



# Mother of God

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### Have a very blessed and peace-filled Christmas!

- Dr Christopher Dias, [www.thebatimessage.com](http://www.thebatimessage.com)

Each Christmas we rejoice in the birth of Jesus Christ, Our Saviour. We recall that “the light shines in the darkness and the darkness has never overcome it” (Jn 1:5).

Christmas is a time of faith when we adore the eternal God in the Child of Bethlehem and feel the love of his mother, Mary, and his foster father, Joseph.

Christmas is a time of hope when we trust that the light of Jesus will liberate us and our world from the evils of sin and unbelief and unite all people in peace.

Christmas is a time of love when we sense more intensely than ever the love of the Father for each of us in the gift of his Son. We feel the need to share that love with our family and friends.

Christmas is a time of sharing when we share with



our least fortunate brethren not only material goods, but more importantly the love of that babe that was born on Christmas day.

Christmas is, indeed, a time of light- the light of Jesus that “shines on in the darkness.”

However, the darkness is hard at work to extinguish the light of Christ. How many people have abandoned the Catholic faith and live as enemies of God by disregarding his commandments? We have become little Gods in trying to replicate human life by the process of cloning.

The darkness seeks to destroy so many human lives through abortion, through the many forms of violence and addictions and the simple, deadening lack of human love.

Different religious sects, Christian and pagan, are actively seeking to lead our young people out of the Catholic Church- and that too with some success! These sects are at work to impede the “triumph of Mary’s Immaculate Heart”.

Our Blessed Mother appeared at Fatima and now at Batim to confront the darkness of the twentieth century. She called all of her children to join her in this confrontation through prayer, penance and apostolic labors. We also have Mary’s assurance: “In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph.”

We, who practice the message of Our Lady of Fatima, must be especially dedicated to bringing the light of Christ into the darkness of unbelief and sin that threatens to engulf and destroy society.

May the light that first shone within the pure Heart of Mary, fill your heart and your home every day of the New Year!.

Have a very blessed and peace-filled Christmas!

*'Solomon, who tasted to satiety all the pleasures of the world and found them bitter, voiced his disillusionment thus: "But this also is vanity and vexation of spirit." "A fool," says the Holy Spirit, "is changed as the moon; but a holy man continueth in wisdom as the sun." The fool, that is, the sinner, is as changeable as the moon, which today waxes and tomorrow wanes; today he laughs, tomorrow he cries; today he is meek as a lamb, tomorrow cross as a bear. Why? Because his peace of mind depends on the prosperity or the adversity he meets; he changes with the changes in the things that happen to him. The just man is like the sun, constant in his serenity, no matter what betides him. His calmness of soul is founded on his union with the will of God; hence he enjoys unruffled peace. This is the peace promised by the angel of the Nativity: "And on earth, peace to men of good will." Who are these "men of good will" if not those whose wills are united to the infinitely good and perfect will of God.'*

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Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

## THE SUFFERING THAT PURIFIES

Taken from L'Osservatore Romano dated 11<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Pope Francis' first appointment with the community of Isernia on Saturday afternoon, 5 July, was dedicated to prison inmates. In his address, the Bishop of Rome recalled the purifying value of suffering and reiterated the certainty that the Lord always forgives.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
Good afternoon,

I thank you for your welcome. And I thank you for your witness of hope, which I heard in the words of your representative. Even in the Governor's greeting this word struck me: hope. This is the challenge, as I was saying two weeks ago at the prison of Castrovillari: the challenge is social reintegration. And for this, you need an itinerary, a route whether outside, in the prison, in society, whether inside oneself, in the conscience and in the heart.



To make the journey of reintegration, which all of us must do. Everyone. All of us make mistakes in life. And all of us must ask forgiveness for these mistakes and undertake the journey of reintegration, in order not to make any more. Some make this journey at home, in their own work; others, like you, in a penitentiary. But everyone, everyone.... Whosoever says he does not need to make a journey of reintegration is a liar! All of us make mistakes in life and all of us, too, are sinners. And when we go to ask the Lord for forgiveness for our sins, for our mistakes, He always forgives us, He never tires of forgiving. He tells us: "Turn your back on this path, this is not the right one for you". And He helps us. And this is reintegration, the journey that we all have to make.

