

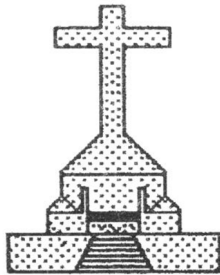
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given through the visionaries in Medjugorje.

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OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PRAY FOR US

**MEDJUGORJE
AFTERNOON OF PRAYER**

led by Fr. Martin Morris

**3rd Sunday of the month
4pm**

16th August 2026

20th September 2026

**Our Blessed
Lady Immaculate**
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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AFTERNOON OF PRAYER**

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From the 3rd Sunday in October
2026

18th October 2026

the afternoon of prayer will be
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4pm as usual

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OUR LADY'S MESSAGE—To the World

Given 25th July 2026 to Marija Pavlovic



“Dear children, While darkness and peacelessness rule in many hearts, you, little children, be prayer and my extended hands of love. Little children, place the Sacred Scripture in a visible place in your family and read it, so that it may be an encouragement for you to conversion and a new life; because Satan is strong and seduces hearts. Your hearts, through my maternal Heart, I desire to commend to the Heart of my Son Jesus, so that He, the Risen One, may reign in you and joy may begin to reign in you and around you. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

(With Ecclesiastical approval)

Reflection by Fr. Martin Morris

Spiritual Director of Medjugorje Centre NE

Dear Brother's and Sister's of Medjugorje North East and beyond, in many of her messages in Medjugorje Our Lady, Queen of Peace often refers to the importance of the 'Heart.'

Or 'Praying with the heart.' This spiritual theme runs through much of the spirituality in Medjugorje. In using this phrase Our Lady is referring to the inner person, the deepest part within us, the soul and the conscience, our inner sanctuary, where we decide for the good, or against. In this month's message Our Lady uses the word 'Heart/s' five times, and this is very important as we reflect on Our Lady's message. In every Mass we are invited to 'Lift up your hearts,' and St. Theresa once said, 'If God hasn't got your heart then he has nothing.' In this message Our Lady mentions your heart, her maternal heart, and the heart of her Son Jesus. The heart is the place of

life and love, and with these words Our Lady is inviting us to recognise the inter- personal relationship we enjoy in our lives of Faith with her and her Son Jesus. What is essential in our human relations is the inner attitude and not the outward appearance. We are all capable of duplicity, and our hearts can be divided, so Our Lady calls us to sincerity in our relationship with God, this is why the Scriptures place much emphasis on humility, and the invitation to become as 'little children' - a phrase Our Lady mentions twice in this message. This is what protects us from Satan, who Mary tells us is 'Strong.' He is the 'seducer of hearts.' So we have to come before God with a 'Humble and Contrite heart.' And ask him to create within us 'a pure heart'. (Psalm: 51). This is why Our Lady recommends monthly Confession, for the purification of our hearts. This

message continues to tell us to abandon our hearts to Our Lady so that she can commend them to her Son, so that he may reign in us. This means to come close to Our Lady, through the prayer of the Rosary, prayed from the heart. To make an act of Consecration to her Immaculate Heart, then God will be born anew in our hearts and Jesus, 'The Risen one' will reign in our hearts. This is what we ask God for each time we say the 'Our Father' 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' This is the promise given by Jesus, "Your Hearts will be full of Joy, and that Joy no one shall take from you." (John : 16 : 22.) In the face of darkness and peacelessness which Our Lady says is ruling in many hearts, Mary calls us to be people of Prayer and her extended hands of love. To put love, peace and Joy where they are absent. Let us all recommit ourselves to the voice of the Queen of Peace, who calls us to on going conversion of the heart.

A visible sign of our individual conversion of heart is recommended by Our Lady. ***"Little children, place the Sacred Scriptures in a visible place in your family and read it, so that it may be an encouragement for you to conversion and new life, because Satan is strong and seduces hearts."***

From the first apparition of Our Lady in Medjugorje, Mary has emphasised the importance of Sacred Scripture. The living word of God. Let us do as our Lady says. Let us make the word of God the first thing we do in the morning, and the last thing we do before going to bed. Determine a time, and take the Sacred Scriptures, maybe for fifteen – twenty minutes,

and prayerfully read it. Invoke the Holy Spirit, read slowly, not to seek information, but to listen to God speaking to you. "Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light for my path." (Psalm. 19.) If you have a daily missal, it is made very easy for you, as the Church offers us a daily Gospel for each day of the year. As Scripture says, ***"From his heart shall flow streams of living water."*** (John: 7: 37-38).

