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All About Jesus & Mary

December 25, 2018

MESSAGE of OUR LADY at MEDJUGORJE December 25, 2018 Dear children!

I am carrying to you my Son Jesus who is the King of Peace.

He gives you peace and may it not be only for you but, little children, carry it to others in joy and humility.

I am with you and am praying for you in this time of grace which God desires to give you.

My presence is a sign of love here while I am with you to protect you and lead you towards eternity.

> Thank you for having responded to my call.

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Meditation on the December 25th Message by Fr. Al Bermudez, OSSM

"Mary's Heavenly Gift!"

Mary, our spiritual Mother has bought us Jesus, but also giving us Jesus now, in the present. We long for Jesus daily and want our family to experience His peace and love. Let Him be our King of Peace, and carry it to others as Mary does, in joy and humility. We will experience love, and forgiveness and joy will be real for so many.

God, our Father, loved us so much that, "He gave us His only Begotten Son," that we may have life through Jesus, Our Lord.

Mary continues to be a sign of His love now, in the present.

Let us continue to respond! Let us share real peace and thank God for Mary's protection and care, as we walk with Her to eternity.

Amen.

Love, Fr. Al

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From The Desk of Margaret Trosclair by Gayle Ponseti

 \mathbf{I} thank all of you who have supported us by sending donations to keep our ministry going. We know that our newsletter means so much to you. We pray for all of you everyday, during ourprayertime in our little chapel. We get a lot ofcallsfrompeopleaskingforprayerandtobe putonourprayerline. These intentions are also givenduringourprayertime. We have received many "thank you's" from those whose prayers have been answered. So, please keep sending in your petitions.

We heard from a few of you about not receiving the November newsletter on the email. As Our Lady's December 2, 2018 Message to Mirjana D. Soldo

"Dear children, when you come to me, as to a mother, with a pure and open heart, know that I

thenameoflove, for yoursalvation, according to the will of the Heavenly Father and through mySon,Iamhereamongyou.Apostlesofmy love, along with prayer and sacrifice, may your heartsbeilluminatedwiththeloveandthelight ofmySon.Maythatlightandloveilluminateall those whom you meet and bring them back to my Son. I am with you. In a special way, I am alongside your shepherds. With my motherly loveIilluminateandencouragethemthat, with the hands blessed by my Son, they may bless

MARIAN PHENOMENA



submitted by Gayle Ponseti The Visitation of Our Lady

hefeastoftheVisitation I of the Blessed Virgin Marycelebratesthevisitof the Mother of God, with the childJesusinherwomb, to her cousin Elizabeth, who was herself six months'

pregnantwiththeforerunnerofChrist,St.John theBaptist.AttheAnnunciation,theangelGabriel, in response to Mary's question "Howshall thisbedone, because I know not man?" (Lk1: 34), hadtoldherthat"thycousinElizabeth, she also hath conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her that is called barren: Because no word shall be impossible withGod"(Lk1:27-36). The evidence of Elizabeth'sownnear-miraculousconceptionhad calledforthMary'sfiat:"Beholdthehandmaid of the Lord; be it done to me according to thy word."Itisthusappropriate that the very next action that St. Luke the Evangelist records is theBlessedVirgin"makinghaste"tovisither cousin.

The Significance of the Visitation

ArrivingatthehouseofZachary(orZacharias)

This is the perfect time of the year for us t_{aras} we knew, it had been sent. But, we sent it again to be sure that it was there.

> Wealsoapologizeforthedelayofthisnewsletter beingaweeklate.WeusuallysendouttheDecember issue between Christmas and New Years. A few of us had medical problems and we lost a week of time that would have been designated to the newsletter compiling.

> Wedowantyoualltoprayforourstaff. We have allbeenexperiencinghealthandmedicalproblems. Many have upcoming health issues and medical tests that are scheduled in January, including me. So, we will not have a January Newsletter. We will resume the newsletter in February. The

> > 32nd Anniversary MASS

Sunday 12 Noon COME JOIN US!!!

