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“Tell everybody that God grants graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and that they must ask them from her”- Our Lady of Fatima

By Christopher Dias,
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Grace is favour, the free and underserved help that God gives us to respond to his call to become children of God (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*). It is a free, unmerited and

unearned favour or gift from God to man.

Christ, the source of all grace, instituted the Holy Eucharist which is the heart and the summit of the Church's life, for in it Christ associates his Church and all her members with his sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving offered once for all on the cross to his Father; by this sacrifice he pours out the graces of salvation on his Body which is the Church (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

Sanctifying grace is an internal force that makes a soul holy and gives the soul supernatural life. Actual grace is an external force that acts on the soul from outside. It gets us moving and encourages us to keep sanctifying grace without which we cannot reach heaven. For instance the 'prompting' or 'calling' that we

receive to go to confession is through an actual grace that could be brought about by one's own or another person's prayer. Actual graces and the reception of them builds or keeps us in sanctifying grace. Mortal sin denies us supernatural life or sanctifying grace. From our lifestyle, we can choose not to accept these graces. But if we respond to actual grace and make the appropriate supernatural act like confession - the soul again receives supernatural life. Our priests dispense sanctifying grace each and every day to the faithful in the sacraments, especially Holy Communion and Confession.

St Paul, the Apostle of Grace, struggling with personal sin in 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 writes about beseeching the Lord to remove the 'thorn in his flesh', but was told: "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness" From Paul's statement, we see that God gives each one of us sufficient grace to overcome sin, even when it seems like we are struggling with overcoming sin. And when we are the weakest, that is when we are the strongest, because that's when God's power is made perfect in us.

Shortly before St Jacinta went to the hospital, she said to Lucia "*....Tell everybody that God grants graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and that they must ask them from her...*" This revelation coming out of Fatima in a way acknowledges Our Blessed Mother as the "**Mediatrix of All Graces**", though we await and pray for the proclamation of this Dogma from the Holy Father.

In a Message on May 13th, 2015 Our Lady tells Iveta. "*I Am The Mother of God, I Am Our Lady of Fatima. I Am The Mediatrix of All Graces, Co-Redemptrix and Advocate in Heaven. Through your prayers beloved children, I will come to be known under this title on Earth and will be able to dispense the graces and Gifts and the protection needed for My children in the times of the persecution. Be not afraid, be not anxious. Know that My Motherly Mantle protects you. Amen.*"

And furthermore quoting scripture to confirm that this was destined by God from the beginning. "*Do you not understand that all grace and power has been bestowed upon Me and through Me. God desires to make known His Divine Salvific Plan for your World for what has been fore told in Scripture in The Apocalypse, known as Revelation of John the Apostle (Jan 19, 2011)*"

"I desire with great desire that you return to all the Sacraments made known to you. It is through them you will receive the Graces to rise above your frailties ...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".

At Batim, Our Lady encourages us to wear the Mediatrix of All Grace Scapular and Medal as avenues of Graces besides receiving the sacraments. "*...Beloved children, I desire with great desire to thank My beloved Chosen Sons present here to receive My Graces. It is through you that My Graces will flow upon My Garment, The Garment Of Grace as I release today and unveil The Garment of Grace, the Scapular under the title of the Mediatrix of All*

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FATIMA: THE ANSWER TO SECULARISM

By Donal Foley - secretary of the World Apostolate of Fatima in England and Wales - Taken from Catholic Herald dated 7th October 2016

The Red Army left Austria without a fight after one in 10 people started praying the rosary. Imagine what happen if we did the same



This year we see the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima, which took place between May and October 1917, and which culminated in the famous miracle of the sun on October 13, which was witnessed by at least 70,000 people.

At the same time, the atheistic communist revolution was unfolding in Russia, an upheaval which would lead to persecution and immense suffering for millions of believers, as depicted in the third part of the Fatima secret, which was publicly revealed in May 2000.

The events at Fatima also took place as World War I was entering its final

phases, after the slaughter of millions, as the Blessed Virgin appeared for the first time on May 13, 1917 at the Cova da Iria, not far from the village of Fatima, to three young shepherd children, Francisco and Jacinta Marto and Lucia dos Santos.

Fatima is important for all sorts of reasons, not least because of the strong link between the papacy and the apparitions, particularly in the case of Pius XII and St. John Paul II, but also for Benedict XVI and Pope Francis.

