It was called 'Plan 75' – a government initiative to deal with the problem of an ageing population and low birth rate. In it, the elderly, who were often

neglected and struggling to survive, often alone, were offered a euthanasia package (by young, good looking, youthful sales reps and call center agents) whereby they can receive a government grant of \$1000 to spend as they wish (could be for a party or inheritance to their descendants) in exchange for being euthanized. A further benefit could be obtained – a free cremation and burial if they agreed to a mass cremation/burial as it was more efficient. This may sound familiar as was the method of their death, by being gassed.

God-less society

Often as people age or are afflicted with illness or disability their external identity diminishes. This is due to loss of jobs, finances, or apparent usefulness. Their roles shrink as their families grow-up and leave and they retire, perhaps alone when spouses die. And a God-less society is not capable of seeing true worth or dignity anymore. But the reality is so far from this as we know as believers. Because despite the losses we take in life, despite deterioration of body and mind we are and will always be children of God, sons and daughters, co-heirs of the kingdom of God. We have immortal souls with a dignity far greater than we can possibly imagine; destined to an eternity of joy and bliss should we choose it. Our old age is often a time of the greatest growth as human beings, and our sufferings are that final purification to ready us to meet a Holy God.

We are not garbage

We are not garbage to be thrown out, nor meat to be butchered. To truly die with dignity is to do so in the manner and time that God provides for, regardless of how it looks to anyone else.

<https://www.catholic365.com/article/27303/plan-75.html>

The Hitlers of today

You know, we are like the frog that has been slowly heated up in the water. We are about to die. This generation does not see or realise how absolutely evil the world we live in is. Murder goes directly against the Commandment of God, yet it is an everyday accepted part of our world today. We believe we are being compassionate to allow euthanasia and abortion. But, no, we are simply the Hitlers of today. The following Message comes to mind:

"...Patrick:

I was watching a program on the television about what was done to the Jews and the Gypsies in the Second World War. I was totally horrified to see how men could become so blind that they could treat other people like animals. It hurt my heart so much to hear how children were herded into pits with their parents and how men murdered them like animals as they called out for their mummies and daddies.

Some eye witnesses and a soldier who took part in the shootings spoke about what went on. Townspeople would gather at these places in order to get the

clothes of the dead. I felt so sorry for those who watched and those who were being shot. I am sure that those who were being shot would enjoy the glories of Eternal Life whereas those who were doing and watching were so blinded by the lies of lucifer that if they didn't repent they were walking headlong into the fires of hell. They thought they were exterminating the Jews and the Gypsies but, what they were really doing, was exterminating themselves by their actions.

It is horrible to think of what one man can do to another. It goes beyond thinking that you can justify murdering children like this while they called out for their parents. How would anybody be able to live with themselves afterwards? Some of those who were there and spoke about it, I saw no remorse within them, they were still blind to the truth of what they took part in. They were still lying to themselves.

Jesus:

It is simple, they refused to listen to Me and My Truth and so lucifer

entered their hearts and so you have seen what man can become if he does not fight against self. I have Warned this world but they refuse to listen to Me.

Look at the Truth of what is happening in your time. Your children are being murdered in factories of death (abortion clinics). You murder your children with different forms of contraception, with what you call the 'morning after' pill. The old and young are being murdered in your hospitals to save money.

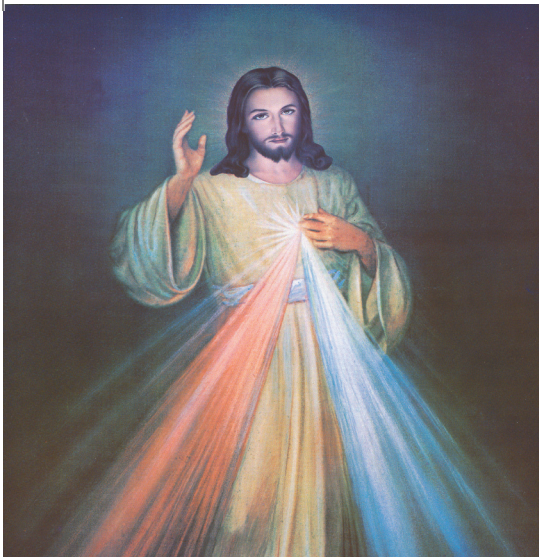
Remember, I can see what is going on. Those who were murdered in the war that you speak of are only a fraction compared to those who are being murdered now. Many millions cry out to Me each day. See the Truth: you live in a world of darkness where the young, the innocent, are not safe from their own parents and you say that you live in the modern times? I say you live in the 'Times of Blood' where life is destroyed in lies that most of My people accept..."

Sunday 3 April 2011

Friday 7 June 2013

On this Day of My Heart, I give Light to all those who love Me for all those who wish to lift that Light up so that all can benefit from it. This is My Army of Love in whom I am well pleased for they comfort this Heart. My Heart wishes to be known in all lands, that is the Desire of My Heart this Day. That is why I wish to call on your help to make this possible, to procure more Houses within this world so that My Heart can be known, loved, adored and glorified on every tongue.

The time of My Coming is soon and I wish to Light many fires within this world of darkness. Come, follow Me.



