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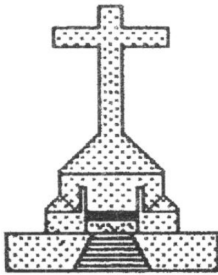
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# **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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To spread the messages of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus,  
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## **OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PRAY FOR US**

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**MEDJUGORJE  
AFTERNOON OF PRAYER**

*led by Fr. Martin Morris*

**2nd Sunday of the month  
4pm – 6pm**

**8th September 2019  
13th October 2019**

**St John Vianney**  
Hillhead Parkway  
Newcastle upon Tyne, NE5 1DP



**Medjugorje Centre (North East)**

**MEDJUGORJE RETREAT AT MINSTERACRES**

**Spiritual Director—Fr. Michael Whalen**

**11th—13th October 2019**

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Ring Marion Fletcher—0191 4174413



**ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2020**

**Spiritual Director—Fr. Martin Morris**

**Wed 10th - 17th June 2020**

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## OUR LADY'S MESSAGE—To the World

*Given 25th August 2019 to Marija Pavlovic*



**D**ear children! “ Pray, work and witness with love for the Kingdom of Heaven that it may be good for you here on earth. Little children, God will bless your effort a hundred fold; you will be witnesses among peoples, souls of unbelievers will feel the grace of conversion and Heaven will be grateful for your efforts and sacrifices. Little children, witness with the Rosary in hand that you are mine and decide for holiness. Thank you for having responded to my call. ”

### Fr. Martin Morris's Reflection

Spiritual Director of Medjugorje Centre NE

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Medjugorje North East and beyond, Our Lady Queen and Mother of peace wants only what is “the Good” for us, that is why she says in this month’s message, **“Pray, work, and witness with love for the Kingdom of heaven, that it may be good for you on earth.”** This is the petition used each time we turn to our Heavenly Father in the Lord’s prayer; *“Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”* we pray that the perfection of love enjoyed in the company of the Blessed might be reflected in our earthly lives, in our very manner of living.

Our Lady is with us in these times to help us stay on the right path of salvation, and so she calls us to encounter God in prayer. Each of us are important to God, and Our Lady, and because of this we become signs for others too. **“Pray, work and**

**witness with love.”** In the school of Our Lady everything begins and ends with love. Love for God and love for neighbour. So, each time we turn to Our Heavenly Father in prayer we should pause and prepare ourselves to be in his loving presence. For true prayer comes from a heart of love. So too our work, no matter how menial or dutiful or tedious, done with love and offered in humble sacrifice can be a source of heaven’s grace and blessings. **“Heaven will be grateful for your efforts and sacrifices.”** says Mary. This is the witness Our Lady calls us to, in showing the Kingdom of Heaven in practise. Mary reminds us that the Christian life is a call to Love. There is no thought of a Christian without love for God and others. To live the spirit of the Gospel, the inner process of growth involves the struggle or battle against the destructive powers

in the human heart. So, Our Lady desires that we identify and uproot the selfishness within us, and replace more and more with love. **“That it may be good for you on earth.”** The Kingdom begins here and now. Our Lady who was the dwelling place of love from the very beginning of her existence is making us more aware of the sinister and destructive forces that work against the Kingdom of her Son, that begin in the human heart.

As Mother of the Church she is encouraging us in our efforts to pursue the good in each of our lives. She knows that many who have set on the road to conversion have become tired, so she desires to awaken in the hearts of believers “The Good.” She wants all her “Dear Children” to side with the good in every situation to witness with love, and to know the joy of Salvation.

**“You will be witnesses among peoples, souls of unbelievers will feel the grace of conversion and heaven will be grateful for your efforts and sacrifices.”**

The Church is the loving presence of Christ, and Our Lady wants the Church to win back more space in the world. That is why she calls us to be the witnesses among peoples. When each of us live the life of Prayer, Conversion and Holiness then we become the members of Christ Mystical Body, true signs of his love. The preface to the eucharistic prayer on the feast of saints and Pastors reminds us of this. *“In every age you renew the Church by raising up men and women outstanding in holiness, living witnesses of your unchanging love.”* The saints never tire in their pursuit for the good. Conversion for

them was a daily decision, and God’s light and love shone through them, and others felt it, this is because holiness is contagious, the Kingdom can be sensed and felt by others.

