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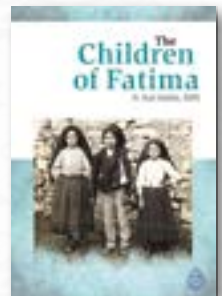
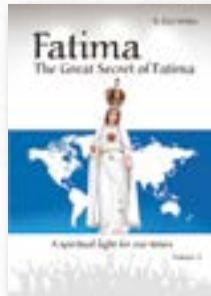
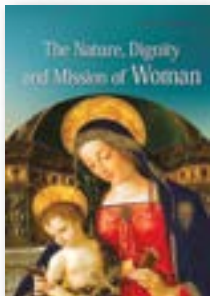
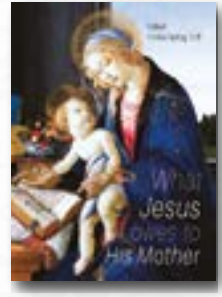
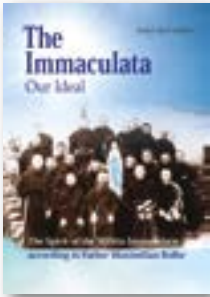


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Dear Knights of the Immaculata!

It is difficult to describe the benefits of prayer. "My Lord, teach me what you want me to tell you," cried St. Margaret Mary. It is a great grace to be able to see God first of all in prayer. This is how the saints pray. As for us, we think of ourselves too often. The saints began with adoration of God.

To conceive of prayer as a petition alone is not the whole truth about prayer, but only a small part of it.

Prayer, as understood by the Church and her Most Holy Sons, is not only a humble supplication to God to hear our requests, it is not only the recitation of oral formulas. Prayer is stopping and communing with God, whose main and most important task is the inner transformation of our soul, the inner transformation of our will into God's will, because this is the highest perfection of man.

Prayer, then, is a confidential conversation with God, similar to a conversation between a servant and a master, a disciple and a master,

a child and his parents. In it we discuss with our Creator his glory, his good pleasure, and the affairs of our souls. This is the idea of prayer that Christ left us. The apostles asked Him to teach them how to pray. Our Lord said to them, "Thus shall ye pray, Our Father which art in heaven." This answer indicates that in prayer we speak to God as reverent sons speak to their Father. Our Lord adds, "Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, both in Heaven and on earth" — in which he teaches us that the subject of conversation is primarily the glory of God.

Our Lord concludes: "Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is done in Heaven." The second subject of this conversation is our own interest, that is, eternal happiness and the means to attain it.

Prayer assures us salvation and enriches us with many merits. The required conditions include; humility, trust and perseverance.

Prayer gives true fruitfulness to apostolic works. The reason for this is that without the help of grace we can do no good. Without me, says Jesus Christ, you can do nothing (Jn 15:5). Saint Maximilian Kolbe wrote: "Prayer is one of the most important elements in the work toward the conversion of souls, as conversion is a grace that must be obtained through prayer."

Good meditation enlightens the soul, putting God's views in the place of worldly prejudices. It gives us the strength and courage to leave the ways of the past and enter into the ways of God as the only salutary, true and joyful way: "My yoke is easy and my burden is light".

Fr. Karl Stehlin

*Warsaw, on the 22th of March,
Feast of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary*



St. Maximilian on a prayer

Prayer is one of the most important elements in the work toward the conversion of souls, as conversion is a grace that must be obtained through prayer. We other workers of the Immaculata are also greatly in need of prayer in order to faithfully carry out the will of the Immaculata.

In fact, prayer is a means that many people do not know about, and yet it is the most effective way to restore peace in the soul, to give them happiness, because it serves to bring them closer to God's love. Prayer revives the world. Prayer is the indispensable condition for the regen-

eration and the life of every soul. By means of prayer, St. Therese of Lisieux, without leaving the walls of her convent, became the patron of all missions and not only the titular patron saint, as experience shows.

Let us pray, let us pray well, pray much, both with our lips and in our thoughts, and we shall experience in ourselves how the Immaculata will take increasing possession of our souls, how our belonging to her will deepen more and more in every respect, how our sins will vanish, and our flaws will weaken, how gently and powerfully we will come ever closer to God. Outer activity is good, but, of course, is of secondary importance, and even less than that when compared to the inner life, to the life of recollection and prayer, to the life of our own personal love for God. Only through

prayer can one achieve the ideal of St. Augustine: "Love of God to the point of contempt of self," a contempt not only imaginary, but real, so that, by knowing more and more about ourselves, our nothingness and our weaknesses, we may truly despise ourselves and want others to treat us as we deserve.