What is important is not to stand still. We all know that when water stands still it stagnates. There's a saying in Spanish that says: "Standing water is the first to go bad." Do not stand still. We all have to walk, to take a step every day, with the Lord's help. God is Father, he is mercy, he always loves us. If we seek Him, He welcomes us and forgives us. As I said, He never tires of forgiving. This is the motto of this visit: "God doesn't tire of forgiving". He makes us rise and fully restores our dignity. God has a memory, He is not forgetful. God does not forget us, He always remembers. There is a passage in the Bible, from the prophet Isaiah, which says: Even should a mother forget her child - which is impossible - I will never forget you (cf. Is 49:15). And this is true: God thinks about



*me, God remembers me. I am in God's memory.*

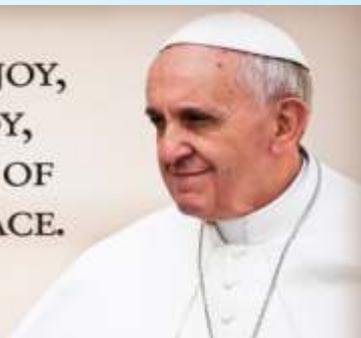
*And with this trust, we can walk, day by day. And with this steadfast love which accompanies us, hope will not let us down. With this love hope will never let us down: a steadfast love to go forward with the Lord. Some consider taking a path of punishment, of misdeeds, of sins and just to suffer, suffer, suffer... It is true, it is true we suffer. As your fellow inmate said, here you suffer. There is suffering inside and also outside, when one sees that one's own conscience is tainted, sullied, one wants to change it. That suffering which purifies, that fire which purifies gold, is a hope-filled suffering. There is a beautiful thing, when the Lord forgives us he doesn't say: "I forgive you, get on with it!" No, He forgives us, he takes us by the hand and he helps us to go forward on this journey of reintegration, in our own personal life and also in social life. He does this with all of us. To think that punishment alone corrects the inner order of a person only through "beating" - I don't know if it's said like this - that it is corrected only by punishment, this is not God, this is mistaken. Some people think: "No, no, more severe punishment is needed, more years, more!". This solves nothing, nothing! To cage people because - pardon the word - for the mere fact that if he is inside we are safe, this serves nothing, it does not help us. The most important thing is what God does for us: he takes us by the hand and helps us to go forward. And this is called hope! And with this hope, with this trust it is possible to walk day by day. And with this steadfast love, which accompanies us, hope never lets us down, truly.*

*I thank you for the welcome. And I would like to say... this comes to mind now, because I always feel it, even when, every 15 days I phone a prison in Buenos Aires, where there are young people and we talk a little on the phone. I'll tell you something personal. When I meet with one of you, who is in jail, who is moving toward reintegration, but who is imprisoned, I sincerely wonder: why him and not me? I feel this way. It's a mystery. But beginning with this feeling, with this feeling I accompany you.*

*Let us pray together to Our Lady, our Mother, that she help us and accompany us. She is Mother. Hail Mary...*

And please pray for me! Pray for me!

CHRISTMAS IS JOY,  
RELIGIOUS JOY,  
AN INNER JOY OF  
LIGHT AND PEACE.  
*Pope Francis*



## LOVE IS IN THE AIR

“Love never ends” -- 1Cor 13:8

- By Annabelle Mendonca

We are all born for love. Yes, love is the most important ingredient of success, without which our life will echo with emptiness. Jesus said, “By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another” (Jn 13:35). There is a very simple way to live a life of love: breathe in God’s Spirit, and you’ll exhale His love.

