



CRUSADERS of MARY NEWSLETTER

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Persecution Continues Around the World

CHINA – There is increased government pressure on members of the underground Catholic Church to join the government-controlled Catholic “patriotic church”. Recently 16 priests (loyal to the Pope) were arrested by the police. Among them was Father Liao Haiqing, who has already spent 17 years in prison.

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ITALY – A priest, walking alone, spending some time in solitude and recollection, was accosted at gunpoint and taken to a secluded pine grove.

He was then warned that certain activities must be terminated. What was he doing that called for such a serious reprimand? Providing shelter for young women who were fleeing the mafia network of prostitution.

Of course the priest has every intention of continuing his mission of mercy even though his life may very well be at risk.

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TURKEY – The constitution guarantees freedom of belief and worship and it affirms the separation of religion and state. So if someone wanted to hand out New Testaments, without discussing their beliefs, there wouldn't be any problem, right? Wrong!

A citizen who did so was arrested for offenses against Islam and the prophet Mohammed. Islam, preferred by 99% of the population is, in fact, the state religion.

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The Annunciation

by Susan Claire Potts

What song was Thine, dear Lady, when
St. Gabriel came to tell
Of the Advent of the One Who would
Crush the bonds of hell?

What wonder overtook Thy heart,
Maria, Gracious One,
At Nazareth when the Angel said
That Thou shouldst bear the Son?

Moonlight shining through the door
Fell softly on Thy face;
Blessed beauty the Angel beheld in Thee,
God's Image wrought by grace.

Unsurpassed the honor given
To Thee, Immaculate One:
God's masterpiece was asked to be
The Mother of His Son.

Hush, ye owls and nightingales,
Hush, night creatures meek,
Be still, O whirling universe,
Hear the Virgin speak:

“*Fiat mihi*” Thou didst whisper,
“According to Thy Word,”

Sweet consent that brought the Savior
Was the answer Heaven heard.

Could the patriarchs in Limbo hear
The choirs of Angels sing
As crystalline stars danced light upon
The Mother of the King?

Gold bells rang out in Paradise,
Fine flutes were played on high,
A sacred symphony of love was heard
Beyond the midnight sky.

Kneel, ye mighty mountains,
Bend low, O forests green,
Let all creation spread its cape
In honor of the Queen.



Only I can help you.

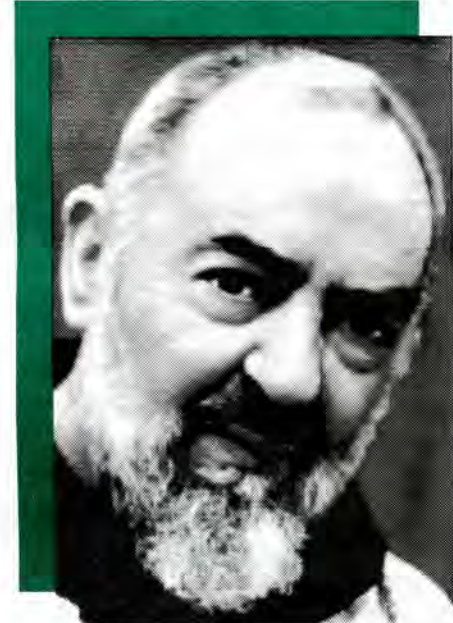
New Miracle For Padre Pio

The Roman newspaper *Il Messaggero* reported that a study is now underway concerning the scientifically inexplicable cure of a child who claims to have seen Padre Pio in a dream. If this miracle is deemed genuine, it will be the third and final miracle needed for the canonization of Padre Pio, which could take place some time next year.

The reported miracle surrounds an eight-year-old boy from San Giovanni Rotondo, the town where Padre Pio lived for over 50 years.

Matteo Pio (his surname was not given for reasons of privacy) was stricken with meningitis on January 20, 2001. His father, a doctor, placed him immediately in the Home for the Relief of Suffering, the hospital founded by Padre Pio. The boy's case was so severe that the doctor's initial diagnosis left no hope. The boy was going to die.

Twelve days later, however, Matteo woke up in his hospital bed as if nothing had happened. The doctors have not been able to explain this phenomenon. The boy said that while he was in a coma he dreamed of Padre Pio who smiled at him.



