

Our Lady of America

“I desire that my children honor me by the purity of their lives”

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The following Messages are excerpts from the book *“Our Lady of America”*. The devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of Our Lady of America enjoys complete canonical approval through the former Archbishop of Cincinnati, Ohio, the late Paul Francis Leibold, who approved this private apparition for public devotion in 1963.

The following lines were penned by a religious sister from her cloister cell. This sister, Mildred Mary Ephrem (1916-2000) was professed as a religious in 1933. About 1938, she began to have what seemed like mystical experiences. After some years, she began to write down briefly the happenings during these occasions of special communication with God.

Finally, in 1954 these visits took on the nature of a specific program of special devotion to Mary which this sister was commanded to propagate. In fulfillment of these expressions of Our Lady which this sister is convinced Mary wants her to carry out, she has set down in writing these Messages of Mary, who presents herself here as Our Lady of America.

This sister was blessed to have Archbishop Paul Leibold for her spiritual director from 1940-1972, when he died. He authorized the first and second printing of these Messages, and had the Medal of Our Lady of America struck and a plaque made commemorating the Apparitions. He personally paid for the medals until his untimely death and gave his solemn promise to sister to help Our Lady of America's cause, even from heaven. The prayer and medal bear the imprimatur of Archbishop Paul F. Leibold V.G., of Cincinnati, Ohio, January 25, 1963.

The following Messages are those received by Sister Mildred May Neuzil:

Our Lord often spoke to me in the past, and already in the early 1940's it was made known to me interiorly that my mission was to converge towards the sanctification of the family. I was further enlightened at that time as to how this was to be accomplished.

Message of September 25, 1956

These are the words she spoke to me at this time:

“I am pleased, my child, with the love and honor my children in America give to me, especially through my glorious and unique privilege of the Immaculate Conception. I promise to reward their love by working miracles of grace among them through the power of my Son's Heart and my Immaculate Heart. I do not promise miracles of the body, but of the soul.”

Our Lady emphasized this point. She is concerned about our spiritual life. She continues: “For it is mainly through these miracles of grace that the Holy Trinity is glorified among men and nations. Let America continue and grow in its love for me, and I in return, in union with the Heart of my Son, promise to work wonders in her. My child, I desire that this be known.”

Message of January 1957

“The hour grows late. My Son's patience will not last forever. Help me hold back His anger, which is about to descend on sinful and ungrateful men. Suffering and anguish, such as never before experienced, is about to overtake mankind. It is the darkest hour.

“But if men will come to me, my Immaculate Heart will make it bright again with the mercy which my Son will rain down through my hands. Help me



to save those who will not save themselves. Help me bring once again the sunshine of God's peace upon the world.”

To my spiritual director (Archbishop Leibold V.G.) I was asked to send this message:

“Hurry, my son, for the time is short but the punishment will be long, and for many, will last forever.”

“Tell the Bishops of the United States, my loyal sons, of my desires and how I wish them to be carried out. Through him who is head over you, make known the longings of my Immaculate Heart to establish the reign of my Divine Son in the hearts of men and thus save them from the scourge of heaven, both now and hereafter.”

“My daughter, will my children in America listen to my pleadings and console my Immaculate Heart? Will my loyal sons carry out my desires and thus help me bring the peace of Christ once again to mankind?”

“Pray and do penance, my sweet child, that this may come to pass. Trust me and love me; I so desire it. Do not forget your poor Mother, who weeps over the loss of so many of her children.”

Message of October 7, 1957

“My beloved daughter, what I am about to tell you concerns in a particular way my children in America. Unless they do penance by mortifications and self-denial and thus reform their lives, God will visit them with punishments hitherto unknown to them.”

“My child, there will be peace, as has been promised, but not until my children are purified and cleansed from defilement, and clothed thus with the

white garment of grace, are made ready to receive this peace, so long held back because of the sins of men.”

“My dear children, either you will do as I desire and reform your lives, or God Himself will need to cleanse you in the fires of untold punishment. You must be prepared to receive His great gift of peace. If you will not prepare yourselves, God will Himself be forced to do so in His justice and mercy.”

“Making the Rosary a family prayer is very pleasing to me. I ask that all families strive to do so. But be careful to say it with great devotion, meditating on each mystery and striving to imitate in your daily lives the virtues depicted therein. Live the mysteries of the Rosary as I lived them, and it will become a chain binding you to me forever. They who are found in the circle of my rosary will never be lost. I myself will lead them at death to the throne of my Son, to be eternally united to Him.”

“Write these words upon your hearts, my dear children, because of the compassion I have for you in my Immaculate Heart. Oh, if you knew the punishments I am holding back from you by my pleading and intercession on your behalf!”

“Will you do as I wish at last, my children?”

Message of February 11, 1958

But the youth must be prepared, and this must be done by instilling into them, not only the knowledge of Divine Indwelling, but a serious study of it, a living it in such a way that the Divine Presence becomes, as it were, an intimate and necessary part of their life and daily flagration that will envelop the world in the flames of Divine Charity. This is what Our Lady is working for, because this is the great desire of her Divine Son, and it is to the youth of America that she is holding out this challenge. A medal which Our Lady asked to be made is to be their shield against evil; the picture or statue of Our Lady, the protection of the home; the statue of the Shrine in Washington, D.C., a special safeguard for our country. America, the United States in particular, is being given the tremendous, yet privileged, opportunity to lead all nations in a spiritual renewal never before so necessary, so important, so vital.

Saint Michael came to me one evening shortly after Our Lady's visit, holding an immense flaming torch. He held it towards me saying:

“My little sister, you must carry this torch through the world.”

He came again the next night in the same manner.

The next day I was interiorly enlightened during Mass. It was made known to me that those, particularly the youth, who are willing wholeheartedly to follow Our Lady in her great battle against evil, would bear the special title of “Torchbearers of the Queen”. This torch, of course, is Divine Love, for it is love alone that will conquer hate and all that hate brings with it.

Further accounts relating to the “mission” given me and to others closely connected with it:

Our Lady made known to me that she is particularly interested in the youth of our nation. It is they who are to be the leaders of this movement of renewal on the face of the earth. Their ranks will be swelled by the youth of other nations whom Our Lady also calls to help in the accomplishment of this great renewal.

(Since the Denver Papal Mass at World Youth Day 1991, the Torchbearers of the Queen Youth have

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Our Lady of America comes to New York

The Triumphant Entrance of "Our Lady of America" into Metropolitan New York

"By Thy Holy and Immaculate Conception Oh Mary, Deliver Us from Evil."

On September 10, 2007, the city of New York welcomed the arrival of the statue of "Our Lady of America" in preparation for the 6th anniversary of September 11, 2001 Twin Tower tragedy. The nine-foot statue left the Cathedral of St. Louis in St. Louis, Missouri for New York City on September 8, 2007 and was met by the Jackson Mills, New Jersey Fire Department and transported to the Holland Tunnel where it was then met by officials from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The tunnel was closed off to all traffic and Our Blessed Queen, with a police escort, passed through the tunnel and then went directly to St. Peter's Church, one block from "Ground Zero" (where the two towers of the World Trade Center collapsed). St. Peter's is also the sanctuary where Fr. Mychal Judge's body was laid after he was killed by falling debris while ministering to the victims of 9/11. She was then carried into the church and placed in front of the statue of her earthly spouse St. Joseph holding the infant Jesus in his arms. From their place in the front of the



church, the Holy Family seemed to radiate with joy, knowing of the graces now available to the United States and the World through this gift of Our Lady of America!