Visitation of Our Lady Ch., 3500 Ames Blvd.

If you have a tie, wear it!

Next Memorial MASS IN Houma.

For Non-believers: those who have not come to know the Lord.

am listening to you, encouraging you, consoling you and, above all, interceding for you with my Son. I know that you desire to have a strong faith and to express it in the right way. What my Son asks of you is to have a sincere, strong and deep faith -- then every way in which you express it is proper. Faith is a most wonderful mystery which is kept in the heart. It is between the Heavenly Father and all of His children; it is recognized by the fruits and by the love which one has towards all of God's creatures. Apostles of my love, my children, have trust in my Son. Help all of my childrentocometoknowHislove.Youaremyhope--youwhostrivetosincerelylovemySon.In

the entire world. Thank you."

will be Mon., Dec. 17th - Winter TIME CHANGE an Hour Earlier ROSARY 5:00 p.m. MASS 6:00 p.m. With: Fr. Paul Bergeron & Curtis Pierce MASS SITE IN HOUMA, LA Monthly Memorial MASS Schedule on Jim Bowie Rd. Note Time Change WEEKDAYS, MONDAY - FRIDAY:New Time in Winter 5:00 pm-Rosary, 6:00 pm-Mass

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ARE YOU LISTENING TO US??? andElizabeth,Marygreetshercousin,andsome-

thingwonderfulhappens: John the Baptistleaps in Elizabeth's womb (Lk 1:41). As the Catholic Encyclopedia of 1913 puts it in its entry on the Visitation, Mary's" presence and much more the presenceoftheDivineChildinherwomb,accordingtothewillofGod, wastobethesourceofvery greatgracestotheBlessedJohn,Christ'sForerunner."John'sleapwasnoordinarymovementofan unbornchild,forasElizabethtellsMary,"assoon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in my ears, the infant in my womble aped for joy" (Lk 1:44).

Hisjoy, the Churchhasheld from the time of the earlyChurchFathers.camefromhiscleansingat that moment of Original Sin, in accordance with the angel Gabriel's prophecy to Zachary, before John'sconception,that" heshall be filled with the HolyGhost, even from his mother's womb" (Lk 1:15). As the Catholic Encyclopedia notes in its skeleton crew will use that time to close out the end of theyearwork. We will have the January Message & Fr. Al'smeditationpostedonour website.Pleasebarewithus andbepatientwithusatthis time.

Iwanttoremindallofyou that on February 1st, 2019,

wewillbe32yearsold.As we do, each year, we cel-



Fr. Peter Mary Rookey, OSM Oct. 12, 1916 - Sept. 10, 2014 The Apostle of Compassion

ebratebygatheringfortheNoonMassattheVisitation of Our Lady Church, 3500 Ames Blvd. in Marrero. We would like as many of you, as possible, to join us for this solemn event. Wear black and white, if you have it, and ladies, if you have a tie, wear that as well. We have lost several of our active members , over the years, but we are still here and we want to make our presence known.

I want to tell you about something I saw on TV recently.IhavetheLawrenceWelktelevisionprogram automaticallysetuptorecordonmyTV.Lastweek, IwatchedtheirChristmasprogramfrom1966which airedDecember22ndonPublicTelevision,Channel 12 locally. The show was beautiful, filled with all the Christmas songs. What touched me the most was when Natalie Nevens sang the "Ave Maria" so beautifully. When she got to the name of JESUS, in Latin, she bowed her head. Well, she gave it away, she had to be Catholic, cause only Catholics do that. I didn't delete the show, when it got to the end. Iwassoproudofherforbowing herheadattheNameofJesusonnationaltelevision. Continued on page 3

entry on St. John the Baptist, "as the presence of anysinwhateverisincompatiblewiththeindwelling of the Holy Ghost in the soul, it follows that at this momentJohnwascleansedfromthestainoforiginal sin."(FormoreonJohn'scleansingfromOriginalSin, see Who Was Born Without Original Sin?

