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Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Calendar for the Traditional Roman Rite



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[Matthew 16:24]

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Eloquent praise of the Cross.

As I was very afflicted because of certain things, which it is not licit to say here, lovable Jesus, wanting to relieve me from my affliction, came with an appearance all new. He seemed to be dressed in pale blue, all adorned with tiny little bells of gold which, in touching one another, resounded with a sound never before heard. At the appearance of Jesus and at that gracious sound, I felt myself being enchanted and relieved in my affliction, which departed from me like smoke. I would have remained there in silence, so much did I feel the powers of my soul enchanted and stunned, if blessed Jesus had not broken my silence, saying to me: "**My beloved daughter, all these little bells are many voices that speak to you of my love, and call you to love Me. Now, let me see how many little bells you have that speak to Me of your love and that call Me to love you.**"

And I, all full of blushing, said to Him: '**But, Lord, what are You saying? I have nothing; I have nothing but defects.**' And Jesus, compassionating my misery, continued, telling me: "**You have nothing, it is true. Well then, I want to adorn you with my own little bells, so that you may have many voices with which to call Me and to show Me your love.**" So it seemed that He surrounded my waist with a belt adorned with these little bells.

After this, I remained in silence, and He added: **"Today I am pleased to spend time with you. Tell Me something."** And I: **'You know that all my contentment is in being with You, and in having You, I have everything. So, in possessing You, it seems to me that I have nothing else to desire, or to say.'** And Jesus: **"Let Me hear your voice that cheers my hearing. Let us converse together a little; I have spoken to you many times about the Cross; today, let Me hear you speak of the Cross."**

I felt all confused; I did not know what to say. But as He sent me a ray of intellectual light, to make Him content I began to say: **'My Beloved, who can say to You what the Cross is? Your mouth alone can speak worthily of the sublimeness of the Cross; but since You want me to speak, I will do it.**

The Cross, suffered by You, freed me from the slavery of the devil, and espoused me to the Divinity with an indissoluble bond. The Cross is fecund, and It gives birth to grace in me. The Cross is Light; It disillusioned me of what is temporal, and reveals to me what is eternal. The Cross is fire, and It reduces to ashes all that is not of God, to the point of emptying my heart of the tiniest blade of grass that might be in it. The Cross is coin of inestimable value, and if I have, O Holy Spouse, the fortune of possessing It, I will be enriched with eternal coins, to the extent of becoming the richest in Paradise, because the currency that circulates in Heaven is the Cross suffered on earth. The Cross makes me know myself more; not only this, but It gives me the knowledge of God. The Cross grafts all virtues in me. The Cross is the noble pulpit of the uncreated Wisdom, that teaches me the highest, the finest and most sublime doctrines. So, only the Cross will reveal to me the most hidden mysteries, the most secret things, the most perfect perfection, hidden to the most erudite and learned of the world. The Cross is like beneficent water that purifies me; not only this, but It administers the nourishment to the virtues in me, It makes them grow for me, and only then does It leave me, when It brings me back to eternal life. The Cross is like celestial dew, which preserves and embellishes for me the beautiful lily of purity. The Cross is the nourishment of Hope. The Cross is the beacon of the operating Faith. The Cross is like solid wood that preserves the fire of Charity, and keeps it always ignited. The Cross is like dry wood that dispels and puts to flight all the fumes of pride and of vainglory, and produces in the soul the humble violet of humility. The Cross is the most powerful weapon that offends the demons, and defends me from all their claws. So, the soul who possesses the Cross is the envy and admiration of the very Angels and Saints, and the rage and indignation of the demons. The Cross is my Paradise on earth, in such a way that if the Paradise of the Blessed up there is of delights, the Paradise down here is of sufferings. The Cross is the chain of most pure gold that connects me with You, my Highest Good, and forms the most intimate union that can possibly be given, to the point of making my being disappear. And It transmutes me into You, my Beloved, to the point that I feel lost within You, and I live of your very Life.'

After I said this (I don't know whether it is nonsense), my lovable Jesus was all delighted in listening to me, and taken by enthusiasm of love, He kissed me all over, and said to me: **"Brava, brava, my beloved - you spoke well. My love is fire, but not like the terrestrial fire which, wherever it penetrates, renders things sterile and reduces everything to ashes. My fire is fecund, and it renders sterile only that which is not virtue; but to everything else it gives life, it makes beautiful flowers bloom in it, makes the most delicious fruits mature, and renders it the most delightful celestial garden. The Cross is so powerful, and I communicated to It so much grace, as to render It more effective than the very Sacraments; and this, because in receiving the Sacrament of my Body, the dispositions and free concourse of the soul are needed in order to receive my graces, and many times these may be lacking; while the Cross has the virtue of disposing the soul to grace."**

The Eighteenth Hour of the Passion

From 10 to 11 AM

Jesus takes up the Cross and walks toward Calvary

My Jesus, insatiable love, I see that You give Yourself no peace, I feel your fidgets of love, your pains. Your Heart beats strongly; in every heartbeat I feel bursts, tortures, violences of love; and unable to contain the fire that devours You, You pant, moan, sigh, and in each moan I hear You say: **"Cross!"** Each drop of your blood repeats: **"Cross!"** All your pains, through which You swim as though in an interminable sea, repeat among themselves: **"Cross!"** And You exclaim: **"O Cross, beloved and longed for, You alone will save my children, and I concentrate in You all my Love!"**

September 3, A.D. 2019 – Saint Pope Pius X

Calendar for the Traditional Roman Rite



It is the way of almighty God to bring honor to those who are mean in their own eyes. That has been demonstrated in the life of Joseph Sarto, later Pope Saint Pius X. He was born in 1835 in the little Venetian village of Riese, where his parents, who were unimportant but devout people, reared a family of ten children during a period of great need.

The clergy of the parish interested themselves in Joseph, the well-behaved leader of the Mass servers, and assisted him in securing an education. In the year 1858, when he was 24 years old, he received holy orders. For nine years he was chaplain in Tombolo. His superior wrote of him: "I am convinced that some day he will wear the mitre, and then -- who knows?" Chaplain Sarto took the great Franciscan St Leonard of Port Maurice as his model in life and in the pulpit. At four in the morning he was already kneeling before the tabernacle.

For 9 years he was pastor in Salzano. It was during this period that he joined the Third Order of St Francis and established 2 fraternities of Tertiaries. Henceforth he strove in his words and in his writings, especially by Franciscan simplicity and frugal standards of life, to emulate the ideals of the seraphic saint. For another space of 9 years he was vicar general, canon, and regent of the seminary of the diocese of Treviso. "He will not die in Treviso," was significantly said of him at that time.

He was bishop of Mantua for 9 years. This made no change in his habits of life; he would not tolerate any festive receptions. He devoted himself with unflinching zeal to the ever important apostolate of the press, the pulpit of modern times. At the same time, the poor were his favorites.

As patriarch of Venice he wore the purple of the cardinalate for another period of nine years, always remaining a faithful son of the poor St Francis.

The death of Pope Leo XIII in 1903 brought him to Rome for the papal election. Who would be the new pope? Cardinal Sarto answered: "Leo XIII, who enlightened the world by his wisdom, will be succeeded by a pope who will impress the world by the saintliness of his life." Without suspecting it, he gave a description of himself. After he had been elected pope he announced his program: To renew all things in Christ. He did much for religious revival, especially by promoting early and daily Communion, by enacting measures for the sanctification of the clergy, by encouraging the Third Order, and last, but not least, by his own holy life. His great heart broke when the catastrophe of the World War befell us.

"I wish to suffer, Pius X said in his illness, "I wish to die for the soldiers on the battlefield." On August 20, 1914, Pius X died peacefully at the age of 79. His will was genuinely Franciscan: "I was born poor, I have lived poor, and I wish to die poor."