The memorial ceremony began September 11th with a 9:00 a.m. Mass in the church of St. Peter's followed by the recitation of the Rosary. The statue was then moved from the front of the church out to the portico where it could be viewed by all, and throughout the day throngs of people passed through to admire her, to pray and to learn her message. At 3:00 p.m. Our Blessed Mother was raised onto the Newark, New Jersey Fire Truck, the same truck that had been used for the funerals of the firemen killed on 9/11/01, and was led in procession following behind New York's Engine # 10 which lost the most firemen during the 9/11 tragedy. (A total of 354 firemen and paramedics died in the fall of the two towers.) The procession visited the site of Ground Zero and then continued on to St. Patrick's Cathedral. People followed in the street, taking pictures and crying out: "We love you Blessed Mother!"

With honors befitting the Queen of Heaven She was then solemnly carried into the Cathedral, and temporarily placed in a place of honor in a grotto in

the front of the Church. After the Holy sacrifice of the Mass, the devotion to Our Lady of America was explained to the large assembly of the faithful present and the Consecration to Our Lady of America was performed. From St. Patrick's Cathedral the statue was taken again by fire engine. It was then evening so the red, white and blue lights of the emergency vehicles illuminated the streets for Our Blessed Queen as she made her way to her next and last stop on this historical day for our country where she was received at the church of Our Lady of the Angelus in Rego Park, New York amid cheers of joy. It is Our Lady's desire that one day she be raised to the altar in the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. under the title of Our Lady of America. Our Lady says that if this is done, the United States of America would turn back toward morality and her shrine would become a place of "wonders."



Our Lady of America and The Pilgrims of St. Michael

Every year the Pilgrims of St. Michael take part in the March for Life in Washington, DC. With our small "army" of young leaflet distributors we deliver our message to the participants in the Pro-Life March. It was at the Pro-Life March in 2003 when spreading Pope John Paul II's "Apostolic Letter on the Rosary", that one of the families where we stay to sleep every year suggested that the message of Our Lady of America would be very appropriate for the Pro-Life March.

Our Lady's first words to the seer Sr. Mary Ephrem Neuzil on September 26, 1956 were: "I am Our Lady of America. I desire that my children honor me, especially by the purity of their lives." The following year, 2004, we distributed 46,000 copies of the message of "Our Lady of America" at the Pro-Life March. Since then 1.6 million have gone throughout the United States. Recently, volunteers in the metropolitan NY/NJ area requested and distributed over 100,000 copies of Our Lady's message.

In a very humble way, the Pilgrims of St. Michael have contributed to the spreading of Our Lady of America's Message and making this devotion known here in the United States.

Dear Lady of America, you promised that those who would follow you wholeheartedly in the great battle against evil, and live that purity of life that is so pleasing to God, would bear the special title of "Torchbearers of the Queen". That torch being Divine Love. We the Pilgrims of St. Michael, humbly offer ourselves and our families to you. May we show to all by our lives that there is great joy in serving so great a God and so glorious a Queen and may your triumphant entry into New York City be the beginning of the establishment of the triumph of your Immaculate Heart in our own hearts, in our families and in our Nation.

Yves & Anne-Marie Jacques
Pilgrims of St. Michael

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processed the 300 lb. Our Lady of America statue around the USA, bringing it to the Toronto WYD in 2002. The small pilgrim statue has been processed around the USA and throughout the world, including the underground Church in China.)

Saint Joseph, March 11, 1958

"Fatherhood is from God, and it must take once again its rightful place among men."

Saint Joseph continues: "My special protection of the Holy Father and the Church should be made known to him. God wishes to make this known to him that he may receive thereby renewed consolation and encouragement."

Saint Joseph, March 30, 1958

"Jesus and Mary desire that my pure heart, so long hidden and unknown, be now honored in a special way. Let my children honor my most pure heart in a special manner on the *First Wednesday* of the month by reciting the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary in memory of my life with Jesus and Mary and the love I bore them and the sorrow I suffered with them. Let them receive Holy Communion in union with the love with which I received the Savior for the first time and each time I held Him in my arms."



Prayer to the Immaculate Conception

O Immaculate Mother, Queen of our country, open our hearts, our homes, and our land to the coming of Jesus, your Divine Son. With Him, reign over us, O heavenly Lady, so pure and so bright with the radiance of God's light shining in and about you. Be our Leader against the powers of evil set upon wresting the world of souls, redeemed at such a great cost by the sufferings of your Son and of yourself, in union with Him, from that same Savior, Who loves us with infinite charity.

We gather about you, O chaste and holy Mother, Virgin Immaculate, Patroness of our beloved land, determined to fight under your banner of holy purity against the wickedness that would make all the world an abyss of evil, without God and without your loving maternal care.

We consecrate our hearts, our homes, our Land to your Most Pure Heart, O great Queen, that the kingdom of your Son, our Redeemer and our God, may be firmly established in us.

We ask no special sign of you, sweet Mother, for we believe in your great love for us, and we place in your our entire confidence. We promise to honor you by faith, love, and the purity of our lives according to your desire.

Reign over us, then, O Virgin Immaculate, with your Son Jesus Christ. May His Divine Heart and your most chaste Heart be ever enthroned and glorified among us. Use us, your children of America, as your instruments in bringing peace among men and nations. Work your miracles of grace in us, so that we may be a glory to the Blessed Trinity, Who created, redeemed, and sanctifies us.

May your valiant Spouse, St. Joseph, with the holy Angels and Saints, assist you and us in "renewing the face of the earth." Then when our work is over, come, Holy Immaculate Mother, and as our Victorious Queen, lead us to the eternal kingdom, where you Son reigns forever as King. Amen. (200 days)

Sister Mildred Mary Neuzil

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Archbishop Burke on Our Lady of America

May 31, 2007 – Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

To the Bishops of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops - Dear brothers in Christ,

During the November meeting of our Conference of Bishops, you may have had occasion to view the statue of Our Lady of America, which was displayed in one of the meeting rooms; and to receive one of the Our Lady of America prayer cards or other information about Our Lady of America, which was available, thanks to the devoted lay faithful who made the arrangements for the display of the statue. The faithful involved in the promotion of the devotion to Our Lady of America have asked me, some months ago, to review the history and present state of the devotion to Our Lady of America, in what pertains to its canonical status. Finally, I am able to give them a report of the results of my study, which I want also to communicate to you.



Bishop Raymond L. Burke

The devotion to Our Lady of America has its source in private revelations to Sister Mary Ephrem (baptized Mildred) Neuzil, who was born in 1916 and was professed, in 1933, in the Congregation of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, which has its generalate in Dayton, Ohio. She later became part of a contemplative branch of the same congregation. The contemplative branch was located at Our Lady of the Nativity Convent at New Riegel, Ohio. After the suppression of the contemplative branch in 1979, the Sisters who were members took up residence in Seneca County, Ohio. From the time of the suppression, Sister Mary Ephrem used her baptismal name, Sister Mary Mildred Neuzil. Sister Mary Ephrem (Mary Mildred) died in 2000. One of the Sisters survives and continues to live in Seneca County, Ohio.

Having reviewed the correspondence between Sister Mary Ephrem and her spiritual director of many years, Monsignor Paul F. Liebold, Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, who later became the Bishop of Evansville and then, Archbishop of Cincinnati, it is clear that the devotion, as proposed by Sister Mary Ephrem, received his approbation. In addition to the correspondence by which Monsignor Liebold declared the approval of the devotion, he also carried out the first of Our Lady of America's requests, made through Sister Mary Ephrem, namely, he had a medal struck with the image of Our Lady of America on one side and the coat of arms of the Christian family on the other.