**“Little children, witness with the Rosary in hand.”** Where is our Rosary at this very moment? On a shelf, in a drawer, in a pocket, or in the car? Our Lady says, **“In hand”** The Rosary is a gift God has placed into our hands like the five smooth stones King David conquered against his Goliath. The Rosary is the sign in which we conquer, the Rosary opens the doors of our heart to the life of God. Our Lady asks us to take the Rosary in our hands because it will renew the Faith of the Church in these times. So, fight to make time for the Rosary! That is why Our Lady concludes:

**“And decide for holiness”** One thing is clear from the first appearance of Our Lady thirty-eight years ago; she asks us to make a decision for her Son. For the Faith, for the Church. How many times has she told us *“Without you I cannot do this”* or *“Without you God’s plans cannot be recognised?”*

How often has Our Lady said, *“Dear Children decide!”* She wants us to make this decision everyday without conditions, a decision as an act of the will. So let us seek him, search for him, desire him, and turn to him with Faith and love each day. Our Lady is the great sign God has given to the Church in these times, her maternal presence with us in a special way. Let us all gather under her protective mantle by deciding for the good.

God Bless, **Fr. Martin**

## Our Lady's message to Mirjana

*2nd August 2019*



**“Dear children,** great is the love of my Son. If you were to come to know the greatness of His love, you would never cease to adore and thank Him. He is always alive with you in the Eucharist, because the Eucharist is His Heart. The Eucharist is the heart of faith. He has never left you. Even when you tried to go away from Him, He has not left you. That is why my motherly heart is happy when I watch how you - filled with love - return to Him, when I see that you are coming to Him by the way of reconciliation, love, and hope. My motherly heart knows that when you set out on the way of faith, you are shoots - buds. But along with prayer and fasting you will be fruits, my flowers, apostles of my love; you will be carriers of light and will illuminate all those around you with love and wisdom. My children, as a mother I am imploring you: pray, think, and contemplate. Everything beautiful, painful and joyful that happens to you - all of this makes you grow spiritually, so that my Son may grow in you. My children, surrender yourselves to Him, believe Him, trust in His love, let Him lead you. Let the Eucharist be the place where you will feed your souls, and afterwards, will spread love and truth - will bear witness to my Son. Thank you.”

## Our Lady's message to Mirjana

*2nd September 2019*



**“Dear children,** pray! Pray the Rosary every day - that wreath of flowers which, as a mother, directly connects me with your pains, sufferings, desires, and hopes. Apostles of my love, I am with you through the grace and the love of my Son, and I am asking for prayers of you. The world is in such need of your prayers for souls to be converted. With complete trust, open your hearts to my Son, and in them He will inscribe the summary of His words - which is love. Live in an unbreakable connection with the Most Sacred Heart of my Son. My children, as a mother, I am telling you that it is high time for you to kneel before my Son to acknowledge Him as your God, the center of your life. Offer gifts to Him - that which He most loves - which is love towards neighbor, mercy, and pure hearts. Apostles of my love, many of my children still do not acknowledge my Son as their God; they have not yet come to know His love. But you, with your prayer pronounced from a pure and open heart, by the gifts which you offer to my Son, will make even the hardest hearts open. Apostles of my love, the strength of prayer pronounced from the heart - a powerful prayer full of love - changes the world. Therefore, my children: pray, pray, pray. I am with you. Thank you .”