Many miracles occurred at his tomb, and the process of his beatification was introduced in 1923, and he was beatified in 1951 and canonized in 1954.

from: The Franciscan Book Of Saints, ed. by Marion Habig, OFM

From ***Childhood Memories:***

Annibale di Francia was the extraordinary confessor of the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta, and it was he who published her works. Blessed Annibale belonged to that array of priests who built up the Church of God with their holiness and their institutions for orphans and abandoned children. The work of these men was of great benefit to Italy and the Church, in a period when anti-clericalism was triumphant.

According to Aunt Rosaria, the blessed enjoyed the great esteem of St. Pius X who willingly granted him private audiences. It seems that St. Pius X paid great attention to Luisa Piccarreta: our blessed submitted her writings to him before having them printed.

Aunt Rosaria affirmed that after reading some of Luisa's writings, especially her famous work on the Passion of Our Lord, published under the title *L'orologio della Passione*, St. Pius X said to him: "***Dear father, you must read these writings on your knees, because it is Our Lord Jesus Christ who is speaking in them!***". And it was the holy Pontiff who urged Fr. Annibale to publish them.¹



September 8, A.D. 2019 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Mary was born to be the mother of the Savior of the world, the spiritual mother of all men, and the holiest of God's creatures. Because of her Son's infinite merits, she was conceived and born immaculate and full of grace. Through her, Queen of heaven and of earth, all grace is given to men. Through her, by the will of the Trinity, the unbelieving receive the gift of faith; the afflicted are tendered the works of mercy; and the members of Christ grow in likeness of their Head. In Mary all human nature is exalted. We rejoice in her birthday, as the Church has done from the earliest times. This is one of the three birthdays in the Church Calendar — the Birth of Jesus (December 25), the Birth of John the Baptist (June 24) and the Birthday of Mary. All three were born without original sin, although Mary and Jesus were conceived without sin, and St. John was cleansed of original sin while in the womb at the Visitation of Mary.

According to the 1962 Missal of St. John XXIII Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today also commemorates St. Adrian. The liturgy of Our Lady's Birthday in Rome included a procession from the church of St. Adrian in the forum. St. Adrian was a Herculian Guard of the Roman Emperor Galerius Maximian. After becoming a convert to Christianity with his wife Natalia, Adrian was martyred at Nicomedia on March 4, 306.

Historically it is the feast of St. Corbinian, a Frank who spent fourteen years as a hermit and then went to Rome, where Pope Gregory II consecrated him bishop and sent him to evangelize Germany.

Birth of Mary

On Our Lady's birthday the Church celebrates the first dawning of redemption with the appearance in the world of the Savior's mother, Mary. The Blessed Virgin occupies a unique place in the history of salvation, and she has the highest mission ever commended to any creature. We rejoice that the Mother of God is our Mother, too. Let us often call upon the Blessed Virgin as "Cause of our joy", one of the most beautiful titles in her litany.

Since September 8 marks the end of summer and beginning of fall, this day has many thanksgiving celebrations and customs attached to it. In the older form of the *Roman Ritual* there is a blessing of the summer harvest and fall planting seeds for this day.

The winegrowers in France called this feast "Our Lady of the Grape Harvest." The best grapes are brought to the local church to be blessed and then some bunches are attached to hands of the statue of Mary. A festive meal which includes the new grapes is part of this day.

In the Alps section of Austria this day is "Drive-Down Day" during which the cattle and sheep are led from their summer pastures in the slopes and brought to their winter quarters in the valleys. This was usually a large caravan, with all the finery, decorations, and festivity. In some parts of Austria, milk from this day and all the leftover food are given to the poor in honor of Our Lady's Nativity.

Excerpted from *The Holyday Book* by Fr. Francis Weiser, SJ

Day Ten
The Queen of Heaven in the Kingdom of the Divine Will.
The Dawn that rises to put to Flight the Night of the Human Will:
Her Glorious Birth.

The soul to the Queen of Heaven:

Here I am, O holy Mama, near your cradle, to be spectator of your prodigious birth. The heavens are stupefied, the Sun is fixed upon You with its light, the earth exults with joy and feels honored to be inhabited by its little newborn Queen, and the Angels compete among themselves to be around your cradle, to honor You and to be ready for your every wish. Everyone honors You and wants to celebrate your birth. I too unite myself with all, and prostrate before your cradle - where I see, as though enraptured, your mother Anne and your father Joachim - I want to tell You my first word; I want to entrust to You my first secret. I want to empty my heart into yours, and say to You: "My Mama, You who are the dawn, herald of the Divine Fiat upon the earth, O please, put to flight the gloomy night of the human will within my soul and in the whole world! Ah, yes, may your birth be our hope which, like a new dawn of grace, regenerates us in the Kingdom of the Divine Will!"

Lesson of the Newborn Queen:

Child of my Heart, my birth was prodigious; no other birth can be said to be similar to mine. I enclosed in Myself the heaven, the Sun of the Divine Will, and also the earth of my humanity - a blessed and holy earth, which enclosed the most beautiful flowerings. And even though I was just newly born, I enclosed the prodigy of the greatest prodigies: the Divine Will reigning in Me, which enclosed within Me a heaven more beautiful, a Sun more resplendent than those of Creation, of which I was also Queen, as well as a sea of graces without boundaries, which constantly murmured: "Love, love to my Creator..." My birth was the true dawn that puts to flight the night of the human will; and as I kept growing, I formed the daybreak and called for the brightest daylight, to make the Sun of the Eternal Word rise over the earth.

My child, come to my cradle to listen to your little Mama. As soon as I was born, I opened my eyes to see this low world, to go in search of all my children so as to enclose them within my Heart, give them my maternal love and, regenerating them to the new life of love and of grace, give them the step which would let them enter into the Kingdom of the Divine Fiat, which I possessed. I wanted to act as Queen and Mother, enclosing everyone in my Heart, to bring everyone to safety, and to give them the great gift of the Divine Kingdom. In my Heart I had a place for everyone, because for one who possesses the Divine Will there are no constraints - only infinite expanses. I looked also at you, my child - no one escaped Me. And since on that day everyone celebrated my birth, it was also feast for Me. But upon opening my eyes to the light, I had the sorrow of seeing the creatures in the thick night of the human will.

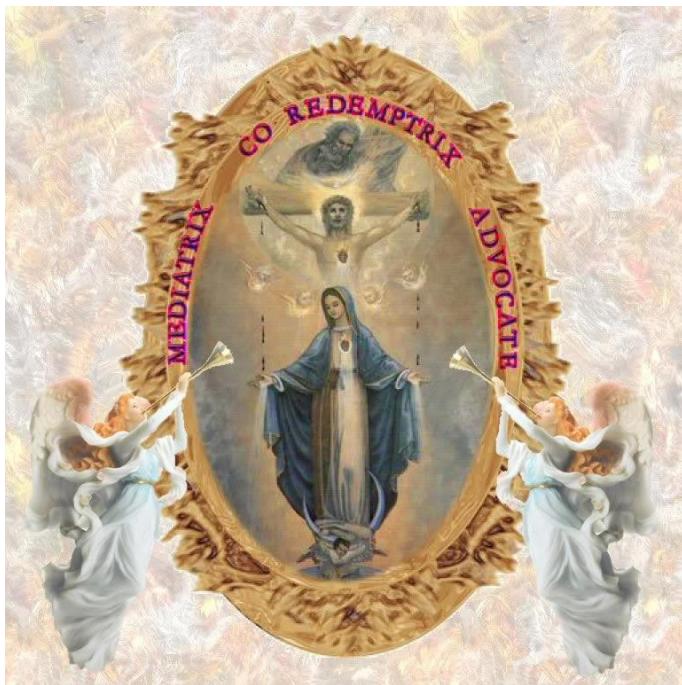
Oh, what an abyss of darkness envelops the creature who lets herself be dominated by her will! It is the true night, but a night with no stars - with, at most, a few fleeting lightnings - lightnings easily followed by thunders which, in roaring, thicken the darkness even more, and unload the storm over the poor creature - storms of fear, of weakness, of danger, of falling into evil.