Divine Mercy

Rekindled the love

This year, although I started off in great hope, I didn't do a very good Lent with regards to dying to self and giving little sacrifices to Jesus. I could give all the excuses I want but, the truth is, I could have tried harder. Knowing this, I especially wanted to do the Divine Mercy Novena which started on Good Friday and ended on Divine Mercy Sunday. Saying the chaplet every day with my husband and praying its intentions rekindled the love I used to have for the Divine Mercy for it is the Image of God I grew up with and I always traced the inscription 'Jesus, I trust in You' when asking for His Intercession.

Gods Presence and Forgiveness

To finish off the Novena, there was a ceremony in our local chapel after Confessions. I can't explain why but I was reduced to tears and overwhelmed with Gods Presence and Forgiveness for me and for all. I truly wanted to practice, from that moment on, the Mercy of Christ to others.

ABC's of His Divine Mercy

The priest's sermon really spoke to me and I want to share some of the things he said that have really stayed with me! He spoke of the ABC's of Christ's Mercy. A - Ask for Mercy, B - Be Merciful as Christ Himself is Merciful and C - Completely trust in Jesus.

He spoke of how it is good to be merciful to those who have wronged us or others, for if they didn't require mercy then it wouldn't be mercy! He spoke of how we should never feel beyond Christ's Mercy for this brings Him to our level and He is God, our God of infinite Love and Mercy. He spoke of the trust we should have in Jesus for He never lies and wants all good things for us! And that, if we follow the ABC's of His Divine Mercy, we, too, can obtain beautiful Graces but we must Trust in Him who is giving them and trust that, in His Mercy, He sees fit for us to have them, despite how unworthy we may feel.

Message of Love from Jesus

"...Use your experiences to help you live better lives. Be sure, children, when you go to Confessions to accept My Forgiveness. So many do not see that I Died for their sin and so the Price has been Paid..."
Monday 20 March 2023



Dissecting Gossip and Sins of the Tongue

The following article was written by Susan Anne and published in the 'Catholic Stand' on 21 November 2014. We are printing it in this Newsletter because we are all trying to fight sin and this may help us. As it says in James 3:5-12, the tongue is such a little organ yet it is also a fire which can corrupt the whole body and bring us to hell. This article takes a deep dive into the many categories of gossip.

DISSECTING GOSSIP AND SINS OF THE TONGUE

There is a popular story about a woman who had confessed the sin of gossip. For her penance she was told to go to the top of a nearby hill, pillow in hand, and cut it open. Shaking all the feathers into the wind, she had to go collect every last feather from the wilderness into which they had blown. Only then would her penance be complete.

So it goes with each time we speak a word against another; we

can never hope to recover all the information from whence it has been carried.

Sins of the Tongue

There are many categories of gossip, since gossip itself is only an umbrella term referring generally to speaking to or about others in a malicious or injurious way. (Therefore, we often call these “sins of the tongue”.) False witness and perjury, rash judgement, detraction, calumny, flattery, adulation, complaisance, boasting or bragging and irony, and lying are all sins of the tongue. These are sins against charity and justice. Each of these constitute an offense either by spreading untruths about another, by spreading truths of another’s faults without sufficient reason, by withholding information from one who has a right to know, or by “maliciously caricaturing some aspect of another’s behavior” (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2475-2487).

Perhaps “gossip” isn’t a term you attach to yourself. Yet, taking a moment to evaluate the meanings of each of the kinds of gossip above, you may come to realize areas where you are weak, either by commission or by omission.

Here are just a few examples of

ways in which people commonly offend charity and justice by sins of the tongue:

- Those “caricatures” mentioned above are commonly known in variations such as teasing, joking, sarcasm, and the like. Sarcasm is particularly spiteful and sinful. Many pride themselves on their dry sense of humor, which is really only sarcasm. Beware this beast!

- Consider those popular memes of irony, seen so often in social media forums, which are aimed at famous persons. Is this sinful? It is certainly delightful and entertaining, and downright funny at times. Is there any harm in a good chuckle? Even if it is not sarcastic or maliciously caricaturing some aspect of another’s behavior, it is at the least a distraction from higher things, and a bad habit. “Joy in hearing useless things gives direct rise to distraction of the imagination, gossiping, envy, uncertain judgments, and wandering thoughts, from which flow many other pernicious kinds of harm.” (St. John of the Cross, *The Ascent of Mount Carmel*)

- Think of that obese man seen walking out of the convenience store carrying a box of fried chicken and a high-calorie cola. “Way to go fatty, eat up!” and “Learn some self-control!” chides the judgmental voice in our heads. These are sins of rash judgement; namely, presuming the food is his, or that he usually eats in such a manner, or that he hasn’t tried to lose his weight, or most basic

of all — that he is somehow deserving of our scorn because of his weight. The list of errors in our reasoning for firing off such a remark is long, and I’ve only suggested a few for your consideration.

- Then there’s the ever-popular, “I’m just letting you know about N. so that you can pray for him.” While often true, this one-liner can also be merely a play for the attention one receives in being the bearer of the news. Also, it can be an opportunity for self-exaltation, which always blinds one to one’s own faults...

- Statements which begin, “Well, you know...” are often warning signs that conversation is about to get juicy. You more than likely do not yet “know”; but somebody is about to make sure you do! Often, such gossipy reports begin with paying a compliment to the one about to be talked about. “There are some who, before actually slandering someone, will say something good about that person. These are the most subtle and venomous of slanderers.” (St. Francis de Sales)

Good and Necessary Things

Perhaps a serious reflection of the reasons why all sins of the tongue are wrong will help form our minds better on these matters. Gossip not only injures the party about whom information is being dispersed — or from whom information is being withheld — but it also injures all those who hear it, and the one telling or withholding.

