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"Dear children! I am with you to lead you on the way of conversion, because, little children, with your lives you can draw many souls closer to my Son. You be joyful witnesses of God's word and love, and with hope in the heart which conquers every evil. Forgive those who inflict evil on you, and go on the way of holiness. I am leading you to my Son, for Him to be the way, the truth and the life for you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

> Message of Our Lady, Queen of peace, July 25, 2022



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### FORGIVE THOSE WHO DO EVIL TO YOU



Fr. Ljubo Kurtovič, OFM

Let us remember how Our Lady told us on the occasion of the 41st anniversary of her apparitions, "Little children, I am with you also in these days when Satan is fighting for war and hatred. Division is strong and evil is at work in man as never before."

In man there is a source of evil, but in man there is also a source of good. We all suffer because Adam believed satan. The sin of the first humans is passed on to us. The evil one needs people through whom he will work, just as God needs people through whom He wants to do His divine work. It all depends on who or what we choose, which side we choose,



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good or evil. That is why conversion is the most important thing in life. Conversion means to recognize when I do evil, I am killing myself at all levels. Goodness heals at all levels. The basic cure for all diseases is goodness.

When you are good, when you choose the good, when you repent of sin, when you forgive others and do not allow evil to reign in you, then you are with God, then you are healthy. When you do evil, then you cannot be with God, because you have rejected Him. You cannot be mentally, physically, or spiritually healthy.

In this message, Our Lady invites us to forgive those who cause us evil. The Lord Jesus teaches us in the Our Father prayer how God has conditioned his forgiveness upon our forgiveness of our neighbors. In the Gospel we read Jesus' challenging words that we need to forgive. St. Peter considered himself a great hero when he decided to forgive his brother seven times. Jesus answers him that it is nothing, that one must be prepared to forgive even seventy-seven times, which means infinitely. Even today that seems too much to us. We have our ideas, our logic.

We have to admit that forgiveness is not easy, especially when we are affected by the evil and injustice done to us by our neighbors. The evil of others and injustices from others cause wounds, bitterness and hatred in us. Every hatred that we carry within us, every bitterness that we do not renounce destroys our being, destroys the peace of our soul.

To forgive is not to say: What you did to me is good. Evil remains evil even when we forgive. To forgive is to protect



ourselves. To forgive is not to will or accept evil, but to choose God and heaven. One who does evil cannot go to heaven just because you have forgiven him. He can only go to heaven if he repents.

There are injustices and crimes that leave grave wounds and consequences in human life. By human power it is impossible to forgive the suffered evil. Therefore, the most important thing is not whether we can forgive, but the most important thing is whether we want to forgive. Whether I want God, heaven and peace in my soul. After the end of the civil war, a journalist from Croatia wrote about a woman from Croatia who had experienced the crime of rape. This courageous woman gave birth to a fourth child as the fruit of a forced life with the murderer of her husband, who had been her neighbour before the war. She gave birth to this child because she could not be a murderer. But after giving birth, she did not want to adopt the child.

After three years of struggle with God and with herself, she took back her child, whose name is Ivan, forgiving him and them because, as she says, she could not have lived in hatred. There are four children living and growing up in her house. This amazing woman has done the impossible, they live together and the three older ones have no idea that the father of the youngest, Ivan, killed their father.

This is the grace of God that can heal and make all things new. May Our Lady, whose heart was pierced by the sword of pain, lead us through all our pains to the fullness of life in God.

Let us pray: Our Lady, Mother of Jesus and our mother, we take refuge in you and ask for your powerful intercession. Into your hands and into your Immaculate Heart we place all those who are burdened with the crosses of suffering, injustice and evil. Into your motherly heart we also immerse all those who carry hatred and revenge in their hearts. We pray for them that you open their hearts to God's grace that heals and cures. Our Lady, the sword of pain has pierced your heart and soul. You too have experienced rejection and exile; help all those who are experiencing it today, especially in those places where there is war, murder and hatred. Through your intercession, grant that all may experience the almighty power and grace of God, through which peace can triumph over all war and the consequences of war. Grant us grace even in the most difficult trials of life, that we may not lose hope in the Lord. Amen.

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HOPE

"Pray, little children, in a special way, because Satan is strong and wants to destroy hope in your heart." August 24, 1994

"Pray with the heart, little children, and do not lose hope because God loves His creatures. He desires to save you, one by one, through my coming here." March 25, 2003

"Little children, be my extended hands, hands of love for all those who have become lost, who have no more faith and hope." November 25, 2009

"Also today I am with you and I am looking at you and blessing you, and I am not losing hope that this world will change for the good and that peace will reign in the hearts of men." January 25, 2011

"Little children, who prays does not fear the future and does not lose hope." March 25, 2021

## FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

Our Prayer meeting will take place on the first Saturday, August 6, 2022.

In this month we pray for all who are burdened by the injustice, evil and suffering.

### **CELEBRATE MASS** WITH THE HEART



Father Slavko Barbarič, OFM

To celebrate Holy Mass, to participate in the Eucharistic sacrifice, is to be in the best school of life. Here one learns how to live and how to die, why one should live and how one should die. Here one learns friendship and love, which give one the strength to love and not look to human response, to forgive even when others do not forgive, to be merciful in this unmerciful world, to give oneself with love for friends and enemies alike.