My poor Heart was pierced in seeing my children in this horrible storm, in which the night of the human will had overwhelmed them.

Now listen to your little Mama: I am still in the cradle, I am little - look at the tears I shed for you! Every time you do your will, it is a night that you form for yourself; and if you knew how much this night harms you, you would cry with Me! It makes you lose the light of the day of the Holy Will; it turns you upside down; it paralyzes you to good; it breaks true love in you, and you remain like a poor ill one, who lacks the necessary things to be healed. Ah, my child, dear child, listen to Me: never do your will; give Me your word that you will make your little Mama content.

September 12, A.D. 2019 – The Most Holy Name of Mary

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The feast of the Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary originated in Spain and was approved in 1513. In 1683, Pope Innocent XI extended the celebration of the feast day to the universal Church, to be celebrated on September 12th, four days after the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Mother. With the revisions of the *Roman Missal* in 1970 following the Vatican Council II, the feast day was removed from the universal calendar, although the Votive Mass remained. However, Pope John Paul II in the third edition of the *Roman Missal*, issued in 2003, reinstated the feast day, technically as an “optional memorial.”

The name *Mary* is rooted in various ancient languages: in Hebrew *Myriam*; in Aramaic *Maryam*; in the Greek Old Testament, *Mariam*; and in Greek and Latin New Testament, *Maria*.

Modern philological studies of ancient Egyptian suggest that *Mary* means “lady, beautiful one, or well-beloved.” Some scholars of Ugaritic texts (ancient Syrian) suggest the name *mrym* derives from the verb *rwn*, thereby rendering the meaning of “high, lofty, exalted, or august.” These root meanings fit well with the message of the Archangel Gabriel: “Hail, Mary, full of grace [or Rejoice, O highly favored daughter]! The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women” (Luke 1:28).

Of course, the name “Mary,” being the name of the Blessed Mother, deserves special respect and devotion, and is thereby celebrated in four ways: First, *Mary* is a name of honor, since the faithful praise Mary as the Mother of our Divine Savior; she is rightfully called “Mother of God,” for Jesus true God, second person of the Holy Trinity entered this world becoming also true man through Mary who had conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit. Second, *Mary* is a most holy name, because the very mention of her name reminds us she is full of grace, has found favor with God, and is blessed among all women. Third, *Mary* is a maternal name, because she is our Mother, whom our Lord gave to us a He was dying on the cross (cf. John 19:26-27). Finally, *Mary* is a name of the mother who responds to all of our needs, protects us from evil, and prays “for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.”

The holy name of Mary has been revered in many ways. St. Louis de Montfort (d. 1716) said, “The whole world is filled with her glory, and this is especially true of Christian peoples, who have chosen her as guardian and protectress of kingdoms, provinces, dioceses, and towns. Many cathedrals are consecrated to God in her name. There is no church without an altar dedicated to her, no country or region without at least one of her miraculous images where all kinds of afflictions are cured and all sorts of benefits received. Many are the confraternities and associations honoring her as patron; many are the orders under her name and protection; many are the members of sodalities and religious of all congregations who voice her praises and make known her compassion. There is not a child who does not praise her by lisping a ‘Hail Mary.’ There is scarcely a sinner, however hardened, who does not possess some spark of confidence in her. The very devils in hell, while fearing her, show her respect.”

Finally, the feast date of September 12th also has special significance. In 1683, the Moslem Turks, under the leadership of Sultan Mohammed IV, once again began their aggression against Christian Europe. Just a few years earlier, they had been stopped at Poland. A huge army of Muslim Turks, estimated at around 300,000, marched through Hungary (parts of which had been under their control for 150 years) towards Austria. They ravaged Hungary, and were partly successful because of a Calvinist named Thokoly who incited rebellion against the Catholic rulers; for his traitorous dealings, Mohammed IV named Thokoly “King of Hungary and Croatia,” but with the understanding that he was simply a vassal to his Moslem overlord.

The Moslem aggression continued on to Austria. Emperor Leopold fled from Vienna. By July, 1683, the Grand Vizier Kara Mustapha laid siege to Vienna, defended by an army of only 15,000 Christians. The papal nuncio as well as Emperor Leopold begged King Jan Sobieski, who had defeated the Moslem Turks at the Polish borders and had earned the title “Unvanquished Northern Lion,” to come to their aid. Sobieski did not hesitate.

In August, Sobieski began his campaign. As he and his troops passed the Shrine to Our Lady of Czestochowa, they begged the Blessed Mother’s blessing and intercession. At the beginning of September, they crossed the Danube and met with the German armies. On September 11, Sobieski was outside of Vienna with an army of about 76,000 men. The hussars lured the Moslem Turks into thinking they were on retreat, and then with reinforcements attacked. The Moslem Turks retreated, but were followed by Sobieski’s calvary. The vanquished Moslem Turks fled Austria (but only after slaughtering hundreds of hostages). Vienna and Christian Europe were saved. The Moslem standard proclaiming “Death to the Infidel” was taken by Sobieski and delivered to the Pope.

Worshiping at a Holy Mass of Thanksgiving, Sobieski fell prostrate and with outstretched arms declared it was God’s cause and praised Him for the victory saying, “*Veni, vidi, Deus vicit.*” meaning “I came, I saw, God conquered,” which he also wrote in a letter to Pope Innocent XI. On September 12th, Sobieski triumphantly entered Vienna. Pope Innocent XI thereupon declared September 12th as a date to honor Mary, whose maternal intercession had saved Christendom just as it had over 100 years earlier at the Battle of Lepanto. As for Kara Mustapha, Mohammed IV had him strangled for being defeated by the Christians. Pause for a moment: Only the ignorant would not see the connection between September 11, 1683 and the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

As we celebrate this feast day, let us remember the opening prayer for the Mass: “Lord, our God, when your Son was dying on the altar of the cross, He gave us as our mother the one He had chosen to be His own mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary; grant that we who call upon the holy name of Mary, our mother, with confidence in her protection may receive strength and comfort in all our needs.” May our Blessed Mother continue to protect us, especially those Christians suffering under Islamic persecution this very day.

September 15, A.D. 2019 – Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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This feast dates back to the 12th century. It was especially promoted by the Cistercians and the Servites, so much so that in the 14th and 15th centuries it was widely celebrated throughout the Catholic Church. In 1482 the feast was added to the Missal under the title of “Our Lady of Compassion.” Pope Benedict XIII added it to the Roman Calendar in 1727 on the Friday before Palm Sunday. In 1913, Pope Pius X fixed the date on September 15. The title “Our Lady of Sorrows” focuses on Mary’s intense suffering during the passion and death of Christ. “The Seven Dolors,” the title by which it was celebrated in the 17th century, referred to the seven swords that pierced the Heart of Mary. The feast is like an octave for the birthday of Our Lady on September 8th.

—Excerpted from *Our Lady of Sorrows* by Fr. Paul Haffner (*Inside the Vatican*, September 2004)

This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her compassion with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering as co-redeemer, she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. May the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears Thou, O God, art able to wash away the sins of the whole world.

As Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Jesus hung, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Below are the seven sorrows of Mary:

1. The prophecy of Simeon (*Luke 2:25-35*)
2. The flight into Egypt (*Matthew 2:13-15*)
3. Loss of the Child Jesus for three days (*Luke 2:41-50*)
4. Mary meets Jesus on his way to Calvary (*Luke 23:27-31; John 19:17*)
5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (*John 19:25-30*)
6. The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross (*Psalm 130; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-37*)
7. The burial of Jesus (*Isaiah 53:8; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42; Mark 15:40-47*)

Symbols: heart pierced with a sword; heart pierced by seven swords; winged heart pierced with a sword;
flowers: red rose, iris (meaning: “sword-lily”), cyclamen.

Patron: people named Dolores, Dolais, Deloris, Dolorita, Maria Dolorosa, Pia, and Pieta.