The party being talked about is aggrieved because he is robbed of his honor and his reputation... At its most generalized form, gossip is an injustice which fails to obey the command, "Let no evil speech proceed from your mouth; but that which is good, to the edification of faith, that it may administer grace to the hearers." (Ephesians 4:29)

We are commanded to speak only good and necessary things, thereby assisting the elevation of our neighbors' minds and hearts to higher things. This is a critical obligation of all the faithful. Any speech to the contrary is a hindrance to that elevation, and an obstacle to grace. It is not only critical to the life of grace in our souls, but also as an aid for peace in society that we bridle our tongues. "For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases." (Proverbs 26:20)

There are circumstances where it is right to reveal the faults of another. The Catechism qualifies the definition of nearly every sin of the tongue with phrases such as, "without sufficient foundation" and "without objectively valid reason." There would be clear cases, then, which require us to make known the faults of another. For example, when another's immediate health or safety is in question, and help is required; or when warning others of a dangerous person who may bring about further harm to the unwitting. Offering explanation of one's apparently scandalous behavior, which may be based

upon another's wrongdoing, is also permissible, if meant to save the reputation of the party whose reputation is in question. "A man rejoiceth in the sentence of his mouth: and a word in due time is best." (Proverbs 15:23)

Charity and Gossip

Remember, too, that we display our true selves to others when we gossip, "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth that which is evil. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." (Luke 6:45) It's common knowledge never to tell a secret to the person always talking about others. Others will know us according to our speech, as it reflects all that lies within our hearts. "Even a fool, if he will hold his peace shall be counted wise: and if he close his lips, a man of understanding." (Proverbs 17:28)

What to do when another begins to gossip? It is here that the words of the saints illuminate the matter best: "If something uncharitable is said in your presence, either speak in favor of the absent, or withdraw, or if possible, stop the conversation" (St. John Vianney); and "When you hear ill of anyone, refute the accusation if you can in justice do so; if not, apologize for the accused on account of his intentions ... and thus gently check the conversation, and if you can, mention something else favorable to the accused." (St. Francis de Sales)

Keeping our mouths shut may be the hardest thing in the world to do. "But the tongue no man can tame, an unquiet evil, full of deadly poison." (James 3:8) Nonetheless, we are required to exercise restraint and prudence

in this regard, with promises of a life of grace in which to abide peacefully with our fellow man and ourselves. "He that keepeth his mouth and his tongue, keepeth his soul from distress." (Proverbs 21:23)

DYING TO SELF

To prepare for tomorrow

Jesus keeps telling us to die to self, to follow Him in Truth and to trust Him because He will help us. He Warned us recently about a "wave of lies that are about to be released from the Church." Terrible things are happening in our Church and in the world. Persecution is mounting. The best way to prepare for tomorrow is to fight self and sin today. This way we will have nothing to worry about because we could die tomorrow and at least Jesus will see that we have died whilst trying!

Remain close to Jesus

Dying to self will help us remain close to Jesus, we will be able to hear His Voice and we will have a good chance of not being swept away by any storm or tsunami of lies about to be unleashed!

In recent Newsletters, we covered fighting 'the first thought' and 'the anchor' which are essential Teachings that Jesus gave us

through these Messages.

The 'anchor'

Jesus Taught Patrick about the 'anchor' in 2011. The idea of the anchor is to have our hearts like a bonfire of love for Jesus by the continuous giving up of things we love, or sin, one at a time, forever. I chose to give up something I was addicted to. Then I gave up my favourite drink. Usually when I give up one thing, another takes its place and so my list of attachments grows rather than diminishes. As we know, giving up things we love helps us learn self control and discipline. Who hasn't stopped to think "can I really eat this chocolate Easter Egg?" on Easter Sunday after giving up chocolate for Lent! When we look after the pennies, the pounds look after themselves – disciplining ourselves by depriving our senses of pleasures, helps us fight the more challenging sins in our lives.

Unable to conquer

There is one sin that I have been

unable to conquer. I bring it to Confession every single time I go. It is a capital sin and I have been fighting it my whole life and more eagerly this past ten years of the anchor. Sometimes I think I am not as bad as I used to be, next thing, I fail epically and I think I am worse than ever. I really wish Jesus would just take away my sin and my self forever but we are not that lucky, we have to fight it, tame it and control it like a wild beast which might have to walk by our side for the rest of our short lives on earth. It is like a cross I must carry.

Self-discipline

Another teaching we have learned in the House of Prayer is giving ourselves a self-discipline, like a little punishment. For example, if I fail to keep a silence on the corridor or be patient with my children, I might consider not watching my favourite programme on TV, not scrolling through social media for the rest of the day or not eating biscuits with my tea that day.

Sr. Clare Crockett

Trying to live more virtuously is something to strive for daily. I have been reading the book "Sr. Clare Crockett: Alone with Christ Alone" written by Sr. Kristen Gardner. Sr. Kristen pointed out how Sr. Clare would listen and do what the younger, newer novices suggested. It was apparent Sr. Clare chose to do this to fight her pride, to be humble, to treat others better than herself, with love and respect, to avoid arrogance

in thinking she herself had the better idea. We can learn so much from reading about the Saints.