Living water that flows from the heart of Our Lady, and all her children who listen to her.

God Bless,
Fr. Martin.

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Our Lady

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REPORT FROM SISTER EMMANUEL

of The Community of The Beatitudes
www.sremmanuel.org

Medjugorje, July 17, 2026

Dear Friends, praise be to Jesus and Mary!

1. A unique grace! The novena leading up to the 45th anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions was widely followed in person and online. You can find the full account of Our Lady's messages from Apparition Hill on our website, www.sremmanuel.org as well as the videos filmed each evening by Mary TV. They are well worth watching—and re-watching—to draw closer to the Heart of Mary and to live in harmony with her immense desire to accompany us all the way to Heaven.



2. Cardinal Simoni roused the walls of St. James's church! It was the morning of June 23rd... after the Italian Mass, when this extraordinary witness to the faith prayed a prayer of liberation. He is an exorcist, but above all, he has suffered a lot for Christ and offered much to Him—so much so that the Enemy greatly fears him. Scarcely had he begun to pray when **inhuman shrieks rang out from the back of the church**, coming from a woman.

Then, another woman also began to scream. They were two possessed individuals who appeared calm before the prayer began.

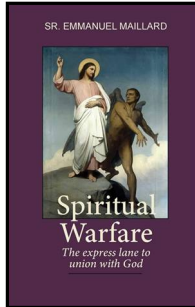
No sooner had the prayer ended when the Cardinal walked calmly to the back of the church and stepped outside with the two suffering individuals. **He then recited Pope Leo XIII's prayer of exorcism in Latin** over each of them, while strong men struggled to restrain them. This process took some time, during which the congregation prayed fervently and peacefully. Eventually, calm was restored, and the women returned to their normal state. It was reminiscent of the deliverance Jesus granted to the possessed man who lived among the tombs and who ultimately "regained his senses", and was freed from the legions of demons that had tormented him for years (Mark 5:1-21).



On that day, **the pilgrims present witnessed a scene from the Gospel unfold before their eyes.** It is not the first time this had happened in Medjugorje. Similar scenes occurred during the Blessed Mother's apparitions to Mirjana - on the second of the month at the Blue Cross—and

sometimes during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Rotunda around the church; for at such moments, the enemy of mankind breaks free and vents his hatred.

3. What had these people done to reach such a state of diabolical torment? That was the question on many people's minds! There are numerous practices found in the world today through which Satan can gain a foothold in us—even though we often turn to them out of ignorance. Being unaware of the dangers involved does not prevent the evil from harming the soul. That is why Our Lady urges us so strongly to read the Bible! Reading and living by the Word of God is essential; it is an excellent form of protection! (See Deuteronomy 18:9-13).



4. Mary invites us to return to the use of holy water, to bless our homes, and to pray as a family... **"Satan is strong and wants to destroy and deceive you in many ways."** (09/25/1990), she tells us. The path she has been proposing to us for 45 years is a clear one—the path of an exceptional mother who wants all of us in heaven with her. However, it is up to us to discern what harms the soul and to avoid rushing toward

trends that actually offer a false peace, a false serenity, a false light, a false happiness... True peace comes from the Living God! Jesus is our peace, and He imparts this peace to us in prayer, through the hands of Mary, the "Mediatrice of all graces."

"I am your peace; live by My commandments!" (Message given by the Infant Jesus during the Christmas apparition on December 25, 2012). Too many practices offer a peace without Jesus—a false peace without the Cross, a salvation without Jesus. **These are grave delusions that lead to much harm** and can eventually result in painful consequences. **The Sacrament of Confession**, received at least once a month, is essential for remaining firmly in the state of grace. Prayer, adoration, the Rosary, daily Bible reading, Holy Mass needs to be at the center of our lives...