Fatima is important, too, because of the request by Our Lady for the consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart, which was accomplished by Pope John Paul II in 1984. This was followed by the politically unexpected collapse of Soviet communism and the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. That the outcome could have been very different is shown by the way protesters were treated at Tiananmen Square that same year, when hundreds lost their lives.

Our Lady came on the 13th of each month, with a message of peace,

prayer and reparation, and the revelation that God wanted to establish devotion to her Immaculate Heart throughout the world in order to save souls at risk of being eternally lost. She particularly asked for the prayer of the rosary, indicating that it was the way to bring peace to the world, and called herself the "Lady of the Rosary".

She showed the children a momentary vision of hell, but only after promising them they would go to heaven. She also promised to come back to ask for the consecration of Russia, and for the devotion of the Five First Saturdays. She likewise spoke of the errors of Russia and how these would spread around the world if her requests were not heeded. At the time Portugal was ruled by an atheist government, but as the message of the Lady gradually reinvigorated the religious life of the people, the country was transformed.

The power of the rosary was shown in 1955, when the occupying Soviet army voluntarily left Austria. Fr. Petrus Pavlicek, a Franciscan, had organised a rosary crusade in the country from 1946 onwards, which eventually had 10 percent of the population praying five decades of the rosary daily for peace.

On May 13, 1955 (note the date) the Soviets announced that they were willing to withdraw from Austria and sign a peace treaty. This was the only time in the history of the Soviet Union that the Red Army voluntarily withdrew from an European country it had occupied. In contrast, the attempted uprisings in Hungary (1956) and Czechoslovakia (1968) were brutally put down by Soviet tanks.

In our own time, although the threat of communism has receded, the "errors of Russia" materialism, secularism and atheism have largely conquered the West, and we are living in an increasingly anti-religious society, in which the very existence of God is denied.

That is why the miracle of the sun predicted three months in advance by the three simple children is so important. In its significance and impact, it was the greatest miracle since the Resurrection. Writers such as Richard Dawkins have tried to explain it away as a hallucination. But their arguments don't work.

Eyewitnesses to the miracle reported that the sun danced in the sky, that the colour of the whole landscape changed successively, and that the sun seemed to come down towards them, so that many in the crowd thought it was the end of the world. It was also seen at a distance by various other people, thus effectively ruling out any notion of hallucination.

In fact, the miracle was also seen by sailors on a British ship off the coast of Portugal. I gave a presentation on Fatima at an English college and was told by one of the lecturers that her grandfather saw the miracle from his ship and wrote about it to his wife without, obviously, understanding what it meant or its significance. This letter has been preserved in the lecturer's family.

There were even reports of the miracle in the Portuguese secular press of the day. It had been seen by so many people that it just couldn't be ignored. And finally, what seems convincingly to show that the miracle wasn't an hallucination is that the people at the Cova felt the heat of the sun as it approached them, and their clothes and the ground which had been soaked by

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The Rosary, A Winning Prayer

By Dan Lyons

We all like to win. Winning a hard-fought game is exciting. Winning good grades is even more so. Winning wars, when defeat means losing our freedom, can be the biggest win of all.

Rosary Victories in the Past

When a small Christian fleet defeated the Muslims in the Gulf of Lepanto on October 7, 1571, it was a great victory for the Faith, and for freedom. Credit for the victory goes to countless thousands who prayed the Rosary to protect Christianity when it was threatened. In thanksgiving, Pope



Pius V established what became known as **The Feast of the Holy Rosary**.

A century later, in 1683, Christianity was saved from an **invasion by the Turks**, who were conquering Vienna and threatening to suppress Christianity in Europe. But they were stopped in their tracks after thousands in Vienna prayed the rosary for deliverance.

In our own time, in 1955, after Communism had taken over **Austria**, Father Peter Pavlicek began a **Rosary Crusade** throughout the country. Why **Communism** disappeared from Austria has always puzzled historians: but we know why: Our Lady and her Rosary drove the **Soviets** out.

Brazil was saved in a more striking manner in 1964 when its **Communist** President, Joao Goulart, appeared repeatedly on television, boasting that the Rosary could never keep his Communist regime from ruling the people. Nothing could stop him, he thought. But the Rosary did, because it had our Lord and Our Lady behind it. What happened to the President? He didn't even last thirty days.

Ten years later, in 1974, the **Communists** took over **Portugal**. The Alianza de Santa Maria, the **Alliance of Our Lady**, felt Portugal was threatened because its people had not paid sufficient attention to Our Lady's message at Fatima to "pray the Rosary." So the Alliance started a **Rosary Crusade** in all the parishes in Portugal.