Avoiding the occasion of sin

Avoiding the occasion of sin is of vital importance. During our nightly examination of conscience, it is good to analyse how we failed and how to avoid that pitfall tomorrow.

If we are stuck on what we need to fight first, pride is always a great one to start on. I remember going to prayer one time with a notebook and pen and I asked Jesus to show me the pride that was in me. To be honest, I had considered myself to be a very humble person, that opinion changed that day! Jesus revealed so much. Millions of examples of just how arrogant and proud I was flooded my mind! I was writing for hours! I was shocked and horrified at how blind I was. If you decide to do this, bring a few boxes of tissues!

If we really want to see

If we really want to see, Jesus will show us. I prefer finding out how bad I am with Jesus in prayer rather than asking someone to point out the truth because it is a fight not to get resentful towards that person and that is another battle. However, if we are working on our humility, we will receive the truth with joy.

If we ask Jesus to help us, you can be sure He will but probably not in the way we might expect.

Taking on little sacrifices

When a few of us servants were in Soledad House of Prayer, near Garabandal, with the Patricks,

the Patricks suggested each of us taking on little sacrifices. They were little silly things like: one person didn't wash their face in the morning, one didn't read any novels, one didn't have breakfast, one didn't use their hands when they were talking, one didn't drink coffee etc. The funny thing about it was that we didn't see that it was Jesus who had inspired the Patricks with these to help us on our Journey. We just thought they were doing it to annoy us. This revealed how far from Jesus we actually were! Had we been living close to Jesus, we would have been more aware of His actions in our lives and more eager to take on these little inconveniences in order to please Him. We did not recognise His methods, we protested. A follower of Jesus must always be ready to shed the layers of self so that Jesus can reveal the fruit of His Love within us. Nothing should be too great to give up for Jesus, a quick meditation on His Passion will

soon rattle self on its throne.

All self and sin has to go

All self and sin has to go. We cannot get into Heaven with it. We may as well start our purgatory here on earth. We actually have nothing to lose and everything to gain: as well as much treasure in Heaven, our Good Lord Jesus will be so attracted by our giving to Him that He and His Father will make Their Home within us. How great would that be to have a hermitage, a tabernacle in our very hearts, all the time, where we could go to at any moment and rest, secure, knowing Jesus has everything in the Palm of His Hand and nothing can hurt us or trouble us.

You are not alone

We are all trying to fight our self and sin and, if you are struggling to conquer your sin, know that you are not alone. If you can share anything that has helped you in this fight, please write to us about it as it might help others.

PILGRIMAGE 2023 **Garabandal and the** **Shrines in France**

This Pilgrimage is now
fully booked.

If you are still interested,
we can hold a reserve list
for any cancellations.





SONLIGHT
PRESENTS

BEYOND THE SONG

A WORSHIP EVENT

ON SUNDAY 25 JUNE

BEGINNING AT 2PM

AT SAINT JOSEPH EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

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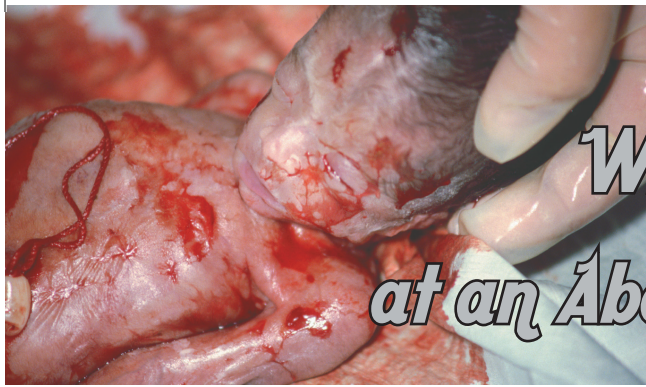
FEATURING SONLIGHT AND SPECIAL GUESTS

We, at SonLight, felt that we wanted to bring our Prayer Meeting further out to the public. A few years ago we held our first 'Beyond the Song' event and, due to its success, we have made this an annual occurrence that is open to the wider public.

There will be Holy Mass on the day.

Our hope is to create an atmosphere of worship and prayer where we can all praise God together as one voice. As Saint Augustine says, "to sing is to pray twice"! We hope this is a seed that will grow into a mighty oak!

EVENT WILL ALSO BE LIVE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK,
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT 07593957897



What happens at an Abortion clinic?

"...When you pray and offer sacrifice, it is like you give great flashes of light to those in darkness so that they might see and, in free will, turn away from their evil labours..."

Monday 12 December 2022

Works with an anti abortion group

We recently, had some correspondence from a friend of the House who works with an anti abortion group. These people do fantastic work and often need the support of our prayers and sacrifices.

We thought that it would be good to include some of the up-to-date outcomes of their fight against abortion here in our monthly Newsletter so that you can see what actually happens outside these clinics on a daily basis.

Some of the outcomes can be very inspiring. But some can be very sad.

The following correspondence is from March 2023. The names of the workers and the priests have been withheld to protect their identity. Also, the names of the women have been changed for the same reason.

March 2023

I have to tell you the sad news

that Marie had her abortion this morning. I know this because her friend text me. She thanked us for all our prayers and kindness but Marie went ahead anyway.

