



# MARY'S HELPERS, INC.

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## MEDJUGORJE November 25, 2019

Dear children!

May this time be a time of prayer  
for you.

Without God you do not have  
peace.

Therefore, little children, pray  
for peace  
in your hearts and families, so  
that Jesus  
can be born in you and give you  
His love and blessing.

The world is at war  
because hearts are full  
of hatred and jealousy.

In the eyes, little children,  
peacelessness is seen  
because you have not permitted  
Jesus to be born in your lives.

Seek Him, pray, and He will  
give Himself to you in the Child  
who is joy and peace.

I am with you and  
I pray for you.

Thank you for having  
responded to my call.

## MEDJUGORJE December 25, 2019

Dear children!

I am carrying my Son Jesus  
to you,  
for Him to bless you and  
reveal to you His love,  
which comes from heaven.

Your heart yearns for  
peace,  
of which there is less and  
less  
on earth.

That is why people are far  
from God  
and souls are sick and  
heading  
towards spiritual death.

I am with you, little children,  
to lead you on this way of  
salvation  
to which God calls you.

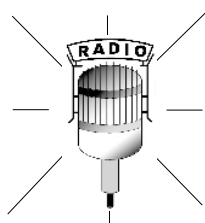
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## From The Desk of Margaret Troscclair *by Mary's Helpers Faithful Followers*

Dear Readers and Members, It is with a heavy heart that we announce that Gayle Ponseti has passed away. You will see included in this newsletter where we do our best to pay tribute to Gayle's many years of work and dedication to Mary our Mother and God our Father. She has left some very large shoes to fill and we are doing our best to continue Mary's Helpers newsletter. Please be patient with us as we regroup our resources. The newsletter probably changed somewhat when Margaret passed and will undoubtedly change with the

### Meditation on the NOVEMBER 25, 2019

by Fr. Al Bermudez, OSSM

#### "Mary Leads Us, Always In A Kindly Way!"

Mother Mary, in a very kindly way, has begun reflecting the season of Advent, this coming Sunday. We cannot wait on the coming of the Savior with the expectant Mother and the Prince of Peace, Jesus, Who will surely give us His very life in us. This world of war, because of hatred and jealousy needs to be saved by the little Child that is coming. Mary says to us, "You can see, little children, that peacelessness with our present condition without the Prince of Peace, because we have not permitted Jesus to be born in our lives. That condition will continue if we do not pray, repent, go to confession. The Sacraments of forgiveness lead to celebrate Jesus' presence. And that leads us further to the Eucharist, His very life, in a more joyful way. Holy Communion in our lives leads us to greater joy in our hearts. Jesus will give us Himself completely, which leads us back to prayer and thanksgiving to the Father. The gift of the Sacraments are peace and joy.

Mary, indeed, wants us to experience this gift of Joy and peace in finding Jesus and sharing Him with others.

Amen.

God Bless.

Love, Fr. Al

passing of Mrs Gayle Ponseti. We need your support more than ever to afford to publish the messages from Mary our Mother and other articles that you rely on for spiritual growth. Please continue to support Mary's Helpers as much as you can. We hope that you have a Blessed New Year and enjoy our future newsletters as much as you have in the past. God Bless.

### Meditation on the DECEMBER 25, 2019

by Fr. Al Bermudez, OSSM

#### "Mary has Been Our Mother of Joy & Hope!"

A model of advent waiting in prayer. Prayer reflecting in the faithful woman. She is the new eve dedicated with fidelity to God's will and his plan of salvation. She carries Jesus in her heart, before she carried him in her womb. Mary teaches in every act of obedience to God, to share Jesus with us. Mary longs for us to receive Jesus, the prince of peace, that we truly yearn for him in our hearts. She has experienced our world without peace, because we are further apart from each other, because we do not love God. Mary stays with the church after Jesus' birth because she will need to give us lessons of faith, such as divine intimacy with Jesus through prayer and dying to self.

She will guide the disciples as the spouse of the holy spirit, since Jesus left her to care for the church as it's mother in his final words on calvary. Mary will help us surrender to this call of God's plan of Salvation! Let us listen and decide to respond. Help me Immaculate Heart of Mary to love and obey your son Jesus.

Amen.

God Bless.

