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Maraia Esperanza, Servant of God saw the need to save families. Her husband said this to me explicitly. This is why OMQofPEACE~BETANIA XIII is dedicated to the unity and holiness of the family with special attention given to the youth.

It's interesting to note; Our Lady of Fatima predicted in 1917, that the last attack by Satan will be to destroy the family. We are all witnessing how the present cultures throughout the world are destroying the sacredness of the family and the Holy Sacrament



Our Lady of Akita

of Matrimony through divorce, cohabiting, same sex marriages and the killing of babies in the womb. The Liberal Media especially Hollywood fosters this evil with an emphasis in what they call, "Prejudice Christianity". In more recent Marian apparitions Our Holy Mother is predicting worldwide chastisements due to all these evils plus all the divisions and compromising of the Truth within the church itself. (Predicted at Fatima, Portugal & Akita, Japan)

All these evil predictions are foreseen in the Bible. (Isaiah 5:20), Woe to those who call

evil good and good evil ... (2 Timothy 3,4,5) ... they will hate what is good ... lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God. Etc.

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Over the years we have been printing the messages Our Holy Mother has been revealing to the world over the centuries. A few of the most popular church approved sites are: Our Lady of Guadalupe-Mexico (1531), Our Lady of Laus-France (1664-1718), Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal-France (1830), Our Lady of LaSalette-France (1846), Our Lady of Lourdes (1858)-France, Our Lady of Knock (1879)-Ireland, Our Lady of Fatima (1917)-Portugal, Our Lady of Akita (1973-1978)-Japan, and Our Lady of Kibeho (1980s-2001)-Africa.

Are you familiar with these apparitions?  
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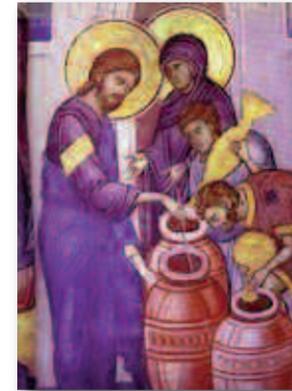
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Pray the Rosary

## ARE YOU LISTENING TO "YOUR HOLY MOTHER"



Over many centuries, whenever Our Holy Mother sees her children in trouble she leaves heaven and visits us. She comes to warn us of the imminent evils that are attacking mankind in each era. When she appears, her messages are basically the same as her very first appeal to Her Son, when she told the servants at the wedding feast in Cana; "Do as He tells you". (John 2:5) She has been making that same appeal to all of us through the centuries with the emphasis on

confession, fasting, Holy Mass, the Eucharist, and to pray, pray, pray, especially the Holy Rosary, and read the Bible especially; Matt 6-33,34.

Our Holy Mother was a promise God gave to humanity in the Old Testament. God said to Satan; "I will put enmity between you and the woman, she shall crush your head and you shall lie in wait of her heel." Douay Rheims, (Gensis 3:15)

On the cross our Lord looked down at His mother and St. John and said to his mother; "...Woman, behold your son". Then He said to the disciple, "Behold hold your Mother." (John 19: 26, 27) Jesus, at that moment in time from the Cross, He gave all of Humanity His Blessed Mother, the "Woman" that was promised to crush the head of the serpent.

As many of you know Our Mother Queen of Peace ~ Betania XIII is a Coalition of all Marian Devotions, established in 1984. The sub-title of Betania XIII was added in 2010 at the request of the Betania I Foundation, founded by the mystic, Maria Esperanza, Servant of God. The church approved the Betania Site in 1987, a farm area near Caracas, Venezuela. Our Holy Mother appeared under the title, "Mary, Virgin and Mother, Reconciler of all Peoples and Nations". We have received so many graces and alleged miracles since many now use the name; "The Miracle Prayer Group."

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## OMQofP~Betania XIII Coordinators - HOME BURNS TO THE GROUND



We apologize to our readers for this late issue. As you can see we have been pre-occupied with the conditions of this disaster leaving no time to write a newsletter. In fact a computer and two printers as well as so much of OMQofP~Betania XIII supplies are now ashes. We hope the charity of our readers will help put OMQofPEACE back on its feet financially. (Please pray for a permanent benefactor.)

We are most grateful to the hundreds of souls that wanted to help us in so many ways. We are eternally grateful to my Carmelite sisters and brothers as well as the Divine Will prayer group for their kind gifts. Please understand we want nothing but your prayers and for those refugees around the world that have nothing. My wife and I had to learn that many of you wanted to give from the heart and we said no. This was a form of selfishness on our part. Learning to be humble enough to receive is also a virtue that we had to learn through this harsh experience.