September 29, A.D. 2019 – Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel

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The glorious Archangel Michael appears today at the head of the heavenly army—There was a great battle in Heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon, and the dragon fought with his angels (*Apoc. 12: 7*). This festival has been kept with great solemnity on the 29th of September ever since the fifth century, and was certainly celebrated in Apulia in 493, especially after the Apparition of St. Michael on Mount Gargano and the subsequent dedication of the Church of St. Michael built there in honor of this great Archangel. This dedication gave occasion to the institution of this Feast in the West, which is hence called in the Martyrologies of St. Jerome, the Venerable Bede, and others, The Dedication of St. Michael. The dedication of St. Michael's Church in Rome, upon Adrian's Mole by Pope Boniface IV in 610, and that of several other churches in the West in honor of this Archangel, which were performed on this same day, increased the celebrity of this day, which had however been long before consecrated by Rome to the memory of all the heavenly Virtues.

Churches were likewise erected in the East, in honor of St. Michael and other holy Angels, from the time when the Christian worship was publicly established by the conversion of Constantine, doubtless upon the model of little oratories and churches, which had been formerly raised in the intervals of the general persecutions, in which storms they were again thrown down. Sozomen informs us, that Constantine the Great built a famous church in honor of this glorious Archangel, called Michaelion, and that in it the sick were often cured, and other wonders wrought through the intercession of St. Michael. This historian assures us, that he had often experienced such relief there himself; and he mentions the miraculous cures of Aquilin, an eminent lawyer, and of Probian, a celebrated physician, wrought in the same place. This church stood about four miles from Constantinople; a monastery was afterwards built contiguous to it. Four churches in honor of St. Michael stood in the city of Constantinople itself; their number was afterwards increased to fifteen, which were built by several emperors. The East also commemorates on the sixth of September an apparition of the victorious Archangel at Chone (the ancient *Colossae*) in Phrygia; while the eighth of November is their solemnity of the Angels, corresponding to our Feast of today, and bearing the title *Synaxis of St. Michael Prince of the Heavenly Host and of the other Spiritual Powers*. Although the term *synaxis* is usually applied only to religious assemblies here on earth, we are informed that in this instance it also particularly signifies the gathering of the faithful Angels at the cry of their Chief, and their union eternally sealed by their victory.

It was enacted in the ecclesiastical laws of King Ethelred in England, in the year 1014, "That every Christian who is of age, fast three days on bread and water, and raw herbs, before the feast of St. Michael, and let every man go to confession and to church barefoot.—Let every priest with his people go in procession three days barefoot, and let every one's commons for three days be prepared without anything of flesh, as if they themselves were to eat it, both in meat and drink, and let all this be distributed to the poor. Let every servant be excused from labor these three days, that he may the better perform his fast, or let him work what he will for himself. These are the three days, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, next before the feast of St. Michael. If any servant break his fast, let him make satisfaction with his hide, (bodily stripes,) let the poor freeman pay thirty pence, the king's thane a hundred and thirty shillings; and let the money be divided to the poor."

The Breviary Lessons for this Feast include a Homily of St. Gregory the Great on the Angels: We speak of nine choirs of Angels because we know, by the testimony of the Holy Word, that there are to wit: Angels, Archangels, Virtues, Powers, Principalities, Dominations, Thrones, Cherubim, and Seraphim. For nearly every page of Sacred Scripture speaks of Angels and Archangels. And the Books of the Prophets, as is well known, often mention the Cherubim and Seraphim. The Apostle Paul in the Ephesians also enumerates the names of four orders, saying: "Above every Principality, and Power, and Virtue, and Domination." Again, in writing to the Colossians, he says: "Whether Thrones, or Dominations, or Principalities, or Powers." Now, therefore, to those four choirs, whom he named to the Ephesians, if the Thrones are added, there are five choirs: and when we join to these the Angels, Archangels, Cherubim, and Seraphim, it is quite clear that there are nine choirs of Angels.

We must know however that the word *Angel* is the name of the office, not of the nature. For those holy Spirits of the heavenly fatherland are indeed always Spirits, but can by no means always be called *Angels*; for they are only angels when some message is sent through them. Whence also it is said by the Psalmist: "Who maketh His Spirits Angels:" as if to say clearly: "These whom He always has as Spirits, He also makes, when He will, Angels." And those who announce things of lesser importance, are *Angels*; those who bring important messages are called *Archangels*. And thus it is, that to the Virgin Mary was sent, not any ordinary Angel, but the Archangel Gabriel. For it was just that for this supreme ministry of bearing the greatest of tidings, the greatest Angel should be chosen. For that reason also they are designated by individual names, that these words may designate their individual powers. For *Michael* means: *Who is like unto God?* *Gabriel:* *Strength of God;* *Raphael:* *Medicine of God.*

And whenever any work of great power is to be done, Michael is brought forward to be sent; that by that very act, and by his name, we may understand that no one can do what God alone has power to do. Hence that old enemy, who through pride desired to be like unto God saying: "I will ascend into Heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of Heaven, I will be like unto the most High;" when at the end of the world he is left to his own might as a prey to everlasting punishment, is presented to us as being about to enter into combat with Michael the Archangel, as it is said by John: "There was a battle with Michael the Archangel." To Mary, in like manner, Gabriel is sent, who is named *Strength of God*; for indeed, he came to announce Him, Who deigned to appear as humble, in order completely to vanquish the powers of the air. Raphael, as we have said, is interpreted in like manner *Medicine of God*; namely, because by touching the eyes of Tobias by way of healing, he dispelled the darkness of his blindness.

The anniversary of the [Apparition of St. Michael the Archangel](#) is celebrated on May 8. The history of the Apparition is related in the Breviary Lessons for that day. Although the Feast of the Dedication of St. Michael was, in former times, a holyday of obligation in many parts of the world, it was not until the 20th century that it, together with the Feast of St. Joseph (March 19), was raised to the rank of Double I Class, by a Decree of Pope Benedict XV, issued on December 12, 1917.

Answers for Our Day and Time

From the Writings of the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta



REDO AND REPAIR ACTS IN THE DIVINE WILL

From "The Virgin Mary in the Kingdom of the Divine Will"

...Do you see, my daughter? That same infinite love of God, Who wanted to use me in the Redemption to make the Eternal Word descend upon earth, calls me into the field once again, entrusting to me the difficult task, the sublime mandate to form the children of the Kingdom of His Divine Will on earth. Therefore, with maternal care I put myself to work, preparing for you the way which will lead you to this happy Kingdom. For this purpose I will give you sublime and celestial lessons, and, finally, I will teach you special and new prayers, through which you will bind the heavens, the sun, the creation, my own life and that of my Son, and all the acts of the saints, so that in your name they may beseech the adorable Kingdom of the Divine Volition. These prayers are the most powerful because they bind the divine work itself. Through them God will feel disarmed and won over by the creature. Confident of this help, you will hasten the coming of His most happy Kingdom, and with me you will obtain that the Divine Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven, according to the desire of the Divine Master.

Courage, my daughter; make me content, and I will bless you.

Book of Heaven - November 1 A.D., A.D., 1912 - *The soul who thinks about herself impoverishes herself and feels the need for everything. The soul who lives in the Divine Will does not think about herself; she lacks nothing and needs nothing.* ... my lovable Jesus told me from within my interior: "Ah, my daughter, what are you doing, thinking about yourself? You are now going down, reducing yourself from owner to the miserable condition of one who asks! Poor daughter - by thinking of yourself you impoverish yourself, because in my Will you are the owner, and you can take anything you want on your own. If there is anything to do in my Will, it is to pray and to repair for others."

Book of Heaven - January 29 A.D., 1919

I was doing the adoration to the wounds of blessed Jesus, and at the end I recited the Creed, intending to enter into the immensity of the Divine Will, in which are all the acts of creatures, past, present and future, and even those acts which the creature should do and, because of negligence and wickedness, she has not done. And I was saying: 'My Jesus, my Love, I enter into your Volition, and with this Creed I intend to redo, to repair, all the acts of faith which creatures have not done, all the disbeliefs, and the adoration which is due to God as Creator.'