Elizabeth,too,isfilledwithjoy,andcriesoutinwords that would become part of the Hail Mary, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thywomb,"beforeacknowledginghercousinas"the mother of my Lord" (Lk 1:42-43). Mary responds withtheMagnificat(Lk1:46-55), acanticle or biblical hymn that has become an essential part of the Church'seveningprayer(vespers). Itisabeautiful hymnofthanksgiving,glorifyingGodforchoosing her to be the mother of His Son, as well as for His mercy"from generation until generations, to them that fear Him."

History of the Feast of the Visitation of the B.V.M.

The Visitation is only mentioned in Luke's Gospel, and Luke tells us that Mary stayed with her cousin about three months, before returning home just before Elizabeth gave birth. Gabriel, as we have seen, told Mary at the Annunciation that Elizabeth was six months' pregnant, and Luke seems to indicate that the Blessed Virgindeparted for Elizabeth's homevery soonaftertheAnnunciation. Thus, we celebrate the Annunciation on March 25 and the Birth of St. John the Baptist on June 24, about three months apart. Yet we celebrate the Visitation on May 31st. Why?

While many Marian feasts are among the first feasts to have been celebrated universally by the Church, Eastand West, the celebration of the Visita-

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From the Desk of... Continued from page 2 Every visitor we have is going to be shown this part, even if it means skipping through the rest of the program.

This year, several of us attended the St. Lucy HealingMass.ItwasheldatSt.JohntheBaptist ChurchinNewOrleansonSaturday,December 15. Everyone attending was blessed with the First Class Relic of St. Lucy. This is an annual event, sponsored by the St. Lucy Society of New Orleans. I had never heard about it before, but had read about it in the Archdioceses of New Orleans' Clarion Herald. A few of us, here at Mary'sHelpers, have been dealing with ailments of the eyes, so it was perfect timing. The Mass was beautiful. The celebrant was Fr. Randy Roux, who is an old friend of ours. At the end of the Mass, a gentleman came to the podium and sang "Santa Lucia" in Italian. There wasn't a dryeyeinChurch.Ihadforgottenhowbeautiful St. John the Baptist Church was, its been years since I have been there. If anyone is interested, Fr. Randy Roux celebrates the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass there, every Saturday.

And, please, please KEEP praying & supporting uswith a monetary donation. Yourfinancial HELP is so needed for us to keep this ministry going. We are a worthy cause for evangelization. We helpall the small groups to promote their events and agendas. Our radio program can be heard on the World Wide Web, and we mail news letters to Alaska, Hawaii & beyond. Our news letter can also be viewed & received on the Internet. We receivenotes from readers whotell us how much they enjoy our news letter & cannot wait for the next month's issue to arrive. Put us between the gas & light bills. Thank you, in advance.

Have a Happy & Holy New Year! God Bless!

<u>SCATTERED THOUGHTS</u> ON THE PATH TO HOLINESS

Eucharistic Adoration's Fruitful Experiences PART 26

 Jesus' awesome approval of love for His Mother – December 6, 2018 by Ethel Pearl

Today, Imademy Holy Adoration houraday early, and was truly amazed of how much our Lord has begun to converse with me during AdorationasHeshowedtomeofHisapprovalof myloveforMommaMary.Ihadbegunpraying andthankingmyLordforher"Yes,"andtelling Him of just how much I was looking forward to attending Mass on her Feast Day of the ImmaculateConception.Heshowedtomeof HisintenselovebyexpressingHisexcitement ofmyownloveforHisMommaMarythrough a sudden burst of the most beautiful colors of purple, lavender and golden yellow as they exploded upon me! I took this as a definite signfrommyLordthatHeapprovedofmylove for His Mother. I felt as through I could see Himsmilinginapproval, filled with much love. Thank You my Lord, I love You! All praise and glory to You my Lord! Ilove You! Ethel Pearl