They passed out **Rosary Pledge Cards** for people to sign, promising to pray the Rosary to get rid of **atheistic Communism**. They collected more than a million pledges. The result? On the **Feast of Christ the King** in the following year, **1975**, the Communist government collapsed. Explained the leaders of the Alliance: "Our Lady saved us!"

Just two years ago in **1998**, Our Lady's Alliance organized another crusade, this time to pray for the defeat of a bill in Lisbon that would have **legalized abortion in Portugal**. Every statistic indicated that the bill would easily pass. Angela Coelha, a leader of the Alliance, said: "We pleaded with people to make an extraordinary effort in praying Rosaries!" What happened? "It was a miracle," she said. "At the last minute the bill was defeated by the slimmest margin."

John Paul II and the Rosary Today

And what about today? On **October 7, 2000**, **Pope John Paul II** led a crowd of thousands, including hundreds of Bishops, at the Vatican, and more "linked-up" from around the world, including **Sister Lucia** in a Rosary. You don't have time to pray the Rosary often? The Pope prays the full **15 decades everyday**. He always makes time for that. "**The rosary is my favorite prayer**" he insists. He pleads for a renewal of devotion to the Rosary, especially among families, recalling the saying of the late **Father Peyton**: "**The family that prays together, stays together.**"

Last month the Holy Father again urged us to pray the Rosary: "This simple and profound prayer is loved by everyone, especially by families. It was often recited in the past. How wonderful it would be if this prayer were rediscovered, especially among families."

Why is the Rosary so important? Through its mystery for each decade, it causes us to focus on the main happenings in **Christ's life**, during **Mary's lifetime**, as well as **Pentecost**, **Mary's Assumption**, and **Mary's Coronation**. It leads in to **Jesus through Mary**. The Rosary is vocal prayer, but it combines with mental prayer as well. It teaches us the higher prayer of contemplation.

We like to get away from our ordinary distractions, yes; but we don't have to go to a secluded, faraway retreat to do that. We can just kneel or sit in Church or at home, or even when driving the car. By praying the Rosary with devotion we fall into a beautiful seclusion: Jesus, Mary, and ourselves.

Join with other members of the family when you can, such as after dinner or as your main night prayer before falling asleep. As for the lingering question: "How many times have individuals like us been helped by praying the Rosary?" There is no way we can estimate. Only God can count that high!

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Visit the Blessed Sacrament Come, He is Calling You!

Adoration, or visits to the **Blessed Sacrament** are the source of Divine Radiation treatments for the complete healing of the cancer of sin. Just as radioactive waves enter into us and affect us profoundly even when we are not at all aware that we are in their presence, so we cannot leave unaffected by the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Wherever He is present in the tabernacle or, even more so in the exposed Blessed Sacrament. His presence pervades the entire area. We are hit, as it were, by waves of grace whenever we come into this area. We are touched, permeated, by the very presence of God! We cannot escape it. Who would wish to? "Hope will not leave us disappointed" when our hope is based in Him.

He gives us strength to overcome sin in our life. He is our Victory, our Life and our Love! "Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest..." (Matthew 11:28, NAB). We come to Him with our burden of sin, and He carries them away in the forgiveness of confession; and then fills us with all the strength necessary to continue on our way to Him. Jesus invites the Holy Spirit to dwell within us.

Come to Jesus in the Eucharist. **Come to adore Him**, to love Him, to **give Him your heart**. He is here to refresh your soul. Bring Him your troubled heart and your failing body. Bring Him your sinfulness. **Jesus, who walked the earth forgiving sins and healing all who were afflicted, is here – and He is calling you! Come**, if you love! **Come**, if you want love. **Come**, if you want to love more and more.



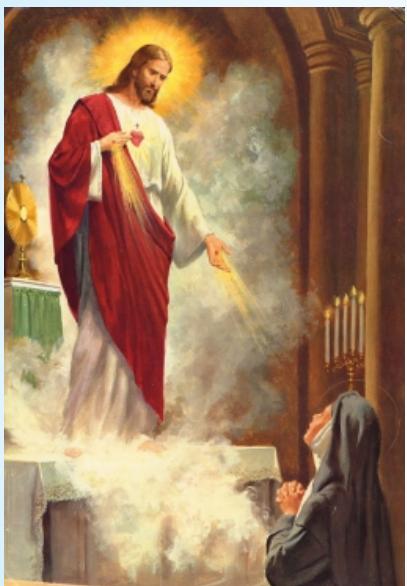
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Graces, I Who am She..” (Message of Oct 13, 2014).