By participating in the Mass sacrifice, man as an individual is raised to life, becoming the bread of life, the light and the way in this world full of deadly food, darkness and meaninglessness. By participating in the sacrifice of the Holy Mass, one is healed to bring health, one is sanctified to invite to sanctification. He is given the task to go and bring peace. That is why it is said: "Go in peace!" By attending Holy Mass, man, crushed by evil and sin, bound by the chains of death, rises to a new life of joy, of communion with God and man. He comes tired and returns refreshed. He comes as he is and returns as he can be and is given the strength to stay that way. By attending Holy Mass, one becomes a Eucharistic person as an individual, grateful and ready in the simplicity of love and surrender to cooperate with God and people in building a new world.

That is why the Holy Mass, the Eucharistic sacrifice, is the center of Christian life, Christian growth and aptitude for the tasks of life. Without participation in the Holy Mass there is no Christian and no fruit of the Christian faith. Without the Holy Mass, the Christian life remains without vital force; it becomes a withered branch, a well without clean and drinkable water, a dry riverbed around which everything withers away. Just as the life and work of Jesus would be incomplete and without a real center without the Eucharistic sacrifice, so too the Christian life is inconceivable without participation in the Eucharist. The Eucharistic sacrifice



and Christ's presence are the proof of his immeasurable love for us. It is in this sacrifice that Emmanuel, God with us and God for us, is present. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said on one occasion, "When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now."

Mary, the Mother of Christ, the Mother of the High Priest, is also the Mother of the Eucharist. She knows what it means to be with Jesus in a true Eucharistic way. That is why she invites us to live in a Eucharistic way, so that the Holy Mass may be life for us and our life may be the Holy Mass. This is also why she calls us to fast, so that by living with the bread we may discover the true Eucharistic divine bread that has come down from heaven. That is why she wishes us to prepare for the Holy Mass and to make the Holy Mass the center of all our prayers. She invites us and calls us to Eucharistic adoration. This

means being with Jesus, abiding with him and adoring him, entering more and more day by day into the mystery of God's presence in the world.

From what follows further on in this book, dear reader and intercessor, I trust that you will be able to experience that Mary, the living mother of the living Eucharist, has chosen to teach us everything, namely, to grow continually in sacrificial love, nourishing ourselves from the inexhaustible wellspring of divine Eucharistic love. In fact, it is the only love that is capable of making us people of peace. For peace is only possible where and when people, without any conditions, are able to give their lives for others as Christ, the High Priest, does. Eucharist means to be able to receive God's gift and to give oneself in the way of God.

### THE BIGGEST ROSARY IN THE WORLD IS BEING BUILD IN LEBANON AND INSPIRATION CAME AFTER THE EXTRAORDINARY EVENT IN MEDJUGORJE

Beads of the enormous rosary are about 5 metres tall and three metres wide, and each of them forms a chapel for prayer. A group of Christians from Lebanon has been working for almost 15 years on this huge project of building the biggest rosary in the world which will serve as a place of prayer for peace and unity of their land. The idea was born during a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in 2006 under very unusual circumstances. Police arrested one of the members of the group working on the construction of the rosary, mistaking him for the person they had in their register, and sent him to prison.



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During the inprisonment, which lasted for a few days, the unfortunate prisoner began to pray, and thus came up with an idea to build a large church dedicated to Our Lady. In the meantime, he took a pencil and drew a sketch of a huge rosary, which is shaped like the outline of the border of Lebanon.

After his release, the Lebanese man immediately started working on the project, which was officialy laungech in 2008 and is financialy supported by a Maronite Church.

While a small group of believers is already praying at the construction site, the project is not yet complete. It is still necessary to paint all the beads of the rosary and to place a large cross above the chapel, where will be a perpetual adoration. It is also planned to illuminate the entire sanctuary so that it will be visible even at night. After completion, the faithful will be able to enter each of the chapels and pray Hail Mary on the way "through" the rosar.

In addition to prayer, this project has the dimension of strengthening unity and building peace. Furthermore, the site on which the world's largest rosary is being built is only 30 kilometres away from the border with Syria overlooking the Bekaa plains, where many Shia Muslims live.

As archbishop Baalbek-Deir El Ahmara Rahme said they can witness that Our Lady attracts lots of muslim people.

The archbishop also said: "This is the only way to build a bridge between our comunities. May this shrine be a place of dialog and thanksgiving to Our Lady."





























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PRAYER GROUPS – members usually meet once a week to pray the rosary for the intentions of Our Lady, for the needs of others, meditate on the Scriptures,

and consecrate themselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



# PERPETUAL ROSARY PRAYER AND FASTING FOR PEACE

This activity was launched on October 1, 2014, and, thanks to the Lord and those who have responded, continues to this day.

When we pray and fast for the fulfillment of Our Lady's plans for peace and for her intentions, God works through Our Lady where it is most necessary, in the best possible way!

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