## REPORT FROM SISTER EMMANUEL

*of The Community of The Beatitudes*

***www.childrenofmedjugorje.com***

**Medjugorje, August 18, 2019**

**Dear children of Medjugorje,  
praised be Jesus and Mary!**

**1. On August 2nd, 2019,** Mirjana received her monthly apparition at the Blue Cross, surrounded by a large crowd of pilgrims. After the apparition, she conveyed her message. ( see page 4 )



**2. "Little children, trials will come!"** The Queen of the Prophets has never been clearer than today, and that is no accident (See PS1). The worst thing for us to do would be to ignore her warning, because it is serious. For 38 years, she has shown us the way to peace and even to prosperity (see message of 25 Dec. 1999 for the 3rd millennium.) But despite her warnings about the risks we take by not listening to her, her children's response has been too weak. She must now warn us that difficult times are near. As if the world weren't already going through hard times. Kyrie eleison! Take note, however, we are not talking about the end of the world. In fact, Mary tells us about future generations, she is "preparing us for the New Times",

and of course for the triumph of her Immaculate Heart. Obviously, when a mother prepares her child for something, she does not prepare him for an event in the future that he will not experience. On the contrary, she prepares her child for what he will see in his lifetime. In other words, you and I will probably see these New Times.

Every triumph is preceded by a conflict or a battle, for one does not triumph over peace. We are already in the middle of this battle. That much is obvious. So many wounds, so much suffering! The closer victory approaches, the more intense the battle becomes, because the enemy, seeing the end of his power closing in, behaves like an aggressive animal before collapsing having been wounded to death.

With God it is never too late. We may no longer be able to prevent trials from happening, but we can soften and shorten them. Far be it from me to want to explain here the kinds of trials that await us, let us instead focus on ways to draw upon God's grace and His extraordinary mercy so that we may survive in the midst of these waves that overpower us.

Every authentic prophecy contains its share of hope, and today Mary tells us where to find true refuge, the one that never deceives: The Heart of her Son Jesus, who will always remain present to us through the Eucharist. "He is still alive with you in the Eucharist, for the Eucharist is his Heart. The Eucharist is the heart of

faith. He has never abandoned you, even when you tried to move away from Him..." She also said, "Those of my children who have faith - true faith - are happy no matter what, because they begin to experience heavenly happiness while on earth." Now who are those who have true faith? Those who cling to Christ with their whole being.

The assurances offered to us by the world and its excessive materialism can no longer assure us of anything. If I take out life insurance, it only works when I'm dead! Jesus alone is our true security, our safe haven, our true Life insurance.

**3. "Sin will reign",** Mary said. "But if you are mine, you will overcome it because your refuge will be the Heart of my Son Jesus. That is why the world needs worshipers, to allow the Lord to reign again in the heart of the world. Mary asked that there be a chapel of perpetual adoration in each parish. Seeing her Son adored by His children is her most treasured dream. When we adore Jesus hidden in the tabernacle, or exposed on the altar, even if distractions may disturb us, Jesus is there alive, He radiates in the invisible and He acts in our souls. His whole life is there before us, like an open book with gushing flames. We are gradually transformed, because we are filled and enriched with Him. Why do so many Catholics today doubt the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist? Don't they know that Satan himself is aware of this presence? Why do Satanists, who always seek to prolong Christ's passion with their sacrileges, smash tabernacles to steal the hosts? Don't

they have enough bakeries near their homes to find bread?



It is beautiful to see that Jesus extends his divine rays of love and light not only on those who adore Him, but that this powerful radiation of love extends even to the surroundings! We move from the natural to the supernatural, and fruit is borne. I know a priest whose mission is to create chapels of perpetual adoration in the parishes that invite him. He told me that in 1984, the city of Trieste had the highest suicide rate in all of Italy. Not to mention other evils such as crime, rape, theft, divorces, abortions, occult practices, etc. These statistics are in the city's records. That very year, he founded a chapel of perpetual adoration. Well, in just one year, the suicide rate fell by one half!