The coat of arms symbolically represents the substance of the private revelation received by Sister Mary Ephrem, namely, the Indwelling of the Holy Trinity in the Christian home, which is the source of life and unity in the family. The coat of arms points to the purity and selflessness of love in the family, because of the Indwelling of the Holy Trinity, the model of which is the Mother of God, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of our nation. In a particular way, Our Lady of America expressed her desire that the United States of America, through her intercession, be devoted to the purity of love. She identified herself to Sister Mary Ephrem as "Our Lady of America, The Immaculate Virgin." In the consecration of our nation to our Blessed Mother, made in 1959 at the National Shrine and renewed, in our name, by Bishop David Ricken on November 11, 2006, the Saturday before the November meeting of our Conference of Bishops, our Blessed Mother is addressed as "Immaculate Virgin."

The contents of the private revelation received by Sister Mary Ephrem were published in a booklet, first in 1960, and again, in 1971. Both of these editions were published with the Imprimatur of Archbishop Liebold. A final edition, with some new contents, was published in 1989. The new contents were added at the direction of Father Edmund Morman, S.V.D., the last chaplain of Our Lady of the Nativity Convent at New Riegel. As Archbishop of Cincinnati, Archbishop Liebold commissioned a wooden plaque with the image of Our Lady of America, which he gave to the cloister at New Riegel, at which it was displayed for many years in a public

area. He had the wooden plaque created for the specific purpose of its use in processions at the New Riegel convent.

Other bishops have permitted the public display of a statue of Our Lady of America for devotion. For instance, the late Bishop William G. Connare of Greensburg permitted a statue to be displayed at the Carmel of the Assumption at Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Also, a statue of Our Lady of America was carried in procession in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on several occasions by the Apostolatus Uniti and other groups. On May 31, 2006, a statue of Our Lady of America was enthroned at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Hanceville, Alabama, the same statue which Bishop Connare authorized for public devotion at Latrobe.

A specific request of Our Lady of America was that her statue be placed in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. While the National Shrine is the largest shrine in the world at which there was not a previous apparition, the private revelation to Sister Mary Ephrem very much confirms the mission of the National Shrine.

The prayer attached to the devotion also received the imprimatur of the then Monsignor Liebold, Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Archbishop Liebold was sister Mary Ephrem's spiritual director from the time that he was Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati until he died in 1972. Archbishop Liebold was always clear the approved devotion had its origin in private revelation received by Sister Mary Ephrem over many years.

What can be concluded canonically is that the devotion was both approved by Archbishop Liebold and, what is more, was actively promoted by him. In addition, over the years, other Bishops have approved the devotion and have participated in public devotion to the Mother of God, under the title of Our Lady of America.

Although the devotion to Our Lady of America has remained constant over the years, in recent years the devotion has spread very much and has been embraced by many with special fervor. Seemingly, as has been suggested by Father Peter Damian Mary Fehlner, F.I., in his homily of August 5, 2006, at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, the moral crisis of our time, which demands a new teaching and living of the virtue of purity, has found an especially fitting response of loving care from the Mother of God in her message to Sister Mary Ephrem.

Some have raised with me the canonical question regarding the status of Our Lady of the Nativity Convent in Seneca County, Ohio, which has been the residence of any remaining member of the suppressed contemplative branch of the congregation of sisters of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. In response, I observe that the canonical question has no bearing on the devotion or its approbation.

As one deeply devoted to fostering the devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe in our nation, I have wondered about the relationship of the devotion to Our Lady of America to the devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Archbishop Liebold, in fact, raised the question with Sister Mary Ephrem. Sister Mary Ephrem responded that Our Lady of Guadalupe is Empress of all the Americas, Whereas "Our Lady of America, The Immaculate Virgin," is the patroness of our nation, the United States of America. The two devotions are, in fact, completely harmonious.

As our late and most beloved Pope John Paul II reminded us, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of America and Star of the New Evangelization, draws all of the nations of America into unity in carrying out the new evangelization. Our Lady of America calls the people of our nation to the new evangelization through a renewed dedication to the purity in love.

I hope that the above may be of some help to you in responding to questions regarding the devotion to Our Lady of America. May the Immaculate Virgin intercede for the intentions of our dioceses and our nation.

With fraternal gratitude and esteem, I remain

Yours devotedly in Christ,

(Most Rev.) Raymond L. Burke

Archbishop of St. Louis

Save the Family

Today in America, we need more than ever to restore the traditional Christian family values. The Church teaches that the family is the first cell of society; the husband and wife in union with God and cooperating with Him in the rearing and education of their children. Each parent has a special role to play, the father as head of the family and provider, and the mother as the heart of the family and nurturer of the home. This is the ideal, but how to make it a reality?

American Society up until now has been turning more and more away from this traditional Christian family structure. It was in Communist Russia, in the early 1920's, that the first government-controlled day cares were started. The reasons that were given were to increase the work force in the country, but in reality it was to indoctrinate the young children with communistic and atheistic ideas. In many day cares today, children are still being indoctrinated with new ways of thinking; e.g. "political correctness" and "new-age" ideas.

As early as 1931, Pope Pius XI stated in his encyclical letter, *Quadragesimo Anno*: "It is an intolerable abuse, and to be abolished at all cost, for mothers, on account of the father's low wage, to be forced to engage in gainful occupations outside the home to the neglect of their proper cares and duties, especially the training of children."

The United States currently funds day care on the federal, state, and local level, more than any other country in the world. This funding includes Head Start programs, full-day Kindergarten, and after-school programs. All these programs are a substitute for the absent mother to the detriment of the family. The work of the mother at home is irreplaceable. This funding should be given as a voucher for the Mom, in order that she may choose what is best for her children. The Church's social teaching opposes any social program that replaces a role that the parents can perform themselves. This Catholic principle is known as subsidiarity. We must recognize and respect the work of the mother in the home because of its value for the family and society. The state has a duty to provide assistance to the family in performing its duties.

More recent statistics show that there is a moving trend toward a more traditional structure of family life. Statistics in 2003 showed that less than 12% of mothers stayed at home compared to 22% in 1994. In 2007 it is reported that fewer mothers are returning to their high powered jobs after becoming

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Unity of prayer and action

The death toll rises every day since the beginning of legalized abortion. The effects of abortion on society are far reaching and devastating. We will counter this great evil of our times with adoration for life and the respect for human life as advocated by the Roman Catholic Church. The Pilgrims of St. Michael echo the cry of Blessed Mother Teresa:

"If a mother can become her children's executioner, what can we say about the other murders and wars raging in the world?"

She also said on another occasion: *"I have said often, and I am sure of it, that the greatest destroyer of peace in the world today is abortion. If a mother can kill her own child, what is there to stop you and me from killing each other?"*

The Pilgrims of St. Michael take an active stand by uniting ourselves in prayer and action to the Divine Mercy of God, especially through devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist. The growing popularity of this devotion is a great hope for our country and throughout the world. During his pontificate, Pope John Paul II encouraged, in recognition of the great needs of our world, and the current Pope Benedict XVI continues the promotion of Eucharistic adoration.

The vocation of every Catholic is to follow in the evangelical footsteps of Our Lord, by bringing the good news to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

"The deep unity between prayer and action is at the basis of all spiritual renewal. It is at the basis of the great enterprises of evangelization and construction of the world according to God's plans."
— Pope John Paul II



We have taken these words of Pope John Paul II and incorporated them into a way of life. The combination of Eucharistic adoration and evangelization is essentially Christological in nature. Christ's mission when He was among us over two thousand years ago is still continuing today. With the help of Divine Grace we can succeed in overcoming this great scandal of our times. We must co-operate with the

Divine Plan as well by seriously considering the call to discipleship, through our dedication to apostolic work that truly is the application of our commitment to God.

