

NOMEN CHRISTI APOSTOLATE PRESENTS

OCTOBER FATIMA FAMILY HOLY HOUR FOR THE CHURCH

Candle-Lighting for Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

(please light a candle next to a picture or statue of Our Lady)

+ Sign of the Cross +

O Jesus, we thank Thee for this anniversary of the sixth and final Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima to the three holy children in Portugal and all the miracles and wonders which took place there. We thank Thee for our togetherness today honoring this anniversary, though it is at a difficult time for Thy Holy Church and the whole world. We light this candle for the intention of reparation to Thy Mother's Immaculate Heart, which so grieves over the sins of the world at this time. We especially wish to console her for the terrible injustice to unborn children, during this Respect Life month, for she is Mother to all. May these little lights of ours ascend to her Queenly throne in Heaven, as she once ascended on the day of her glorious Assumption, and show her that indeed, there is still love for her on earth. Love for Thy Mother always directs us to Thee, O Jesus, our Savior, Whom she holds up to the world in her loving arms. Forgive us our sins and let us enter into this Holy Hour in a spirit of contrition and spiritual communion with Thee. We beg Thee for a return of the normal functioning of the Catholic Church. Forgive us for the disrespect given to the Holy Eucharist for so many years. We offer as well, all the intentions of those participating. Amen.

Saint Joseph, Pray for Us!

All Ye Holy Angels & Saints, Pray for Us!

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"Immaculate Mary"

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing
You reign now in Heaven with Jesus our King
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

In Heaven the blessed your glory proclaim
On earth we your children invoke your sweet name
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

We pray for the Church our true mother on earth
And bless Holy Mary, the land of our birth
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

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Fatima Reading & Prayer

The Sixth Apparition & Great Miracle ~ October 13th, 1917

The prediction of a public miracle caused intense speculation throughout Portugal, and the journalist, Avelino de Almeida, published a satirical article on the whole business in the anti-religious newspaper *O Seculo*. People from other parts of the country descended by the tens of thousands on the Cova despite the terrible storm that lashed the mountain country around Fatima on the eve of the 13th. Many pilgrims walked barefoot, reciting the rosary as they went, all crowding into the area around the Cova. By mid-morning, heavy rain began to fall.

The children reached the Oak tree around noon and then saw the flash of light as Mary appeared before them. For the last time, Lucia asked what she wanted: "I want to tell you that a chapel is to be built here in my honor. **I am the Lady of the Rosary.** Continue always to pray the Rosary every day. The war is going to end, and the soldiers will soon return to their homes." Again Lucia made requests for cures, conversions and other intentions. Our Lady's response was: "Some yes, but not others. They must amend their lives and ask forgiveness for their sins." Sister Lucia tells us that at this point Mary grew very sad and said: "Do not offend the Lord our God anymore, because He is already so much offended." Then, opening her hands, she caused them to reflect on the sun and, as she ascended, the reflection of her own light continued to be projected upon the sun itself. After she disappeared, as the people witnessed the great miracle which had been predicted, the children saw the visions foretold during the September apparition.

The greatest miracle to occur since the Resurrection is also the only miracle ever precisely predicted as to date, time of day and location.

Although it is popularly known as "The Miracle of the Sun" and October 13, 1917 has come to be known as "The Day the Sun Danced," a great deal more took place. The solar phenomena included the dancing of the sun, its fluctuations in color, its swirling and its descending toward the earth. There was also the stillness in the leaves of the trees in spite of howling winds, the complete drying of the rain-soaked ground, and the restoration of clothes all wet and covered with mud, so that, as eye-witness Dominic Reis put it, "They looked as though they had just come from the cleaners!" Physical cures of the blind and the lame were reported. The countless unreserved public confessions of sin and commitments to conversion of life attest to the authenticity of what was seen. The miracle is reported to have been seen from as far as 25 miles away, thus ruling out the possibility of any type of collective hallucination or mass hypnotism. Doubters and skeptics had become believers. Even *O Seculo's* chief editor, Avelino de Almeida, now reported affirmatively, and stood by his story in spite of harsh criticism.

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The apparitions of Our Lady to the children were not their first encounter with Heaven. An angel appeared to them previously, three times, and gave them two prayers, as follows:

"My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon of Thee for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee!"

"Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, 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 with which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners."

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Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

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Litany of Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for our dear country.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *sanctify our clergy.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *make our Catholics more fervent.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *guide and inspire those who govern us.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *cure the sick who confide in you.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *console the sorrowful who trust in you.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *help those who invoke your aid.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *deliver us from all dangers.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *help us to resist temptation.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain for us all that we lovingly ask of you.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *help those who are dear to us.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *bring back to the right road our erring brothers.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *give us back our ancient fervor.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain for us pardon of our manifold sins and offenses.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *bring all men to the feet of your Divine Child.*

Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain peace for the world.*

O Mary conceived without sin, *pray for us who have recourse to thee.*

Immaculate Heart of Mary, *pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Let Us Pray: O God of infinite goodness and mercy, fill our hearts with a great confidence in Thy dear Mother, whom we invoke under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary and Our Lady of Fatima, and grant us by her powerful intercession, all the graces, spiritual and temporal, which we need. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Final Prayer

O Most Holy Trinity, look upon the work of Thy Hands with mercy and give us the peace we so desperately need. Shower Thy graces upon us like the rain, like a great flood engulfing us and end these many sorrows. We live in unprecedented times, uncertain times. Deliver us from all evil, visible and invisible and from all fear. Help us to prepare for the days to come and to extricate ourselves from this inauthentic culture. We pray for the triumphalism of Holy Mother Church and the salvation of all souls. Give us peace in our hearts and courage to face the future and win our Heavenly reward. Our Lady of Fatima, we love you! Pray for us! In the Holy Name of Christ, Nomen Christi. Amen.

+ **Sign of the Cross** +

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"Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above"

Hail, holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria
Hail, Queen of mercy and of love, O Maria
Triumph, all ye Cherubim
Sing with us, ye Seraphim
Heav'n and earth resound the hymn
Salve, Salve, Salve, Regina

The cause of joy to all below, O Maria
The spring through which all graces flow, O Maria
Angels, all your praises bring
Earth and heaven, with us sing
All creation echoing
Salve, Salve, Salve, Regina

O gentle, loving, holy one, O Maria
The God of light became your Son, O Maria
Triumph, all ye Cherubim
Sing with us, ye Seraphim
Heav'n and earth resound the hymn
Salve, Salve, Salve, Regina

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