**4. Rome has arrived.** Thanks to the good work of Bishop Hoser, the Pope's envoy for the pastoral care of Medjugorje, many prelates did not shy away from coming to celebrate the Eucharist in Medjugorje in recent weeks. From Rome came Archbishop Rino Fisichella, President of the Pontifical Counsel for the New Evangelization and Cardinal Angelo De Donatis; and then the Cardinal of Sarajevo, Mgr. Pulic; The Apostolic Nuncio for Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mgr. Luigi Pezzuto.



Even France is starting to budge. We already had Mgr. Dominique Rey, Bishop of Toulon, then the Archbishop of Avignon, Mgr. Jean-Pierre Cattenoz.



*Mgr. Dominique Rey, Bishop of Toulon*

This marks a new turning point for the Marian Shrine of Medjugorje, which is very positive and promising.

**5. When there are too many mosquitoes in a room,** a device is plugged in that emits a scent or sound that scares them away. Our prayer, on the other hand, is like an incense that rises to God, like a fragrance that delights His heart. And prayer annoys the demons so much that they run away from this incense. So let us not forget this touching confidence disclosed by Our Lady in May 2017: "The prayers you address to me are the most beautiful roses of love for me. I cannot fail to be there where I smell the scent of roses."

Do you know that each of our Ave Maria's is a rose offered to the Mother of God?

**6. Van and France.** Because several people have expressed a great interest in the young Vietnamese Marcel Van whom I quoted in July, here is a new text that concerns France. I hope it will speak not only to the hearts of my dear people, but also to those from other countries who will take into their hearts this blessed country who should behave as the elder daughter of the Church and who is still so far from it.



*Sister Emmanuel reports further on Marcel Van's message to France at - [www.childrenofmedjugorje.com](http://www.childrenofmedjugorje.com)  
Further information of Marcel Van, servant of God - [www.marcelvanassociation.com](http://www.marcelvanassociation.com)*

**Dearest Gospa,** these words from the Bible are resounding in my heart today: "*Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed.*" Isaiah 54:10

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**The Youth Festival in Medjugorje was a shower of blessings.** It was followed this year on the Internet by more than 2.8 million people. (Unheard of). On August 4, for the feast of St Jean Vianney, 714 priests co-celebrated Mass.

**PS1. Message from July 25, 2019:**

**"Dear children,** my call for you is prayer. May prayer be joy for you and a wreath which binds you to God. Little children, trials will come, and you will not be strong, and sin will reign. But if you are mine, you will win, because your refuge will be the Heart of my Son Jesus. Therefore, little children, return to prayer until prayer becomes life for you in the day and the night. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**PS2. Ivan the visionary was recently in Medjugorje!** On August 12th, Mary entrusted him with this message at the Blue Cross where we were invited:

**"Dear children,** in this time of mercy, in a special way, I wish to call you to prayer - perseverance in prayer. So many times, I have said that my Son has allowed me to stay here together with you because I wish to teach you and to raise you - educate you -, because I wish to lead you to my Son. Therefore, decide for Him! Put Jesus in the first place in your families. Pray in front of Him, so that you can receive graces. The Mother prays for all of you and intercedes for you to her Son."

**Mostar bishop's successor?**

August 11, 2019

The Mostar Duvno diocese, which includes the parish of Medjugorje, is still waiting on a replacement for bishop Ratko Perić who reached the retirement age of 75 in February.

According to local sources a new appointment is unlikely to be made before October and the possible successor could be Željko Majić, the Vicar General of the diocese. He was ordained a priest on June 29, 1988.

**MIRACLE OF  
MEDJUGORJE!!!**

Darren (24) who has been wheelchair bound for 10 years is **WALKING AGAIN** after receiving a rosary bracelet from Mirjana after her June 2nd apparition!!!



Medjugorje Mary TV has the exclusive interview with his mom Catherine - airing on "Fruit of Medjugorje" Monday October 3rd!

**PLEASE SHARE** this incredible news with friends and don't miss the full story about this miraculous healing on Monday's "Fruit of Medjugorje"!