The case is now being studied by five doctors of the medical commission of the Vatican Congregation for the causes of Saints. So far, the cure is inexplicable.

If the commission's final judgment is favorable, the case will then be studied by a theological commission, and later, by a commission of Cardinals and Bishops of the Congregation.

If these two commissions confirm the direct relationship between the cure and Padre Pio, then the miracle will be declared worthy of being used for the canonization of Padre Pio.

The postulator of the cause for Padre Pio's canonization has received two other cases of seemingly miraculous cures that could be presented to request his canonization.

The first concerns Giorgio Rinzivilo, 22, from Modica, Italy, who came out of what seemed an irreversible coma, suffered as the result of an April 1999 traffic accident.

The second is the case of Antonio Trabucco, a retired gentleman residing in Naples. He was cured from partial paralysis in June 1999.

Blessed Padre Pio lived from 1887 to 1968. He was renowned for his many miracles, his legendary fights with the devil, his being at two places at one time

(bilocation), and his ability to predict the future.

He also had the gift of reading souls in the confessional, and to tell the penitents, accurately, the secret sins they had failed to confess.

For 50 years, Padre Pio bore the mystical stigmata, the bleeding wounds of Christ, on his hands, feet and side. He offered this suffering for the salvation of souls. During the holy friar's lifetime, thousands of Catholics flocked from all over the world to attend his Mass and receive from him the Sacrament of Confession.

Padre Pio was beatified at the Vatican on May 2, 1999. The event was attended by an estimated 200,000 people and was called "the most popular beatification in history".

THE ROSARY SOLVES ALL PROBLEMS

Sister Lucy, speaking to Father Fuentes in the authentic December 26, 1957, interview said regarding the Holy Rosary:

"Look, Father, the Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given *new efficacy* to the recitation of the Holy Rosary. She has given this efficacy to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or, above all, spiritual, in the personal

life of each one of us, of our families, of the families in the world, or of the religious communities, or even of the life of peoples and nations that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary.

"With the Holy Rosary, we will save ourselves. We will sanctify ourselves. We will console Our Lord and obtain the salvation of many souls."



Apostles of the Green Scapular:

The many miracles of conversion worked by God through Mary's Green Scapular are positive proof that we can save millions of souls simply by using prayer and this unique sacramental. Heaven is inviting us to work miracles in our lives and those of our loved ones.

All members of the *Apostles of the Green Scapular* have a special commitment to glorify Our Lady by converting and saving souls through Her Green Scapular. To help us achieve our goal, we have set our number one priority this year as putting together a Green Scapular Workshop where volunteers can produce thousands of Scapulars per week at a fraction of the cost of buying them from outside sources. We have the volunteers ready and waiting to do the work, but we need to raise the funds necessary to buy the machinery and materials to produce and distribute these "miracle makers" by the millions.

We have many helpers who will distribute the Green Scapular and over 300 people who will make Green Scapulars, and we are grateful to each and every one of you for your assistance.

If you have not already joined the *Apostles of the Green Scapular*, please do so now by calling us at 1-800-263-8160 or writing to us at the address on page 4 of this Newsletter.

Green Scapular Miracle:

Dear Father Gruner,

I would like to tell you of our devotion and experience with the Green Scapular.

Our three boys attended a boys' school in New Orleans. The school roof was being repaired and something minute blew off and hit our eight-year-old son on the eyeball. The eye looked fine when he got home, but he complained of a headache. I gave him an aspirin and he took a nap. He said that his eye hurt when he awoke. I checked his eye and the iris was all black. We took him to emergency. He was admitted to the hospital and immediately sedated. We were told they would try to save his eyeball, that was all we could hope for. He was blind in his eye. It was hemorrhaging from behind the eye, and the sight was completely gone.

The next morning when I dropped our other two boys at school, I went in the convent to tell Sister what had happened and that he would be out of school for some time. She asked me to wait a while, when she returned, she gave me a Green Scapular and the brochure that accompanies it. She told me to put the Scapular on his bed post and say the prayer on it and that the nuns would pray for him too. I promised the Blessed Mother I would distribute the Green Scapular if She would please save my child's eye. He was hospitalized for over a month.

On April 7, 2001, he was 51 years old. He has both eyes, has never worn glasses and he sees out of both eyes. He

may need reading glasses soon. He carries his Scapular on his person all the time.