Love, Fr. Al



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



Margaret M. Troscclair  
June 19, 1933 - March 14, 2019



Gertrude Gayle Ponseti  
Oct 14, 1937-Dec 10, 2019

### November 2, 2019 Message to Mirjana D. Soldo

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

"Dear children, my beloved Son always prayed and glorified the Heavenly Father. He always said everything to Him and trusted in His will. This is what you, my children, should also do, because the Heavenly Father always listens to His children. One heart in one heart - love, light and life. The Heavenly Father gave Himself through a human face, and this face is the face of my Son. You, apostles of my love, you should always carry the face of my Son in your hearts and your thoughts. You should always think of His love and His sacrifice. You should pray to always feel His presence, because, apostles of my love, that is the way for you to help all those who do not know my Son, who have not come to know His love. My children, read the book of the Gospel. It is always something new, it is what binds you to my Son who was born to bring the words of life to all of my children and to sacrifice Himself for all. Apostles of my love, carried by the love for my Son, bring love and peace to all of your brothers. Judge no one. Love everyone according to the love for my Son. In this way, you will also be caring for your soul, and it [your soul] is that what is most precious, which truly belongs to you. Thank you."

### December 2, 2019 Message to Mirjana D. Soldo

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

"Dear children, pray! "Dear children. As I look at you who love my Son, my heart is being filled with tenderness. I am blessing you with a motherly blessing. With a motherly blessing, I am also blessing your shepherds - you who speak the words of my Son, who bless with His hands and who love Him so much that you are ready to make every sacrifice for Him with joy. You are following Him, who was the first shepherd, the first missionary. My children, apostles of my love, to live and work for others, for all those whom you love through my Son, is the joy and comfort of earthly life. If through prayer, love and sacrifice the Kingdom of God is in your hearts, then your life is joyful and bright. Among those who love my Son and who love each other through Him, words are not necessary. A gaze is sufficient for the unspoken words and unexpressed feelings to be heard. There where love reigns, time no longer counts. We are with you. My Son knows you and loves you. Love is that which brings you to me and through that love I will come to you and speak to you of the works of salvation. I desire for all my children to have faith and to feel my motherly love which leads to Jesus. Therefore, you, my children, wherever you go, illuminate with love and faith as apostles of love. Thank you."

**To desire grace without recourse to the Virgin Mother is to desire to fly without wings.**

Pope Pius XII

## OBITUARIES

# Gertrude Gayle Gibson Ponseti

October 14, 1937 - December 10, 2019

## In Loving Memory of



Gertrude Gayle Gibson Ponseti, of Gretna, Louisiana, passed away on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, in Gretna. Gayle was born October 14, 1937, in New Orleans (Algiers), Louisiana, to the late Patrick Henry and Juanita Ruiz Gibson, Sr and was a lifelong resident of the West Bank of New Orleans. She was preceded in death by her siblings: Edward Gibson, Sr., Joseph Gibson, Sr., Henrietta Gibson Lauman, Patrick Gibson, Sr., Juanita Gibson Boudreaux, Leo Gibson, and Mary Agnes Gibson. Gayle is survived by her beloved husband of 60 years, James Ponseti, Sr. and a brother, Francis Gibson. She was a loving mother of James W. Jr. (wife Trish), Borland Leo (Rik), Martin Robert (Mik), Gaylyn Ponseti McGlauchlin (husband Todd); Damian Ponseti Knight (husband Tim) and Erin Ponseti Bush (Husband Tom Sr); eight grandchildren, Edward Knight (wife Cloe), Melissa Clark (husband Todd), Jake Ponseti, Camille Ponseti, Elyn McGlauchlin, Julia McGlauchlin, Tom Bush, Jr. and Jack Bush; and two great-grandchildren, Daniel Clark and Sadie Clark. She graduated in 1955 from Holy Name of Mary High School in Algiers, La. Gayle then acted and modeled locally in the late 1950s and worked in data processing from the 1960s to the early 1980s. She enjoyed the history of New Orleans, and in the past, has volunteered as a docent/guide for various historic home tours. She also enjoyed painting and making silk-flower arrangements, preparing traditional family dishes, which she shared with her family. Since 1987, much of her energy, outside of family, was dedicated to Mary's Helpers, Inc., a Servite organization committed to advancing the messages of Our Lady of Medjugorje. Over the years, she led a number of pilgrimages to Medjugorje and other sacred sites in places like Europe, as well as edited the Mary's Helpers monthly newsletter, and hosted the weekly radio broadcast. In later years, she succeeded the late Margaret Trosclair as director of the organization.