Distressing

I know this will be distressing to many of us (me included!) It is very hard to understand why this happened. I think we did everything we could possibly do. Everyone has prayed so much about this, shared it on groups, Fr. (Name withheld) offered Mass today, M (Name withheld) prayed at St Matthew's Shrine in Italy and Marie knew what help was available. I don't think we could have done any more for this poor mother.

We just have to pray Marie turns back to God and helps other mothers not to do what she did.

Have been used to help

However, I believe our prayers have been used to help in other ways!

We spoke to a missionary priest, Fr. (Name withheld) today who was just passing. Fr. is going to say the Deliverance Prayers on Friday. Also, we spoke to a Hungarian lapsed Catholic who took a Rosary and some Holy Water, who said he would pray for the people in his area and may go to speak with a

local priest. We helped the Iranian lady who came back to the vigil to find a Christian community where she can meet people and learn English!

'Priti'

We also met 'Priti' on her way into Marie Stopes who has medical issues relating to her pregnancy, but is in touch with our anti abortion group who might be able to get her the medical help she needs so as not to have an abortion. Please pray.

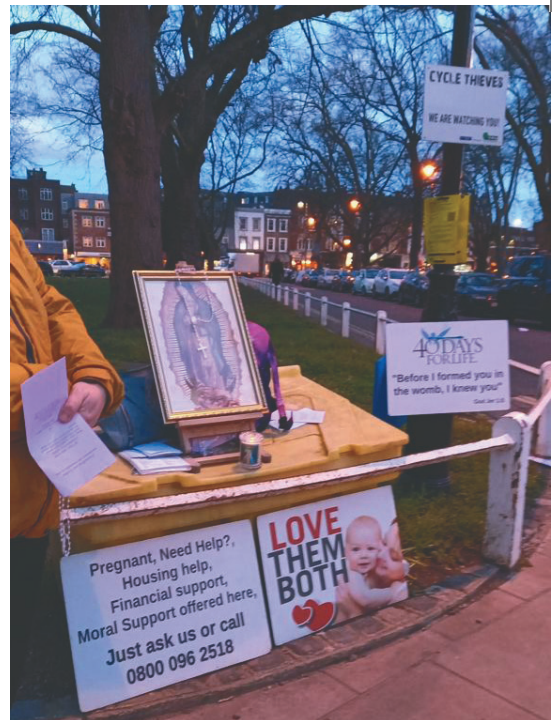
Three other Mums

There's three other Mums who look likely to keep their babies who were on the way to MSI! - the couple who R (Name withheld) spoke with on Monday who told him they changed their mind, the couple who were overheard arguing in MSI and the woman said she wasn't getting an abortion and walked out and miraculously a couple who took both abortion pills but they didn't work and the lady is still pregnant and decided against abortion.

Please keep praying

So please keep praying! Really all this from so far away from MSI! A priest who came to the vigil yesterday said - we can't be physically present at MSI so God is there to help the women.

I think we should all pray and fast, especially this Friday (25 March, Feast of the Annunciation and 24 hour day of prayer and fasting against abortion) for the intention of closing Marie Stopes, (place withheld). Amen!



Based in the UK

This anti abortion group is based in the UK and they have been doing fantastic work for many years. However, in recent months, it has become more challenging to continue to offer help in their many services or support to the women who think their only way out is abortion. This is because of the new buffer zone laws passed which prevent people from offering assistance, counselling or any form of help that would result in the baby being saved. It's just another part of the lie that it is the woman's right to choose for, if she wants to choose life, the law prevents those who would help her from being there to help.

We would ask you all for your continued prayer for all aspects of this fight.



Song of the Carpenter

The following is a serialisation of the 'Song of the Carpenter,' a novel inspired by Jesus and written down by the two Patricks. It is about the entire Life of Jesus and is full of spiritual teachings as well as a simply fantastic read.

If you cannot wait to read it all, then you can order it from the Sacred Heart House of Prayer. It costs £6.99.

Despair caught the centurion deep in his chest. The Romans, his people, his blood, had conquered the world. Their roads stretched far and wide across the empire; gods that once remained within the walls of Rome now decorated every city and town that they had burned and murdered, killing the culture of each that was blooming like a flower within its own soil; Rome had become the briar that had encircled itself, unbidden, uninvited around the very heart of each nation and impaled it upon its thorns of death. Rome, the city that all roads lead to was a whore that was drunk with goblets of blood and sitting astride the beast of death.

The blood of innocent children and people now stained the narrow streets of this royal town. It was another thorn in the side of

the whore: the slow beginning of the end of an empire. The whore was aged and blotched under the cosmetic camouflage of her beneficence. Rome would die.

Lucius looked about him. The fight was gone out of the people of Bethlehem; it was gone from the soldiers that had perpetrated it and now all stood or lay weeping in blood. Little bodies lay limp and lifeless; bodies that had once been full of expectant life; faces that once brought delight, lay now unmoving. Stunned grief was like a snake that slithered through each heart, each soul; coiling its way into the soil that it found there. It gave birth to its young and quickly they reproduced.

There was wailing where once had been the air; it filled the space between the firmament below and the firmament above; a high keening; a thick lament that reached Heaven.

A man was speaking through his tears, quoting the Hebrew Scripture, his thick brogue harsh on the Romans ears: "In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not."