Valence Roudolfish, Sr. February 5, 1934 - November 16, 2018



Lucille "Lucy" Galaviz November 25, 1937 - November 2, 2018

MEMORIALS

Val was a good friend of Harold Trosclair's. They were fishing buddies'. Val also, because of his relationship with Harold, became a good friend to Mary's Helpers and supported us with donations. Gale went to Val's funeral, there she met his wife. When introduced to her, mentioning Margaret & Harold, she said, "Val loved Harold."

He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his beloved wife of 64 years-Anita Z. Roudolfish, his son Valence, Jr. (Donna), and his daughter Becky R. Riley (Kenneth). He and Anita also lost a son-Paul (Susan). They have 7 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, a brother and a sister. We know that Val will be greatly missed. And, we'll miss him too.

Val lit up the room when he entered it.

Our beloved Lucy left us just before her 81st birthday. She was a member of Mary's Helpers and a member of the Order Secular Servant of Mary, a Servite. She treasured her friends in both groups. When Lucy made her Promise, Fr. Al held the ceremony at the Lourdes Shrine in St. Michael Church on the River Rd. in Convent, La. We were on a Servite pilgrimage, visiting the Catholic Churches on the River Rd. Gayle took her picture, framed it for her, and gave it to her as a gift. She was so pleased.

Lucy was a surgical tech & a private home health provider. She was such a lovely person to know.

We all miss Lucy, but we know that her daughters: Maria, Anna & Denise; granddaughters: Maria Elena, & Julie Anna; grandchildren: Ny'Jai, Julian, Allen, Carlos, & Allannah miss her very much.

Visitation of Our Lady... Contd. from page 2 tion, even though it is found in Luke's Gospel, is a relatively lated evelopment. It was championed by St. Bonaventure, and adopted by the Franciscans in 1263. When it was extended to the universal Church by Pope Urban VI in 1389, the date of the feast was set as July 2nd, the day after the octave (eighth) day of the feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist. The idea was to tie the celebration of the Visitation, at which St. John had been cleansed of Original Sin, to the celebration of his birth, even

A Daily Eucharist Reflection – Dec. 10, 2018 - Bread of Life -

IntheOldTestament,theMessiahwasannounced as the "Prince of Peace" (Is 9:5). His birth was proclaimed as the new era of peace "to guide our feet into the way of peace" (Lk 1:79). Jesus Himself established His kingdom as a reign of peace. "Peace is my farewell to you, My peace is My gift toyou"(Jn14:27).AfterHisresurrection,Hisfirst greeting was, "Peace be with you." Through the Eucharisticcelebration, Jesus continued Hiswork ofestablishingandimplementingHispeaceinour hearts. Peace comes into our hearts only through our personal intimate relationship with Jesus. At Mass this relationship is deepened and enriched. AtMasstheentireBody of Christ comestogether to pray for peace. As His family we pray, "Lord, maythissacrifice, which has made our peace with You, advance the peace and salvation of all the world" (Eucharistic Prayer III). Later we pray for

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For close to six centuries, the Visitation was celebrated on July 2, but with his revision of the Romancalendarin 1969, PopePaulVImoved the celebration to the last day of the Marian month of May so that it would fall between the feasts of the Annunciation and the Birth of St. John the Baptist.

peace as a healing balm: "Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day." As we become more and more aware of the indwelling of the risen Jesus within us, we are more and more at peace. How appropriately the Churchin corporates herprayer for peace just before Holy Communion, when Jesus comes to us to augment our peace by His very presence. "Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your Apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of Your Church and grant us the peace and unity of Yourking dom where You live for ever and ever. Amen."