Funeral Services were held at St. Martha Church in Harvey on Monday, December 16, 2019 and was buried in St. Bartholomew Cemetery in Algiers. Request were made to consider a memorial gift to Mary's Helpers, Inc., P.O. Box 1853, Marrero, LA 70073 in lieu of flowers. The family invites you to share your thoughts, fond memories, and condolences online at: <https://www.motheFUNerals.com/obituaries/Gertrude-Ponseti/#!/Obituary>.

She will be dearly missed by family and friends who knew her best but we know that she is dancing with our Lord in heaven this day and one day we will meet again... Rest in peace Ms Gayle. Love you!



### REST IN PEACE

**Carita Breaux**  
1945 to 2019

Carita Breaux, 84, passed away unexpectedly on September 2, 2019. She was a native and lifelong resident to New Orleans. Carita worked 18 years for Louisiana Power & Light. Carita was very active in her parish, St. Christopher the Martyr Catholic Church and was honored with The Order of St Louis IX, presented by the Archbishop of New Orleans, for her devoted service to the Catholic Church. Carita was also an officer with the AARP, a member of Mary's Helpers, and many other organizations. Arrangments entrusted to the Neptune Society of New Orleans.

**JOIN US on St. Patrick's Day**  
**Tuesday, March 17th.**  
As we celebrate  
**the 24th Anniversary Mass**  
**on the Jim Bowie Rd. in Houma**  
**Rosary 5:00 p.m.**  
**Mass - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Celebrant: Fr. Paul Bergeron**

**For a map to the Mass site in Houma, write or call. We can fax you one.**

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**HONORING HER LIFE**  
**Joyce Phillpott Boudreaux**  
Sept 7, 1947 to Aug 11, 2019

Joyce passed away peacefully on August 11, 2019. She was a member of Mary's Helpers Chapter for 6 years. Her deceased mother, Joyce Phillpott was also a member for many years. They will both be dearly missed by their family and friends. Donations in lieu of flowers are to be made to Metairie Manor Guild Assoc.

### MARY'S HELPERS' INTERNET ADDRESSES

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### Mary's Helpers 2020 Calendar

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For Prayer at Noon, Weekdays,  
Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri.

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**HOUMA ROSARY & MASS - Jim Bowie Rd.**

Mon, Feb 17, 2020 MASS 6 p.m.-Fr. Paul Bergeron  
Tue, Mar 17, 2020 MASS 6 p.m.- Fr. Paul Bergeron  
Fri, Apr 17, 2020 MASS 6 p.m.-Fr. Paul Bergeron  
Houma Gift Shop Open Each 17th of Mo. - No Suns.

**St. Joseph Day is Thursday, March 19th.**  
See Page 6 for our list of Altars.

St. John Bosco Church, Marrero, La. -  
Rosary every Thursday morning at 10a.m.

May the mother of Jesus and our mother, always smile on your spirit, obtaining for it, from her Most Holy Son, every heavenly blessing.

Saint Padre Pio

**ENCYCLICAL LETTER**  
**The JOY of the GOSPEL**  
**EVANGELII GAUDIUM**

**APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION**  
**of the**

**SUPREME PONTIFF**  
**FRANCIS**

to the **BISHOPS,**  
**PRIESTS, DEACONS,**  
**CONSECRATED**  
**PERSONS, &**

The **LAY FAITHFUL**  
on the **PROCLAMATION**  
of the **GOSPEL** in  
**TODAY'S WORLD**

**Part 43**



**CHAPTER THREE**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL**

168. As for the moral component of catechesis, which promotes growth in fidelity to the Gospel way of life, it is helpful to stress again and again the attractiveness and the ideal of a life of wisdom, self-fulfilment and enrichment. In the light of that positive message, our rejection of the evils which endanger that life can be better understood. Rather than experts in dire predictions, our judges bent on rooting out every threat and deviation, we should appear as joyful messengers of challenging proposals, guardians of the goodness and beauty which shine forth in a life of fidelity to the Gospel.