"Our Lady wants everyone to wear the scapular...because it is our sign of consecration to Her Immaculate Heart" Sr Lucia of Fatima when asked why the Blessed Mother held in Her hand a Brown Scapular.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is a devotion to Jesus Christ, consisting of worship of Him through His heart as representing His love shown in the Incarnation. His passion and death, the institution of the Eucharist. The devotion is centered on reparation to Christ for man's ingratitude, manifested particularly by indifference to the Holy Eucharist. The worship is not directed to the Heart alone, but to the Person of Jesus Christ. The Church forbids public cult of the Heart separated from the rest of the body, but allows private veneration, as is the case of Sacred Heart badges.



A feast, requested by our Lord Himself, commemorates the unrequited love of the Sacred Heart in the Eucharist and is celebrated on the Friday after the feast of Corpus Christi.

According to Catholic teaching-

It was to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a humble nun of the Order of the Visitation of Our Lady that Our Lord chose to reveal to the world His Sacred Heart, thus opening a New Era of Grace and Mercy in the history of the Church and the world. These private revelations took place during the years 1673-1675, and are drawn from the diary of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, the witness of her fellow sisters, and that of her spiritual director, St. Claude de La Colombiere.

Notice how St. Margaret Mary Alacoque describes the revelation of the "Sacred Heart" of Jesus (emphasis is mine):

Our Lord makes known the Devotion of the First Fridays: June 1674

On the First Friday of each month, the above-mentioned grace connected with the pain in my side was renewed in the following manner: ***the Sacred Heart was represented to me as a resplendent sun***, the burning rays of which fell vertically upon my heart, which was inflamed with a fire so fervid that it seemed as if it would reduce me to ashes. It was at these times especially that my Divine Master taught me what He required of me and disclosed to me the secrets of His loving Heart. On one occasion, while the Blessed Sacrament

was exposed, feeling wholly withdrawn within myself by an extraordinary recollection of all my senses and powers, Jesus Christ, my sweet Master, presented Himself to me, all resplendent with glory, His Five Wounds shining like so many suns. Flames issued from every part of His Sacred Humanity, especially from His Adorable Breast, which resembled an open furnace and disclosed to me His most loving and most amiable Heart, which was the living source of these flames. It was then that He made known to me the ineffable marvels of His pure love and showed me to what an excess He had loved men, from whom He received only ingratitude and contempt.

(Source: The Revelation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, online at [The Mantle, the Apostolate Alliance of the Two Hearts.](#))

THE TWELVE PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART TO ST. MARGARET MARY

I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.

I will give peace in their families.

I will console them in all their troubles.

They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of death.

I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.

Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent.

Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.

I will bless the homes in which the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honoured.

I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.

Those who propagate this devotion shall have their name written in My Heart, and it shall never be effaced.

The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.

"Jesus, Mary, I Love You, Save Souls"

(Partial Indulgence)

"Think, one act of love can determine eternal happiness for a soul. Therefore, be careful never to omit one 'Jesus', MARY, I LOVE YOU, SAVE SOULS:' Lose no time-every act of love is a soul."

Words of Our Lady: " Only in paradise will you realize the value and the fruitfulness of saving souls. The act of love is especially meritorious as one of reparation."

"One JESUS, MARY, I LOVE YOU, SAVE SOULS atones for thousands of blasphemies."

"Put together all virtuous acts of today that you can perform, and put them beside a day uninterrupted in acts of love-and I will take the love-filled day in preference to anything else you have done or offered Me. "JESUS, MARY, I LOVE YOU, SAVE SOULS:- Herewith you offer Me everything."

-Extracts from the book: "Jesus Appeals to the World", Imprimatur: Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of N.Y.



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torrential rain were dry at the end of the miracle.

How, then, do we fight back against secularism and atheism? It seems that what is really needed for this country is a national rosary pledge campaign, like the one organised by Fr. Pavlicek in Austria.

Catholics nominally make up 10 percent of the population of this country, but only about 10 percent of those go to Mass regularly. But if that 10 percent started to pray the rosary regularly for the moral regeneration of our country, then we would start to see changes, since such prayer would call down graces of conversion that would lead to lapsed Catholics returning to the practice of their faith, and, in time, to the revitalisation of the Church in this country.

Next year's centenary is important since it offers the Church a chance to look again at the message of Fatima which is really a compendium of the Gospel for our times and realise that the Fatima message and the rosary are powerful weapons against modern secularism.