I found one phrase very apt: "A short ejaculatory prayer, while one is working, is the best prayer"; and it is also quite practical, because it constantly unites us, ever more closely to the Immaculata as a tool in the hand of our Mistress.

And by those means, we obtain the graces of enlightenment for our intelligence (in order to acknowledge her Will) and of the strengthening of our will (in order to carry it out).

**Pray with short
ejaculation prayer,
even if only with
the name Mary.**



The Immaculata — the soul of prayer

In order to have even a slight understanding of Mary's prayer, we must try to penetrate the sanctuary of her intimate union with God. No one has ever lived in closer intimacy with Him. Let us reverently observe this intimacy from the viewpoint of the divine maternity. Who can imagine the secret communications between Mary and the Incarnate Word while she carried Him in her virginal womb?

Although there was nothing to distinguish Our Lady exteriorly from other women in the same condition, yet, in the secrecy of her heart she led a life of the closest possible union between God and a mere creature. *Omnis gloria ejus ab intus*, all her glory is from within (cf. Ps 44:14).

All Mary's glory and grandeur were interior. In this true sanctuary which concealed the Holy of Holies, Mary, living ciborium of the Incarnate Word, was aflame



with love, absorbed in adoration. Carrying within her the "burning furnace of charity," how could Mary not remain all inflamed by it! The more she was inflamed with love, the more she understood the mystery of love which was taking place within her.

No one ever penetrated the secrets of Christ's heart as Mary did, or had a greater knowledge of the divinity of Christ and of His infinite grandeur.

No one ever felt, as Mary did, the consuming need to give herself to Him, to lose herself in Him like a little drop in the immensity of the ocean.

This was Mary's unceasing prayer: to adore perpetually the Word made Flesh within her; to unite herself closely with Christ; to be immersed in Him and completely transformed in Him by love; to join the infinite homage and praise which ascended con-

tinually from the heart of Christ to the Trinity, and to offer this praise unceasingly as the only homage worthy of the divine Majesty. Mary lived in adoration of her Jesus and, in union with Him, in adoration of the Trinity.

There is one moment in the day when we, too, can share in this prayer of Mary in a most excellent way: the moment of Holy Communion, when we receive Jesus, real and living, into our heart.

How we need Mary to help us profit from this ineffable gift! She teaches us to submerge ourselves with her, in her and our Jesus, that we may be transformed in Him; she teaches us to unite ourselves to that adoration which ascends from the heart of Jesus to the Trinity, and she offers it with us to the Father, thus supplying for the deficiencies in our adoration.



Mary spent thirty years in Bethlehem and Nazareth in sweet family intimacy with Jesus. He was her centre of attraction, the object of her affections, her thoughts and solicitude. The life of Mary was centred on Him; she took care of Him, always seeking new ways of pleasing, serving, and loving Him with the greatest devotion. Her will vibrated in

unison with His; her heart beat in perfect harmony with His. She "shared the thoughts of Christ and His secret wishes, in such a way that it can be said that she lived the very life of her Son" (Pius X, *Ad Diem Ilium*).

Like Mary's life, her prayer was ever Christocentric, and Christ bore it to the Blessed Trinity. It was really the mystery of the Incarnation which brought Mary into the fullness of the Trinitarian life.

Her unique relations with the three divine Persons began when the Angel told her that she was to be the Mother of the Son of the Most High and would be so by the power of the Holy Ghost.

She was, from that moment, the beloved Daughter of the Father, the Spouse of the Holy Spirit, and the Mother of the Word.

These relations were not limited to the time when Mary carried



within her the Incarnate Word, but were to continue throughout her whole life, throughout eternity. Thus Mary is the temple of the Trinity. Nearer than all to Jesus Christ, although at a distance that is infinite, Mary is, the great "praise of glory" of the Blessed Trinity.

In Mary, we find the most perfect model for the souls aspiring to intimacy with God; at the same time, she is the surest guide for them.