Personal accompaniment in processes of growth

169. In a culture paradoxically suffering from anonymity and at the same time obsessed with the details of other people's lives, shamelessly given over to morbid curiosity, the Church must look more closely and sympathetically at others whenever necessary. In our world, ordained ministers and other pastoral workers can make present the fragrance of Christ's closeness and his personal gaze. The Church will have to initiate everyone – priests, religious and laity – into this "art of accompaniment" which teaches us to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other (cf. Ex 3:5). The pace of this accompaniment must be steady and reassuring, reflecting our closeness and our compassionate gaze which also heals, liberates and encourages growth in the Christian life.

170. Although it sounds obvious, spiritual accompaniment must lead others ever closer to God, in whom we attain true freedom. Some people think they are free if they can avoid God; they fail to see that they remain existentially orphaned, helpless, homeless. They cease being pilgrims and become drifters, flitting around themselves and never getting anywhere. To accompany them would be counterproductive if it became a sort of therapy supporting their self-absorption and ceased to be a pilgrimage with Christ to the Father.

171. Today more than ever we need men and women who, on the basis of their experience of accompanying others, are familiar

with processes which call for prudence, understanding, patience and docility to the Spirit, so that they can protect the sheep from wolves who would scatter the flock. We need to practice the art of listening, which is more than simply hearing. Listening, in communication, is an openness of heart which makes possible that closeness without which genuine spiritual encounter cannot occur. Listening helps us to find the right gesture and word which shows that we are more than simply bystanders. Only through such respectful and compassionate listening can we enter on the paths of true growth and awaken a yearning for the Christian ideal: the desire to respond fully to God's love and to bring to fruition what he has sown in our lives. But this always demands the patience of one who knows full well what Saint Thomas Aquinas tells us: that anyone can have grace and charity, and yet falter in the exercise of the virtues because of persistent "contrary inclinations".[133] In other words, the organic unity of the virtues always and necessarily exists in habitus, even though forms of conditioning can hinder the operations of those virtuous habits. Hence the need for "a pedagogy which will introduce people step by step to the full appropriation of the mystery".[134] Reaching a level of maturity where individuals can make truly free and responsible decisions calls for much time and patience. As Blessed Peter Faber used to say: "Time is God's messenger".

Part 44 Next Month

**St. Sharbel Makhlof**

May 8, 1828 - December 24, 1898

**Saint of Miracles - Part 20**

**Recent Documented  
Miracle**

The testimony in the following miracle involves a "visit" from St. Sharbel  
*by Margaret Bieser*



**M**r. Salib Doub, a resident of Ohio, was born in Egypt in 1950. After being diagnosed with fourth degree lung

cancer, the cancer spread into his thoracic cavity. The treatment of chemotherapy and radiation was begun, but severe pain ensued. Nothing seemed to improve his condition; the doctors estimated that his time was short and therefore advised the family to fulfill all the father's request. Mr. Doub's daughter asked one of her friend's to obtain oil from the tomb of St. Sharbel for her father. On June 29, 2019, after receiving oil and soil from the tomb, Mr. Doub's wife anointed him with the oil and dissolved the soil in a glass of water for him to drink. On the same day, Mr. Doub was healed! St. Sharbel had answered their prayers through a miracle of healing!

The medical reports were sent to the monastery where the miracle was recorded on July 17th, 2019.

**SECOND MIRACLE**

Joe Michael Abi Hatem, an agricultural engineer born in Lebanon in 1995 began experiencing headaches that became more severe each day. An injury to his finger caused bleeding that could not be stopped. He was taken to the emergency room where he was examined by Dr. Salma Sfeir. Tests were taken that showed Joe Michael had cancer of the blood. He started chemotherapy and underwent surgery. St. Sharbel appeared to Joe in a dream and stayed beside him in silence. The Lord also appeared in the dream and placed his hand on Joe's waist. On the second day, December 22, 2018, Joe's immune system recovered! On December 30, 2018, Joe was discharged from the hospital.

After several reviews of the laboratory tests, the doctors told Joe and his family, "Congratulations! Joe Michael is healed!"

St. Sharbel appeared to Joe's mother in a dream and said to her sweetly, "Be quiet, be quiet." She asked him for a sign to understand if Joe Michael was healed. St. Sharbel then gave her a sign by closing and opening his eyes three times.

