

St. Joseph Marian Center

The Albany Diocesan Division of
THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA, U.S.A.



Father Jeffrey L'Arche, MS
A Message from our Spiritual Director

SPRING 2014 ISSUE

*"Family of Nazareth,
Pray for Us"*



LaSalette Shrine, July 13th 2013 National Day of Prayer

Symbols of Easter

HOT CROSS BUNS

Good Friday food

LILY of the fields;

Madonna lily

NEW CLOTHES

Spring—new beginning

PALMS-Jesus' ride

BASKET multiplication

of loaves; blessed on

Holy Saturday

PRETZEL crossed

praying arms;

PURPLE CLOT hun-

ger cloth; penitent

RABBITS fertility;

start of Spring; life

EGGS Resurrection;

tomb; contains life

BREAD Jesus the liv-

ing bread, risen;

sustaining life

BUTTER LAMB with

flag of victory

SALT purification;

WATER Baptism,

Life, health, fertility,

long life; take home to

bless home and food

CANDLE Light of

Christ; fire burns within

BUTTERFLY Christ

Resurrection

LENT 2014

It has been a long and cold winter throughout the country and we are all anticipating the season of Spring. We long for warmer days, flowers and longer daylight hours. "Lent" is an old English word for "Spring." We anticipate the glory of Easter as we walk the pilgrim way to Calvary with Christ. This year we have so many things to pray about especially the situation in the Ukraine and Russia. We always recommend concerns about Russia to the Virgin of Fatima. Mary has a special affection for the people of Eastern Europe. We pray for peaceful means to restore broken relationships among the people there. The Ukraine is the most Catholic of all the former soviet satellites. The Greek Catholic Church in the Ukraine was all but exterminated by Stalin and is now experiencing a resurgence. May both the Catholic and Orthodox churches work together for peace.

Pope Francis entrusted the world to the Blessed Virgin during the past year. Mary as handmaid of the Lord is also our Mother and handmaid as well. May she bring all her erring children to Christ through the effort of this new Pope who has such Marian devotion. One of his first visits the day after his election was to the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome. It is the oldest church in the West dedicated to the Virgin. He spent a good time in prayer after having presented her with flowers of the "fairest." May the Virgin protect him in all his endeavors.

We also note Fr. Walter Baniak's 99th birthday. Fr. Baniak was longtime Chaplain to the Marian Center. He was the celebrant of the 1st Friday/1st Saturday devotions at Holy Trinity Church in Troy for many years. Many of our readers participated in these monthly observances. He is now a resident at the St. Peter's Nursing Home in Albany. Keep him in prayer. His brother with whom he lived for many years in the family home still attends St. Joseph's Church in Troy. AD MULTOS ANNOS and 'STOLAT!' Fr. Baniak!

Fr. Jeffrey, M.S., Chaplain

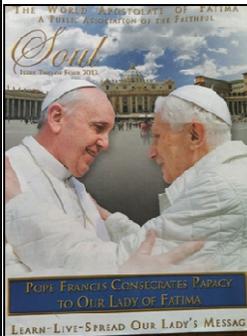
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“WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS, SO YOUR HEART WILL BE”

(Luke 12:22-24)

As Blue Army members of the World Apostolate of Fatima, A Public Association of the Faithful (of the Laity), we are directed to serve under the magisterium. How blessed we are to have Pope John Paul II Consecration of the World including Russia to Our Lady. Why the world? Because if the consecration was not done during the Pontificate of Pope Pius XI, Our Lady said Russia will spread her errors around the world. Russia’s atheism and communism has affected many nations around the world to present day. Pope Benedict XVI added to this blessing when he examined and he confirmed the successful Consecration in 1984. Now Pope Francis is living Our Lady’s message by his example. In 1917 Our Holy Mother asked us to pray for our priests and our pope. She asked us to offer up our sacrifices for the pope who will have a lot to suffer; hasn’t this been true? Our Lady asked us to pray, especially the Rosary, and to do penance for the conversion of sinners, and to bring about the triumph of her Immaculate Heart.