She leads us to Jesus and teaches us to concentrate all our affections on Him, to give ourselves entirely to Him, until we are completely lost and transformed in Him. Then, through Jesus, she guides us to the life of union with the Trinity. By reason of sanctifying grace, our soul is also a temple of the Trinity, and Mary teaches us how to abide in this temple as a perpetual adorer



of the three divine Persons who dwell therein.

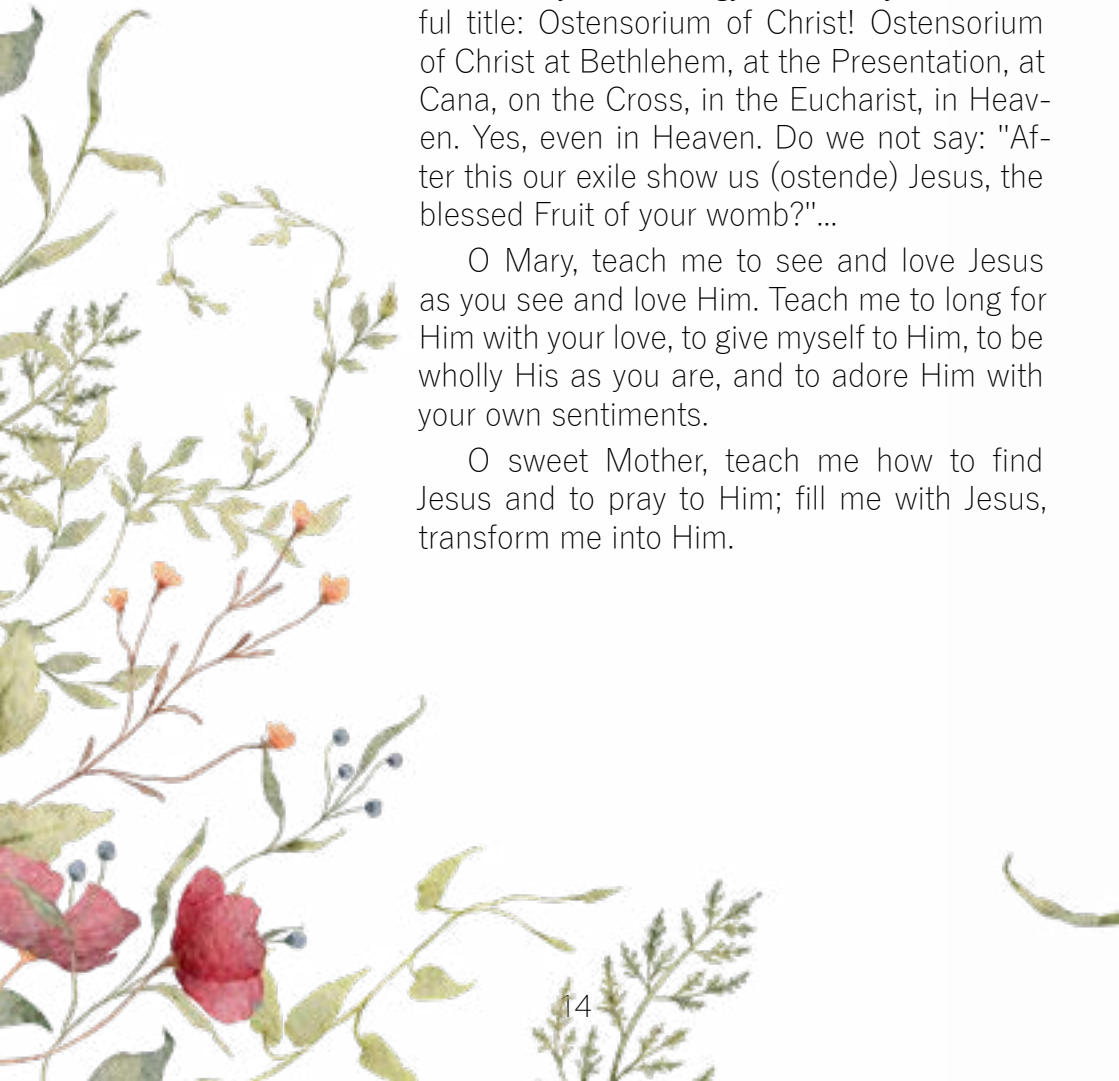
"I do not need to make any effort," said Sister Elizabeth of the Trinity, "to enter into the mystery of the divine indwelling in the soul of our Lady; my soul seems to abide there habitually, in the same attitude that was hers: adoring the God hidden within me". May it also be given to us to live, under Mary's direction, in this attitude of continual adoration of the Trinity dwelling within our soul. **M**

O Mary, you are the throne of God, the ostensorium of His love. You are the living monstrance of Jesus, and when I adore Jesus within you, it is as if I am really adoring the Blessed Sacrament exposed, *adoratio in ostensorio*, adoration in the monstrance.