The family went to Annaya in July of 2019 to thank St. Sharbel and brought the medical records to register the miracle.

We also want our readers to know that we do not have St. Sharbel holy oil for distribution. Anyone wishing to have this holy item must contact:

Fr. Charbel Jamhouory, Pastor  
 St. Agnes Catholic Church  
 749 East Boulevard  
 Baton Rouge, LA 70802-6398

**St. Anthony's Brief**

Thousands make a practice of wearing, on their persons, a copy of the famous Brief of St. Anthony, in order to gain his powerful protection against dangers to soul and body.

It is recommended that a short prayer be said to St. Anthony daily.

**PRAYER:**

May he intercede for us, O Lord,  
 Thy holy confessor Anthony,  
 upon whom, adorned with heroic virtues,  
 Thou didst bestow the gift of miracles even  
 unto working prodigious signs and wonders.  
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**St. Joseph Novena (March 11-18, 2020)**  
**Divine Mercy Novena (April 10-18, 2020)**



# 2020 ST. JOSEPH ALTARS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Information as of January 20, 2020 Please call to verify dates and time prior to visiting Altar.

**Academy of Our Lady** - Gym Ave. D, Marrero  
"STUDENT ONLY" 504-341-6217  
Thursday Mar. 19 - Viewing 9 am - 2 pm

**Holy Cross High School - 3rd Fl. Library**  
5500 Paris Ave., N.O. 504-942-3100 ext 3012  
Thursday Mar. 19 - Blessing 10:30 am  
- Viewing 9 am - 2 pm

**Landry St Joseph Altar combining with Sacred Heart Church**  
10446 LeMoyné Blvd., D'Iberville, MS.  
Phone 228-392-4526 Jackie Landry  
Thursday Mar. 19 - Viewing 9 am - 6 pm  
Thursday Mar 19 - Serving Noon  
Fri, Sat, Sun., Mar. 20, 21, 22 - Viewing 9 am - 6 pm

**Irene's Cuisine Restaurant** -  
529 Bienville St., N. O., La., French Quarter  
between Decatur & Chartres Sts.  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Bless 6 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/View Fr. Wehner 6 pm

**Marrero Health Care Ctr.** - 5301 August Ln., Marrero, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/Serv 10 am - 'til

**Mary Gulizo Hennehan** - 1721 Robin St., Marrero, La.  
Park by Recreation Center on Belle Terre Rd. 504-481-0427  
Thu., Mar. 19 - View/Serving Noon - 6 pm Only

**Metairie Manor** - Cafeteria, 4929 York St., Metairie, La.  
Wed., Mar. 18 & Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/View/Serv 9:00 am - 2 pm

**Nativity of B.V.M.** - Church Hall, Biloxi, Ms. 228-432-2269  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/Serv Noon - 'til

**Our Lady of Guadalupe** - Church Hall,  
400 Basin St., N.O., La. 504-525-1551  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless 8 am  
- Serv 12:30 - 4 pm

**Wynhoven Healthcare Ctr.** - 1050 Med. Ctr. Blvd.,  
Marrero, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - View. Only 9 am - 3 pm  
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help** - 1908 Short St., Kenner  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Bless/View 10 am - 7 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - View 9 am - 7 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - View 9 am - 7 pm  
- Serv Noon - 7 pm

**Our Lady of Pompeii** - Parish Hall, 985-345-8957  
14470 Hwy 442 W, Tickfaw, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless 11 am /Serv 12 am - 2 pm

**Our Lady of Prompt Succor** - 146 4th St., Westwego La  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless 9:30 am 504-941-9522  
- View/Serv Noon - 'til

**Sacred Heart Church** - Rouquette Hall,  
28088 Main St., Lacombe, La. 985-882-5229  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/Serv 4:00 pm - 'til

**St. Anselm Ch.** - St. Jos. Hall, 306 St. Mary St., Madisonville  
Sat., Mar. 14 - Bless 5:00 pm 985-845-7342  
Sun., Mar. 15 - View/Serving 11 am - 3 pm

**St. Anthony Church/St Pius X Church** - Parish Hall,  
2653 Jean Lafitte Blvd., Lafitte, La. 504-689-2381  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Bless/View 4 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Serv. 10:00 am - 'til  
-Rosary 6 pm