> David E. Rosage Next month - Part 27

Mary's Helpers 2019 Calendar

Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2 First Sat.- Prayers for Priests following 8:00 am Mass - St. John Bosco Ch. Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle

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Part 36 CHAPTER THREE

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL Culture, thought and education Continued 133. It is not enough that evangelizers be concernedtoreacheachperson, or that the Gospelbe proclaimedtotheculturesasawhole.Atheology -andnotsimplyapastoraltheology-whichisin dialogue with othersciences and human experiences is most important for our discernment on how best to bring the Gospelmess age to differentcultural contexts and groups. The Church, inher commitment to evangelization, appreciates and encouragesthecharismoftheologiansandtheir scholarlyeffortstoadvancedialoguewiththeworld of cultures and sciences. I call on theologians to carry out this service as part of the Church's savingmission. Indoingso, however, they must always remember that the Church and theology exist to evangelize, and not be content with a desk-bound theology.

134. Universities are outstanding environments for articulating and developing this evangelizing commitment in an interdisciplinary and integrated way. Catholic schools, which always strive to join their work of education with the explicit proclamation of the Gospel, are a most valuable resourcefortheevangelization of culture, even in those countries and cities where host iles ituations challenge us to greater creativity in our search for suitable methods.

II. The homily

135.Letusnowlookatpreachingwithintheliturgy, which calls for serious consideration by pastors. I willdwellinparticular, and even somewhat meticulously, on the homily and its preparation, since so many concerns have been expressed about this important ministry, and we cannot simply ignore them. The homily is the touchstone for judging a pastor's closeness and ability to communicate to his people. We know that the faithful attach greatimportance to it, and that both they and their ordained ministers suffer because of homilies: the laity from having to listen to them and the clergy from having to preach them! It is sad that this is the case. The homily can actually be an intense and happy experience of the Spirit, a consoling encounter with God's word, a constant source of renewal and growth.

136. Let us renew our confidence in preaching, basedontheconvictionthatitisGodwhoseeksto reach out to others through the preacher, and that hedisplayshispowerthroughhumanwords.Saint Paul speaks forcefully about the need to preach, since the Lord desires to reach other people by means of our word (cf. Rom 10:14-17). By his words our Lord won over the hearts of the people; they came to hear him from all parts (cf. Mk 1:45); they were amazed at his teachings (cf. Mk 6:2), and they sensed that he spoke to themasone with authority (cf. Mk 1:27). By their words the apostles, whom Christ established "to be with him and to be sent out to preach" (Mk 3: 14).broughtallnationstothebosomoftheChurch (cf. Mt 16:15.20).

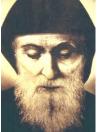
The liturgical context

137. It is worthy remembering that ``the liturgical

St. Sharbel Makhlouf

May 8, 1828 - December 24, 1898

Saint of Miracles



- Part 14

Recent Documented Miracles

The testimonies contained in this article are miracles that were recently recorded at St.

Maron'sMonasteryinAnnaya,Lebanonwhere St. Sharbel lived, died, and is buried.

The first of two testimonies is from the father of a seven month old baby boy named Georgio.

The father states that on October 10, 2018, Georgio was admitted to the hospital after he suffered from high temperatures for three consecutive days. Diagnostic tests were run to discover the cause of his fever. The baby was diagnosed with a congenital defect of his urethra which caused the urine to back up into his left kidney. Georgio was treated for three days in the hospital and was discharged to his home with treatment to continue for another ten days within struction to have a cystos copy on the ninth day.

Upondischargefromthehospital,thefamilywent toAnnayatovisitSt.Sharbel.Themotherkneeled infrontofSt.Sharbelholdingherlittleboyinher hands and offering him to St.Sharbel and asking his intercession before the Lord to grantherchild the grace of healing.

Ontheninthdayafterhishospitaldischarge, and asinstructed, acystoscopy wasperformed which showed no sign of any congenital defect as seen on the previous test. The treating pediatrician consulted with a pediatric urologist who insisted onrunning ascintigraphytest to further evaluate the boy's condition. This test also showed no congenital defect as previously seen.