O Mary, all theology confirms your beautiful title: Ostensorium of Christ! Ostensorium of Christ at Bethlehem, at the Presentation, at Cana, on the Cross, in the Eucharist, in Heaven. Yes, even in Heaven. Do we not say: "After this our exile show us (ostende) Jesus, the blessed Fruit of your womb?"...

O Mary, teach me to see and love Jesus as you see and love Him. Teach me to long for Him with your love, to give myself to Him, to be wholly His as you are, and to adore Him with your own sentiments.

O sweet Mother, teach me how to find Jesus and to pray to Him; fill me with Jesus, transform me into Him.



O Mary, show me how to contemplate the life, the work and the divinity of your Son. Be the way which leads me to Jesus, the bond which unites me to Him, and which, with Him and in Him, unites me to the Most Blessed Trinity.

Your attitude, O Blessed Virgin, during the months preceding the Nativity of Jesus, seems to be the model for interior souls, for those whom God has chosen to live within, deep in the unfathomable abyss.

What peace and recollection accompanied your every action!

You made ordinary things divine, because through them all, you remained the adorer of the Gift of God.



The Purpose of the M.I. in the words of the Founder

We are publishing an excerpt from a conference which Saint Maximilian gave in 1919 at one of the meetings of the M.I. circle in Kraków. At that meeting, as he himself said, "I want to show you, albeit quite briefly and without making any great claims, its purpose, its nature and its means, as well as the difficulties and the rewards that await us". In this article we will introduce our readers to the purpose of the M.I.

The nature of each thing is shaped according to the purpose for which it exists. So if we wish to learn about the nature of the M.I. we need to examine its purpose. Also, each thing has a dual purpose: an ultimate one and an immediate one.

The ultimate purpose of all creation is the external glory of God. Intelligent creatures offer such glory in a perfect fashion, because they are not merely an

image of the divine perfections: they also know and recognize such image.

Hence the homage, adoration, thanksgiving, and love of the creature toward the Creator.

We must love God without limits, because He loved us without limits and showed such love by coming down to this earth in order to lift, enlighten, strengthen and redeem the guilty. He did so even by way of a most humiliat-

ing death in the midst of most horrible torments, staying here with us until the end of time, even though He had been abandoned and insulted by ungrateful people; ultimately giving Himself up to us as nourishment, to make us divine through His own divinity. However, since we are limited creatures, we are unable to give infinite glory to God. Let us at least give Him as much as we can. Therefore, the ultimate purpose of the M.I. is precisely the glory of God, and not only a greater glory, but the greatest possible glory.

Its immediate purpose, however, is the one toward which we strive directly and which serves as a means to achieve our ultimate goal. The manifestation of God's perfections is the end of all creation. The purpose of man, instead, is to know, to acknowledge, and to freely perfect God's image within himself, by responding to divine graces and being thereby joined more and more closely with God through love, thus, we may say, becoming divinized.

The M.I. has as its immediate concern the conversion of all non-Catholics, especially of those wretched people, the Freemasons

who, blinded by fanaticism, raise their wicked hands even against their most gracious Father. All this the M.I. does under the protection and through the mediation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Immaculate. Under her protection, that is, as instruments in her immaculate hands, and through her mediation, that is, using the means that she puts at our disposal and praying that she may obtain mercy for us.



Testimony of a Knight



Through carelessness

Even in the small things, Mary finds the best solution. This is the story Mrs. N. once told me:

I was working as a cook in the house of a doctor. His daughter was leaving and I was standing at the garage door waving goodbye to her. In doing so, I inadvertently touched the garage door, which suddenly sprang open and, completely unexpectedly, impetuously hit my employer's beautiful

Mercedes. This caused a rather solid dent in the roof of the car. The Mercedes was the apple of the doctor's eye, and the doctor was also a very energetic and easily angered man.