This story has been doing the rounds on whats app: its about a man who went to a barbers shop to have his hair cut and his beard trimmed as always. He started to have a good conversation with the barber who attended him on various subjects. Suddenly, they touched on the subject of God. The barber said, “Look, man, I don’t believe that God exists as you say so.” “Why do you say that?” asked the client. “Well, its so easy, you just have to go out in the street to realize that God does not exist. Tell me, if God exists, would there be so many sick people? Would there be abandoned children? If God exists, there would be neither suffering nor pain. I can’t think of a God who permits all of these things.”

The client stopped for a moment in thought, but he did not respond so as to prevent an argument. The barber finished his job and the client went out of the shop, just then he saw a man in the street with long hair and a scraggly beard, he looked very untidy. He went back into the barbers shop and said to the barber, “Know what? Barbers do not exist.” “How come they don’t exist?” asked the barber. “Well, I am here and I am a barber.” “No!” the client exclaimed. “They don’t exist, because if they did there would be no people with long hair and beards like that man in the street.”



“Ah, barbers do exist, but some people do not come to us.” “Exactly!” affirmed the client. “That’s the point. God does exist, but people don’t go to Him, look for Him, and actively look for ways to help others. That’s why there is so much pain

and suffering in the world.”

We need to love people more than they deserve. Never lose a chance of saying a kind word to another person. Constant kindness can accomplish much. As the sun makes ice melt, kindness and a little love can cause misunderstanding, mistrust and hostility to evaporate. Loving kindness has converted more sinners than zeal, eloquence, or learning. We need to practice this constantly.

“What does love look like? It has hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has the eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrow of men.” That is St Augustine’s description of love.

Love is life . . . And if you miss love you miss life. Love can transform the world. If we want to be loved, we need to be lovable. We need to do all things with love because love opens, love asks, love expands, and love creates. God is LOVE.

The season of Christmas is here again and love is in the air. This season too there are so many couples ready to take the oath of love at the altar, ready to share their lives with each other for all eternity. We need to pray for such couples that they may sincerely fulfill their commitments to each other. My son too is blessed with a lovable, charming and lovely life-partner, and is engaged to be married next year. Let us keep all these young couples in our prayers daily.

As we get ready to celebrate and receive the new born Babe Jesus, the ‘Prince of Love’ into our homes and hearts, “let love be your greatest aim” (1Cor 14:1). May we be blessed and transformed by the Spirit of love, that we may only think and speak words of love and perform kind deeds of love always. May the power of love flow through us to all we meet and greet this season. **HAPPY CHRISTMAS!!!**

### **Christmas Tree Blessing**

Holy Creator of Trees, Bless with your abundant grace this our Christmas tree as a symbol of joy. May its evergreen branches be a sign of your never-fading promises. May its colorful lights and ornaments call us to decorate with love our home and our world. May the gifts that surround this tree be symbols of the gifts that we have received from the Tree of Christ’s Cross. Holy Christmas tree within our home, may Joy and Peace come and nest in your branches and in our hearts.



## The Fifteen Promises of Mary to Christians Who Recite the Rosary

(Given to St. Dominic and Blessed Alan)

1. Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary shall receive signal graces.

2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the rosary.

3. The rosary shall be a powerful armour against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.

4. It will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire of eternal things.

Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.

5. The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the rosary shall not perish.

6. Whoever shall recite the rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its sacred mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise him in His justice, he shall not perish by an unprovided death; if he be just he shall remain in the grace of God, and become worthy of eternal life.

7. Whoever shall have a true devotion for the rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.

8. Those who are faithful to recite the rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.

9. I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the rosary.

10. The faithful children of the rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.

11. You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the rosary.

12. All those who propagate the holy rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.

13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.

14. All who recite the rosary are my sons, and brothers of my only son Jesus Christ.

15. Devotion of my rosary is a great sign of predestination.



## The Power of the Rosary

Our Lady has 117 titles. She selected this title at Fatima: **"I am the Lady of the Rosary."**

St. Francis de Sales said the greatest method of praying is - **Pray the Rosary.**

St. Thomas Aquinas preached 40 straight days in Rome Italy on just the Hail Mary.