ThefamilytookGeorgioandreturnedtoAnnaya to visit St. Sharbel and to thank him for the grace of the child'shealing. The miracle was registered on November 4, 2018.

The Second testimony regards a Muslin baby girl,namedNivineHusseinMeqdad. Thebaby's mother is a Muslim Iraqi woman who lives in Lebanon. The mother states that she gave birth to her little girl, Nivine, on October 21, 2018 at a communityhospital. Oneday after thebaby was

proclamation of the word of God, especially in the eucharistic assembly, is not so much a time for meditation and catechesis as a dialogue betweenGodandhispeople, adialogue in which the great deeds of salvation are proclaimed and the demands of the covenant are continually restated." The homily has special importance due to its eucharistic context: it surpasses all forms of catechesis as the supreme moment in the dialogue between God and his people which leaduptosacramental communion. The homily takesuponcemorethedialoguewhichtheLordhas alreadyestablished with his people. The preacher mustknowtheheartofhiscommunity, inorderto realizewhereitsdesireforGodisaliveandardent, as well as where that dialogue, once loving, has been thwarted and is now barren.

138. The homily cannot be a form of entertainment likethosepresentedbythemedia, yetitdoesneed to give life and meaning to the celebration. It is a distinctive genre, since it is preaching situated withintheframeworkofaliturgicalcelebration; hence it should be brief and avoid taking on the semblance of a speech or a lecture. A preacher maybeabletoholdtheattentionofhislistenersfor a whole hour, but in this case his words become moreimportantthanthecelebrationoffaith. If the homilygoesontoolong, it will affect two characteristic elements of the liturgical celebration: its balance and its rhythm. When preaching takes place within the context of the liturgy, it is part of the offering made to the Father and a mediation of the grace which Christ pours out during the celebration. This context demands that preaching should guide the assembly, and the preacher, to a life-changingcommunionwithChristintheEucharist. This means that the words of the preacher must be measured, so that the Lord, more than his minister, will be the centre of attention.

> NEXT Month - Part 37 A Blessed Holy New Year to All!

born, the child became unresponsive, turned blue, and the doctor pronounced her dead. Once the mother was informed she started crying and screaming out loud in grief for her baby girl. Another patient, a woman who happened to be a Christian, saw and heard her. The Christian woman approached her and told her to pray to St. Sharbelandaskhis intercession to bring back her little girl. The mother states that she never inherlifeheard of St. Sharbeland knewnothing about him, yet she faithfully prayed and asked his intercession. He answered her prayers and brough therbaby back to life to the astonishment of all!

TheMuslinwomanwentwithherfamilytovisit Annaya and to thank St. Sharbel for the grace ofhealingherchild. Themiraclewasregistered on November 10, 2018.

> (All miracles recorded at St. Maron's Monastery have been accompanied by medical reports.)

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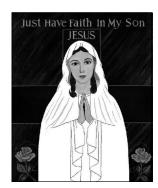
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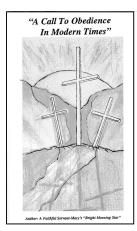
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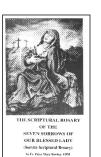


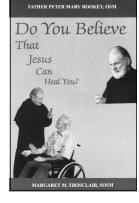
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Witnesses of Those Who Have Had Experiences While Praying Before this Image!

OnMARCH17,2003, St. Patrick's Day, the 7th Anniversary, a crowd of about 250 people looked on in awe as they watched the MIRACLE of the SUN in full view beyond the trees. Everyone present



witnessed the phenomena. Mary's Helpers ConferenceofJULY2003wasCenteredAround this image of Our Lady & her message, "Just Have Faith in My Son Jesus."

The 13th - Ellie Martin, Gretna, LA

OnFriday, June 14, 2002 my friend and neighbor GwenEschete, called meby phone and asked me to go to her condo. She said she wanted me to see a picture.