Shocked, I immediately turned to Our Lady for help: "The damage cannot be undone, but help me, dearest Mother, so that it will not be so bad and that this unpleasant scene will not be too

long! Most Holy Mother, the Lord God always hears you, help this to end well!". So and in like manner I prayed full of confidence. Now listen, and you will be amazed at what a brilliant solution the Immaculate One found!

Shortly after the incident, the doctor left the house and went to his car. Not noticing anything, he opened the car and got in. Then he noticed that the garage door was not open enough. He got out and tried to pull the garage door all the way up and that's when it happened: he probably didn't grab it properly and the door flew forward, hitting the beautiful Mercedes a second time in the

same place. I was watching the whole incident through the window and when I heard the slamming, it sounded like heavenly music to my ears.

Annoyed, the doctor asked his wife if she had accidentally opened that gate. The doctor was cross for the whole afternoon and closed himself off because of his clumsiness. He did not find out until today that the damage to the Mercedes had already occurred. It is hard to imagine a better answered prayer in this case.

One must pray that everything depends on God, and work as if everything depends on us.

Fr. K. M. Harrer



The Apostolate



of the Miraculous Medal

We publish further examples of the Miraculous Medal apostolate, led by one of our Knights from Warsaw.

I recently approached a young lady with a backpack. When she received a miraculous medal from me she kissed it and hugged me warmly out of gratitude.

One father with a child, when he heard that the medal was consecrated, kissed it and thanked me with a smile.

Often there are situations where people I meet refuse to accept this precious gift because they already have their medallions. And some even show me that they carry them with them.

One elderly gentleman, when accepting the medal, was happy because he saw the likeness of St. Max-

imilian Kolbe on the enclosed leaflet. He stated that he had been a concentration camp prisoner and knew his story.

It even happened to me that a gentleman was reluctant to accept a medallion. He claimed that he already had many medals. Upon my remark that he did not have one from me, he decided to take one.

I also offer them to my neighbours. Unfortunately, not all of them want to accept because they claim to be non-believers. When I encounter such refusal among people, I sometimes say that there were many who did not believe but believed.

There are a lot of tourists in my area. This is where I have the greatest difficulty in spreading devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The barrier is not so much a lack of faith, but language. Although I have not always succeeded, I have occasionally given medallions to Africans, Indians, Vietnamese and Chinese.

So far, I have not had a refusal from homeless people begging for alms, or from mentally handicapped young people. These are people who spontaneously and sincerely show their gratitude for a smile and everything good they get from us. And even the other day I myself received pious pictures from a homeless friend as a gift.

However, there are more and more young people who claim not to believe. They do not need God and the Immaculata. Such situations teach me humility, because I myself have rejected God many times in my life. That is why I do not discuss the issue, but only pray for the grace of faith for them.

A middle-aged gentleman said that he believes only in his reason. To which I couldn't help but reply to him, may he not be disappointed.





One day on my way I saw two boys (maybe 13-14 years old). They received medals from me. Behind them an elderly man ran up with a menacing face. He asked for the medal and immediately returned it, expressing his heretical opinion about the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was followed by one of the boys who also returned the medallion, but the other said he would not.

In most cases, bus drivers and ticket inspectors on public transport accept the medals willingly, thanking me for them warmly. Where

the work is hard and arduous, such as the roadworks along Skalnicowa Street in Warsaw, all the workers have accepted the medallions willingly. Sometimes I manage to hand them out to passengers in public transport vehicles.

As you can see from the above text, there are various situations – pleasant, unpleasant, touching and sad. The distribution of the Miraculous Medal contributes to the glory of God. Therefore, even difficult situations should be endured with humility.

Knight Anna from Warsaw

Apostolate of the Little Knights in Poland

It is worth teaching children the apostolate from a very young age. Our Knights, together with their daughters, prepared gifts for the children who were to come to them on the 31st of October 2023, the so-called Halloween.

The day before, the girls strung Miraculous Medals on blue ribbons so that they would be ready for the arrival of these poor dressers. The older (five-and-a-half-year-old)

daughter said: "I'm already looking forward to giving these children the Medals. They don't know that it's not allowed to dress up so ugly".

As it turned out, all the children accepted the gifts and were very happy with them. Some even laughed when they saw the Medal with the image of Mary on it! May the Immaculate One guard these little souls and lead them to Heaven!