## Saint Therese of Lisieux relics come to Scotland 30th August – 20th September 2019

Extract– St. Therese’ Prayer for Priests

*“Oh Jesus Eternal High Priest  
Keep Your Priest within the shelter of your Sacred Heart  
where none may touch you.”*



We unite our Prayers with brothers and sisters in Scotland as they welcome the relics of Saint Therese of Lisieux to their country. May the visit of Little Flower bring many graces, conversions, vocations and renewed holiness to the Church in Scotland.

It is quite fitting that The Relics of St. Therese the little flower should arrive in Carfin Grotto Motherwell.

Cannon Taylor the founder of Carfin Grotto was one of her earliest devotees. He was heavily involved in her Canonization process.

It is 25 years since the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux began touring the world. England and Wales were honoured with their presence in 2009, Ireland in 2018. Now Scotland has opened its door.

The relics arrived in the country from Lisieux August 30 and remain until September 20, visiting each of the eight dioceses of Scotland.

Diocese of Motherwell	-- 29 August - 1 September (Carfin Grotto)
Diocese of Galloway	-- 1 September - 4 September
Diocese of Dunkeld	-- 4 September - 7 September
Archdiocese of	
Saint Andrews & Edinburgh	-- 7 September - 9 September
Diocese of Aberdeen	-- 9 September - 12 September
Diocese of Argyll and the Isles	—12 September - 14 September
Diocese of Paisley	— 14 September -- 16 September
Archdiocese of Glasgow	-- 16 September -- 19 September

During the Tour St. Therese’s Relics will visit The Barlinni Prison.

Father Jim Grant, who organised the visit, said of the inmates: “They obviously can’t come out to visit her so she is going to visit them.

“In a certain sense she too knew what it was like to live her life in a very small cell in a convent so I would say she is a special sister to prisoners.”

Fr Grant added: “This once in a lifetime visit of the relics to Scotland is a pilgrimage in reverse.”

St. Thérèse died of TB aged 24 in 1897 and was canonised in 1925. Her special mission was the conversion of sinners.

For more details, see [littleflowerinscotland.co.uk/news](http://littleflowerinscotland.co.uk/news).

## Our Lady Vulnerata ( *The wounded one* ) The Royal English College of Valladolid

In Medjugorje Our Lady especially calls us to pray for Priests & Vocations to the Priesthood.

*“Do not forget to pray for your Shepherds, their Priestly hands are Blessed by My Son.”*

The Royal English College of Valladolid is a residence and training centre located in Valladolid, Spain, for the training of Catholic priests for the English and Welsh Mission, is under the patronage of St Alban. It was founded with the permission of King Philip II of Spain by the English priest Robert Persons in 1589, during the English Reformation.

Today, men of varying ages and backgrounds spend an introductory year in Valladolid, to discern their vocation and begin formation for Catholic priesthood. They are exposed to spiritual and human formation, which roots their faith in Jesus Christ, and prepares them to go on to seminaries in the United Kingdom or Ireland, or to Rome or elsewhere.

The image of Our Lady venerated in the College Chapel is that of La Vulnerata, or The Wounded One. The story of the Vulnerata goes back centuries; but in 1596, as Spain was gathering a fleet in the city of Cadiz, the Earl of Essex together with Sir Walter Raleigh led an English fleet into the harbour, defeated the Spanish

fleet and sacked the city. Some of the English troops started a riot and dragged a statue of the Virgin Mother and Child from a church to the market square where they desecrated it. They cut off both arms, and all that remained of the child were parts of his tiny feet on his mother's knee.

The mutilated statue was taken to Madrid, and given a place of



honour in a private chapel of a Countess. The priests and seminarians of the English College in Valladolid asked the Countess if they might make reparation for the behaviour of their fellow countrymen who had desecrated the statue. She agreed and the statue was brought to Valladolid and installed with great solemnity in the College Chapel in 1600.

Every year during Holy Week the statue is processed.