The best way to commemorate the centenary is to make an effort to understand and live out the Fatima message. This is particularly the case with saying the rosary daily, and participating in the Five First Saturdays devotion asked for by Our Lady. Another good way to mark the centenary would be to go on pilgrimage to Fatima. The most important thing is not to let the centenary go by without doing something to deepen one's knowledge of the Fatima message.

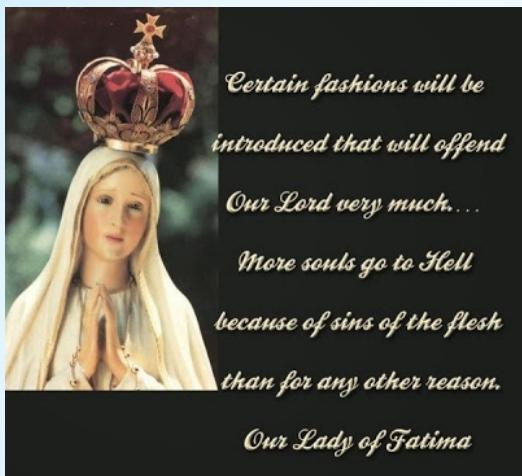
Modesty: Timeless Principles

By Father Charles M. Mangan

We will look at three basic principles pertaining to modesty in dress, from which we may draw some concrete norms. We use the valuable discourse given by **Pope Pius XII** to the Congress of the Latin Union of High Fashion on November 8, 1957.

Here is the **trio of principles** that are still applicable to the question of what is modest clothing:

Three Timeless Principles



1. The Influence of Styles.

There is a “language of clothing” that communicates certain messages. The dress of a policeman and a nurse convey that these persons are “helpers” and possess specific knowledge and authority. However, attire may also communicate negative and even destructive messages. For, example, one who with knowledge and deliberation routinely dresses in a provocative or seductive

manner so as to entice another to impurity commits a **mortal sin**, not only harming himself or herself but also gravely damaging the **immortal soul** of the other.

Jesus demands of His disciples purity in glances, thoughts, desires and actions. Furthermore, He warned against giving **scandal** to others. Isaiah (3:16-24) prophesied that the holy city of Sion would be infamous because of the impurity of its daughters.

Pope Pius XII declared: “It might be said that society speaks through the clothing it wears. Through its clothing it reveals its secret aspirations and uses it, at least in part, to build or destroy the future.” **Styles** that respect the human body for what it is—the **temple of the Holy Spirit**—are commendable; those that seek to expose the body as a mere object to be used, abused or enjoyed for illicit sexual pleasure are condemnable.

2. The Importance of Control. Fashion designers, critics and consumers are to recall frequently “that style should be directed and controlled

instead of being abandoned to caprice and reduced to abject service.” Those who “make style”, such as designers and critics, cannot allow the craze that is in vogue to dictate to them when that particular trend goes against right reason and established morality. Consumers for their part must remember that their “dignity demands of them that they should liberate themselves with **free and enlightened conscience** from the imposition of predetermined tastes, especially tastes debatable on moral grounds.”

3. Moderation is Necessary. The respect of a standard measure is termed moderation. It is moderation that provides “a pattern by which to regulate, at all costs, greed for luxury, ambition, and capriciousness.” Pope Pius XII urged: “Stylists, and especially designers, must let themselves be guided by moderation in designing the cut or line of a garment and in the selection of its ornaments, convinced that **sobriety** is the finest quality of art.”

Should those who are responsible for today's fashions return to the “outdated forms” of earlier times? No, Rather, there is a perennial value for clothing that transcends time and culture. When **Christian decency** is the mark of one's attire, then that same dress becomes “the worthy ornament of the person with whose beauty it blends as in a single triumph of admirable dignity.”

Examples of Immodest Clothing

Practically speaking, what exactly are examples of immodest clothing? This author, while acknowledging with the **mind of the Church** that not all change is bad and that one needn't necessarily wear clothes popular decades ago in order to be modest, believes that there are standards which are so basic in every era that to transgress them-regardless of one's good intention or ignorance-is to offend against human decency. Precisely, what are these criteria?

Clothing composed of a **transparent** (i.e., “see-through”) material isn't modest because of its obvious intent to expose to view various body parts that have been deemed-by most cultures and in most time periods-needy of cover.

Shorts that are very short (i.e., exposing much of the thigh), whether for a man or woman, can't be regarded as decent, (athletic pursuits indicate that shorts and a “jersey” type of shirt for both genders may be tolerated provided the shorts and shirts are moderate and that no temptation is encouraged.) Boys and men **shirtless** without sufficient reason (an allowance is made for swimming and vigorous work and exercise, as long as temptation is avoided) is problematic, especially given that such a sight may well be an unnecessary occasion of sin for another.