A knight from Gniezno



Dedication of the statue on the Knight's farm

On the eve of the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes, on the 10th of February, Fr. Mariusz Kowalski consecrated the farmhouse chapel of Our Lady of the Immaculate during a pastoral visit to Mrs. Catherine's home. It was built by the family as a votive offering of gratitude for graces received and prayers answered.

Mrs. Catherine and her daughters are Knights and carry out the apostolate by sharing folders and medals both in the family and at work, school or university. They are also involved in helping to make sets of leaflets with the medal, which they thread onto a blue string they receive from the M.I. Also supporting them in this activity are Catherine's mother and



sister, who are also Knights, and who wish to win souls for the Immaculate in this way. The finished packets are sent back to the M.I. Headquarters so that they can be distributed during the pilgrimage to Jasna Góra.

The construction of the chapel itself generated interest among the neighbours, eliciting positive reactions, as many people confessed that when passing by, they cannot take their eyes off it and make the sign of the cross along with a sigh to the Immaculate. After the consecration, the family prayed together with the priest at the statue. This was accompanied by a strong warming sun, despite the winter month.

Growing number of Knights as a fruit of retreats

From the 23th of February to the 25th of February 2024, a Lenten retreat was held at the Suwałki chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary Queen of the Polish Crown, conducted by Father Karl Stehlin. The theme of the retreat was: In the fathers' faith give perseverance, Mary.

In his teachings, the priest referred to the love of Poles for the Mother of God, a love for which our nation has been famous since the beginnings of statehood. He emphasised that Poles turned to Mary in difficult times. Setting St. Maximilian Kolbe as a model, he said that everyone could become her Knight in these times of confusion, that is, an instrument through which she would save souls from going to perdition.

With his teachings, Fr. Stehlin enrolled 16 people to join the ranks of the Knights of the Immaculata.

Earlier, during the Advent retreat of 2023, Fr. Karl Stehlin encouraged 27 new Knights into the M.I. in Tarnów. And the beginning of this year resulted in the reception of 45 Knights in Krosno, on the occasion of the consecration of the new chapel by the superior of the M.I. district, Fr. Karl Stehlin.

In the photos: The reception of the Knights in the Suwałki chapel.



Preparations for the pilgrimage

The Knights of the Immaculate have already begun preparing publications and materials to be distributed during the Jubilee XXX International Pilgrimage to Jasna Góra.

Knights from the International Headquarters of the M.I. in Warszawa, as well as Knights from Kraków and other places in Poland, are participating in the preparation.

This year the pilgrims will have several different materials to distribute to those they meet along the way. As always, the Knights are preparing Miraculous Medals along with folders, packed in a handy drawstring bag.

This year the medallions to be handed out will be on a blue string. An addition to this package will be small pictures of Mary, Jesus, angels etc. This item is especially aimed at children, who always greet pilgrims enthusiastically and eagerly accept the gifts offered.

Other materials in the drawstring bag are cards in A6 format with images of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, the Sacred Heart of Jesus etc., specially printed for this purpose.

There will also be archival issues of the *Triumph of the Immaculata* and the *Knight* for children available for pilgrims.



Lent with the Knights of the Immaculata

On the first Sunday of Lent, the Knights of the Immaculata offered a new publication, The Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of the Mother of God, in the hall below the church in Warsaw. Handmade rosaries suitable for praying this chaplet were also available.

Also, the Knighthood organised a special fair every other Sunday in Lent. During this event, beautiful statues of the Pieta, Christ carrying the cross, and Christmas cards were offered in various sizes.

On Palm Sunday, statues of the Risen Christ were also available.



M.I. Director's visit to Sweden

At the beginning of February, Fr. Karl Stehlin travelled to Sweden to give conferences on the Militia Immaculatae.

On Saturday the 10th of February 2024, Fr. Stehlin celebrated Mass in the chapel of Our Lady of Sorrows in Oskershamn – the place where the only resident priest of the Society of St. Pius X in Sweden, Fr. Sten Sandmark, resides. About 25 people attended the Mass, mainly from Kalmar and Oskershamn, but also from Gothenburg and Kristianstad. The sermon and lecture after the Mass dealt with the ideas and spirituality of St. Maximilian Kolbe and the Knighthood of the Immaculata, which he founded.