How is Pope Francis following the messages of Fatima under the mantle of Our Lady of Fatima?



1. He was announced on 3/13/13. He appeared on the balcony during the America’s 3:00pm Divine Mercy hour.
2. “In April 2013, Pope Francis announced that he would consecrate his pontificate to Our Lady of Fatima. He called the Bishop of Fatima twice and asked him to go to the apparition site to follow through with this request to our Lady in person. What a call to action this is for us for our lives. Cardinal Jose Polocarlo of Lisbon announced that all the bishops of Portugal are invited to make an act of consecration on May13th.” (2013 Issue 2 Soul Magazine, David Carollo)

3. Pope Francis did the 1st Saturday devotion on the 1st Saturday of his Pontificate, Saturday April 6, 2013. He role modeled the importance of this devotion. As a result, EWTN TV channel has highlighted Our Lord and Lady’s request of 1924 to spread the First Saturday Devotion to overcome the 5 blasphemies against Her Immaculate Heart and for world peace. May we follow their example by starting 1st Saturdays personally. If you have a rosary group, with your pastors permission, start one in your church, or join us at the list of participating churches on page 7.
4. As a servant, by washing prisoners feet, on Holy Thursday last year, he showed his humbleness and humility. (“A generous acceptance of the duties of his state in life.”)
5. On June 13, 1929, Our Lady’s Last vision to Sister Lucia in her convent in Tuy, Spain, Our Lady asked for the Consecration of Russia to Her Immaculate Heart. On October 12-13, 2013, the Fatima Portugal Pilgrim Virgin Statue returned to St. Peter’s Square in Rome at Pope Francis’ request. Pope Francis presided over the Mass at 10:30 am and the recitation of the Rosary



for the Entrustment of the World TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY. In his homily, the Holy Father stated:
“Today we consider one of the marvelous things which the Lord has done: Mary! A lowly and weak creature like ourselves, she was chosen to be the Mother of God, the Mother of her Creator.’ At the conclusion of the Mass, Pope Francis prayed the entrustment of the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, following similar ones done by his predecessors, Pius XII in 1952, Paul VI in 1964, and John Paul II in 1982, 1984, and 2000.” (Continued from 2013 Issue 2 Soul Magazine, David Carollo)

Join in saying this prayer with our Magisterium written on page 8.

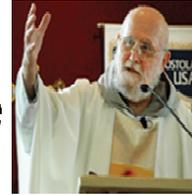
POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYERS ARE REACHING MANY.
May Blessed Mother of Fatima richly bless his pontificate. Amen,

<= “THE TIMES ARE A-CHANGIN.”



Confession, Fatima Statue
Procession, Mass,
Brown Scapular Enrollment

Yankee Trails Bus Trip To World Apostolate of Fatima Shrine Washington, New Jersey



Speaker
Rev. Andrew Apostoll, CFR
Franciscan Friars of the Renewal



Sponsored by St Joseph Marian Center, Albany Division, WAF



Celebrant
Bishop Paul Bootkoski
Bishop of the Diocese
of Metuchen, New Jersey

Date

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

Bus Leaving

6:00 a.m. – St. Madeleine Sophie Church,
3500 Carman Road, Schenectady

6:15 a.m. – Crossgates Common, Washington Ave. Ext.
(park near Pet Smart behind Wal-Mart)

6:45 a.m. – Catskill, NY Thruway Toll Plaza

Costs

\$35.00 (for Bus Transportation only)

\$??? (Tip for Driver, Food and Beverage)

Return

We will be returning to the above pick-up
locations (in the evening) **on the same day**(9:30ish)

HOLY HOUSE

Food, Etc.



If desired, bring a bag lunch and snacks for
yourself. The bus will be making rest stops
during the trip for food, beverages and comfort
stations. Also, wear comfortable shoes and
bring a jacket or sweater.