Continued next month

Wisdom

John Paul II

APOSTOLIC LETTER: NOVO MILLENNIO INEUNTE
*Of his Holiness Pope John Paul II to the bishops, clergy and lay faithful
at the close of the Great Jubilee of the year 2000*

I **MEETING CHRIST** **THE LEGACY OF THE** **GREAT JUBILEE**

4. "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty" (Rev 11:17). In the Bull of Indiction of the Jubilee I expressed the hope that the bimillennial celebration of the mystery of the Incarnation would be lived as "one unceasing hymn of praise to the Trinity" and also "as a journey of reconciliation and a sign of true hope for all who look to Christ and to his Church". And this Jubilee Year has been an experience of these essential aspects, reaching moments of intensity which have made us as it were touch with our hands the merciful presence of God, from whom comes "every good endowment and every perfect gift" (Jas 1:17).

My thoughts turn first to the duty of praise. This is the point of departure for every genuine response of faith to the revelation of God in Christ. Christianity is grace, it is the wonder of a God who is not satisfied with creating the world and man, but puts

himself on the same level as the creature he has made and, after speaking on various occasions and in different ways through his prophets, "in these last days ... has spoken to us by a Son" (Heb 1:1-2). In these days! Yes, the Jubilee has made us realize that two thousand years of history have passed without diminishing the freshness of that "today", when the angels proclaimed to the shepherds the marvellous event of the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem: "For to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord" (Lk 2:11). Two thousand years have gone by, but Jesus' proclamation of his mission, when he applied the prophecy of Isaiah to himself before his astonished fellow townspeople in the Synagogue of Nazareth, is as enduring as ever: "Today this scripture had been fulfilled in your hearing" (Lk 4:21). Two thousand years have gone by, but sinners in need of mercy — and who is not? — still experience the consolation of that "today" of salvation which on the Cross opened the gates of the Kingdom of God to the

repentant thief: "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise" (Lk 23:43).

The fullness of time

5. The coincidence of this Jubilee with the opening of a new millennium has certainly helped people to become more aware of the mystery of Christ within the great horizon of the history of salvation, without any concession to millenarian fantasies. Christianity is a religion rooted in history! It was in the soil of history that God chose to establish a covenant with Israel and so prepare the birth of the Son from the womb of Mary "in the fullness of time" (Gal 4:4). Understood in his divine and human mystery, Christ is the foundation and centre of history, he is its meaning and ultimate goal. It is in fact through him, the Word and image of the Father, that "all things were

made" (Jn 1:3; cf. Col 1:15). His incarnation, culminating in the Paschal Mystery and the gift of the Spirit, is the pulsating heart of time, the mysterious hour in which the Kingdom of God came to us (cf. Mk 1:15), indeed took root in our history, as the seed destined to become a great tree (cf. Mk 4:30-32).

"Glory to you, Jesus Christ, for you reign today and for ever". With this song repeated thousands of times, we have contemplated Christ this year as he is presented in the Book of Revelation: "the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Rev 22:13). And contemplating Christ, we have also adored the Father and the Spirit, the one and undivided Trinity, the ineffable mystery in which everything has its origin and its fulfilment.

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The Plight of Others

THE PLIGHT OF OUR PRIESTS

Pray for priests

Jesus has given us many prayers and He mentioned specifically in the Message given for the 'Chaplet of Love' "say it for your families and for your priests, say it for yourselves and all of My children, and I will hear it and be moved to grant many miracles through it."

I recently read an article on Facebook which really made me aware of how much more I should pray for priests.

Highlighted some things

The article highlighted some things that I rarely thought about before.

One of these was that, as a priest,

he does not have a wife or children but rather we, his parishioners are his family. He can be lonely at times and we should remember this.

Another thing was that many people actually think that a priest gets the money from the Sunday collection plate. This is not the case. They get a small allowance to cover the expenses of their food etc but for other things they rely on the kindness of their parishioners and donations.

Another point the article made, was that many times a priest can be called on to go out at night to attend the dying and still have to be on 'duty' the next day for his parishioners and to say Mass etc. So be considerate when we are asking for something from them and be there for them when they need us to support them.

Less and less vocations

In our part of the world we see less and less vocations to the priesthood and older priests are given responsibility to care for more than their fair share of parishes. They are being stretched, with little or no support within the parishes. I know of a devout priest who had a big parish and was also given charge of another parish on top, resulting in him having to say Mass in eight different chapels and being run down with such an overwhelming workload. Trying to

tend to different needs, devotions and celebrations in each place.

Further afield

Further afield, priests are called to travel hours in terrible conditions to minister to people who do not have a parish priest.

There are priests abducted, tortured and persecuted with their congregations in different parts of the world. We might not see it or hear of it, but these things occur everyday.

Little acts of love

Jesus has called priests to this particular way of life, their lives are an offering to Him, an imitation of His own Life as a Shepherd, a Teacher, a Father. There are many, many things wrong in the Church today and Jesus speaks of them regularly. Jesus points out the selfishness of the clergy and how much they have stepped away from that calling.

These are all the more reason to pray for our priests, the good and the bad.

We need to support priests who are standing up for the Truth, let them know that we have their backs. Often times, priests feel



silenced when they try to live in Truth.