St. John Vianney, patron of priests, was seldom seen without a rosary in hand.

**"The rosary is the scourge of the devil"** - Pope Adrian VI.

**"The rosary is a treasure of graces"** - Pope Paul V.

Padre Pio the stigmatic priest said **"The Rosary is THE WEAPON."**

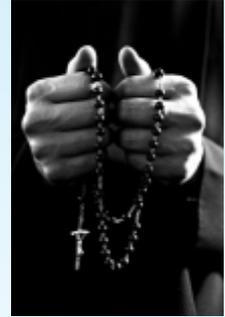
Pope Leo XIII wrote 9 encyclicals on the rosary.

Pope John XXIII spoke 38 times about Our Lady and the Rosary. He prayed 15 decades daily.

St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort wrote: **"The rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who loves His Mother."**

If you wish to obtain a favor - **Pray the "54 day Rosary Novena." Pray 3 nine day rosary novenas - 27 days of petition; Pray 3 nine day rosary novenas - 27 days of thanksgiving.**

Will you give 1% of 1440 minutes each day to God? If so, pray the daily rosary in 15 minutes - 1% of 24 hours. Later on, give 3% and pray the entire 15 decade rosary - Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries.



### Messages on the Rosary given to Iveta Fernandes, the seer of Batim, Goa

**Our Lady would frequently appear to Iveta with the Rosary in Her hands and in many of Her messages would remind us to say the Rosary.**



"Pray, pray, pray The Holy Rosary. Many of you have abandoned praying and are lost in the world

"Pray, pray, pray The Holy Rosary. It is the answer to turning many to God, even hardened hearts if you pray."



“Pray The Rosary. It will lead you to holiness in God, with God and through Me you will bring God's love to all your beloved.”

“Pray My children, pray The Holy Rosary. It is the power that is needed to bring Peace amidst you, that you may always stay united in this bond of love united to Me and through Me to JESUS.”

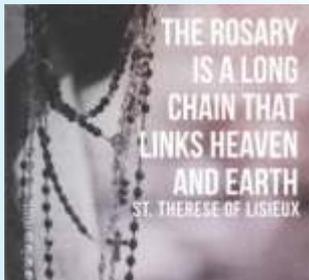
“Pray, pray, pray The Holy Rosary, you will obtain much and receive Merits and Graces from this simple prayer of honouring Me and understanding The Divine Holy Trinity.”

“Beloved children pray, pray, pray the Holy Rosary. It is your weapon against the assaults of My adversary, your adversary, as you are My children Consecrated to My Immaculate Heart.”

“Beloved children, make known the Scapular and spread the devotion to the Holy Rosary to many of My children. It is of most importance in these hours of the battle that's weighing against the faithful”.

“Beloved children, you are at the threshold of World War Three, yet I can help if you will pray The Holy Rosary, even this course can be changed through the power of The Holy Rosary”.

“Be not afraid, be not anxious, only entrust all into My Immaculate Heart and pray, pray, pray beloved children the Holy Rosary in your families, come together in your Communities, come together on this Holy Mountain, for through it much can be bought and satan will be kept afar”.



“St Michael Speaks: Beloved children, make known the Scapular and spread the devotion to the Holy Rosary to many of My children. It is of most importance in these hours of the battle that's weighing against the faithful”.

## ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX WRITES ABOUT THE ROSARY

I am ashamed to admit it: reciting the Rosary costs me more than putting on an instrument of penitence. I feel that I say it so badly...

I have tried in vain to meditate on the mysteries of the Rosary, but I never manage to fix my mind...

For a long time I was distressed about this lack of devotion which astonished me, because I love the Blessed Virgin so much that it ought to be easy for me to say in her honour prayers that are so pleasing to her. Now I am less distressed, for I think that the Queen of Heaven, being my Mother, must see my good will and be pleased with it.