Reservations - Call (518)-355-3897 or (518)-669-8377

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We were honored and privileged to help represent The World Apostolate of Fatima at this years March for Life in Washington, DC. It was amazing how many of our nation's youth participated with the storm that hit the East coast. We were blessed to be invited by the Director of Disabilities to participate in the Evening Vigil Mass where our daughter Deirdre brought the gifts up to Cardinal O'Malley, then again (above) to Cardinal Wuerl during the Youth Rally Mass. Our Lady said to make reparations because God is grievously offended. Life is from birth to natural death. 56 million children aborted since 1974. Please join us in saying the rosary daily for life for God's forgiveness.

Prayer for the Unborn - Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I Beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. (Bishop Sheen)

Our Mission

St. Joseph Marian Center represents the Albany, Division of World Apostolate of Fatima, (Blue Army), **A Public Association of The Faithful, of The Pontifical of the Laity**, responding to the requests of Our Lady of Fatima. The Mother of Jesus appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917 and **asked for prayers, penance and reparation for sins**, giving us the means to change the world and to turn the hearts of men and women back to God, particularly through daily recitation of the rosary, Eucharistic adoration and *a generous acceptance of the duties of our state in life*. Please pray the rosary and make reparations for sins to bring about an era of peace.

St. Joseph Marian Center promotes the lessons of Fatima and the spread of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary through home enthronements, family consecrations and visitations of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to homes, schools and parishes.

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Resource Center—Our Lady of Grace Gift Shop

Newsletter - Joanne O'Hara. Thank you so much for confirming to continue to receive this newsletter. We gratefully appreciate your increased donations make this newsletter possible. Thank you.

Spiritual Shopping: Our Lady of Grace Gift Shop Our Resource Center

At Our Lady of Grace Gift Shop you will find solutions for all of your gift-giving needs including weddings, baptisms, graduations, birthdays, anniversaries and more. Choose from Catholic bibles, books, rosaries, statues and many more spiritual and gift items. Celebrate life's important occasions with faith

and gifts that inspire and strengthen the faith of your loved ones!

Our Lady of Grace continues to be our St. Joseph Marian Center WAF's Recourse Center.

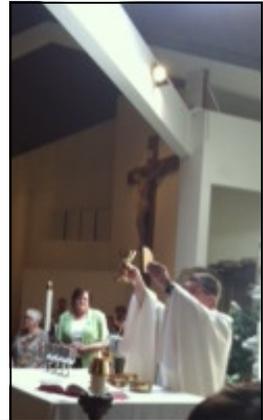
Visit Our Lady of Grace Gift Shop at: 3637 Carman Road in Guilderland, or call Board Member Marian Schuch @ 355-0139 for more information.



PENANCE! PENANCE! PENANCE!
 ‘I’VE RUN THE RACE, I FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT, I KEPT THE FAITH...
 2 Timothy 4:7-8 HENCEFORTH THERE IS LAID UP FOR ME THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.”

Many times this reading is read at funerals. Many times we can ask, how well have we run the race, have we fought the good fight? How well have I kept the faith? Will there be laid up for us as the crown of righteousness?

Depicted above as Part of the Third Secret on July 13th, 1917 Sister Lucia said, “at the left of Our Lady and a little bit above, we saw an Angel with a flaming sword in his left hand; flashing, it gave out flames that looked as though they would set the world on fire; but they died out in contact with the splendor that radiated towards him from her right hand: pointing to the earth with his right hand, the Angel cried in a loud voice: ‘Penance, Penance, Penance!’ ”(Lucia Speaks, pg.45)



When Earth meets Heaven with all the angels & souls

During this Lenten journey, let us ponder the immense love God has for us. Bishop Fulton Sheen once said, “Can’t have Easter without Good Friday,” and “Cannot have the Resurrection without the Crucifixion.” Our Blessed Mother Mary walked the way of the cross,. Let Blessed Mother walk your Lenten journey with you.

