



Our Lady of Fatima “Family” Rosary Calendar and Newsletter

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Holy Father’s Intentions		
That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.	That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even if their convictions differ from ours.	That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.
That...the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.	That pastors of the Church, with profound love...may accompany [their flock] and enliven their hope.	That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.

Angel of Portugal Appeared to Seers 100 Years Ago

A century has passed since the angel of Portugal appeared to Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco . On the angels first visit in the Spring of 1916, he instructed the children to pray: **“I believe, I adore, I hope and I love thee, I beg pardon for those who do not believe, who do not adore, do not hope and who do not love thee”**. The angel told them that the hearts of Jesus and Mary are attentive to the voice of their supplications. The children proved to be faithful to prayer and grew in holiness.

At the height of summer, the angel appeared a second time to the children urging them to “pray very much”. They were called to make constant offerings of prayer and sacrifice. In response to Lucia’s question of how to sacrifice, the angel responded: “Make of everything you can a sacrifice, and offer it to God as an



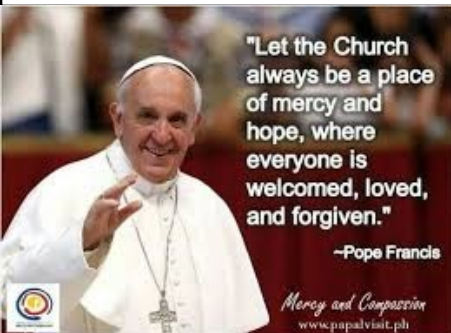
act of reparation for the sins by which He is offended, and in supplication for the conversion of sinners. You will thus draw down peace upon your country. I am its Angel Guardian, the Angel of Portugal. Above all, accept and bear with submission the suffering which the Lord will send you.”

The third and final visit of the angel occurred in the hills where the children were tending their sheep. At this apparition, the angel was holding in his left hand a chalice and over it, in the air, was a host from which drops of blood fell into the chalice. The

Angel left the chalice in the air, knelt near the children and told them to repeat three times: **“Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly, and I offer You 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 indifferences by which He is offended. And by the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners”**. The host was given to Lucia and the chalice to Jacinta and Francisco.

These angelic apparitions thus prepared the children for the 1917 apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. (*“The Angel of Portugal at Fatima”* written by Fr. William Wagner, ORC)

Age of Mercy-Pray for the Dying



With All Souls Day (November 2) and the close of the Year of Mercy (November 20, 2016) occurring in November, it is a good time to give special and added attention to the dying. There are many reasons to pray for the dying. One very good

reason was given by Our Lady of Fatima on July 13, 1917: “Many souls go to Hell because no one prays and sacrifices for them.” What can be more important than to save a soul from eternal damnation? The Year of Mercy has taught us much about God’s endless mercy. We can practice devotion to the dying by praying the morning offering daily, making sacrifices for the conversion of dying sinners, sending our Guardian angel to the dying, praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, praying the Rosary daily, praying to St. Michael, the Archangel and

to St. Joseph, the Patron of a Happy Death and more.

St. Alphonsus Liguori stated that: “There is no greater act of charity than to assist the dying”. Praying for the dying is an excellent means of preparing for our own death. St. James (5: 17) states “Whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins”. Pope Francis stated “There are no walls or distances which can prevent the Father’s mercy from reaching and embracing us.”

Holy Doors will be open until November 20, 2016 in Rome and in all dioceses of the world. This still gives enough time to visit at least one more door and even make a pilgrimage to several Holy Doors. Many graces flow through these doors. For a list of holy doors, check the website <https://catholicpilgrimagesites.wordpress.com/holy-doors-of-mercy/>

October: Month of The Rosary

At the October 13, 1917 apparition at Fatima, Lucia asked the Lady: "*What do you want from me?*" She answered: "**I am the Lady of the Rosary, I desire here** (referring to a specific location in Fatima) **a chapel in my honor to be built, that people continue to recite the Rosary every day...**".

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY



November: Month of the Holy Souls



ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINO (1245 - 1305) entered the monastery at Tolentino at the age of 18. He was ordained in 1271 and sent to Tolentino in 1275 where he remained for the rest of his life. He had a great love for the Holy Souls and is the "Patron of Holy Souls". Let us follow the example of St. Nicholas and pray for the holy souls daily!

The USA presidential election is November 8, 2016

We implore all our members from around the globe to Pray for America

Election Prayer



Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people [in] America. May we choose a President of the United States, and other government officials, according to Your Divine will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of family, and the sanctity of aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

(Written by the Servant of God Father John A. Hardon, S.J. [www.HardonSJ.org]).

Sr. Faustina's Diary-an Important Reading as the Year of Mercy ends

At a recent retreat in Nebraska, one of the retreat masters urged the retreat participants to read Saint Faustina Kowalska's diary before the Year of Mercy ended.

The diary of Saint Faustina Kowalska, written in the form of a journal, records the last four years of her life. It reveals the depths of her spiritual life and illustrates the high degree of her soul's union with God. The Lord endowed Sister Faustina with tremendous graces: the gift of contemplation, a deep knowledge of the mystery of the mercy of God, visions, revelations, the hidden stigmata, the gifts of prophecy and of reading human souls, and also the rare gift of mystical espousal (*Diary Introduction, p. 10, Polish Edition*).



MEMBERS CORNER

- ◆ The Our Lady of Fatima Family Rosary Calendar and Newsletter now has a Website (**OLOFRC.org**).
- ◆ We welcome new members: Donna Ewigman (MO), Louann P. Cao (NE), Tina Krumpelman (MO).
- ◆ We welcome back returning member Sharon McKee (NE).
- ◆ Fr. Andrew Gowa from Tanzania, Africa thanks us for boxes of rosaries and religious items. He will distribute these items throughout his parishes during the month of October.
- ◆ Priests from around the world who are members of Our Lady of Fatima Family Rosary Calendar continually request rosaries. Any donations of rosaries will be sent to them.
- ◆ Ann (NC) brought an EWTN original documentary about Saul Alinsky entitled "A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing," to our attention. This documentary vividly illustrates what is happening in society today and is important for everyone to see. The DVD can be ordered from ewtnRC.com (\$15.00): Item # HDWSC.

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Our Purpose

To spread Our Lady of Fatima's message by praying: the Rosary daily, for our Holy Father, for the end of abortion, for Our Holy Church, and for family members. You are encouraged to: *on 1st Saturday's for five consecutive months, to go to confession, receive Holy Communion, recite the Rosary, and meditate for 15 minutes with Our Lady on the mysteries of the Rosary.*

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