Book of Heaven -January 29 A.D., 1919

... The creature is incapable of comprehending my work all together; therefore I keep manifesting Myself little by little. Then, from your link of connection with Me, the other links of creatures will be connected, and I will have crowds of souls who, living in my Volition, will redo all the acts of creatures; and I will have the glory of many suspended acts done only by Me, also from creatures - and these, from all classes: virgins, priests, lay people, according to their office. They will no longer operate humanly, but penetrating into my Will, their acts will multiply for all in a way fully divine; and I will have, on the part of creatures, the divine glory of many Sacraments received and administered in a human

way; others, profaned; others, sullied with interest; and of many good works in which I remain more dishonored than honored. I so much long for this time; and you, pray and long for it together with Me, and do not move your link of connection with mine, starting, yourself, as the first one."

Book of Heaven - February 4 A.D., 1922

... "My daughter, the souls who live in my Will are the tiny little wheels that rotate within the great wheel of Eternity. My Will is the motion and the life of the wheel of endless Eternity. As they enter into my Will to pray, to love, to operate, etc., the wheel of Eternity makes them go around within its interminable circumference. And since in that wheel they find everything that has been done and must be done, and everything that should be done but is not done, as they rotate, they cast light and divine waves into what has been done and must be done, giving divine honor to their Creator in the name of all; and they redo what has not been done by creatures.

Book of Heaven - February 16 A.D., 1932

... My Divine Will has the right over each act of creature, and in order to come to reign It wants one who lives in It to go tracing all these empty acts, in order to pray It – to press It to put the infinite in each act, that It may recognize Its own act in each act, so that Its dominion may be complete. And even if these acts were to be past acts, for one who lives in my Will there is always something to do and to repair, because in It there is the power to be able to fix and redo everything, as long as It finds a creature who is willing. More so, since those are acts of creature without my Will; therefore another creature, united with my Will, can fix and order everything.

Book of Heaven - January 5 A.D., 1901

The Humanity of Jesus was made on purpose to obey, and to destroy disobedience. Luisa refreshes Jesus.

... 'Do You want some reparation? Let us do it together; in this way my reparations, united to Yours, will have the effects of Yours, for if I do them on my own I believe they will disgust You more.' So I took His hand, dripping with blood, and kissing it, I recited the Laudate Dominum with the Gloria Patri – Jesus one part, I the other – to repair for the many evil works that are committed, placing the intention of praising Him as many times for as many offenses as He receives because of evil works. How moving it was to see Jesus praying! Then I continued to do the same to the other hand, placing the intention of praising Him as many times for as many offenses as He receives because of sins of causes. Then, His feet, with the intention of praising Him as many times for as many evil steps and as many wrong paths that are trodden, even under the appearance of piety and sanctity. Lastly, His Heart, with the intention of praising Him for as many times as the human heart does not palpitate, does not love, does not desire God. My beloved Jesus seemed all refreshed by these reparations done together with Him, but, not yet content, it seemed He wanted to pour. So I said to Him: 'Lord, if You want to pour, I pray You to do it.'

Book of Heaven - May 30 A.D., 1905

The Life of Love of Jesus.

Continuing in my usual state, I was saying: 'Lord, what do You want from me? Manifest your Holy Will to me.' And He: "My daughter, I want you all in Me, so that I may find everything in you. Just as all creatures had life in my Humanity and I satisfied for all, in the same way, by being all in Me, you will make Me find all creatures in you; that is to say, united with Me, you will make Me find in you reparation for all, satisfaction, thanksgiving, praise and everything that the creatures are obliged to give Me. In addition to divine life and human life, love administered a third life to Me, which made all the lives of creatures germinate within my Humanity. This is the life of love which, while giving Me life, gave Me continuous death; it beat Me and fortified Me, it humiliated Me and elevated Me, it embittered Me and sweetened Me, it tormented Me and gave Me delights. What does this life of love not contain – untiring and ever ready for everything? Everything, everything can be found in it; its life is ever new and eternal. Oh! how I wish to find this life of love in you, so as to have you always in Me, and to find everything in you."

Book of Heaven - June 27 A.D., 1929

Present for Saint Aloysius. How it was necessary that Jesus intertwine Luisa in the manifestations on the Divine Will. Transmission of human and Divine. Divine rights that the creature acquires.

Having received Holy Communion, I was offering It for the glory of Saint Aloysius, and I offered, as a present for him, everything that Our Lord had done in His Divine Will with His mind, with His words, works and steps, for the accidental glory of Saint Aloysius on his feast day. Now, while I was doing this, my sweet Jesus, moving in my interior, told me: "My daughter, a more beautiful present you could not give to dear Saint Aloysius on the day of his feast. As you were offering your Communion and all my acts done in my Divine Will, so many suns were formed for as many acts as I did in It while being on earth; and these suns invested Saint Aloysius, in such a way that he received so much accidental glory from the earth, that he could not receive more. Only the offerings of acts done in my Divine Will have the virtue of forming their suns, because, containing the fullness of light, it is no wonder that It converts into suns the human acts done in It."

Book of Heaven – March A.D., 18917

Effects of fusing oneself in Jesus.

I was praying, fusing all of myself in Jesus, and I wanted each thought of Jesus in my power, so as to be able to have life in each thought of creature, to be able to repair with the very thought of Jesus; and so with all the rest. And my sweet Jesus told me: "My daughter, my Humanity on earth did nothing other than link each thought of creature with my own. So, each thought of creature reverberated in my mind, each word in my voice, each heartbeat in my Heart, each action in my hands, each step in my feet, and so with all the rest. With this, I gave to the Father divine reparations. Now, everything I did upon earth I continue in Heaven, and as creatures think, their thoughts pour into my mind; as they look, I feel their gazes in mine; so, as though a continuous electricity flows between Me and them, as the members are in continuous communication with the head; and I say to the Father: 'My Father, I am not the only one who prays You, repairs, satisfies, appeases You, but there are other creatures who do within Me what I do. Even more, with their suffering, they make up for my Humanity, which is glorious and incapable of suffering.'

By fusing herself in Me, the soul repeats what I did and continue to do. But what will be the contentment of these souls who have lived their life in Me, embracing together with Me all creatures, all reparations, when they are with Me in Heaven? They will continue their life in Me; and as creatures will think or will offend Me with thoughts, these will reverberate in their mind, and they will continue the reparations which they did on earth. They will be, together with Me, the sentries of honor before the divine throne; and as creatures on earth will offend Me, they will do the opposite acts in Heaven. They will guard my throne, they will have the place of honor; they will be the ones who will comprehend Me the most - the most glorious. Their glory will be all fused in mine, and mine in theirs.

So, let your life be all fused in mine – make no act without letting it pass into Me; and every time you fuse yourself in Me, I will pour in you new grace and new light, and will make Myself the vigilant sentry of your heart, so as to keep any shadow of sin away from you. I will guard you as my own Humanity, and I will command the Angels to form a circle around, that you may be defended from everything and from everyone."

Book of Heaven - June 4 A.D., 1918

Repetition of the reparations of Jesus.

Continuing in my usual state, I was saying to my beloved Jesus: 'Do not disdain my prayers; it is your own words that I repeat, your own intentions - souls that I want, just as You want them, and with your own Will.' And blessed Jesus told me: "My daughter, when I hear you repeat my words, my prayers, wanting as I want, I feel drawn toward you, as though by many magnets. And as I hear you repeat my words, my Heart feels many distinct joys, and I can say that it is a feast for Me. And while I enjoy, I feel debilitated by the love of your soul, and I do not have the strength to strike the creatures. I feel in you the same chains that I put on the Father in order to reconcile mankind. Ah! yes, repeat what I did - repeat it always, if you want that your Jesus, in the midst of so many bitternesses, may find one joy on the part of creatures." Then He added: 'If you want to be safe, repair always, and repair together with Me. Identify yourself with Me so much, as to form one single echo of reparations between Me and you. Wherever there is reparation, the soul is as though under shelter, where she is protected from cold, from hail and from everything. But where there is no reparation, it is like being out in the middle of the street, exposed to lightnings, to hail and to all evils. Times are most sad, and if the circle of reparations does not expand, there is the danger that those who remain uncovered may be struck by the lightnings of Divine Justice.'"