The Pilgrims of St. Michael are Roman Catholic laity in communion with the Magisterium of the Church and we are in good standing with our local bishop. We attend daily Mass and say the daily Rosary; Holy Hours of adoration are also part of our

weekly program. We are a movement of the press, our leaflets and our Michael Journal (also in French, Polish & Spanish) are spread all around the world. The propagation of the faith through the work of the press is our charism and we evangelize person to person as well during meetings given to prayer groups and in our door to door Rosary crusade. The ideal given us by our founders is quite simply to inform the population of the unbiased truth of what is happening in the world today.

As Pope John Paul II said in his encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*: "...a great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer. Jesus himself has shown us by his own example that prayer and fasting are the first and most effective weapons against the forces of evil (cf. Mt 4:1-11). As he taught his disciples, some demons cannot be driven out except in this way (cf. Mk 9:29). Let us therefore discover anew the humility and the courage to pray and fast so that power from on high will break down the walls of lies and deceit: the walls which conceal from the sight of so many of our brothers and sisters the evil of practices and laws which are hostile to life. May this same power turn their hearts to resolutions and goals inspired by the civilization of life and love."

The Church has always had a very steadfast and unchanging view on the issue of abortion, and we echo the voice of our late Pope John Paul II, advocating as he did during his entire pontificate the culture of life.

We organize a week of perpetual adoration once a year that we call our "Siege of Jericho", as well as our holy hours of adoration, and we receive countless blessings and graces from Heaven because of it. It is a priceless treasure that we will never fully understand.

Starting perpetual adoration in your parish is a very powerful way to help stop abortion. There are different web-sites and groups who have organizational plans to help anyone who would like to start perpetual adoration, especially to stop the evil of abortion. <http://www.acfp2000.com>, <http://www.perpetualadoration.org/organizing.htm>

First ask your local pastor for permission to start one, if accepted, then it is up to the head coordinator to find enough people to cover the hours needed. Even if at first you start with just an hour of adoration, after you have enough members you can extend it. The recommendation is two people per hour, meaning for perpetual adoration you would need about 168 people for one week.

One important detail to remember is the Blessed Sacrament *must not* be left alone, so it is up to the coordinator to make sure that each person really commits to their hour and are able to find replacements if they cannot make it. It is important to also note that the organization of this devotion cannot be left up to your pastor alone, unless he prefers it that way. He will be needed to take care of the opening ceremonies and he can provide pastoral support and encouragement. The parishioners should work together to organize and operate the continuity of the adoration. This is essentially a devotion open to everyone. The many blessings that parishes have experienced through the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a great testimony of the living proof of God's power working through the Eucharist.

The promotion of the culture of life through the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a precious means of attaining a life of true discipleship and cooperation with God's will.

Let us continue to pray and work towards a better world through the promotion of a just and peaceful society that accepts the culture of life as the Catholic Church teaches it. The Pilgrims of St. Michael have pledged themselves to the service of Mary, Our Mother, through the propagation of literature that is both truthful and urgent for our times. We must throw ourselves at her feet and through her intercession beg God for forgiveness and mercy, and ask for the courage to stand up for what He is asking of us for the future.

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mothers. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the number of working mothers has decreased to 3 million from 4 million in 1997 and between 1997 and 2005, the number of working, married women with college degrees dropped by almost 8%. This is very encouraging and it seems that this trend proves that Americans desire to return to a more traditional way of life.

On this subject the Holy See issued the "Charter of the Rights of the Family", in October 1983, in which it called for "remuneration of the work in the home of one of the parents; it should be such that mothers will not be obliged to work outside the home to the detriment of family life and especially of the education of the children" (Article 10).

Pope John Paul II also stated in his encyclical letter, *Laborem Exercens*: "Such remuneration can be given either through what is called a *family wage* - that is, a single salary given to the head of the family for his work...or through other social measures such as family allowances or grants to the mothers devoting themselves exclusively to their families. These grants should correspond to the actual needs, that is, to the number of dependents for as long as they are not in a position to assume proper responsibility for their own lives.

"Experience confirms that there must be a social re-evaluation of the mother's role, of the toil connected with it, and of the need that children have for care, love and affection in order that they may develop into responsible, morally and religiously mature and psychologically stable persons. It will rebound to the credit of society to make it possible for a mother - without inhibiting her freedom, without psychological or practical discrimination, and without penalizing her as compared with other women - to devote herself to taking care of her children and educating them in accordance with their needs, which vary with age. Having to abandon these tasks in order to take up paid work outside the home is wrong from the point of view of the good of society and of the family when it contradicts or hinders these primary goals of the mission of a mother" (n.19).

When our Blessed Mother appeared to Sister Mildred Neuzil in the 1950's under the title of *Our Lady of America*, she asked that American families "honor her by the purity of their lives". These words were said at the same time that Satan and his minions were planning the "sexual revolution" in our country. Our Lady's message is truly the "blueprint" for the battle that we are in now for the restoration of the Christian home. We need to examine our conscience by asking ourselves, do we truly know our Catholic Faith? Do we teach it to our children? And most importantly, are we truly living it? Are we setting an example of Christian virtue and are we practicing true charity towards our neighbor, especially our loved ones in our own homes? Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta said: "Everybody today seems to be in such a terrible rush, anxious for greater developments and greater riches and so on, so that children have very little time for their parents. Parents have very little time for each other, and in the home begins the disruption of peace of the world."

The Pilgrims of St. Michael are advocating for the family allowance and grants for the mother at home through the Social Credit program. An honest credit system of distributive justice by a national dividend to all, and a compensated discount on prices to increase the family's purchasing power. This is a response to the Holy Father's call of the role of the laity to work to restore the family in society. In order to be effective in changing our society we must first begin to live the life that Our Lady asks of us. There must be a complete transformation of our lives, taking as our model the Holy Family of Nazareth, living in communion with God in order to obtain Peace in the family and in the world.

O Holy Family of Nazareth, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, be our models of peace, love, harmony, purity, serenity, obedience, and prayer. Give us the grace to work towards the sanctification of our families so that we may all one day be with You, in the bosom of the Holy Trinity for all eternity. Amen.

"He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and His Mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man" (Luke 2:51-52).

Yves and Anne Marie Jacques
Pilgrims of Saint Michael

Monsignor Schooyans denounces the New World Order

Here are excerpts from a book by Monsignor Michel Schooyans entitled "La face cache de l'ONU" which denounces the drive of the United Nations for a world government and total dictatorship. Here are some excerpts from this book. The translation is from "Michael."



The 20th Century saw dictatorships that subjected entire nations to violence, terror, repression, suspicion, and corruption. One only has to think about the countries that faced the horrors of Communism, Fascism, and Nazism. However, the kind of totalitarianism that the present United Nations wants to impose on a global scale is absolute bondage. This totalitarian ideology kills the capacity to distinguish good from evil.

Human rights inverted

In 1948, the United Nations worked out and ratified the "Universal Declaration of Human Rights", which recognized the dignity and primacy of the human person. Today, the UN and some of its agencies behave more and more openly as if they had received a mandate to develop a conception of human rights that is radically different from that expressed in 1948.

According to the UN, man is a fragment of the cosmos, and has no eternal destiny. Man is the product of evolution, and his final destiny is death. He is but an individual in search of pleasures, unable to recognize truth.

This is the source of the new "human rights" of the UN. These new rights are no longer recognized and declared; they are rather imposed, and are the expression of the will of the mightiest. Man must revere Mother-Earth, Gaia (the goddess of the earth

Almost every member of the UN is a Freemason.