## ADORATION: HOUR OF GRACE 8 Dec

**Note:** Ideal time is 12 noon to 1 pm OR any other suitable.  
This is best done in gathering in Church OR even individually.

**Before Exposition (Introduction):** We are here on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady to adore and honour the Most Holy Trinity present here in Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in this Hour of Grace and Mercy. We will repent, pray for security under God's protection and that *Our Lady be proclaimed as Mediatrix of All Grace, Co Redemptrix and Advocate by the Vicar of CHRIST, by our Holy Father Pope Francis I.*



**In the name** of The Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Come Holy Spirit**, come by the means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Thy well beloved Spouse.

**Prayer to St. Michael.....**

*The Main celebrant now proceeds to expose the Most Blessed Sacrament*

**Moderator: Please kneel: Hymn:** O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine all Praise and all thanks giving be every moment Thine.

**We shall now recite the Eucharist Prayer: (please repeat):** "O Most Holy Trinity/ I adore Thee! / My God, my God, I love Thee/ in the Most Blessed Sacrament!" (3 times)

**Spend few moments kneeling in deep adoration.....**

We thank You and Praise You heavenly Father for the Immaculate Conception of Mary, the masterpiece of Your creation, in the womb of Her Mother. You created a tabernacle, Her womb, for Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to take flesh in the world, for our salvation.

Hail Immaculate Virgin Mary, Virgin of Virgins, bearer of God, Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church and Our Mother, the living Tabernacle. You bore the only begotten Son of God



Jesus, the fruit of Your womb. Oh perfect Adorer of the Triune God; be with us as we adore Him now. Intercede for us gathered here for Grace and Mercy for our salvation. **Amen.**

We will now meditate on the announcement to Mary of the birth of Jesus through the **Angelus Prayer**.....(3 times)

We now pray **Psalm 51 for Repentance**.....(3 times: with outstretched hands if space permits; optional)

**Hymn:** God of Mercy and Compassion.....  
**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET / HOLY ROSARY**.....

Although Mary is praised for being Mother of the Lord and because of Her belief, She reacts as the servant in a Psalm of Praise, the Canticle of Mary, the **Magnificat (Lk1: 46-55)**.....(3 times)

We shall now pray **Psalm 91 for Security under God's protection** in every dangerous situation.....(3 times)  
Hail Holy Queen.....

**Hymn:** We stand for God.....

We shall now spend few moments in **Holy silence** praying for Our Lady's intentions *that **Our Lady be proclaimed as Mediatrix Of All Grace, Co Redemptrix and Advocate by the Vicar of CHRIST, our Holy Father Pope Francis I***.....and also pray for our personal needs.....

We pray now **One Our Father**, Hail Mary, Glory be for our Holy Fathers Pope Francis, Benedict 16th, our Bishop ..... all Priests and religious.....

**Concluding Prayer:** O Most Holy Trinity, we have spent these precious moments adoring and honouring You on the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception as we venerate Her. Make us truly repentant often and protect in every dangerous situation. Grant us abundant Grace and Mercy today. Help us to do one Act of Mercy every day. We make this prayer through Your Son, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.



**LET US PRAY:** O God who in this wondrous Sacrament have left us as memorial of Your Passion, grant us we beseech You, so to revere, the Sacred Mysteries of Your Body and Blood,

that we may continually find in our souls, the fruit of Your redemption, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

**THE DIVINE PRAISES.....  
RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**Moderator: In the name of The Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

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Background.. 2012, 28th November between 2:30 a.m. to 5:30a.m. at approx 4:30 a.m. as I ( iveta ) prayed The Holy Rosary for the fulfillment that Our Lady be proclaimed Mediatrix Of All Graces by our Holy Father . Amen) (today Pope Benedict the XVI . Amen) (and as I pondered on The Hour of Grace for the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2012 )