In 1916, the Angel of Fatima, (St. Michael) appeared to the three Shepherd Children on three different occasions. During the 3rd Angel’s visit, Francisco



received blood from the Precious Blood Chalice, he felt that God was with him. He wondered how could this be? From that time forward, Francisco decided to console the hidden Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. He spent hours before the Tabernacle in silent prayer. At the end of his life, he asked Lucia and Jacinta to go in his place and stay with the “Hidden Jesus” in church, in his place. May we follow in their footsteps and stop in and say hi to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, before mass, or after mass in addition to your Lenten sacrifice.

A story passed down the generations in Ireland: “There was a boy named Pete who would stop at his local church during his newspaper deliveries and run into church, stop at the tabernacle then run out. He would do this every day. Father noticed this and one day asked Pete, what are you doing? Pete answered, I stop to visit Jesus (in the tabernacle) and say, ‘Jesus, Pete’s here!’ ”One day after Pete ran out he was hi by a vehicle, Father ran out and as Pete was dying, the Priest heard, “Pete, Jesus is here.”

May we follow Pete’s example and just stop in at the tabernacle and say, **“Jesus, (your name)’s here.** Let us pray **“Angel Prayer” as the Angel taught the three children in Fatima...**

The ANGEL PRAYER
O most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

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Taken at the end of Miracle of the Sun in Wash., NJ after One World Praying with 150 countries.

First Saturday Devotion

“Above all we must practice the five First Saturdays Devotion faithfully so an era of peace will be given to us...You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish this devotion.”

WHY PRACTICE FIRST SATURDAY?

On December 10, 1925, Our Lady most Holy Virgin appeared by Sister Lucia's side with a Child. She showed Lucia her heart encircled by thorns, which she was holding in her hand. At the same time the Child said; “Have compassion on the Heart of your most holy Mother, covered with thorns, with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment, and there is no one to make reparation to remove them.”

WHAT ARE THE 5 BLASPHEMIES? The Lord revealed to Sr. Lucia 5 ways in which people offend and blaspheme: 1. Against Her Immaculate Conception; 2. Against Her Virginity; 3. Against Her Divine Maternity while refusing to receive her as the Mother of mankind; 4. who publicly implant in children's hearts indifference, disrespect, and even hate against the Immaculate Mother; 5. who insult her directly in Her Sacred Images.

HOW TO PRACTICE IT? On 1st Saturday each month, receive Holy Communion. Go to Reconciliation that day or 8 days before or 8 days after. Recite 5 decades of the Rosary. Meditate 15 minutes contemplating the mysteries of the Rosary to make reparations to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



Participating Churches on First Saturday Devotion

All times are contingent if nothing else scheduled; example, a funeral. Thank you for understanding.

Everyone is asked to fulfill this devotion privately or in union with others. If you have a Rosary group who say the Rosary on Saturdays before or after the parishes Saturday Mass, you may wish to join saying it with them .

9 am St. Madeleine Sophie Church, Joanne O'Hara with BVM 3500 Carman Rd, Schenectady 12303

9am Christ The King Church with Father L'Arche, 20 Sumpter Ave. Westmere, (Guilderland) 355-3897

3pm St. Edwards Parish, Clifton Park Center Rd, Clifton; in the meeting rooms; Marie @ 371-7680

3pm St. Mary's Parish, 167 Milton Ave., Ballston Spa

Follows 4pm Mass, Christ Our Light Parish, Maria Dr., Loudonville; Marian Kennedy @ 459-7181

9am Mass, St. Ambrose Parish, 347 Old Loudon Rd., Latham; Lenora LeMay @ 664-4374

7:15 Confession; 7:45 Mass, St. Mary's Parish, Rosary; 119 Broad St., Waterford, 12188

8:30 Confession, 9am Mass, devotion to follow Corpus Christi Parish, Northway exit 10. Corner of Rte. 9 and Usher's Rd., Round Lake, 12151 Judy @ 877-8506, ext. 305

St. Michael's Church (20- Page Ave.) Ontario St., Cohoes 12047

1-1:30 pm -Rosary St. Francis Chapel, 145 Wolf Rd., Albany, 12205

CONSECRATION ENTRUSTMENT PRAYER OF THE WORLD



POPE JOHN PAUL II'S CONSECRATION IN 1984 WAS accepted by Our Lady. We now need to consecrate ourselves in union with our magisterium, as one body in Christ through the intercession of Our Mother Mary to Our Lord Jesus Christ for the Salvation of Souls and World Peace. Is the Lord asking us what we are going to do in union with our popes, cardinals, bishops, and priests during Lent? **Let us pray:**

Act of Entrustment to Mary

“Blessed Virgin Mary of Fatima, with renewed gratitude for your motherly presence we join in the voice of all generations that call you blessed.