An M.I. corner is being set up in this chapel, where Polish and English publications will be available, and in the future brochures and folders in Swedish, the translation of which has already begun.

The Sunday Mass was held in a private flat, where the faithful gather every first Sunday of the month. This time the faithful also had the opportunity to hear a sermon and a lecture by Fr. Stehlin on M.I. and St. Maximilian. Approximately 25 people attended the Mass; a large part were the faithful from Växjö.

The fruits of Fr. Karl Stehlin's visit to Sweden were that 21 new people of Swedish, Polish, Filipino, Chilean and Brazilian origin joined the Militia Immaculatae.



New superior of District of Great Britain and Scandinavia

The District of Great Britain & Scandinavia is pleased to welcome Fr. David Sherry, formerly DS for Canada. After the huge expanse of Canada with its population of some 40 million people, it could take him some time to acclimatise to the much smaller District of GB & S where the population for GB alone is above 70 million.

Nonetheless, his podcasts and his sermons have revealed him to be an accomplished communicator, and once he has got the measure of his new domain, there is every chance that love for Our Lady will be nourished and more of the faithful will wish to join the Militia Immaculatae and its work in opening up channels



for the Immaculata's graces to flow into souls.

Howard Toon



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The M.I. in Japan and South Korea

Since Fr. Karl Stehlin launched the M.I. in Japan and Korea in 2015 it has slowly grown to 214 Knights. With Fr. Timothy Pfeiffer's visit in February, 56 Knights renewed their consecrations and 39 new Knights were added to Mary's army.

But the situation in Japan and Korea is quite different than in the West. Organisation, order and material perfection in Japan and Korea surpasses by far the materialism of

the West. From bathrooms to rail-way stations and public transport, everything is at a level of near-perfection. But there is a cultural and religious reason for that.

In these countries the soul is poured out into the body and all the rational faculties focus on the perfection of the body and its surroundings. Where Shintoism worships nature, Buddhism abhors it in great discipline, but both result in perfecting it. As a result, it can be quite comfortable for the body, and yet somehow satisfying for the soul as well, because man's reason is very active to put order and discipline into everything – except the supernatural order and eternal salvation.

In these countries, even pornography and the dark side of the flesh are not in public evidence. They do hide under the exterior façade in a very ugly fashion. But life on the surface is quite clean and neat, ordered and purposeful. The hidden purpose however, is to exclude the supernatural order created by Christ.

Modern weakened Catholicism has lost its substance and has no vigour to confront this



Picture above, the new Knights with Priests Onoda and Pfeiffer in Tokyo; picture below, the Knights in the Osaka Chapel



situation. Tradition is still small and at the beginnings of organization — the foundations are still being laid.

In such a situation, the M.I. shows its great utility and power. An army — a movement — capable of animating souls on the spiritual level with the only spiritual power that can overcome material indifference to God and to His Truth — the intercession and intervention of the Immaculata.

So what are the Knights in Japan and Korea going to do about their situation? Well they are going to organize and fight the good fight. Spiritually, they fully realize that Our Lady is their Mother — a unique Mother who brings sons into the Supernatural world — sons who are at the very moment they are born spiritually — are born soldiers! Yes, every son of Mary is automatically a soldier, thrown into a spiritual fight the moment he breathes the air of Divine grace.

Father Pfeiffer discovered that Japanese and Korean M.I. Knights are very interested to find and use the spiritual weapons that confront spiritualistic-materialism and fully overthrow it. They were easily shown how it is Respect for

Our Lady that immediately transfers the soul to the supernatural order. Is this not what the Archangel Gabriel did when He saluted the Immaculata saying *Hail full of Grace*? To think of her, to pray to her, to realize who she is, is already to be translated by Faith into the supernatural order that was created when Christ became Incarnate in her. Already, the soul is on the path to overcoming materialism.



Picture above, Fr Pfeiffer's reception of the new Knights in the chapel in Seoul; picture below, the new Knights with Priests Onoda and Pfeiffer in this chapel



But one really conquers materialism by loving spiritual things more. Many Japanese and Korean Knights were really inspired by this idea – in loving Mary as our own Mother, the best of all Mothers, we naturally aspire to divine things and to practice all the virtues she perfected.