The list of practices that endanger the soul would be long. From personal experience, I can cite the Ouija board and spiritism—such as table-turning and invoking spirits—activities I unfortunately engaged in at the age of fifteen out of ignorance.



A renowned exorcist from Rome (who passed away ten years ago), **Father Gabriele Amorth**, warns us against specific dangers.

Before blessing our homes, it is necessary to clear out whatever harms the soul: **"Throw out of your homes,"** he says, "Buddhas, pyramids, quartz, owls, Chinese lucky cats, African masks, Indian turtles, lucky charms, dreamcatchers, and anything else you bought in search of peace, prosperity, well-being, health, and harmony—they are imbued with negativity...!"

Things to be strictly avoided: body tattoos and incisions. It is written in the Bible: "Do not cut your bodies for the dead or put tattoo marks on yourselves." (Lev 19:28).

I recommend **reading Father Amorth's books carefully**. In them, you will find much clarity regarding practices to avoid and the ways to remain in God's grace—in the true light.



Warning: All exorcists are opposed to Reiki. It is not compatible with the Christian faith. "Those who practice Reiki fall into the sin of superstition and expose themselves to the influence of evil". The condemnation from the International Association of Exorcists (IAE) is fierce and unequivocal.

The topic of Yoga is important and complex, therefore it will be addressed in a future newsletter.

One day, a Protestant pastor asked Jesus why He had not provided a formula for deliverance in the Gospel. He received this reply: "I did give it to you! At the end of the Lord's Prayer, when you say, '**Deliver us from evil!**' In that petition, Evil is not an abstraction; rather, it refers to a being—Satan, the Evil One, the angel who opposes God and the work of salvation accomplished by Christ." What a beautiful invitation to pray the Lord's Prayer with faith and fervor!

5. The Catechism of the Catholic Church is clear on the question of evil. See the following paragraphs:

2116: All forms of divination are to be rejected: recourse to Satan or demons, conjuring up the dead or other practices falsely supposed to "unveil" the future (Cf. Deut 18:10; Jer 29:8). Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone.

2117: All practices of magic or sorcery, by which one attempts to tame occult powers, so as to place them at one's service and have a supernatural power over others - even if this were for the sake of restoring their health - are gravely contrary to the virtue of religion. These practices are even more to be condemned when accompanied by the intention of harming someone, or when they have

recourse to the intervention of demons. Wearing charms is also reprehensible. *Spiritism* often implies divination or magical practices; the Church for her part warns the faithful against it. Recourse to so-called traditional cures does not justify either the invocation of evil powers or the exploitation of another's credulity.

6. There are some important changes for the summer! On July 26th, there won't be a live stream, On August 26, I will provide an audio commentary on the message from July 25, in French, without a live broadcast.
Yann and I will happily resume our full live broadcasts on September 26.

7. Write to the Blessed Mother! Send your letters of thanks and prayer intentions to:

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Dearest Gospa, what joy it is for us to meet priests from whom the light of your Son, His power, and His mercy radiate! We pray that you intercede with us before the Father, asking Him to send us many holy priests! And we implore you to protect those we already have beneath your maternal mantle!

Sister Emmanuel,
Community of the Beatitudes

**Prayer of abandonment
inspired by the spirituality of
St. Therese of Lisieux**



My God, my Father,
I come to you as a little one,
fragile, imperfect,
but infinitely loved.
I don't want to fight or deserve any-
more,
I simply want to let myself be loved.
Like Teresa, I abandon myself in
your arms,
Fearlessly, unconditionally,
with the confidence of a child who
knows
that his Father is always looking at
him.
I don't understand everything, I don't
always see clearly,
But I choose to believe that your love
is enough for me.
I offer you my joys, my sorrows,
my impulses and my weaknesses,
my silences and my prayers.
I lay everything in you,
like a bunch of imperfections
that you transform into grace.
Take me, Lord,
lift me up in your elevator of love,
Take me where I can't go alone.
I don't want anything else
That stay in your heart
and tell you every day:
"I love you, I trust you, I abandon
myself to you"

**Youth Festival in Medjugorje
is an international prayer meeting for youth
(August 1—6th)**

The Youth Festival in Medjugorje is an international prayer meeting for youth held every year at the beginning of August (usually from August 1 to 6).



all accompanied by the animation of an international choir and orchestra composed of young people from about 30 countries.