**OUR LADY BEGAN TO SPEAK:**

“Place before all My beloved children, My desire that they pray with Me The hours that have come to be known as The Hour of Grace on the feast day Celebrated in honour of My Immaculate Conception. This day that *(they) pray for the intention of My Immaculate Heart, that I be proclaimed as Mediatrix Of All Graces by the Vicar of CHRIST, your Holy Father. This day who is Pope Benedict the XVI. The Bishop of Rome. My beloved chosen son, who carries the weight of the Catholic Church on earth. Know and understand that at this hour, as each of My beloved children pray for this the intention of My Immaculate Heart, I will grant them their intentions, that lay in their hearts even if they do not mention it with their lips as they pray, according to The Divine Will of God. The Hours of Grace being 12:00 a.m. and 12:00p.m. of the day that marks the feast day in honour of My Immaculate Conception .Amen.*

*The manner of prayers to be recited in honour of The Most Holy Trinity (3) Three times; THE ANGELUS. PSALM 51. PSALM 91 AND THE MAGNIFICATE. Ending with the prayer that Hails Me as Queen. Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy. For that, this Title as Mediatrix Of All Grace, Co Redemptrix and Advocate has been bestowed upon Me by The Most Holy Trinity in Heaven. That I alone , I only can replace grace after graces that My children have squandered and have become deficient off, as their Holy Mother when they invoke Me . Amen.*

*I AM The Mother of God. I AM The Immaculate Conception. I AM The Mediatrix Of All Grace. I AM your Mother Who loves you dearly, My beloved children. Amen. ”*



# FIRST SATURDAY INTENTION

## ( A Meditation)

Let us ask Our Lady to help us to purify our souls so that they will be as pure as possible to receive Him on His Birthday.

### FIRST SATURDAY MEDITATION

Let us contemplate the purity of Mary as she holds Jesus in her arms for the first time on His Birthday.

### I. THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Nine months before an Archangel had announced to Mary that she would be the mother of Jesus. The Messenger from God had shown deep respect and prayerful awe before this humble girl. Why would he, who had the Beatific Vision, exhibit such reverence before a daughter of Eve?

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us: "To become the mother of the Savior, Mary was enriched by God with gifts appropriate to such a role! The angel Gabriel at the moment of the annunciation salutes her as "full of grace." In fact in order for Mary to be able to give the free assent of her faith to the announcement of her vocation, it was necessary that she be wholly borne by God's grace."

"Through the centuries the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace; through God was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confirms, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854."

"The Most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of Almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin." (Catechism of the Catholic Church 490,491)

-Let us pause for five minutes of silent prayer-

### II. JESUS IS BORN OF MARY

And now the promised One is born and Mary cradles Him in her arms. Mary experiences the joy of motherhood, but a very special joy because this Baby is not an ordinary baby. He is the Son of God and therefore God. And she is not an ordinary mother, but the Mother of God.



Called in the Gospels 'the mother of Jesus,' Mary is acclaimed by Elizabeth, at the prompting of the Spirit and even before the birth of her Son as 'the mother of my Lord.' In fact the one whom she conceived as man by the Holy Spirit, who truly became her Son according to the flesh, was none another than the Father's eternal Son, the second person of the Holy Trinity. Hence the church confesses that Mary is truly mother of God (Theotokas)." (Catechism of the Catholic Church 495)

How lovely a picture we have in our minds and hearts of this third joyful mystery of the Holy Rosary! There is seated the young Mother beautiful beyond compare. Why would she not be, since her child himself had chosen her as His Mother. And he who had lived for nine months in the tabernacle of her chaste womb, now rested in the ostensorium of her protecting arms where He can be seen by all who approach.

Let us ask Our Lady to show her Son to us and to guide His little hands to bless us as we greet Him on this, His Birthday.

Let us pause for five minutes of silent prayer.

### III. JESUS COMES TO US ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Each year as the feast of Christmas approaches, we look forward to celebrating the birthday of Jesus again. We spend the four weeks of Advent in special preparation and rightly so.