It was before this statue that the students of the English college made their vows before returning to their homeland and joining the English mission

*May Our Lady Vulnerata, and all our Martyr Saints intercede for us with the Lord that our students and benefactor's past and present may be helped and saved by Him.  
Amen.*

## Fr Martin Celebrates 25 Years of devoted Service to the Church (June 2019)

Fr Martin Francis Morris Spiritual Director of Medjugorje North East and Parish Priest of St. John Vianney, Newcastle (a Church dedicated to Patron Saint of Priests) & St Cuthberts Throckley,



In June Fr. Martin celebrated the Silver Jubilee of his priesthood on the solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus a day devoted to prayer for the sanctification of the clergy.

Fr. Martin was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle 25th June 1994 by Bishop Ambrose Griffiths at St. Mary's Cathedral Newcastle.

I was working for Royal Mail when the call to the Priesthood became very personal in my heart to serve Jesus said Fr. Martin. This call was supported by Family and friends and the local Church.

As our faith tells us it is Jesus who does the calling and the community supports the call and confirms it. So, the Church must have confidence that Christ will call eligible men if we create the condition for your men to hear the call.

Quoting St. John Vianney he added 'Priesthood is the love of the heart of

Jesus, and the priesthood only makes sense in this respect because the Priest is the extension of Christs Ministry'

Fr. Martin was a young altar server who served in St Patrick's, Ryhope when Fr. John Cooper was the Parish Priest. Fr. Cooper con-celebrated with 20 Priests and led the homily.

"Drawing his inspiration from Mary our heavenly Mother, he said like Mary that we need to say 'Yes to God The life in the Church.

Recently about 1,000 priests attended the Cure de Ars and the joy of the Priesthood was evident with them. What a pleasure it was to think that to be a priest is a great joy.

I want to thank so many of you gathered here today who pray for priests. The presence of so many people here is a remarkable witness to the priestly ministry you have carried out in their mist Fr. Martin.

I can say with confidence that there is no greater proof of God's love than to become a priest.

The renewal of the Church begins in the heart of the Priest.

Each sheep lost in sin should be of concern to us. As a Priest we are asked to renounce our comfort and be available for the people.

We ask for Fr martins good health and joy of his Priesthood. When a parish has a Eucharistic adoration, the fruit is vocation. So, let us pray for vocations."

Fr. Martins Brother, Vincent, and nephew travelled from San Jose California to celebrate the Silver

Jubilee joining their Mother, other brother Bernard and sister, along with many family

More than 400 parishioners from all the parishes Fr. Martin has served in the diocese were in attendance.

After the Mass there was a reception in a marquee with entertainment from Fr. Kevan Dorgan from the Lake District who played the accordion and sang and Fr. David Featherstone from Salford who played guitar and sang. There was Irish dancing by the Coward Siblings of Benton and a Malaalam liturgical dance by children from the Tyneside Association of Malyalees in Longbenton.

Fr. Martin has recited this prayer written by F. Kevin Scallion CM every day since his priestly ordination.

*Lord Jesus,  
You abide in the Father  
And you abide in me  
You anoint me with Your Spirit  
You seal me with your Priesthood  
You clothe me with your image  
Lord, speak through my voice  
Look through my eyes  
Listen through my ears  
Touch through my hands  
At the breaking of the bread  
May they recognise You not me  
May they hear You not me  
Fill my outstretched hands  
With Your Life  
Your Love  
Your Mercy  
And your healing  
Amen*

May this prayer inspire all those men who wish to join the priestly vocation to become more like Christ..

## **The Holy Father has opened a great door to Medjugorje**

August 1, 2019: Medjugorje's 30th International Youth Prayer Festival – Mladifest – began today. More than 50,000 young people and 500 priests are in attendance. The motto of this year's festival is "Follow Me" (Mk 10:21). At a press conference held this evening at Radio Medjugorje, the parish priest Fr Marinko Sakota OFM presented the Mladifest programme along with Apostolic Visitor, Archbishop Henryk Hoser, who spoke about the significance of Medjugorje in the Church and the Youth Festival.