Yes, we lost 55 years of "Family Memorabilia" that can never be replaced. No one was hurt. Our son got out in time but he did lose all his possessions also. A few things did not burn. The book, "The Secret of the Rosary", by St. Louis DeMontfort, some rosaries left in plastic bags and a few photos. One of the photos was a picture of me and the mystic Maria Esperanza, Servant of God on the steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral, in New York City." Our car partially melted in the garage. So how did these holy items escape the heat and flames?



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All meetings 7:00pm Rosary ~ Holy Mass 7:40pm

Monday, May 15; Friday, June 23-Marion Apparitions; Monday, July 10; Monday, August 14  
Friday, September 8 Our Holy Mother's Birthday; Monday, October 9 Our Last Meeting

Info: Church 631-757-7435, Dolores Santangelo 516-903-6630, Fino Giordano 631-651-2606

## Home burns to the ground—continued from page 1

The photo on the steps of St. Patrick's was taken as Maria was saying to me, "Fino, keep one foot in heaven and one foot on the ground. If you try to keep both feet in heaven you will become a fanatic and that is not good".

I answered, Maria by saying, "Maria, unfortunately, I end up with both feet on the ground more often and that is time for confession".

I received an email written by two ladies who found out about our misfortune and heard about the book that survived the flames. They went and bought the book read it and became even more dedicated to Our Holy Mother's Rosary and decided to go to Fatima for the 100 Anniversary.

So I said to Our Holy Mother in prayer, "Mom you had to burn down our home to get more souls interested in You and Your Rosary"?

I did buy dozens more of the book and I had them distributed. Two priests contacted me and both agreed by saying, "This fire was a message to you, Fino." I hope I interpret it correctly. I am no hero, no saint and I abhor pity, I am the worst of sinners, and I will admit it has been a tough road for my wife and I to follow. We do accept the Will of God. We definitely know He has His reasons, which at



times is hard for all of us to understand. In this case *I believe the power of praying the Rosary was the message.*

(To know Our Holy Mother better read the **Life of the Blessed Mother**, by BL. Catherine Emmerich and to add to, **The Secret of the Rosary**, the book **Champions of the Rosary**, by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC)

In my early days I remember a Father Patrick Peyton. He would conduct Rosary Rallies all over the world counting those on TV he would attract millions. His theme was, "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together". He and my earthly mother named Mary inspired me to know more about Our Holy Mother Mary and the Rosary.

My mother prayed that I would be born on August 15 the Assumption of Mary. Well God had other plans, I was born on September 8<sup>th</sup> the birthday of Our Holy Mother Mary and my mother never let me forget it by giving me a middle name of Mario. My parents baptized me on the Birthday of Jesus, December 25 and my Confirmation name is Joseph. You might say I was locked in and no getting out!

was hoping our dear friend and vice president, Anthony Ciuffo would take over. God had other plans and took him to heaven last year. We now have 2 wonderful and devout vice presidents, Thomas Buckley, who has been to Betania I, Caracas, Venezuela with his wife Anne and daughter Terry. They had the opportunity to meet with the Esperanza Family.

Our other new VP is Eddie Senkus many of you know him. He has substituted for me and Anthony Ciuffo over the years. He has been a devout follower of Our Holy Mother, the caretaker of our beautiful statue and a very well informed leader in the Divine Will Prayer Groups on Long Island. Please pray in thanksgiving for our new VPs and their families.

Finally, what will my wife and I decide after our home is rebuilt? Will I stay with OMQofP~BetaniaXIII on Long Island? It will be over a year before the house is rebuilt and at my age who knows if I will still be alive? Plus economically I do not know if we can afford to stay on Long Island. We do not have any pensions and our social security and the interest on our savings is about a breakeven at best. No doubt moving south as most do in our situation seems to be the right move. Right now it's a wait and see situation. Let us continue to pray for each other and try to make our will the same as His Will.

## THE MIRACLE MIRACULOUS MEDAL



Are you listening to Our Holy Mother and wearing her "M i r a c u l o u s Medal"? Our Holy Mother says she will endow many graces to those souls that wear the medal devoutly. The

thousands of miracles and blessing related to the medal can be easily researched on the Internet or any book store that has the history of the medal. It's not magic it is a holy sacramental.