What these secularists want is to silence the Church, because she announces a true message, and because she admits that God revealed Himself through His Divine Son Jesus Christ. Political power wants to rule society and consciences by allowing only religions controlled by the State, like in Communist China.

The UN no longer hides its wish to control consciences. There is, for example, a strange organization, the "United Initiative of Religions", founded by an Episcopalian bishop, William E. Swing, an ardent supporter of the New Age, who wants to start a world religion that would soon forbid the existence of any other religion. It is in the interest of the UN octopus to support this plan, for globalization is not limited to politics or economics; it also concerns the "global soul".

These circles are dreaming of a new global ethics. This theme was developed by Hans Kung, a priest condemned by Rome and by the world parliament of religions. This is the spirit of revolution in its pantheist form.

Concentration of power

Acting on his own, the Secretary General of the United Nations strives to create a world elite where is concentrated, in an unprecedented way, political, economic, military and psychosocial powers. This last power includes the news media, knowledge, know-how, ideology, law, and religion. Under the cover of shared responsibility and durable development, the UN is setting up a super-centralized control of these four factors of power to rule the world and impose itself as the undisputed centre that governs every factor of power.

The pyramid-shaped system of standards adopted by the UN has transformed this organization into a fantastic machine whose role is to control lives, and therefore control individuals, families and States. National States must accept being the satellites of the World State, and be replaced by the head of the "pyramid". This is what the plan for Global Governance is all about.

These new "human rights" promoted by the UN explain the campaign of attacks against the presence of an observer from the Holy See (Vatican) at the UN. They would like to silence the Vatican because its stand is not based on consensus, but on truth. The Church cannot accept that any reference to



in Greek mythology), in place of God, his Creator and the Creator of earth.

The International Criminal Court

Under the pressure of some radical feminist and homosexual movements, the competence of the International Criminal Court, created on July 18, 1998, could be extended to "crimes" against the so-called new human rights. For example, to the extent that abortion, homosexuality and euthanasia are recognized as "new rights", the opponents to these rights could be judged and sentenced by the International Criminal Court.

Secularization

What is meant by secularization is all the groups that militate for the disappearance of all that pertains to God and religion. Freemasonry is one of those organizations that militate in favor of secularization.

truth is chased from laws. These pressures against the Church are guided and financed by secularist groups, in order to outlaw from the world community the Church and Christians. These secular circles want the triumph of intolerant agnosticism.

The present UN is doomed

The UN is doomed because it is based on a structure of sin. This UN that rejects the values contained in the Declaration of 1948 has no future. To survive, the UN needs the truth, the truth that the Church offers about man, his divine origin, his destiny – which is eternal bliss. The UN needs the Church and Christians because it needs to be freed from lies and violence. One must stop suppressing the truth. Stop depreciating the family! Stop intruding into the intimacy of couples to "administer" their inalienable right to transmit life! Stop crushing the weakest! Stop limiting the sovereignty of nations!

Stop installing a globalization that, controlling the world economy, will control every human being! Stop the insidious construction of a world government that is above every person and nation! Stop imposing to mankind a system of ideological domestication through the control of the media! Stop controlling the world by using a perverted conception of the law!

A senseless war

The Church must proclaim today that a new war has begun: an all-out war against man. A war that wants to first mutilate man, and then destroy him. A war that wants to alienate man from his reason and will, in which his prodigious resemblance to God is expressed. A senseless war where the price of the death of God is the death of man.

This is the privilege and mission of Christians to be watchers and beacons, to show to everyone the way to follow to avoid snares and traps, and above all, to be witnesses of hope.

Msgr. Michel Schooyans



Msgr. Schooyans and Globalization

VATICAN CITY, Nov. 29, 2000 (*Catholic World News*) – Msgr. Michel Schooyans, a noted Belgian political theorist, has expressed serious misgivings about the process of "globalization" as is seen by the United Nations leadership.

Msgr. Schooyans offered his thoughts to this week's Vatican conference on globalization and the family. He suggested that, in the eyes of UN officials, globalization means "a concentration of power that has the odor of totalitarianism." The UN, the Belgian professor observed, "thinks that the world in its entirety has more value than the person." He added that according to this view – which he said is heavily influenced by New Age thinking – Christian humanism "has to be abandoned and rejected, in order to exalt a neo-pagan cult of Mother Earth."

Msgr. Schooyans also said that the "Earth Charter" currently be prepared by UN officials offers clear evidence to support his charges. In that document, he reported, the human race is depicted as "a part of a vast universe in the process of evolution," and even marked today by "an unprecedented growth in population that overtaxes economic and social systems." The underlying philosophy of the Charter, he said, sees all religions – but particularly the Catholic Faith as obstacles to progress.

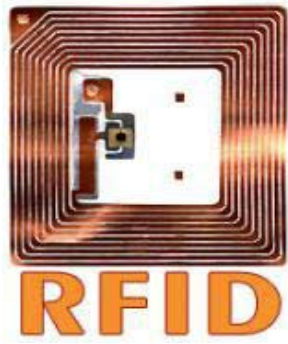
The UN, Msgr. Schooyans concluded, is now aiming to create a new world order over which a "super-government" would preside. This powerful new government would suppress intermediate structures, and seek "more and more centralized control of information, knowledge, technology, human life, health, commerce, politics, and law." "The Church will have no choice but to fight against such a form of globalization," Msgr. Schooyans remarks.

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The new "Security Control" of the 21 Century

Enslaving the human race with the microchip

There is a new tracking technology that will be used to tag every product in the world. The generic name for this technology is RFID, which stands for radio frequency identification chips. RFID tags were at first shrunk to half the size of a grain of sand. On February 14, 2007, Hitachi introduced the world's smallest and thinnest RFID chips, which measure just 0.05 x 0.05 millimeters. The previous record-holder, the Hitachi mu-chip, is just 0.4 x 0.4 millimeters. Take a look, on the picture below, at the size of the mu-chip RFID tag. (Yes, it is the three tiny black squares !) Now, compare that with the new RFID tags. The "powder-type" tags are some sixty times smaller (see the picture below right). The new RFID chips have a 128-bit ROM for storing a unique 38 digit number, like their predecessor.



They listen for a radio query and respond by transmitting their unique ID code. As you exit a store with items that have this RFID tag, RFID readers at the doorways will record the items you bought, automatically billing your account without the benefit of cash. Computers at the door will also pick up your GPS-enabled chip for your ID and match the e-PC code to bill your account.

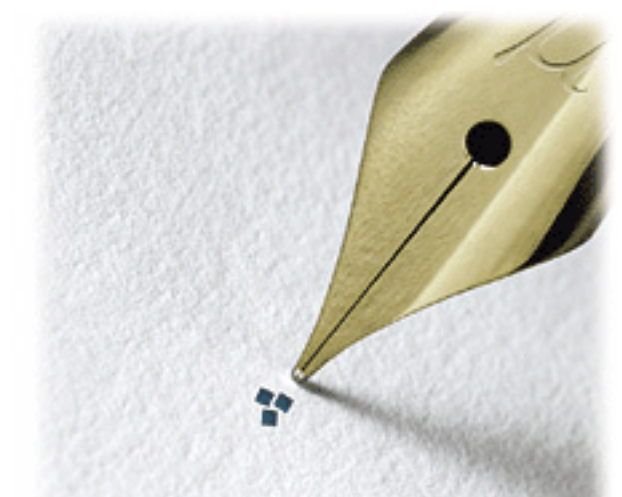
One of the largest retail corporations is Wal-Mart, and they have adopted the RFID technology in their stores. In fact, in 2004 they had commissioned their suppliers to be in compliance with RFID by the end of the year, or they would not accept them as suppliers. Suppliers then invested huge amounts of money to install the new technology in their warehouses and products, Proctor and Gamble being one of the first of their suppliers to do so.