Perhaps the area of modesty in dress that attracts the most attention is

that of attire for women and girls. Some may argue that this is unfair. Why should the responsibility concerning modesty in dress pertain to women and girls and not to men and boys?

As we have seen, men and boys are also held to modesty in attire. And, it must be said forthrightly that not only do they have a responsibility to dress modesty themselves, but also they are to encourage to whatever extent they can the women and girls of their acquaintance to dress modestly, even avoiding those who do not when they themselves are **tempted to sin** precisely because of that immodest clothing. But it must be admitted: the sight of unclothed (even partially) bodies of women and girls have generally inspired **lust and desire** more than the bodies of men and boys. Such a conclusion is both sound and unbiased.

Clothing no matter how “chic” that reveals the front and back of women and girls, thereby significantly exposing their flesh, and drawing attention in some way to their breasts, is reprehensible. **Skirts that rise much above the knee** and highlight the shape of the leg for that very purpose are inappropriate.

A lady in her early forties recently related that every time she purchases a skirt (regardless of the store), the clerk mentions that since she is tall and thin she really must buy something sufficiently short that will draw attention to her legs. The lady replies that she is not interested in such an endeavor.

A wife and mother of two children recounted her genuine unease when attending Mass to find herself, her husband and her teenage son and daughter in the pew behind an adolescent girl who, with **bare shoulders** and a short dress, caused her husband and young son undue distraction during the Holy Sacrifice. One may contend here that this mother's young daughter is also adversely affected by the bad example of another girl approximately the same age.

Kingdom of God

God has made the human body beautiful. It is not an object to be used for impurity but a gift to be esteemed and legitimately shared in the building up of the **Kingdom of God** here on earth. Immodest attire neither contributes to the promotion of the human person nor to the establishing of the kingdom. More than ever, the chastity and modesty of Jesus the Messiah, the Blessed and Ever-Virgin Mary, particularly under the title of **Our Lady of Rosary at Fatima**, and the powerful intercessions of **Blessed Jacinta Marto** (1910-1920) and **Blessed Francisco Marto** (1908-1919), are urgently required if we are to obtain the holiness that the Risen Lord Jesus expects of us, His cherished brothers and sisters.

-Courtesy **SOUL May-June 2002**

FATIMA DAY CELEBRATIONS AT BATIM

- By Dr. Celcio Dias

13 MAY 2018: The Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord and 101st anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady at Fatima.

Fr Ubaldo Fernandes, the Parochial Administrator was the main celebrant and was assisted by Fr Paul.

Before the Mass, four Holy Rosaries were recited followed by the Fatima Reparatory Adoration.

Many devotees did the penitential Way of the Cross climbing up the Holy Mount barefeet.

In his Homily, Fr Ubaldo mentioned after the Ascension of Our Lord, Our Blessed Mother was the leader of the disciples. So also now,



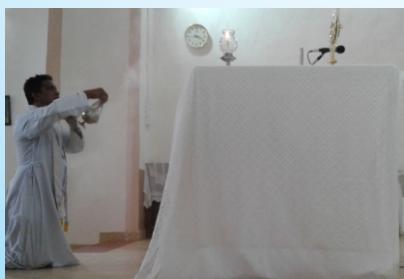
She guides us and we must follow Her to Jesus.

The Mass concluded with the procession with the statue of Our Lady, as Fr Ubaldo sang.

The Service concluded with the Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and blessing with the Statue.

About 200 of the faithful attended, including about 50 who came from Mumbai.

FIRST SATURDAY REPARATORY DEVOTION, 5TH MAY 2018 ON 5TH MAY



Fr Joseph Fernandes, SFX was the main celebrant at Holy Mass. As he lifted all the prayers of the faithful, he encouraged and promoted the First Saturday's Reparatory Devotion. This was preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. About 100 of the faithful attended.

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.

EUCARISTIC 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.

For more details please email: ourladybatim@gmail.com

Dates to Remember - June 2018

- 2nd: First Saturday - Service at Batim (See below for details)
8th: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9th: The Immaculate Heart of Mary
13th: St Anthony of Padua
24th: The Birthday of St John the Baptist
29th: Sts Peter and Paul.

PRAYER PETITIONS AND TESTIMONIES

- + Your prayer petitions may be submitted online at: 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

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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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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