Luisa and the Popes



Luisa born in Corato in the Province of Bari, Italy on April 23, A.D. 1865 and died there in the odor of sanctity on March 4, A.D. 1947.

*Luisa's life spanned the reign of six Popes of the Catholic Church
The reign of each Pope represents a different phase of Luisa's mission of the Divine Will*

Ven. Pius IX (1846-78) - “Luisa the Hidden Life”

Leo XIII (1878-1903) – “Luisa the Victim Bride of Jesus”

St. Pius X (1903-14) – “Luisa the Divine Mirror”

Benedict XV (1914-22) – “Luisa the New Office”

Pius XI (1922-39) – “Luisa the Persecution”

Pius XII (1939-58) – “Luisa the Solitude”

There has also been six Popes since Luisa passed into Heaven:

John XXIII (1958-63) – “Luisa the Redeemed”

Paul VI (1963-78) – “Luisa the Renewal”

John Paul I (1978) – “The Pope of the Half Moon”

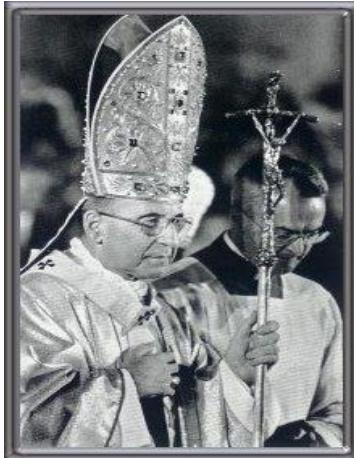
John Paul II (1978 - 2005) “Luisa the Diocesan Cause”

Benedict XVI (2005 – February 28, A.D. 2013) “Luisa the Roman Cause” Pope

Francis (2013-???) Petrus Romanus/Peter of Rome: The Final Pope?*

***See Saint Malachy’s prophecy on the Popes**

<http://www.catholic-pages.com/grabbag/malachy.asp>



Pope John Paul I

De medietate Lunæ (of the half of the moon)

Highlights:

Pope John Paul I (Latin: *Ioannes Paulus I*; Italian: *Giovanni Paolo I*; born **Albino Luciani**; ^[al] Italian: [al'bino lu'tsa:ni]; 17 October 1912 – 28 September 1978) was head of the Catholic Church and sovereign of the Vatican City from 26 August 1978 to his death 33 days later. He was the first pope to have been born in the 20th century. His reign is among the shortest in papal history, resulting in the most recent year of three popes, the first to occur since 1605. John Paul I remains the most recent Italian-born pope, the last in a succession of such popes that started with Clement VII in 1523.

He was declared a Servant of God by his successor, John Paul II, on 23 November 2003, the first step on the road to sainthood. Pope Francis confirmed his heroic virtue on 8 November 2017 and named him as Venerable.

Before the papal conclave that elected him, he expressed his desire not to be elected, telling those close to him that he would decline the papacy if elected, but, upon the cardinals electing him, he felt an obligation to say yes.^[2] He was the first pontiff to have a double name, choosing "John Paul" in honour of his two immediate predecessors, John XXIII and Paul VI. He explained that he was indebted to John XXIII and to Paul VI for naming him a bishop and a cardinal, respectively. Furthermore, he was the first pope to add the regnal number "I", designating himself "the First".

His two immediate successors, John Paul II and Benedict XVI, later recalled the warm qualities of the late pontiff in several addresses. In Italy, he is remembered with the appellatives of "Il Papa del Sorriso" (*The Smiling Pope*) and "Il Sorriso di Dio" (*The smile of God*). *TIME* magazine and other publications referred to him as *The September Pope*. He is also known in Italy as "Papa Luciani". In his town of birth, Canale d'Agordo, there is a museum that has been made and named in his honour that is dedicated to his life and his brief papacy.

Prophecy of St Malachy

De medietate Lunæ (of the half of the moon)

Hist.: Albino Luciani, born in Canale d'Agordo, diocese of Belluno, (beautiful moon) Elected pope on August 26, his reign lasted about a month, from half a moon to the next half

Note: In addition to the death of Pope John Paul I in 1978, there was also the death of Rosaria Bucci who took care of Luisa. Aunt Rosaria died at eighty years in 1978 after only one day of illness, and after praying a beautiful prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because of the extreme humility with which she lived, my aunt did not oppose her admission to the hospital, where my nephews brought her without her explicit consent. I and my sister Gemma, having learned the news of her hospitalization, immediately went to the hospital and assured Aunt Rosaria that tomorrow we would have her discharged, it not being immediately possible due to the late hour. She said goodbye to me as if she foreknew it would be the last time, and told me something that I have always kept in my heart. (Padre Bernardino Bucci)

“...in order to find Him, but I could find Him there - inside my heart. ...”



Book of Heaven Volume 1 - One morning – **it was the eve of the nativity of Mary Most** Holy – my always benign Jesus came to dispose me Himself. He did nothing but come and go continuously; ...After this, on that morning, in order to dispose my heart more, Jesus spoke about the annihilation of myself. He also spoke of the immense desire which I was to excite within me in order to dispose myself to receive that grace. He told me that desire makes up for the lacks and imperfections that there may be in the soul; it is like a mantle that covers everything. But this was not a simple speaking – it was an infusing in me of what He was saying.

While my soul was exciting itself with ardent yearnings for receiving the grace that Jesus Himself wanted to give me, Jesus came back and transported me outside of myself, up to Paradise. And there, in the presence of the Most Holy Trinity and of the whole Celestial Court, He renewed the marriage. Jesus put out the ring, adorned with three precious stones - white, red and green - and He gave it to the Father, who blessed it and gave it back to the Son again. The Holy Spirit took my right hand and Jesus placed the ring on my ring finger. Then I was admitted to the kiss of all Three Divine Persons, and each of Them blessed me.

Who can say my confusion when I found myself before the Most Holy Trinity? I will just say that as soon as I found myself in Their presence, I fell flat to the ground, and I would have remained there if it wasn't for Jesus, who encouraged me to go into Their presence, so great was the light, the sanctity of God. I am only saying this; the other things I will leave out, because I remember them confusedly.

After this, I remember that a few days passed and I received Communion. I lost consciousness, and I saw, present before me, the Most Holy Trinity whom I had seen in Heaven. I immediately prostrated myself at Their presence, I adored Them, I confessed my nothingness. I remember that I felt so sunken into myself that I did not dare to utter a single word, when a voice came out from Their midst, and said: “Do not fear, pluck up courage, We have come to confirm you as Our own, and to take possession of your heart.” While this voice was saying this, I saw that the Most Holy Trinity descended into my heart, and They took possession of it – and there They formed Their dwelling. Who can say the change that occurred in me? I felt divinized; it was no longer I who lived, but They were living in me. It seemed to me that my body was like a residence, and that the living God was residing in it, because I could feel, sensibly, Their real presence in my interior. I could hear Their voice clearly, coming out from within my interior and resounding in the ears of my body. It happened precisely as when there are people speaking inside a room, and their voices can be heard, clearly and distinctly, also outside.

From that moment on, I had no more need to go in search of Him somewhere else in order to find Him, but I could find Him there - inside my heart.

The Gift of the Divine Will: On Christmas of 1882 - Luisa was 17 years old - she made a Novena of preparation to the Feast of Christmas, through daily practice of different acts of virtue and mortification, with nine meditations each day, regarding the Mystery of the Incarnation of the Word, to honor the nine months which Jesus spent in the womb of His Mother. She received then special graces, and the interior voice of Jesus illustrated her the contemplation of nine hours during the days of the Novena, which culminated in the vision of Baby Jesus, Who invited her to rise higher in the life of His Grace and of His Love. For this purpose, He ordered her to continue to make other **24 meditations on His Passion and death of the Cross**, distributing them across the 24 hours of the day.