When I arrived Gwen showed me a picture of Mary, Mother of Jesus and asked me to look at it intensely.

The picture showed a very young Mary, very beautifulandappealing.AsIstaredatit,suddenly the eyes seemed alive and moving. No matter whereImoved,theyfollowed.Thisintriguedme sothatIsatdownonGwen'scouchwiththeframed picture before me against her coffee table. Then I had the distinct feeling she was trying to speak tome. Icanhardly believe it, buther lips seemed to move. I can't get that picture out of my mind. Ihope Ihave not imagined it all. I'm only telling what I thought Is a wand what I have written is thetruth.

Thereiscertainlysomethingunusualaboutthat picture.

As of 6:30 p.m. last night, I told my friend that I have renewed hope to heal from my husband's death2yearsago.Ifeelbetter,happierand"everything"wentwellformethisweek.Myfriendthinks I've received a "favor." The most recent thing I told my friend was that I slept 6 and a half hours, the first time since my husband passed away. The 14th - Gwen Eschete, Gretna, LA

IhavehadthepictureofOurLadyofCompassionate Protection in my home since Monday evening and have listened to Louis Saia's tape. I wasparticularly intrigued by Mr. Saia's honesty.

I saw the lips move and my neighbor saw the



eyesandlipsmove. The eyesappeart of ollowyou everywhere. I put the picture behind the driver's seat and could feel the presence of someone sitting behind me. I have slept better and have more inner peace than I have had in months. I sell real estate and it can become very complicated. Ilive alone and survived cancer-12 years.

I'vereceivedpersonalmessages, but also think someone needs to author a novena card for Our Lady. I think she can save souls that are lost and involved too deeply into the "world." And I think thatanovenawillhelphealthose"livinginthefast lane."

Iampositivethatmanymiracleswilltakeplace throughOurLadyofCompassionateProtection. Sheishereinthesetroubledtimes, forthemultitude of problems we are suffering in the world. I think manywillhavetheirfaithrenewedandwillbeable to persevere. The picture brings a calmness and in having the picture you feel you are not alone.

IalsohaveafriendwhomIhavenoticedislaughing more since last Friday when she viewed Our LadyofCompassionateProtection.Sheadmitted that she needs to have more faith.

As for me, I am happier also. Things have not been as "difficult." When things are a challenge, I stillhaveaninnerpeacethatIhavenotfeltinalong time. Ifeelmore "together." Ibelieve "OurLady" brings peace, comfort and joy. My head is clear, despite the allergies and I have received several good leads for future business. People have been morepleasantthisweek.OurLadyisbringingout the best in all of us.

Mother's Day, May 12, 2002, I returned to Orlando, Florida for my second visit at the home ofmydaughterErin,son-in-lawTomandtwograndsons,2yearoldThomasand2montholdJack.My firstvisitwastowelcomemynewestgrandchild, who wasborntwoweeksbeforeEaster.ThistimeIwas going to baby-sit the new baby for a week, while my daughter, who teaches children with autism, finished out the school year. Something inside of me kept telling me to bring a print of Our Lady of CompassionateProtectionwithmefortheirhome. I was really pushed to do this.

I arrived there Sunday evening right before supper. When we were finished eating, it was

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> time for Thomas to go to bed. I noticed that he was never ready to go to bed. He gave a lot of troubletohismomordad, whotookturns reading himstoriesandshowinghimpicturebookstocalm himdown. Itseemedlike for ever before he would give in.