Smart Dust

There is another microchip called Smart Dust, and it's made up of thousands of tiny sensors called mote's, that have wireless communications devices that are attached to them and they are able to network themselves automatically. They are able to detect vibration, chemicals, radiation, biological agents, explosives, footsteps, voices, still images, and even video images and be able to transmit all gathered information of the collection stations.

They are able to measure light and temperature, and when they are clustered together they are able to create very flexible, low-power networks. Currently experiments on humans have begun to apply the use of these motes to detect the onset of health problems, cancer, for example.

The United States Department of Defense has pledged 1.2 million for experiments with the Smart Dust. And a \$127 million dollar project called Future Combat Systems is studying the use of "a new generation of soldiers." With the development of this nanotechnology they would be able to use the motes to gather intelligence, search buildings or blow them up.



These devices could also be used to identify and track people. For example, suppose you participated in some sort of protest or other organized activity. If police agencies sprinkled these tags around, every individual could be tracked and later identified at leisure with powerful tag scanners. This new RFID "powder" is so small that it can be worked into any

product, or be incorporated into thin paper, like that used for money.

Now it was reported in the January 9, 2007 issue of "The Canadian" in an article by Lucien Desjardins that doctors in the United States and Europe are secretly moving to have the microchip implanted in newborns. It was revealed by a Dr. Kilde that then Prime Minister Olof Palme of Sweden had already given permission back in 1973 to implant prisoners, and Data Inspection's ex-Director General Jan Freese revealed that nursing-home patients were implanted in the mid-1980s.

One bad thing about having a microchip implanted in oneself is that fact that you could then be followed anywhere in the world. According to Dr. Kilde, "Today's microchips operate by means of low-frequency radio waves that target them. With the help of satellites, the implanted person can be tracked anywhere on the globe."

According to Dr. Kilde, brain functions can also be remotely monitored by supercomputers and even altered through the changing of frequencies.

In June of 2004 some government workers in Mexico, along with the former attorney general of Mexico, Rafael Macedo de la Concha, injected a microchip to have a "secure" access to restricted areas in the government buildings. Instead of using an ID card or key with the RFID inside, they simply had the chip injected into their arm. To add to that, over 1,000 Mexicans have had a microchip implanted inside them for medical reasons.

At the Baja Beach Club in Barcelona, you can find an exclusive item added to the menu, in the form of a microchip about the size of a grain of rice. This is another instance in which the Verichip is being used for identification purposes, when people enter the club to buy drinks it keeps a count of the customer's expenditures and identification. The RFID is injected by a nurse under a local anesthetic upon the customer's arrival to the club.

This particular chip is dormant unless a tag-reader is waved close to the customer's arm, in which case a radio signal makes the chip transmit the identification number which is used to get information about the customer from a database.

The Hackensack Medical University in New Jersey is promoting the VeriMed, which is the same thing as Verichip. Dr. Joseph Fulman is the Chairman of the Emergency Medicine at Hackensack University. Recent reports given on their website indicate that 620 hospitals around the country have installed the technology and over 1,300 doctors have chosen to over VeriMed to their patients. (www.verimedinfo.com)

New airport technology

At the University College London, the EU is currently funding a project called the "Optag" system which will be used to "enhance airport security, safety and efficiency". These Optag RFID's would ensure that all passengers are monitored by video as soon as they pass through the terminal buildings.

Many of these different forms of RFID tags are currently being used by large corporations, and many more will join in the near future.

The global plan

A few months back, Hollywood director and documentary film maker Aaron Russo stated on a radio interview that he was approached by Nick Rockefeller and asked to join the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Russo refused, but he asked Rockefeller: "What's the point of all this? You have all the money in the world you need, you have all the power you need, so what's the point, what's the end goal?" Rockefeller replied (paraphrasing): "The

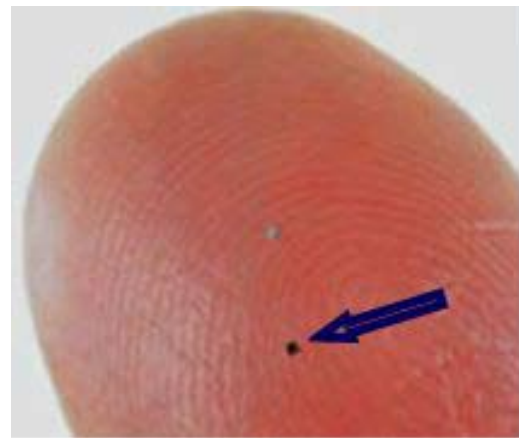
end goal is to get everybody chipped, to control the whole society, to have the bankers and the elite people control the world."

Some may argue that there is no way whole populations will accept being micro-chipped, that it sounds too much like a science-fiction fantasy. Yet we know that this is exactly what the program of the one world people is !

Possible approaches

So what kind of approach will they take to make us accept the microchip? Kevin Haggerty wrote an article entitled "One generation is all they need" in the Dec, 10, 2006 issue of *The Toronto Star*, giving a scenario of chips being first implanted in members of stigmatized groups like pedophiles, terrorists, drug dealers, people society considers to be the "worst of the worst." Then accused individuals will be tagged to stop them from fleeing justice. Prisoners will welcome this development, since only chipped inmates will be eligible for parole, weekend release, or community sentences.

But this will only cover a small segment of society. Other stigmatized groups will therefore have to be targeted, like those on welfare, for example. Welfare recipients will need to be monitored to reduce fraud, enhance efficiency, and to ensure that the poor do not receive "undeserved" benefits.



Employers will then start to expect implants as a condition for getting a job. The U.S. military will lead the way by requiring chips for all soldiers as a means to enhance battlefield command and control – and to identify human remains. Then the massive security sector will follow.

Security guards, police officers, and correctional workers will all be expected to have a chip. Individuals with sensitive jobs will find themselves in the same position. The media will

then probably build up a case about a child that was abducted and abused or murdered so that parents will want all their children to be chipped. Hospitals will then begin to require a chip in order to receive medical treatment.

Special deals will be offered to those who are chipped. Companies will offer discounts to individuals who pay by using funds stored on their embedded chip. New household technology will require a chip to operate everyday household appliances. Finding a computer or appliance that will run through old-fashioned "hands on" technology will become progressively more difficult. Having a chip will almost have to be a must to participate in the main dynamics of modern life, like shopping and driving.

Those who still refuse to take the chip will be accused to trying to hide something. They will also have to constantly deal with delays and inconveniences reserved for the un-chipped.

Then, as a last resort, those who still refuse to take the chip will be declared enemies of the state and brought to special camps where they will be tortured and even murdered if they do not submit to the "Antichrist" who will require all inhabitants of the earth to be chipped. So what could start as being a supposedly good thing will end up becoming a way to enslave mankind.

Refuse the microchip

Without this new high-tech identification for the new global cashless electronic society, you will not be identified so you will not be able to buy or sell. Everyone should refuse to take the microchip, for it has been proven in laboratory tests that the waves emitted by the chip could change human behavior, affect brain waves, and move parts of your body against your will.

Melvin Sickler

For more information on the microchip, check out: <http://www.spychips.com> by Katherine Albrecht.

Two columns of salvation: The Eucharist and the Virgin Mary

Within a year of each other Pope John Paul II issued two important documents, an Apostolic Letter on the Holy Rosary, and an Encyclical letter on the Eucharist. This reminds us of the famous dream St. John Bosco (1815-1888) had about a Pope who would lead the Church to the two columns of salvation: those being the Eucharist and the Virgin Mary.