But let us remember that Mary's whole life was a preparation for His coming, even before she was aware of her vocation. So our lives, too, should be a continual preparation for His coming. We should make every effort to keep our hearts pure-free from all sin and adorned with virtues pleasing to Jesus.

Let us recall that all the pomp and ceremony, all the tinsel and glamour of packed shops and worldly parties mean nothing to Jesus unless it be accompanied with quiet sacrifice, the unheralded act of reparation, the quiet moments of meditation and fervent prayer or spiritual readings.

And when on Christmas Day He comes to us in Holy Communion, let us receive Him with Hearts cleansed of all sin, filled with love and devotion and longing. Let us ask Mary, His mother, to help us to Love him and to give Him as our special gift through her hands-our hearts.



Let us pause for five minutes of silent prayer-

## THE FATIMA PRAYERS

**PARDON PRAYER:** My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.

**ANGEL'S PRAYER:** O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, 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 by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:** Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

**SACRIFICE PRAYER:** O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**DECADE PRAYER:** O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.



**‘God wishes to establish devotion to my Immaculate Heart in the world. If what I say is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace.’**

### How Do I Start the First Saturdays?

On July 13, 1917, Our Lady appeared for the third time to the three children of Fatima and showed them the vision of hell. In this vision Our Lady said that *‘God wishes to establish in the world devotion’* to Her Immaculate Heart and that She would come to *ask for the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays...*

### What Do I Have to Do?

The devotion of First Saturdays, as requested by Our Lady of Fatima, carries with it the assurance of salvation. However, to derive profit from such a great promise of Our Lady, the devotion must be properly understood and duly performed. The requirements as stipulated by Our Lady are as follows:

**(1) Confession, (2) Communion, (3) Five decades of the Rosary, (4) Meditation on one or more of the Rosary Mysteries for fifteen minutes, (5) To do all these things in the spirit of reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and (6) To observe all these practices on the First Saturday of five consecutive months.**

The idea of the Five First Saturdays is obviously to make us persevere in the devotional acts for these Saturdays and overcome initial difficulties. Once this is done, Our Lady knows that the person would become devoted to Her Immaculate Heart and persist in practicing such devotion on all First Saturdays, working thereby for personal self-reform and for the salvation of others. Our Lady has assured us that She will obtain salvation for all those who observe the First Saturdays for five consecutive months in accordance with Her conditions.



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## Dates to Remember - December 2017

- 2nd: First Saturday, Service at Batim, Goa
- 8th: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 12th: Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 25th: The Nativity of Our Lord
- 28th: Holy Innocents
- 31st: Feast of the Holy Family

### PRAYER PETITIONS AND TESTIMONIES

- + Your prayer petitions may be submitted online at: [thebatimmessage.com](http://thebatimmessage.com)  
These prayer requests will be placed at the feet of Our Lady of Fatima in the the Church of Sts Simon & Jude and offered during the First Saturday Mass at Batim.
- + Your testimonies may be submitted online at:  
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#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION IN HONOUR OF AND IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Church of St Simon and St Jude, Batim, Tiswadi, Goa Velha, Goa 403 108 India.

**1.00 pm:** +Stations of the Cross at the foot of the Holy Mountain and also simultaneously in the Church on top

**2.00 pm:** +Holy Rosary, +Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, +Divine Mercy Prayers, +Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, +Confessions.

**3.30pm:** +Holy Mass.

**Services are held in Konkani and English**

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**Margao,** Petrol pump closest to Main Post Office 11am,  
Mob: 9420712310

**Panaji:** Caranzalem near Post Office at 1145 am, near Don Bosco at 12pm,  
Tel: 08322456306

**Mapusa:** From St Joseph's Chapel, Near Police Station at 11.45 am, Mob: 9822167665

**Calangute:** From Calangute Church at 1130 am,  
Mob: 9421241248

*In conformity with the directives of Pope Urban VIII, we have no intention of anticipating the judgement of the Holy Apostolic See and of the Church on Apparitions, reported by us, but not yet recognized; indeed, we submit to, and accept; her final decision without reservation.*

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