Thirty-one years later (in 1913 and 1914) Luisa had to write under obedience these "**Hours of the Passion**", which were then published. But since that time Luisa was assiduous in this meditation; since then were the "**Hours of the Passion**" written in her soul!

At the age of 18 Luisa became tertiary Dominican, with the name of Sister Maddalena. At that time, her Parish Priest, of Saint Mary the Greek, was promoting the Third Order, and Luisa was one of the first.

Some time later, since she could still free herself by herself from the state of loss of consciousness, and she had said nothing to her Confessor, Our Lord disposed in such a way that she would be, again, unable to be freed by herself. Therefore, her Confessor was called again, who freed her and ordered her to go to him every morning in order to receive in advance the benediction which had to free her, so that he would not have to go to her.

But one day it happened that she was surprised by that state, and since her Confessor was not around, other Priests were called, who refused to go... After Luisa spent ten days in that state of petrification and death, Father Michele De Benedictis came, who had been her first Confessor when she was little. He made her come round with surprise of all, and especially of Luisa who understood two things: that it was not only the sanctity of the Priest that gave her life again, but his authority as Minister of God; and that God had placed her in the hands of the Priests... Here did a new and extremely heavy cross begin, which lasted for all the rest of the life of Luisa: *the need, wanted by Jesus, of the Priestly authority to give or take away sufferings from this Victim.*

Then, a harsh war against Luisa and her family began on the part of Priests. Some of them considered her an impostor; others said that she deserved to be beaten; others believed she was possessed... They arrived at leaving her in that state of death for 10, 18, and even 25 days! Luisa's mother, not knowing what else to do in the midst of so many tribulations, turned to the Archbishop, who began to be interested and to give dispositions so that Priests would go and "wake her up."

About four years went by in this way, until she reached the age of 21-22. Luisa wanted to resist and she was in disagreement with Our Lord; her Confessor, on his part, did not want her to fall into that state any more, which was not in the power of Luisa. Then Our Lord intervened, placing Luisa, definitely and with no doubts, as "lamp on the chandelier", *in her mission of Victim of reparation and expiation on behalf of men*; and He used the epidemic of cholera, in 1887.

Luisa prayed Jesus to make that scourge cease, which had been spreading for months, claiming many lives; and the Lord consented, at the condition that she would accept to be Victim of reparation. As she accepted, after three days of sufferings in her now usual state of death, the cholera suddenly disappeared.

One month after the end of the epidemic, the Confessor left her because he was called to a convent. Then she submitted to the direction of Father Michele De Benedictis. To him she was able to open her soul in minute details without knowing how, while it had been impossible with his predecessor; in reality, she was also forced by Jesus. In order to discern on this soul, first of all her Confessor imposed her that, if she had to suffer, she was supposed to 'ask him for obedience': without his consent, Luisa could not accept the state of suffering from Jesus.

About one year later, Jesus asked her to offer herself to suffering; not at intervals, as in the past, but continually, with the purpose of sparing men from the many chastisements which were about to plunge upon them, because of their sins.

As she communicated this to the Confessor, and asked obedience to be continually in bed suffering, "for a certain period of time" (which she thought to be of about forty days), he said to her that, if that was the Will of God, he would give her obedience. "But unfortunately - Luisa says - from that day until the moment in which I am writing (1899) twelve years have passed, continuing in this state of sufferings, and who knows how much longer will it last!"

Luisa remained definitively in bed at the age of 22 (from the beginning of 1888), and lived for about 60 more years, until March 4, 1947, day in which she died.

Another chain of singular graces began, as Jesus made Himself seen very often, disposing her to the *Mystical Marriage*, leading her to perfect conformity to His Will.

When God asks, it is in order to give. If before it was Luisa that went to Jesus, from now on it is Jesus that comes to her almost every day. However, it was sufficient that Jesus delayed His sensible presence of a few hours, for it to become a cruel pain of death for Luisa. In addition to this, Holy Mass began to be celebrated every day in her home, in front of her bed, with the permission of the Ecclesiastical Authority, except for a short period of time.

Jesus began to dispose Luisa to that state of union to which He was calling her: “*I want from you perfect conformity to my Will, in such a way that your will be completely dissolved in Mine.*”

He asked her to ask for obedience to no longer eat, since she brought up everything, but her Confessor did not consent to this. But then, so as not to make her appear odd, he ordered her to take food only once a day, although knowing that she would bring up everything a few minutes later. This was certainly a *unique phenomenon*, because she brought everything up smoothly, as if in a hiccup, intact, fresh and nice at the appearance. This phenomenon lasted for all her life.

In seeing that after the “forty days” the state of sufferings continued, and that he should have gone every day to make her come round through the benediction of obedience (*“In the name of God, Holy, Powerful and Immortal”*), the Confessor ordered her not to fall again in that state. Luisa did everything possible to resist Our Lord, but at a certain point, around the end of the night, Jesus “drew her outside of herself” and let her share in His pains. They had to call her Confessor who, in waking her up, scolded her as disobedient and visionary, telling her that she did not need him, but a psychiatrist. Luisa explained to him what had happened, and that the Lord, in order to convince the Confessor that such was His Will, gave him, as a sign, the announcement of a war between Italy and Africa (which came true in a few months’ time). In this way the Confessor was persuaded and withdrew his order. It was new year’s eve of 1888.

One year after she had remained in bed as perennial victim, Jesus gave her the grace of the *“Mystical Union.”* It was October 16, 1888, Feast of the Purity of Mary Most Holy¹. Luisa was 23 years old.

One day - three months had passed since she had become perennial Victim - Jesus presented Himself to Luisa in an indescribably beautiful look, such as to enrapture her. She says, “*In less than no time, He made my soul come out from every part of my body, giving me a most simple body, all resplendent with most pure light; and behind Him, I followed His most rapid flight, wandering round the great vastness of the heavens. Now, since it was the first time that this wonderful phenomenon occurred to me, as the soul went out of the body, I began to exclaim: now surely the Lord has come to take me, therefore I am definitely going to die...!*”

In the future, every time she lost consciousness, her soul (or better, *her spirit*)² abandoned her body to follow Jesus. In this way they went often to the places where Jesus was offended, or they found obstinate sinners at the point of death... Then, with immense pain, Jesus would ask her, on one hand, to take upon herself part of His most bitter pains, and on the other the weight of His Justice and the satisfaction for all the sins and pains of sinners. To these pains, the most bitter one was added: that of returning to her body and being alone. Her most ardent desires to die and enter permanently into Heaven (*“My Fatherland”*) were restrained only through the obedience which was imposed to her, of not wanting to die. In this state Luisa spent the rest of her life.

Eleven months after the *“Union”* on earth, Jesus wanted to ratify it in Heaven, in the presence of the Most Holy Trinity and of all the Celestial Court, with a new mystical grace, the highest one ever known from previous Saints and from mystical writers: “*The Mystical Marriage.*” With this grace, Luisa was given perennial possession of the Three Divine Persons, concealed in the three theological virtues (Faith, Hope and Charity), which established in her their stable dwelling place.

¹ 90 years later Pope John Paul II was elected.

² See 1 Tess. 5,23.

It was September 8, 1889, Feast of the Nativity of Mary. Luisa was 24 and a half years old. This date is important because this was the moment and the occasion in which Luisa first received the gift of the Divine Will.