Moved by grace, several young men, disillusioned with the *Novus Ordo*, discovered Tradition and joined the M.I. They vowed their

readiness to spread the M.I. throughout their country through Devotion to Mary and the distribution of the Miraculous Medal. Another young woman who had converted from Protestantism through the Miraculous medal joined the M.I. and started to establish a Circle of M.I. 2 Apostolic Knights for the distribution of the Miraculous Medal.

Fr. Timothy Pfeiffer

Continuing the M.I.'s apostolate in Peru

In January and February 2024 we have prayed the Holy Rosary publicly in two places. One of them is the habitual location in the centre of Lima and the other one is a new place located in the "Mariscal Castilla" park in the district of Lince, Lima. This new place is located near to the "Divino Niño Jesús de Praga" Chapel.

We have received a good reception in the new place and a good number of people in the centre of Lima too. Approximately 20–25 people attend these public Rosaries every Saturday.

We also hand out some brochures and Catholic cards especially to the new people that arrive at the Rosaries.



Furthermore, we remind you that the next consecration of Knights is expected to take place in May 2024.

On the 11th of February we held the public Rosary in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes. Several people came and joined to pray and honour her. Our apostolic works online continue:

– The Novena of Our Lady of the Good Event was finished on the first day of February.

– Also, we continue praying our Rosaries in Latin on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 pm.

– We also share virtual cards about spirituality and articles about the current state and crisis of the Church.

Knights from Peru





New Polish publications

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In Poland the M.I. recommend a small booklet containing the Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The booklet is in the form of a prayer book containing meditations on the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. We encourage you to practise this devotion, not only during Lent.

We hope that this modest publication will be useful to all faithful.

The publication is available at the M.I. corner in every chapel in Poland and a downloadable .pdf version can be found in the library of the Militia Immaculatae.

The Militia Immaculatæ is an army of Knights of Mary Immaculate which works for the conversion of all men to God, be they Protestants, or Jews, or Muslims, & in particular the Freemasons, and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

The Militia Immaculatæ was founded by St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe on the 16th of October 1917. Since 1937, Militia Immaculatæ is also called the Knights of the Immaculata.



Original Statutes of the Militia Immaculatæ (by St. Maximilian)

"She will crush your head." (Genesis 3:15)

"Thou alone hast vanquished all heresies throughout the world."

(from the Roman Breviary)

I. Goal of Membership:

To work for the conversion to God of all men, be they sinners, heretics, schismatics, Jews, Moslems etc., in particular the Freemasons; and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

II. Conditions of Membership:

1. To consecrate oneself entirely to the Immaculate Virgin, placing oneself freely as a docile and generous instrument in her hands.
2. To wear the Miraculous Medal.

III. Duties of Membership:

1. If possible, to pray the following ejaculatory prayer at least once a day: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee, and for all those who do not have recourse to thee, especially for the Freemasons and for those who are commended to thy care."
2. To use all other valid and legitimate means for the conversion and sanctification of men, according to one's means, in the different states and conditions of life, as the occasions present themselves; this is entrusted to the zeal and prudence of each one. Particularly recommended, however, is spreading the Miraculous Medal.

N.B. These means are recommended only as suggestions and not as an obligation; not one of them obliges under pain of sin, not even venial sin. Our principal motive is to help the greatest possible number of souls to be united with the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the mediation of the Immaculata.

If you want to join us, please email: info@militia-immaculatae.org
and tell us which country you are from.

Masses for the M.I.

April — June 2024

We are pleased to announce that priests will offer in the year 2024 Holy Masses for the sanctification of the Knights of the Militia Immaculatæ.

- April 6th** – First Saturday of the Month
(Fr. Lucas Weber)
- April 8th** – Annunciation of Blessed Virgin Mary
(Fr. Dennis McDonald)
- April 26th** – Our Lady of Good Counsel
(Fr. Dennis McDonald)
- May 4th** – First Saturday of the Month
(Fr. Lucas Weber)
- May 6th** – Revival of the M.I. (Fr. Karl Stehlin)
- May 13th** – First Apparition of Our Lady in Fatima
(Fr. Timothy Pfeiffer)
- May 31st** – Queenship of the Blessed Virgin
(Fr. Dennis McDonald, Fr. Andrew Cranshaw)
- June 6th** – First Saturday of the Month
(Fr. Lucas Weber)
- June 27th** – Our Lady of Perpetual Help
(Fr. Dennis McDonald)



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