We celebrate in you the great works of God, who never tires of lowering himself in mercy over humanity, afflicted by evil and wounded by sin, to heal and to save it.

Accept with the benevolence of a Mother this act of entrustment that we make in faith today, before this your image, beloved to us.

We are certain that each one of us is precious in your eyes and that nothing in our hearts has estranged you.

May that we allow your sweet gaze to reach us and the perpetual warmth of your smile.

Guard our life with your embrace: bless and strengthen every desire for good; give new life and nourishment to faith; sustain and enlighten hope; awaken and animate charity; guide us all on the path to holiness.

Teach us your own special love for the little and the poor; for the excluded and the suffering, for sinners and the wounded of heart: gather all people under your protection and give us all to your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus. Amen.” (from Issue 4 2013 Soul Magazine)

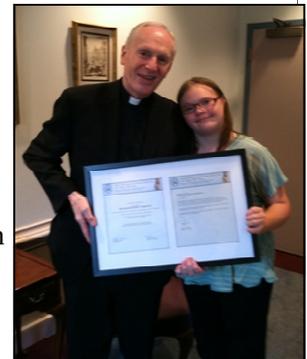


Pope Francis blessing
WAF new Statue



Albany Diocese was very blessed and privileged to have Bishop Hubbard also Consecrate and Entrust our diocese on October 13, 2013 in union with Pope Francis as he did in 1984 in union with Pope John Paul II. At left, Father Belogi of St. Madeleine Sophie Church in union with our Spiritual Director Father L'Arche in Pope's Consecration & Entrustment.

Thank you Bishop Hubbard for all your support of St. Joseph Marian Center and Our Lady of Fatima. It was a privilege working with you and your team. May God bless you in your retirement.



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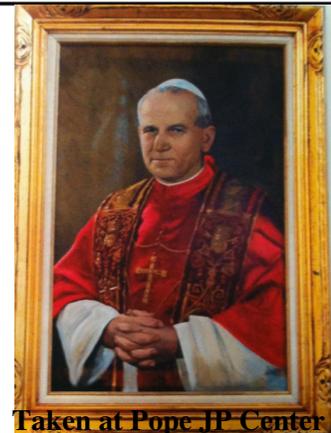
On Divine Mercy Sunday-April 27th

Canonization of Blesseds

Pope John XXIII and Pope John

Paul II, our Fatima Pope (pray for us)

When St. Padre Pio was alive and was asked, "Will Russia ever be converted?" Padre Pio responded, "When there is a Blue Army member for every atheist." We have our work cut out for us. Let us follow the examples of Pope John XXIII, Pope John Paul the Great, and Pope Francis this



Taken at Pope JP Center

Lenten season for our salvation, for the salvation of the poor souls in purgatory, and for World.

Thank you for your increased support of our ministry

Pledge of Our Lady of Fatima

Dear Queen and Mother, who promised at Fatima to convert Russia and bring peace to all mankind, in reparation for my sins and the sins of the whole world, I solemnly promise to your Immaculate Heart:

1. To offer up everyday the sacrifices demanded by my daily duty.
2. To pray part (at least 5 decades) of the Rosary daily while meditating on the Mysteries.
3. To wear the Scapular of Mount Carmel as profession of this promise and as an act of consecration to you.
4. To accomplish the devotion of the Five First Saturdays of the month, including fifteen minutes of meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary.

I shall renew this promise often, especially in moments of temptation.

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