The goal of this international prayer meeting is to show

The first Youth Festival was held in 1989, initiated by Fr. Slavko Barbarić and since then it has gathered tens of thousands of young people from all over the world. As the word about Medjugorje spread, so did the word about the Youth Festival, which for many years has attracted young people from all over the world.

Every year young people from about 80 countries participate in the prayer program filled with testimonies, catecheses, praying the Rosary, Holy Mass, Adoration, climbs of the hills,

young people, but also the world, that true rest is not possible without God, without prayerful community, without pure fellowship in brotherly love, and without sacrifice.

The Youth Festival program is translated every year into 20 world languages so all those who cannot come to Medjugorje can follow this international prayer program through the official YouTube channels of the Mir Medjugorje Information Center.

**Our Lady's Apparitions Today
(www.medjugorje.hr)**

On June 24, 1981, around 6 p.m., six young people from the parish of Međugorje—Ivanka Ivanković, Mirjana Dragičević, Vicka Ivanković, Ivan Dragičević, Ivan Ivanković, and Milka Pavlović—saw a white figure holding a child on the hill Crnica, in the area called Podbrdo. Surprised and frightened, they did not approach her closely.

The next day at the same time, June 25, 1981, four of them—Ivanka Ivanković, Mirjana Dragičević, Vicka

Ivanković, and Ivan Dragičević—felt strongly drawn to the place where they had seen Her the day before, whom they recognized as Our Lady. They were joined by Marija Pavlović and Jakov Čolo. The group of Međugorje visionaries was formed. They prayed and spoke with Our Lady.

From that day on, they had daily apparitions, together or separately. Milka Pavlović and Ivan Ivanković never saw Our Lady again.

Visionaries



Mirjana Dragičević-Soldo

She had daily apparitions from June 24, 1981, to December 25, 1982. On that day, entrusting her with the tenth secret, Our Lady told her that throughout her life she would have an apparition once a year—every March 18. Since August 2, 1987, according to her words, she hears Our Lady's voice within her on the second day of each month and prays with her for unbelievers. Sometimes she sees her. Mirjana is married, has two children, and lives with her family in Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to her by Our Lady: for unbelievers—those who have not come to know God's love.



Ivanka Ivanković-Elez

Born June 21, 1966, in Bijakovići, parish of Međugorje. She was the first to see Our Lady. She had daily apparitions until May 7, 1985. On that day, entrusting her with the tenth secret, Our Lady told her that throughout her life she would have an apparition once a year—on the anniversary of the apparition, June 25. Ivanka is married, has three children, and lives with her family in Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to her by Our Lady: for families.



Jakov Čolo

Born 6.3.1971 in Sarajevo. He had daily apparitions from 25.6.1981 to 12.9.1998. On that day, entrusting him with the tenth secret, Our Lady told him that throughout his entire life he would have an apparition once a year, on Christmas. Jakov is married, has three children, and lives with his family in Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to him by Our Lady: for the sick.



Ivan Dragičević

Born 25.5.1965 in Bijakovići, parish of Međugorje. He still has daily apparitions. Our Lady entrusted him with nine secrets.

Ivan is married, has four children, and lives with his family in the USA and in Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to him by Our Lady: for the youth and for priests.



Vicka Ivanković-Mijatović

Born 3.9.1964 in Bijakovići, parish of Međugorje. She still has daily apparitions. Our Lady entrusted her with nine secrets. Vicka is married, has two children, and lives in Krehin Gradac near Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to her by Our Lady: for the sick.



Marija Pavlović-Lunetti

Born 1.4.1965 in Bijakovići, parish of Međugorje. She still has daily apparitions. Through her, Our Lady sends a message to the parish and the world.

From 1.03.1984 to 8.1.1987, this was every Thursday, and from January 1987, every 25th of the month. Our Lady entrusted her with nine secrets. Marija is married, has four children, and lives with her family in Italy and in Međugorje.

The prayer intention entrusted to her by Our Lady:

Let us pray with the Holy Father:

Prayer Intention for August 2026

**‘For evangelization in the
city’**



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Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community

”

Pope Leo XIV

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