"We are definitely in a new dynamic of new evangelization. I am personally and intimately convinced that Medjugorje offers a new model of new evangelization. Medjugorje is not under the direct banner of the Pontifical Council for New Evangelization, but is under the care of the State Secretariat of the Holy See. In May, the Holy See announced that it was allowed to organise official pilgrimages by parishes, dioceses, bishops, cardinals, and that they could be present at the festive celebrations. These these days we are witnessing this, which means that the Holy Father has opened a great door for entering Medjugorje," said Msgr Hoser.

## Distribution and Receiving Holy Communion in Medjugorje



[July 8, 2019] during the Italian Mass in Medjugorje (Parish of St. James), the priest responsible for the Italian pilgrims warned all the faithful:

‘By order of the Pontifical Delegate [Mons. Henryk Hoser], it will only be possible to receive Communion directly on the tongue, and no longer in the hands.’

The reason? Not only liturgical – they explained – but also practical, given that there are many cases in which someone, once he has taken the Consecrated Host in his hand, has hidden it in his pocket to then sell it maybe for a fee (they even tell me for 500 euros) to others....

There are also some crowds who think that the Host consecrated in Medjugorje is more ‘powerful’ than others. Madness!

Ana Shawl, pilgrim leader and head of the IIPG ( Internet International Prayer Group) Medjugorje wrote,

“As we know, the Church allows Holy Communion both ways, on the tongue and in the hand, but those of you who have been to Medjugorje know that not many received in the hand.

There are just too many people, so many pilgrims, and the number of pilgrims is growing these days.

It is just too risky to be giving Communion in the hand, as the priests and also the faithful find Consecrated Hosts in the pews, in books and on the floor, and also we have heard of people taking the Consecrated Hosts and selling them, which is just awful.”

Ana Shawl continued, “On that same note, for those going to Medjugorje, there is no hand-holding for the Our Father. The Sign of Peace is just brief, mainly to the person beside you. There are so many Holy Masses per day, with a strict time limit – to make sure all the languages are able to have Holy Mass in the mornings in their own language – so that is the main reason.

*Spirit of Medjugorje*

**Let us pray with the Holy Father:**

**Prayer Intention for  
SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Universal: The Protection of  
the Oceans**



“

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world’s seas and oceans.

”

*Pope Francis*



## Medjugorje Centre North East

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### MIDDLESBROUGH CENTRE FOR PEACE

### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2019

SEPTEMBER

### FLYING from NEWCASTLE

For further details please contact:  
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### MIDDLESBROUGH CENTRE FOR PEACE

### MEDJUGORJE EVENING

Friday 13th September 2019  
Friday 11th October 2019

JOHN PAUL CENTRE  
55 GRANGE ROAD,  
MIDDLESBROUGH, TS1 5AU

For further details please contact:  
Mrs Marie Bedingfield  
Tel: 01642 530739

### The rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary.

A spiritual renewal to facilitate the  
New Evangelisation  
“This is your Mother” (John 19:27)

The renowned statue of Our Lady of  
Walsingham arrives at -

The Diocese of Hexham &  
Newcastle 24th - 26th October 2019  
St Mary's Cathedral  
Clayton Street West,  
Newcastle.  
NE1 5HH

( Full details of the Dowry tour at  
www.dowrytour.org.uk )

### Dates for your Diary

#### September

**5th** St (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta  
**13th** St John Chrysostom  
**14h** Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**20th** St Andrew Kim & the Korean  
Martyrs  
**21st** St Mathew, Apostle  
**23rd** St Padre Pio of Pietreleina  
**24th** Our Lady of Walsingham  
**27th** St Vincent de Paul  
**30th** St Jerome

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**11th Oct** - Retreat at Minsteracres

*The Centre recognizes and accepts that the final authority regarding the apparitions at Medjugorje rests with the Holy See of Rome. We willingly submit to that judgement.*