We need to support our parishes, do an hour of Adoration when you can. Avail of Confessions when a priest sets time aside to wait in the confessional. Thank a priest after a good homily. These are little acts of love but they can mean the world to a priest who might be struggling or doubting.

Dire need of our prayer

With so little guidance and proper formation from the top of the Church, our clergy and religious are in dire need of our prayer, sacrifices and acts of kindness. I know myself that I should be doing a lot more. Help us, Jesus, to help our priests. Thank You for their 'yes.' Guide them, Lord, and show them Your Love.

FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2019 FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART FOR THE CHURCH AS HIS BRIDE



Is My Heart a stranger to you now, you who once loved Me?

I have not changed from the God I was when you still loved Me but you have garnished your heart with things of a lesser love, things of a lesser eternity.

This Flame still burns unceasingly: it could never go out; it has not the power to Love you less but only increases as your years unfold.

Your heart is cold towards Me and My Ways: a bird that flies towards the sun, a bride that spoils her dress in adultery, a

fire of embers that no longer burns in flame.

Who are you now, without the jewels I adorned you with? Who have you become as you throw My Pearls to the swine?

You, who once prided yourself and rejoiced in My Gifts.



Inside our Sacred Space

This is the third and final part of this article. The previous part was in last month's Newsletter.

9. Baptismal Font

Baptism is the door to all the Church's sacraments. The baptistry or baptismal font is part of every Catholic Church and located so that the congregation can participate in the baptismal ceremony.

Some fonts are large pools with free-flowing water and normally found as you enter the nave; others are smaller and placed in different locations.

The early converts to Christianity were baptized in rivers, streams, public baths, some even in the catacombs. For the most part, it wasn't until the fourth century with the construction of churches that baptisms were brought indoors.

Over the centuries, even until recently, the receptacle used for baptisms has been continuously reduced in size. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' document "Built on Living Stones" says for each parish that, "One font that will accommodate the baptism of both infants and adults symbolizes the one faith and one baptism that Christians

share."

* The Church today approves the use of either triple immersion for baptism or the pouring of water three times over the candidate's head.

10. Easter Candle

The Easter (or Paschal) candle is located near the baptismal font, the exception being during the Easter season when it is placed next to the ambo. Originating around the fourth century, this large candle represents the light of Christ, and a new Paschal candle is blessed during each Easter Vigil. It is lit for every baptism, and the flame, the light of Christ, is transferred to a candle given to the baptized individual or to an adult family member when an infant is baptized.

* The Easter candle is also lit during a funeral, recognizing that the deceased shared in the death and resurrection of Jesus at their baptism.

11. Sacristy

From the Latin word *sacristra*, meaning a room near the sanctuary or church entrance, this room contains the bread and wine, sacred vessels, the books, the vestments, everything needed in the celebration of the Mass. It is the location where the priests

and ministers vest. The sacristy was part of the church since the first places of public worship were built in the fourth century. Here the sacred vessels are cleaned after Mass.

* In most sacristies there is a *sacrarium*, a sink that drains directly into the earth where water from cleaning the vessels is poured.

12. Stations of the Cross

In nearly every Catholic Church, 14 Stations of the Cross ring the walls of the nave. We can walk along with Jesus as he makes the agonizing journey from Pilate's house to his crucifixion on Calvary that first Good Friday. We halt at each station meditating on the actual or traditional events that took place at that particular spot. This most popular devotion evolved over several centuries. While many Catholics participate in this devotion every Friday of Lent, the stations are available for us to "walk" any time.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' document "Built on Living Stones" states: "Traditionally the stations have been arranged around the walls of the nave of the church, or, in some instances around the gathering space or even the exterior of the church making the devotion as a true journey."

* The Stations of the Cross varied in number until Pope Clement XII (r. 1730-40) settled on 14 and identified the events associated with each station.

13. Ambry for Holy Oils

Each church stores holy oils for use in various ceremonies. New oils are blessed annually during Holy Week by the bishop at the chrism Mass and then distributed to parishes. The oils are: the oil of the catechumens, the oil of the sick and the chrism. They are kept locked in an ambry, a French word meaning wall safe or cupboard. Our Catechism says, "The sacred chrism (myron), used in anointings as the sacramental sign of the seal of the gift of the Holy Spirit, is traditionally reserved and venerated in a secure place in the sanctuary. The oil of catechumens and the oil of the sick may also be placed there" (CCC, No. 1183).

* Today the ambry takes different forms and shapes and often is located near the baptismal font.

14. Confessional(s)

The first Christians confessed their sins face to face to a bishop in his church and in some instances to the congregation. Public confessions were short-lived and stopped by Pope Leo I (r. 440-461), who wrote: "It is sufficient that the guilt which people have on their consciences be made known to the priests alone in secret confession."

Face-to-face confession, typically kneeling before a priest or sitting in a chair at his side, was the norm until the middle ages when a screen was placed between the confessor and female penitents. This action eventually led to the introduction of the confessional

booth in the 16th century, which included the screen separation, and from that time until the Second Vatican Council, confessions were normally anonymous. In 1974, the Church introduced a new formula for confession, which promoted a reconciliation room instead of a confessional booth. Penitents

could now go to confession face to face or behind a screen.

* Parish penance services, primarily held during Lent and Advent, are products of Vatican II.