Most of the prophecies associated with Don Bosco came to him during dreams, but just as in Matthew's Gospel where the process of Joseph being instructed by angels during dreams is described it is clear that Don Bosco's experiences were more than the sort of dreams most of us have when asleep. Most of his dreams were concerned with the direction both he and his order, the Salesians, were to take in the future, and in particular with the boys who lived at his oratory in Turin. On May 30, 1862 Don Bosco in his "Good Night" talk told his boys, and the young clerics he was training, about a dream he had dreamt a few nights previously:

"Try to picture yourselves with me on the seashore, or, better still, on an outlying cliff with no other land in sight. The vast expanse of water is covered with a formidable array of ships in battle formation, prows fitted with sharp spear-like beaks capable of breaking through any defence. All are heavily armed with cannons, incendiary bombs, and firearms of all sorts - even books - and are heading toward one stately ship, mightier than them all. As they try to close in, they try to ram it, set it afire, and cripple it as much as possible.

"This stately vessel is shielded by a flotilla escort. Winds and waves are with the enemy. In this midst of this endless sea, two solid columns, a short distance apart, soar high into the sky: one is surmounted by a statue of the Immaculate Virgin at whose feet a large inscription reads: *Help of Christians*; the other, far loftier and sturdier, supports a (Communion) Host of proportionate size and bears beneath it the inscription *Salvation of believers*.

"The flagship commander - the Roman Pontiff (the Pope) - seeing the enemy's fury and his auxiliary ships very grave predicament, summons his captains to a conference. However, as they discuss their strategy, a furious storm breaks out and they must return to their ships. When the storm abates, the Pope again summons his captains as the flagship keeps on its course. But the storm rages again. Standing at the helm, the Pope strains every mus-

cle to steer his ship between the two columns from whose summits hang many anchors and strong hooks linked to chains.

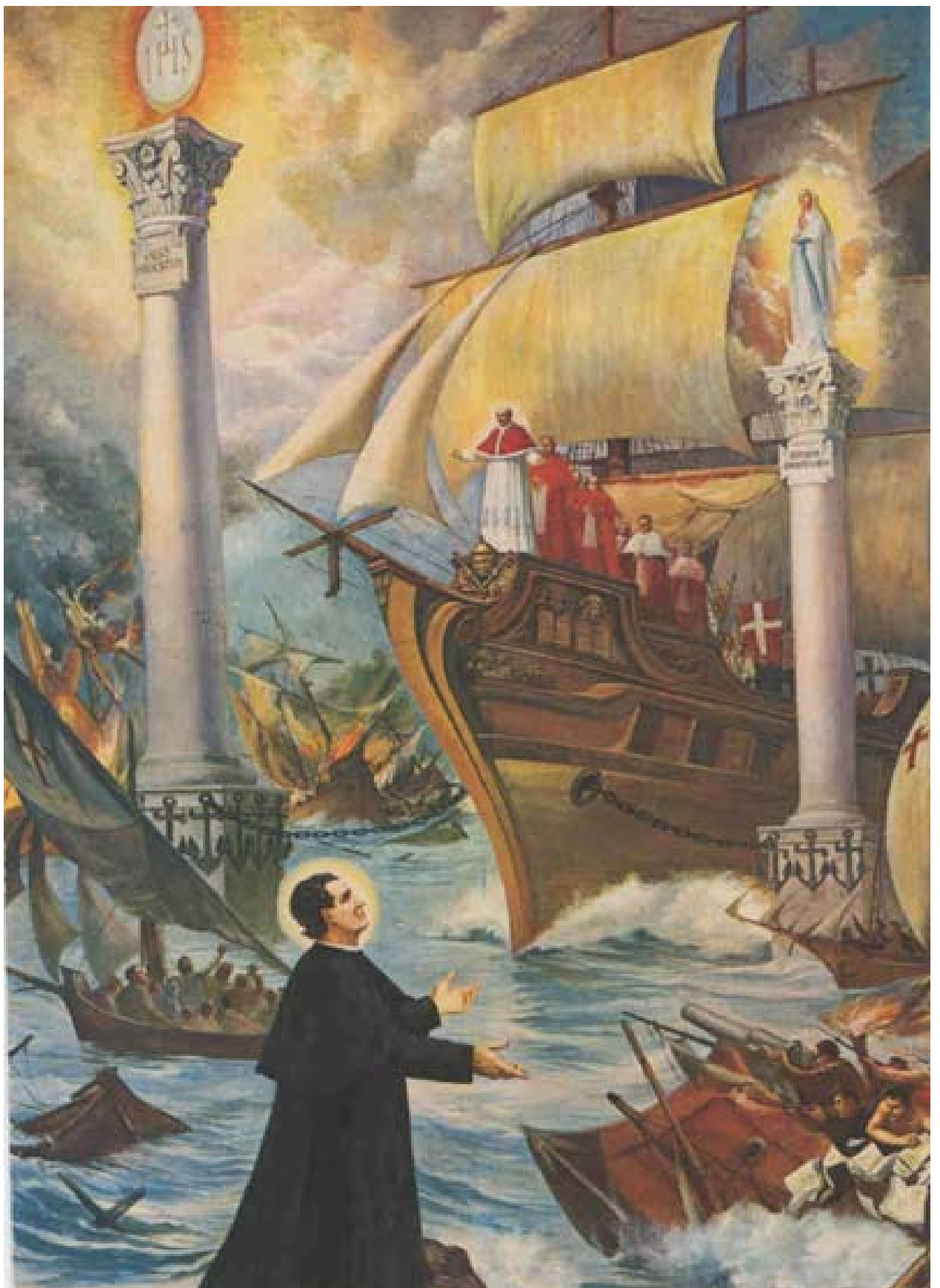
"The entire enemy fleet closes in to intercept and sink the flagship at all costs. They bombard it with everything they have: books and pamphlets, incendiary bombs, firearms, cannons. The battle rages ever more furious. Beaked prows ram the flagship again and again, but to no avail, as, unscathed and undaunted, it keeps on its course. At times a formidable ram splinters a gaping hole into its hull, but, immediately, a breeze from the two columns instantly seals the gash.

"Meanwhile, enemy cannons blow up, firearms and beaks fall to pieces, ships crack up and sink to the bottom. In blind fury the enemy takes to hand-to-hand combat, cursing and blaspheming. Suddenly the Pope falls, seriously wounded. He is instantly helped up but, struck down a second time, dies. A shout of victory rises from the enemy and wild rejoicing sweeps their ships. But no sooner is the Pope dead than another takes his place. The captains of the auxiliary ships elected him so quickly that the news of the Pope's death coincides with that of his successor's election. The enemy's self-assurance wanes.

"Breaking through all resistance, the new Pope steers his ship safely between the two columns and moors it to the two columns; first to the one surmounted by the Host, and then to the other, topped by the statue of the Virgin. At this point something unexpected happens. The enemy ships panic and disperse, colliding with and scuttling each other. Some auxiliary ships which had gallantly fought alongside their flagship are the first to tie up at the two columns.

"Many others, which had fearfully kept far away from the fight, stand still, cautiously waiting until the wrecked enemy ships vanish under the waves. Then, they too head for the two columns, tie up at the swinging hooks, and ride safe and tranquil beside their flagship. A great calm now covers the sea."

Don Bosco added: "Very grave trials await the Church. What we have suffered so far is almost nothing compared to what is going to happen. The enemies of the Church are symbolized by the ships which strive their utmost to sink the flagship. Only two things can save us in such a grave hour: devotion to Mary and frequent Communion. Let us do our very best to use these two means and have others use them everywhere."