**St. Charles Borromeo** - St. Joseph Altar Society  
1000 Fifth Ave., Picaune, MS 601-798-4779  
Sat., Mar. 14 - Bless/View 5pm - 7 pm  
Sun., Mar. 15 - View/Serving 10 am - 2pm

**St. Cletus Church** - St. Joseph Altar Society  
Jerome Hall, 3600 Claire Ave., Gretna, La. 504-366-3538  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Rosary/Bless/View 6 pm - 7 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Serving 11:30 am - 6 pm

**St. Patrick Church** - Family Life Center, Port Sulphur, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/Serving 10 am - 'til 504-564-6792

**St. Francis Villa** - 10411 Jeff. Hwy., River Ridge, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/View 10 am  
-Serving 2 pm - 5 pm

**St. Joseph the Worker Ch.** - 455 Ames Blvd, Marrero, La.  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/View 9:30 am 504-347-8438  
- Serving 11:00 am - 6 pm

**St. Joseph Church** - (GYM) 610 6th St., Gretna, La.  
504-368-1313  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Rosary/Prayer Serv. - 6 pm - in Church  
- Viewing Following - 'til 8 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Mass in Church with Archbishop 10:30 am  
- followed by Procession to Gym - Serving  
Noon - 6 pm

**St. Joseph Ch.** - 17 Bilbo Hill, Poplarville, Ms.  
Hwy. 11, South of Hwy. 26  
Thu., Mar. 19 - Bless/Serving Noon - 'til

**St. Margaret Ch.** - 30300 Catholic Hall Rd., Albany, La.  
Sun., Mar. 15 - Mass/Rosary 10 am 225-567-3573  
- Procession/Bless 11 am  
... - Serving Noon - 'til

**St. Pius X Church** - St. Pius X Hall,  
8151 Barataria Blvd., Crown Point, La.  
Wed., Mar. 18 - Bless/View 4 pm  
Thu., Mar. 19 - View/Serv. 10:00 am - 6 pm



**S**aint Joseph was of the royal line of David and the divinely-trusted man to whom the Blessed Virgin Mary was given as a bride, and whom God knew would guard her innocence as a virgin and protect her Divine Child as His foster father. He was espoused to Our Blessed Lady by divine arrangement on September 8, in the year 2 B.C., when she was just fourteen years old. St. Joseph was thirty years old at the time. St. Joseph died when he was sixty years old, just before the public life of Our Lord began. The whole month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph.

It was told to the Israelites in the Old Testament, "Go to Joseph," if they wanted any favor or benefit, referring to the Joseph in Egypt. "Go to Joseph," is the advice and counsel given to every Catholic who wants a favor and believes in the sanctity of the Holy Family.

His feast day is celebrated on March 19th.

**St. Joseph Day** is  
Thursday, March 19th  
**St. Patrick Day** is  
Tuesday, March 17th

**PRAYER to ST. JOSEPH**  
Patron of the Family

**S**t. Joseph, protector of all families, I come to you to intercede for me and to bring my family to Jesus. He was once the Little Child you protected when you took Mary and fled by night into Egypt in order to preserve Him from the slaughter decreed by Herod.

Just as you protected Jesus, I ask you to protect my family from all the evil that roams the world. Please bring my petitions to Jesus, for He will not refuse you.

St. Joseph, I know you will not refuse me this favor.

Amen.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

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**ST. JOSEPH ALTARS ARE BUILT ON BEGGING**

Everything on the altar is obtained through begging for donations of either an item of ingredients or money to buy a certain item. An altar must never have any expense nor any personal financial gain. It is believed that those who have been favored with good fortune should share their blessings with those in need. Donations received on St. Joseph Day and left over food are distributed to the poor and needy.