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14 September
- 26 September
13 Nights (Non profit)

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Events to Come

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

Beginning on Wednesday 3 May
during the 8.30pm Prayer Meeting
and continuing until 7 June

Thursday
18 May

**TRUE
ASCENSION DAY
OF THE LORD**
Prayers begin
at 12pm

Sunday
21 May
House of Prayer
CLOSED
for a private
retreat

Sunday 28 May
PENTECOST
Prayers begin
at 3pm



Sunday 11 June
**OUR LADY
OF THE
SACRED HEART
AND
BODY AND
BLOOD OF JESUS
DAY OF PRAYER**
Prayers begin
at 3pm

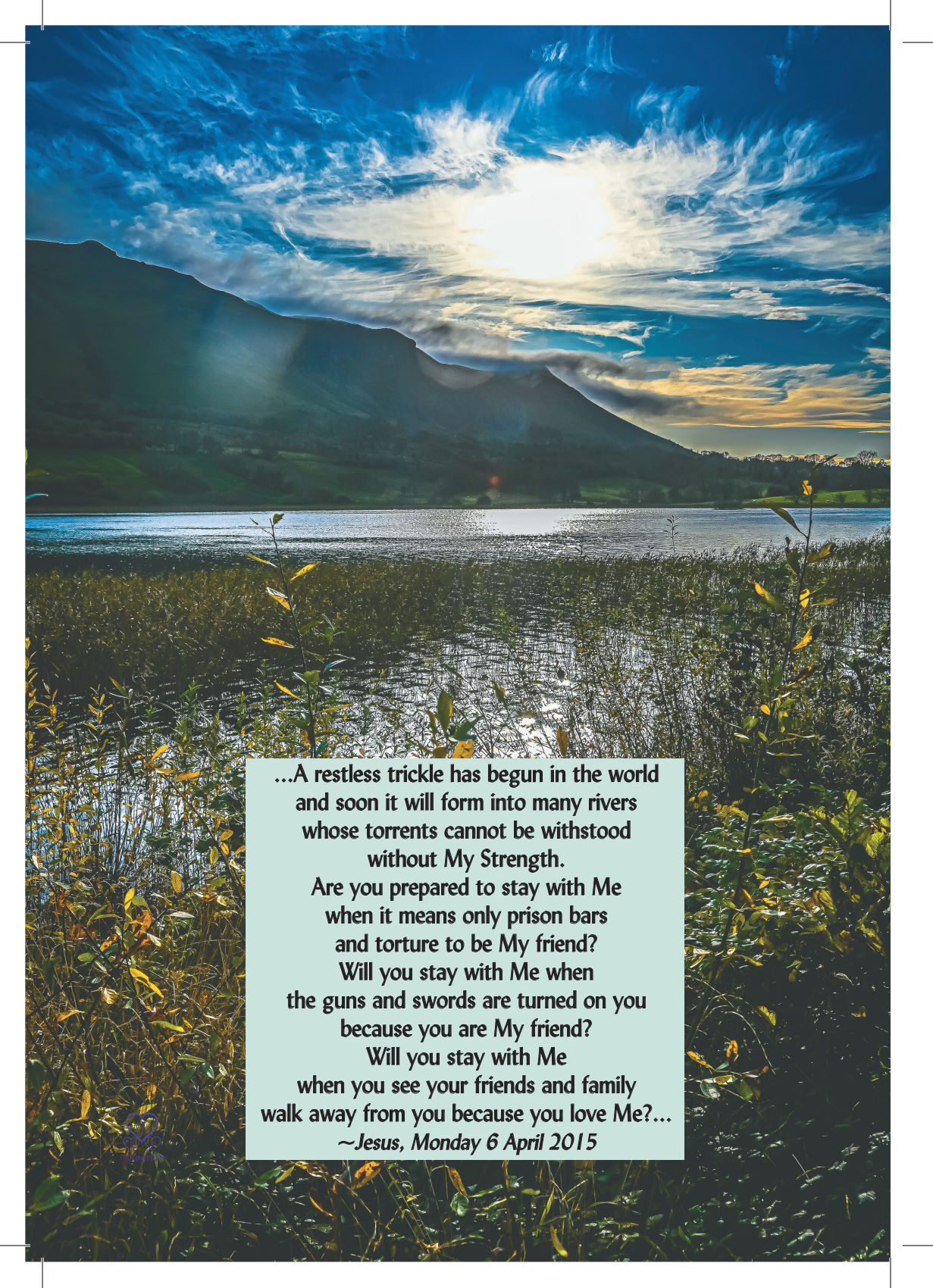


Thursday 15 June
to Sunday 18 June
**WEEKEND
RETREAT
CELEBRATING
THE FEASTS OF
THE SACRED
HEART
AND
IMMACULATE
HEART**

Thursday
29 June 2023
**FEAST OF SAINTS
PETER AND PAUL**
Prayers begin
at 12 noon

FIRST FRIDAY VIGILS
from 10pm - 2am:
2 June and 7 July 2023





**...A restless trickle has begun in the world
and soon it will form into many rivers
whose torrents cannot be withstood
without My Strength.**

**Are you prepared to stay with Me
when it means only prison bars
and torture to be My friend?**

**Will you stay with Me when
the guns and swords are turned on you
because you are My friend?**

**Will you stay with Me
when you see your friends and family
walk away from you because you love Me?...**

~Jesus, Monday 6 April 2015