In fact, 32 years later, Our Lord explains to her: *“It is just, it is necessary that I speak about you. Would it be nice that a bridegroom who is about to marry his bride, has to deal with others but not with her; while it is necessary that they confide their secrets to each other, that one know what the other has, that their parents provide this couple with a dowry, and that one become used to the ways of the other in advance?”*

I added: ‘*Tell me, my Life, who is my Family? What is my dowry and what is yours?*’

And smiling, He continued: *“Your family is the Trinity. Don’t you remember that in the first years of bed I took you to Heaven and we celebrated our union before the Most Holy Trinity? It provided you with such gifts that you yourself have not known them yet. As I speak to you about my Volition, about Its effects and value, I make you discover the gifts with which, since then, you had been provided. I do not speak to you about my dowry, because what is yours is Mine. Moreover, after a few days, We, the Three Divine Persons, descended from Heaven, took possession of your heart, and formed our perpetual residence in it. We took the reins of your intelligence, of your heart, and of all yourself; and everything you did was an outpouring of our Creative Will in you, and the confirmation that your volition be animated by an Eternal Volition. The work is already done. Nothing is left but to make it known, so that, not only you, but also others may take part in these great goods. I am doing this by calling now one minister, now another, and even ministers from places afar...”* (Volume 13 - 12-5-1921).

Jesus continued His work, disposing Luisa to the last “marriage”: *“The marriage to the Cross.”* Finally, one morning, showing Himself Crucified, He communicated her the most painful stigmata of His Passion, although consenting to the request of Luisa to keep them invisible.

From then on, Jesus Himself frequently renewed her mystical crucifixion, **especially in the day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.** Her insatiable hunger for suffering became equal to her irrepressible desires of Heaven.

In 1898, for 24 years, a new Confessor (the third one), Father Gennaro De Gennaro, took her under his care. As first thing, he gave her the most painful obedience to write all that had happened between her and Jesus, since the beginning. So, on February 28, 1899, Luisa began to write her volumes (large notebooks) in the form of a diary. Most likely she wrote at the same time volume 2, as a diary, and volume 1, in which she narrates her past life, from the age of 12 on (more or less, between 1877 and 1899). Subsequently, in 1926, she had to write a “Notebook of childhood memories” in order to complete volume 1. The last chapter of the last volume (vol. 36) was written on December 28, 1938. Afterwards she did not write any more, as the order to do it ceased.

LITTLE DAUGHTER OF THE DIVINE WILL



Luisa Letter No. 39. To Sister Remigia

Fiat

My good daughter,

I received your letter and with sorrow I learned of the state of your health. Patience, my daughter, dear Jesus wants to make you mature more in sanctity, and His Divine Volition wants to hasten Its life in your soul. Crosses are firewood: the more the wood, the more the fire grows; or like the sun to the plants, which caresses the plants with its light and heat, matures them, and gives them sweetness and taste. Without a cross we are like unripened fruits - like sterile plants, which do more harm than good. However, my daughter, remove the sadness from your soul; do not get discouraged or disturbed; hold peace as the greatest treasure. Jesus is good, He won't harm you, but will dispose everything for your good.

Now I want to know how you feel... I leave you in the Divine Volition, and everything you suffer and do, place it in Its hands, so that you may provide It with all that is necessary to put It to work. If you give It nothing, It will remain idle within you, and you will feel empty of the work of the Divine Will. Therefore be attentive, and behave in such a way as to be able to say: "I know nothing but Divine Will. It is my mother, my sister, my life, my all, my Heaven, and my Paradise on earth." (...)

Prayer Requests – September A.D. 2019



Prayers are placed on the altars of the Chapels of the Divine Will

Each prayer is remembered every day at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass where Luisa is invoked for her intercession

John 14 (13:14) "Whatever you ask in my name I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it." Book Of Heaven - July 4 A.D. 1928 "In Your Will I take the whole Creation in my arms the heavens, the Sun, the stars and everything to bring them before the Supreme Majesty as the most beautiful adoration and prayer to ask for the Kingdom of the Fiat."

Pray for the return of the last two original hand written volumes of Luisa.

Popes Francis & Benedict (SI), Padre Bernardino Bucci (SI), Luisa Piccarreta (to be declared Blessed – God's Kingdom on earth – end to abortion), **Mother Gabrielle Marie & Benedictine Daughters** (Support & Vocations), **Fr. James W. D. (SI), Fr. Edwin J.P. (SI), Father Dullea. (SI), Fr. Hennessee (SI). (SI), Fr. Celso Fr. Lou (SI), Fr. Mancini (SI), Fr. Peter D (SI), Fr. Javier (SI), Fr. Carlucci (SI), Fr. Henrique Fragelli (SI), Fr. Jim Giotti (SI), Fr. Nano (miracle), Fr. Alan White (Parkinsons), Fr. Leonard Chaires (SI), Fr. Denis D (SI), Fr. Tobin (SI), Fr. Omar (health), Fr. Tom (freedom), Msgr. J.Anthony Luminais (SI), Walter Zimmerman (SI), (SI), Eugenie (SI), Brother David & the Knights (SI), Fr. Selvaraj (SI), Denise L (SI), George (SI), Dr. Ramon Sanchez (SI), Peter Holiday (SI), Sammy and Dewayne (SI), Judith Marie (Family & SI), Clair Marie (SI), Nicole, Carly, Jake, Tad (SI), Nicole's Father and Lisette (hip, hearing & conversion), Nephew (SI), Frank Kelly (protection/mission/back), Rose Patak (broken arm), Jerry Gouthro (eyesight), Dannette, Bobbie and Mikela (SI), Michal Therese (employment), Lifers - Linda – Mura- Mary M, Jeff, Cheryl (SI), Ann (endometrial cancer), Paul S (SI), , Bud (SI), Gary Z (SI), Sam Fuma (SI), Muriel & Gene (SI -family), AMC (SI), JJ Rosana Garcia Family (SI), Donna, Summer, Dustin, Chris & Family (SI), Jack and Gail (SI), Liz Ann Garcia (SI), Aida Garcia (Health), Anna Pfeil (SI), Ana Ramos (SI), Christina (SI), robert (SI), Ninfa (stroke recovery), Sylvester (SI), Sandy, Karen, Kurt, Olivia (SI). Ann , Scott, Jacob & Samuel (SI), Jerry, Donsey & family (SI), , Frank Pollock (SI), Jennifer Raczek (SI), Linda Burke (SI), Hilda Lopez & family (SI), Unice & David (SI), Meg & Tony (SI), Carol Braun (SI), Fran & Judy O'Brien (SI), Diane (SI), Charlotte & Rose Hafley (SI), Earl Duque Family John & Aniela (SI), Nicholette Gottlinger and family (SI), Anita Ramos (SI), Helen (SI), Troy (SI), Jennie (SI), Teresa (SI), Frank Ramirez. (SI), Sara (SI), Celine Powers (SI), Anita Sabin (SI) Kelly Bowring & Family (SI), Eugenie B. (SI), Earl (back), Sylvia (SI), Frank Kelly (chemo), Mother Gabrielle Marie ((SI), Fran Wilkins (SI), Rudy Perez (SI), James Sliter (Cellulitus), Lindy Redmond (recovery), Baby Lucas (SI), Olivia Franklin (SI), Kelly (SI), Kathy Simone (recovery), Michaela Marie (healing), Bobbie Scroggins (heart), Charlotte (hip), Kelly Joyce (back),**

Book of Heaven – March 22, A.D. 1938 – The last sign of Love at the point of death

Clement Collins, Roger Iker, Lisa Muscarella, Mattgew Arndt

"My Goodness is such, wanting everyone saved, that I allow the falling of these walls when the creatures find themselves between life and death – at the moment in which the soul exits the body to enter eternity – so that they may do at least one act of contrition and of love for Me, recognizing my adorable Will upon them. I can say that I give them one hour of truth, in order to rescue them. Oh, if all knew my industries of love, which I perform in the last moment of their life, so that they may not escape from my more than Paternal hands – they would not wait for that moment, but they would love Me all their life."

D E O G R A T I A S!



Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta, "May the Kingdom of Your Divine Will come, May Thy Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven!"

Saint Annibale, "Pray for us, Oh Lord, Send Holy Apostles into Your Church!"

God, our Father, please send us Holy Priests, all for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, all for the Sorrowful and Immaculate heart of Mary, in union with Saint Joseph. Amen