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**NOVEMBER & DECEMBER '19**

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**PERPETUAL ADORATION**  
**CHAPELS**

Ascension of Our Lord Ch., 716 Miss. St. rear, Donaldsonville, LA  
Ascension of Our Lord Ch., 1808 Greenwood Dr., LaPlace, LA  
Christ the Redeemer Church, 720 Talbot Ave., Thibodaux, LA  
Divine Mercy Parish, 4337 Sal Lentini Pkwy., Kenner, LA  
Fourteen Holy Helpers Ch., 1345 Indian Ch. Rd., W. Seneca, NY  
Holy Cross Ch. Chapel, 129 2nd St. (N. Western) Natchitoches, LA  
Holy Name of Jesus Chapel, Corner Palmer & LaSalle, N.O., LA  
Immaculate Concept. Ch., 705 S. Lake Arthur Ave., Jennings, LA  
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St. Francis Xavier, 448 Metairie Rd., Metairie, LA  
St. Gertrude the Great, Des Allemands, LA  
St. Henry Catholic Church, 1021 8th Ave., Lk. Charles, LA  
St. James Chapel (next to Church), 366 Cowan Rd., Gulfport, MS  
St. John Bosco Ch., 2114 Oakmere Dr., Harvey, LA, Mon-Sat, 8 am  
St. John the Evangelist Church, 57805 Main St., Plaquemine, LA  
St. Joseph Ch., Prompt Succor Chap, Upper Litterle Caillou, Chauvin, LA  
St. Joseph Ch., Prompt Succor Chap, 2530 La. Ave, Litcher, LA  
St. Joseph Hosp. Chapel, 12866 Troxler Av, Highland, IL (1st Flr)  
St. Luke the Evangelist Ch., 910 Cross Gates Blvd., Slidell, LA  
St. Margaret Mary Chapel, 1050 Robert Rd., Slidell, LA  
St. Mark Church, St. Mark Ave., Ama, LA  
St. Mark Church, 42021 Hwy. 621, Gonzales, LA  
St. Martin of Tours Church, St. Martinville, LA  
St. Paul of the Cross Church, 320 S. Wash. Ave., Chicago, IL  
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St. Rose of Lima Ch., 300 Kings Hwy. (Green St) Hadon Hgts., NJ  
Ville Platte Medical Center Chapel, Ville Platte, LA



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

On MARCH 17, 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 Conference of JULY 2003 was centered around this image of Our Lady & her message, "Just Have Faith in My Son The 38th - W.A Jacomino, Sulpur, La  
Part 2 of #38, continued

When I returned the large picture, I purchased a smaller one and had it blessed and framed. My wife and I continued to pray a Rosary or two a day. Usually, only one was said each day. We had been having a little financial problem. One night before we prayed the Rosary together, I spoke to my wife about how I felt.

I said something to the effect, "You know I am a little bit disappointed with the way the Almighty has been treating me (us). I am fully aware of my past sins. Very much aware! I know just how terrible I behaved. I broke just about all of the Commandments. However, the Lord knows that even at my worse I was somehow always reaching out for Him. Even in my darkest moments of sin I was aware of His goodness. And I knew in my heart of hearts that I longed to be in His good graces again. I have suffered deeply for my offenses. Spiritually, physically, emotionally and financially I have struggled. I have tried to put it all behind me, to bring my self right and to once again live the Divine life through union with Him.

I have prayed. I have confessed. I have gone to Mass. I have fasted. I am terrible at fasting, but I managed to do it once or twice. I have gone to spend Holy Hours at night with my wife, had talks with priests about my concerns, read books and spent quiet times, everything of which I could think. And still I felt the Almighty has turned His face from me. I know I am not nearly as sinful as so many of which I hear and read about

almost daily. I feel uneasy, and disappointed. And somehow I feel I will never be able to regain the close relationship I once lived and experienced with my Lord and Savior.

Yes! I believe. And will do my best to stay in the state of grace, so as to die in His Love and receive an eternal reward. The lowest place in Heaven is beyond worth. However, I still feel very disappointed and I do not see His hand to lift me up, to lift me up just a little. I do not believe I ask for much." With that said, we recited our Rosary.

The above took place on a Thursday. The following Saturday I did my usual mail run. I found what looked like the same old mail in our mailbox. My wife usually does not open the mail first. However, this time she picked up a very uninteresting envelope and opened it while I was doing something else. She immediately closed the envelope and called me to see for myself. I felt it was another problem with our finances. Part of our financial problem has been due to paper work being prepared and sent and then being lost or delayed by the recipient. I quietly said to myself, "It's another request for paper forms to be filled out or something similar." It turned out to be a check. All our concerns are not over, but this event will play a large part in our being able to work our way through the circumstances in which we find ourselves. Praise and thanksgiving to Jesus through His mother Mary.