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A priest who saw heaven, hell, and purgatory

The death experience of Father Jose Maniyangat

Fr. Jose Maniyangat is currently the pastor of St. Mary's Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Macclenny, Florida. Here is his personal testimony:

I was born on July 16, 1949 in Kerala, India to my parents, Joseph and Theresa Maniyangat. I am the eldest of seven children: Jose, Mary, Theresa, Lissama, Zachariah, Valsa and Tom.

At the age of fourteen, I entered St. Mary's Minor Seminary in Thiruvalla to begin my studies for the priesthood. Four years later, I went to St. Joseph's Pontifical Major Seminary in Alwaye, Kerala to continue my priestly formation. After completing the seven years of philosophy and theology, I was ordained a priest on January 1, 1975 to serve as a missionary in the Diocese of Thiruvalla.

On Sunday April 14, 1985, the Feast of the Divine Mercy, I was going to celebrate Mass at a mission church in the north part of Kerala, and I had a fatal accident. I was riding a motorcycle when I was hit head-on by a jeep driven by a man who was intoxicated after a Hindu festival. I was rushed to a hospital about 35 miles away. On the way, my soul came out from my body and I experienced death. Immediately, I met my Guardian Angel. I saw my body and the people who were carrying me to the hospital. I heard them crying and praying for me. At this time my angel told me: "I am going to take you to Heaven, the Lord wants to meet you and talk with you." He also said that, on the way, he wanted to show me hell and purgatory.

Hell

First, the angel escorted me to hell. It was an awful sight! I saw Satan and the devils, an unquenchable fire of about 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit, worms crawling, people screaming and fighting, others being tortured by demons. The angel told me that all these sufferings were due to unrepented mortal sins. Then, I understood that there are seven degrees of suffering or levels according to the number and kinds of mortal sins committed in their earthly lives. The souls looked very ugly, cruel and horrific. It was a fearful experience. I saw people whom I knew, but I am not allowed to reveal their identities. The sins that convicted them were mainly abortion, homosexuality, euthanasia, hatefulness, unforgiveness and sacrilege. The angel told me that if they had repented, they would have avoided hell and gone instead to purgatory. I also understood that some people who repent from these sins might be purified on earth through their sufferings. This way they can avoid purgatory and go straight to heaven.

I was surprised when I saw in hell even priests and Bishops, some of whom I never expected to see. Many of them were there because they had misled the people with false teaching and bad example.

Purgatory

After the visit to hell, my Guardian Angel escorted me to purgatory. Here too, there are seven degrees of suffering and unquenchable fire. But it is far less intense than hell and there was neither quarreling nor fighting. The main suffering of these souls is their separation from God. Some of those who are in purgatory committed numerous mortal sins, but they were reconciled with God before their death. Even though these souls are suffering, they enjoy peace and the knowledge that one day they will see God face to face.

I had a chance to communicate with the souls in purgatory. They asked me to pray for them and to tell the people to pray for them as well, so they can go to heaven quickly. When we pray for these souls, we will receive their gratitude through their prayers, and once they enter heaven, their prayers become even more meritorious.

It is difficult for me to describe how beautiful my Guardian Angel is. He is radiant and bright. He is my constant companion and helps me in all my ministries, especially my healing ministry. I experience his presence everywhere I go and I am grateful for his protection in my daily life.

Heaven

Next, my angel escorted me to heaven passing through a big dazzling white tunnel. I never experienced this much peace and joy in my life. Then

immediately heaven opened up and I heard the most delightful music, which I never heard before. The angels were singing and praising God. I saw all the saints, especially the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, and many dedicated holy Bishops and priests who were shining like stars. And when I appeared before the Lord, Jesus told me: "I want you to go back to the world. In your second life, you will be an instrument of peace and healing to My people. You will walk in a foreign land and you will speak in a foreign tongue. Everything is possible for you with My grace." After these words, the Blessed Mother told me: "Do whatever He tells you. I will help you in your ministries."

Words can not express the beauty of heaven. There we find so much peace and happiness, which exceed a million times our imagination. Our Lord is far more beautiful than any image can convey. His face is radiant and luminous and more beautiful than a thousand rising suns. The pictures we see in the world are only a shadow of His magnificence. The Blessed Mother was next to Jesus; She was so beautiful and radiant. None of the images we see in this world can compare with Her real beauty. Heaven is our real home; we are all created to reach heaven and enjoy God forever. Then, I came back to the world with my angel.

While my body was at the hospital, the doctor completed all examinations and I was pronounced dead. The cause of death was bleeding. My family was notified, and since they were far away, the hospital staff decided to move my dead body to the morgue. Because the hospital did not have air conditioners, they were concerned that the body would decompose quickly. As they were moving my dead body to the morgue, my soul came back to the body. I felt an excruciating pain because of so many wounds and broken bones. I began to scream, and

then the people became frightened and ran away screaming. One of them approached the doctor and said: "The dead body is screaming." The doctor came to examine the body and found that I was alive. So he said: "Father is alive, it is a miracle! Take him back to the hospital."

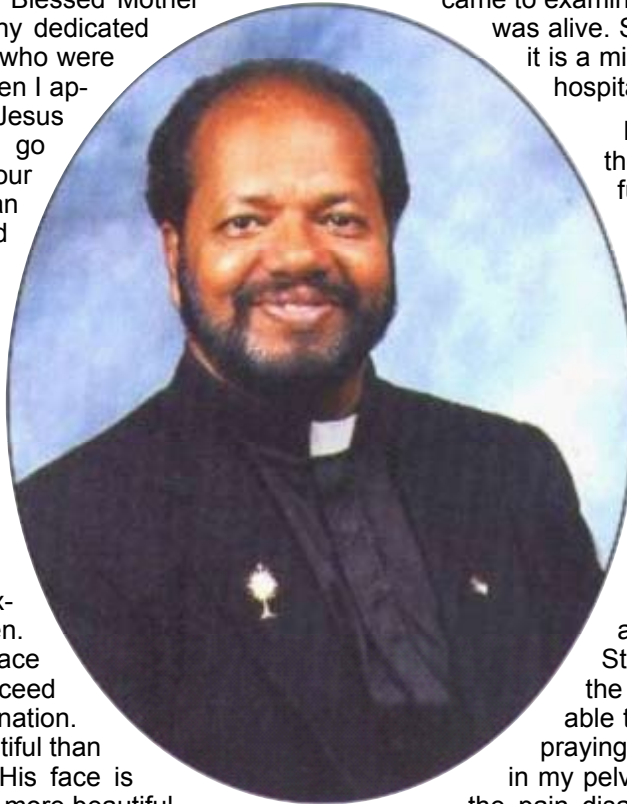
Now, back at the hospital, they gave me blood transfusions and I was taken to surgery to repair the broken bones. They worked on my lower jaw, ribs, pelvic bone, wrists, and right leg. After two months, I was released from the hospital, but my orthopedic doctor said that I would never walk again. I then said to him: "The Lord who gave me my life back and sent me back to the world will heal me." Once at home, we were all praying for a miracle. Still after a month, and with the casts removed, I was not able to move. But one day while praying I felt an extraordinary pain in my pelvic area. After a short while the pain disappeared completely and I heard a voice saying: "You are healed. Get up and walk." I felt the peace and healing power on my body. I immediately got up and walked. I praised and thanked God for the miracle.

I reached my doctor with the news of my healing, and he was amazed. He said: "Your God is the true God. I must follow your God." The doctor was Hindu, and he asked me to teach him about our Church. After studying the Faith, I baptized him and he became Catholic.

Following the message from my Guardian Angel, I came to the United States on November 10, 1986 as a missionary priest... Since June 1999, I have been pastor of St. Mary's Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Macclenny, Florida.

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