In France at Rue du Bac, Paris Our Holy Mother designed this medal during her apparitions to St. Catherine Laboure' in the 1830. It depicts Our Holy Mother, as Our Lady of Grace, crushing the head of the serpent. Her hands are facing down to our world. She is sending graces to humanity to aid in their holy sanctification and for the sorrowful times France and the world was witnessing. She says, unfortunately much of humanity is not asking her for her assistance and that is why there are dark spaces in the graces of light she is sending to her children. Are you one of those not listening to your Holy Mother? The prayer on the Medal; *O Mary Conceived Without Sin, Pray For Us Who Have Recourse To Thee.*

## Theological Commentary

Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger (Now retired Pope Benedict XVI) Was Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith at that time he wrote:

...And so we come to the final question: What is the meaning of the "secret" of Fatima as a whole (in its three parts)? What does it say to us? First of all, we must affirm with Cardinal Sodano: "...the events to which the third part of the 'secret' of Fatima refers now seem part of the past." Insofar as individual events are described, they belong to the past. Those who expected exciting apocalyptic revelations about the end of the world or the future course of history are bound to be disappointed. Fatima does not satisfy our curiosity in this way, just as Christian faith in general cannot be reduced to an object of mere curiosity. What remains was already evident when we began our reflections on the text of the "secret": the exhortation to prayer as the path of "salvation for souls" and, likewise, the summons to penance and conversion.

I would like finally to mention another key expression of the "secret" which has become justly famous: "my Immaculate Heart will triumph." What does this mean? The heart open to God, purified by contemplation of God, is stronger than guns and weapons of every kind. The fiat of Mary, the word of her heart, has changed the history of the world, because it brought the Saviour into the world—because, thanks to her "Yes", God could become man in our world and remains so for all time. The Evil One has power in this world, as we see and experience continually; he has power because our freedom continually lets itself be led away from God. But since God

The reverse side the 12 stars represent the apostles and the entire church. It also reflects Revelation (St. John 12:1) in which "a great sign appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet crushing the head of the serpent and on her head a crown of 12 stars." On the reverse side is the image of the cross which represents Christ our Redeemer, the "M" stands for Mary, woven close to the Cross with Jesus, with their 2 hearts, showing her part in our salvation and her role as Mother of the Church.

### THE JEW THAT HATED CATHOLICISM VS. THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

June 2, 1842 the Holy see approved the apparition and conversion of the Jew, Alphonse Ratisbonne.

Alphonse was an ardent hater of Catholicism. His dear friend a Catholic asked him to **wear the Miraculous Medal**. He did so ridiculing the whole matter. Soon after his dear friend died and as he was in the church of the funeral all alone a bright light appeared on the altar and he recognized the lady on the altar as the one on the medal. He cried his heart out as he saw clearly his sinful life and soon became a Catholic and later a devout priest who devoted his priesthood to the conversion of Jews. There are thousands of these miracles attributed to the Miraculous Medal.

The ardent devotion Alphonse's friend had for Our Holy Mother and Her Medal was all that Our Holy Mother needed for this conversion. Yes, we are our neighbor's keeper, which helps define the second commandment, to love thy neighbor as thy self. This is the basis of keeping the Mystical Body of Christ Holy by making our will His Will our Fiat to Love and Happiness.

himself took a human heart and has thus steered human freedom towards what is good, the freedom to choose evil no longer has the last word. From that time forth, the word that prevails is this: "In the world you will have tribulation, but take heart; I have overcome the world" (Jn 16:33). The message of Fatima invites us to trust in this promise.

### **Akita, Japan Approved Apparition—April 22, 1973**

The message at Akita is essentially the same as the message of Fatima. Our Lady of Akita said, "With my Son, I have intervened so many times to appease the wrath of the Father. I have prevented the coming of calamities by offering Him the sufferings of the Son on the Cross, His precious Blood, and beloved souls who console Him and form a cohort of victim souls. Prayer, penance, and courageous sacrifices can soften the Father's anger."

**Saint Padre Pio** said, "Victory will come when there are a sufficient number responding to Our Lady's requests." (Pray the Rosary, confession, penance, fasting, consecrating hearts to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.)

A little over a hundred years ago it was prophesied by a great client of our Blessed Lady, Father William Chaminade, that a new era of devotion to the Mother of God was about to dawn upon the world. In a letter to the supreme pontiff of the time, dated September 16, 1838, this holy man went further. He foretold that the new era, this "age of Mary", would herald a signal triumph for Christ and His Church."

A few hundred years earlier, Saint Louis De Montfort called it "The Marian Age."

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