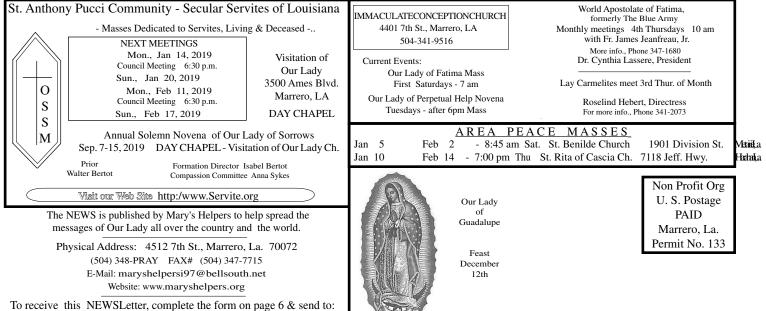
> ItookoutthepictureIbroughtandplaceditona stuffedTeddybearwhichsatonarockinThomas' room, where he could get used to seeing it. My daughterhadnotdecidedjustwhere, inhisroom, she was going to hang it. Wednesday, May 15th, at 10:00a.m., my son-in-law, who is an architect, walkedthroughtheroomwhereIwasfeedingthe babysaying,"Idon'tknowaboutthis'beinginbusinessforyourself'stuff,I'mgoingtohavetolookfor a job." I asked him what he meant by that and he answered, "Ihaven't received any 'call backs' on themanyproposalsI'dsubmitted."WhenIasked howlonghehadbeenworkingforhimselfhesaid, "Since January." "Son, Iknow what you need to do, but you're going to laugh at me," I said. "No, I won't,"heanswered. "Youhavetopray. Yousaw thepictureIputontherockerinThomas'room,go get it and put it in your office." Tom brought the picture in and placed it to the right over his desk. "Look up at her several times during the day and say a prayer for your business."

When I finished feeding Jack and he went to sleep, I put him down in the portable bed. I went into the dining room, took a chair and brought it into Tom's office. I sat down with my Rosary in myhandandItoldTom, "I'm going to sithere and pray the Rosary for your business, silently, so I The 15th - Gayle Ponseti, Gretna, LA - PART ldonotdisturbyou." When I finished, I picked up the chair and replaced it in the dining room. The picturewentbackintoThomas'roomwhenhewent to bed.

The next morning, Thursday, about the same

Continued on page 8 MARY'S HELPERS IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS Are YOU computer friendly? We have a specific & real NEED of someone interested in maintaining our MAILING LIST. Training Period Available Now through December This is a weekly position. Hours are: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Spring & Summer 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fall & WInter

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Witnesses.... Contd. from page 7 time,IwasfeedingbabyJackagain.Tomhadalready put the picture back in his office. The phone rang andTom,whenansweringit,becameexcited.When he hung up the receiver, I got up with baby Jack in my arms and walked into his office to see what the excitement was all about. I asked Tom and he said, "I got a call back on one of the jobs I'd made a proposalon." I reached up with the index finger on my righthandandtappedthepicturesaying,"Sheworks fast." Tomgrinned. Thatevening, when it was time for Thomas to go to bed, I told his parents that I was going to put him to bed. I brought the picture of Our LadyandplacedherontheTeddybearintherocker. I picked up one of the books, which his parents said he liked so much, to read him a story. He did not wantanypartofthat.SoItookmyMiraculousMedal off and showed it to him. I said, "See Mother Mary. Kiss Mother Mary." He held the medal in his little hands and kissed it.

Part 2 of #15 in Next issue.

Mensáje De Nuestra Señora

¡Queridos hijos!

Les traigo a mi hijo Jesús que es el Rey de la Paz.

Él les da la paz y que esta paz no sea solo para ustedes, hijitos, sino llévenla a los demás en alegría y humildad.

Yo estoy con ustedes y oro por ustedes en este tiempo de gracia que Dios desea darles.

Mi presencia es un signo de amor aquí, mientras estoy con ustedes, para protegerlos y guiarlos hacia la eternidad.

¡Gracias por haber respondido a mi llamado!

A THANKSGIVING NOVENA TO ST. JUDE Submitted by Denise E. Falcone

O Holy st. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart

and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known

and cause you to be invoked. St. Jude, pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. Followed by

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25 de Deciembre, 2018

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