I immediately looked at Our Lady and thanked Her, and then I gave praise to our Heavenly Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for looking down in compassion on one of his lowly, and struggling servants.

Additionally, my wife's friend has been doing exceptionally well. All her friends want to know who her doctor is because she looks so good for being such a serious cancer patient.

Sulphur, LA

**An Up date on TESTIMONY #38**

My wife and I wish to thank you so very much for publishing my little narrative in your last Mary's Helpers Newsletter. We were quite happily surprised to see the article.

We continue to pray in front of the picture of Our Lady of Compassionate Protection". I believe my wife still sees Our Lady's lips move from time to time. For myself, I feel Our Lady's face seems to

come alive (no movement is detected). However, I sense that She could almost speak to me (although She has not done so).

We will keep you, and all of Mary's Helpers in our prayers. We hope your conference will be everything you have expected it to be. We know you have worked very hard to bring it all together. Unfortunately, we will not be able to be there.

My wife and I have been involved in a few efforts during our life and can appreciate all that it takes to bring such a large event to completion. Please keep us in your prayers. Finances are still a concern.

Valerie & Westley Jacomino  
Sulphur, LA

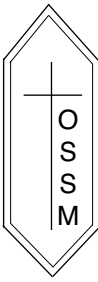
**TESTIMONY #39**

I am writing to give you my testimony on Our Lady of Compassionate Protection. Ever since I had my picture blessed by Fr. Paul, when I look at it, Mary's eyes seem to become alive and move. She also becomes illuminated by a white or golden glow. Sometimes she fades almost to transparent and is outlined in golden light. Sometimes I can see faces that look like negatives of a picture flash on both sides of her under the Cross. They are not clear and only appear for an instant. I wonder if they are the Holy Souls?

I have my picture on top of a chest of drawers on the right side of a Crucifix of Jesus with Mary at his side, which is about 12 inches high. Recently every time I say my Rosary, a duplicate image of Mary comes out of the original image of Mary and hovers or glides to the right side of Jesus on the Cross. This image has a pink tint to her veil, while the original image has a light blue tint. I am not certain that I am seeing correctly, but it seems real.

When I attend Church, I always sit in the last row, but I always go early and am one of the first ones there. There is an almost life sized statue of Jesus a little to the left of where I sit. It is on a wall across from where I sit and the altar is in the middle of that space. This Sunday when I was in Church, after the Mass had started, I could see two of this statue. The image came out of the space and I saw it next to a stained glass window of the (Part 2 of Testimony #38 continued next month)

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<b>NEXT MEETINGS</b>		Visitation of Our Lady
<b>Sun, Feb 16, 2020</b>	Formation Class 1:30 p.m.	3500 Ames Blvd. Marrero, LA
	Servite Rosary 2 p.m. Gen. Meet 2:30 p.m.	
<b>FOLLOWED BY A SOCIAL</b> Lorem digniam		<b>DAY CHAPEL</b>

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**Mensáje De Nuestra Señora 25 de Noviembre, 2019**

¡Queridos hijos! Que este tiempo sea para ustedes tiempo de oración.

Sin Dios no tienen paz.

Por eso, hijitos, oren por la paz en sus corazones y en sus familias, para que Jesús pueda nacer en ustedes y les dé Su amor y Su bendición.

El mundo está en guerra porque los corazones están llenos de odio y de envidia.

Hijitos, se ve en los ojos inquietud porque no han permitido a Jesús que nazca en sus vidas. Búsqüenlo, oren y Él se dará a ustedes en el Niño que es alegría y paz.

Yo estoy con ustedes y oro por ustedes..

¡Gracias por haber respondido a mi llamado!

**Mensáje De Nuestra Señora 25 de Diciembre, 2019**

¡Queridos hijos! Les traigo a mi Hijo Jesús para que los bendiga y les revele su amor que proviene del Cielo. El corazon de ustedes anhela una paz que esta cada vez menos presente en la Tierra. Es por eso que las personas estan lejos de Dios y las almas estan enfermas y avanzan hacia la muerte espiritual. Estoy con ustedes, hijitos, para guiarlos en el camino de salvacion al que Dios los llama.

¡Gracias por haber respondido a mi llamado!

**SCRIPTURAL STUDIES**

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