I have been distributing the Scapular ever since — he was eight years old at the time.

The first Green Scapulars I purchased were 5¢ each, including the brochure. Over the years they have increased in price. The last ones I bought in December were 40¢ each.

I will be delighted to help in making the Scapulars. I am hoping to get the help of some of the ladies at our parish center.

Please accept my check in the amount of twenty five dollars for the kits - send me 4 please. Use the remaining \$15.00 to send kits to someone who doesn't have the funds to pay for them. Thank You. Mrs. S, Louisiana

From the Editor: If you have a Green Scapular miracle that you would like to share with other members, please send it to us at the address on page 4 of this Newsletter.

Chronology of a Cover-Up:

The booklet *Chronology of a Cover-Up* has been updated to include the latest events in the silencing of the Fatima Message. It is currently being formatted and will be sent to be printed shortly. We continue to pray that funds will be available to mail this out to you and other members as soon as it is available.

Seminaries Receive Books:

Nothing is ever perfect, and that includes the condition of books shipped to us by both publisher and printer. Sometimes it is the discoloration of water damage on the page edges. Other times it is a torn or marked cover. However, we did find a good use to put them to. Again, through the wonderful help of others, these books are shipped to seminaries in Third World countries for their libraries. Recently, a call for help from a retreat center in Nigeria gave us another opportunity to pass on the traditional teaching of the Church by supplying some of these books for a library there.

Rosary Rallies:

As Rally attendance continues to soar, so does devotion to our Blessed Mother. Recently, we traveled to New Hampshire where hundreds met and prayed with Father Nicholas Gruner. All bowed their heads in silent contemplation as they prayed for the Blessing of Our Lady.

Both young and old alike held the Rosary that was so dear to their heart tightly, as they prayed in unison. Do not miss Father when he comes to your area. This summer and autumn we plan to travel to Toronto, Ontario; San Antonio, Texas; New Orleans, Louisiana, Pittsburg, PA, and other locations not yet finalized! Come and join us as we pray the Rosary, listen to talks by Father Gruner and special guests, and get enrolled in the Brown Scapular.

CRUSADERS of MARY



Reader Mail

Dear Father Gruner,

Thank you for your information on Fatima. Yesterday I had a conversation with a lady, and discussed the consecration of Russia. She said that it had been done and I informed her that it had not been done as yet. She stated that all the information she had said that the consecration had been accomplished, but I rebutted her statement that it had not. I can understand your frustration about the disinformation going on in the published circles about this deed. But I know that much is so wrong and many people are being deceived by the media and many related projects. Keep up your good work Father.

Last year I had open heart surgery (5-way bypass, and a mitral valve replacement, the second time) and I prayed for you during my recovery. You are always in my prayers and thoughts. It must be extremely difficult for you to undergo such persecution, but with Our Lady's help, I know that you will survive the onslaught of the devil.

God bless you Father, and I keep you always in my prayers. Thank you for getting out the message of Fatima, without you we would not have the truth.

Sincerely, Muriel (via the Internet.)

Dear Father Gruner,

I am living proof that the Blessed Virgin Mary does answer prayers, especially if the Rosary is recited EVERY DAY! If only those who do not pray to the Virgin could realize that FACT!

It's very sad that all of our Christian brothers and sisters who are non-Catholics do not recognize Mary. Their response is always based on what is not in the Bible, but fail to recognize Fatima or Lourdes.

God bless you for defending our Blessed Mother's efforts to convert the lost souls including which was once my own.

Bob, Colorado.

Thank you Father Gruner,

I am so glad you answered. I was awake until 2:00 a.m. this morning reading *The Fatima Crusader*. I was reading about the deplorable conditions in Russia and the other articles about the Third Secret. I have, for many months, been concerned that you are so persecuted for the Faith and I urge you to be patient and know that you are loved.

Sincerely, Donna (from the Internet.)

Dear Father Gruner,

I am very grateful to you for the tireless and fearless work you do and I keep you and your apostolate in my prayers.

It is my belief that you are doing the most important job in the world at this time. Do not cave in. I will make a greater effort to pray for the success of the Conference in Rome in October.

Cathy, Idaho.

When I say Hail Mary:

The

court of Heaven rejoices
and the earth is lost in
wonderment;

And I despise the world and
my heart is brim-full of the
love of God.

All my fears wilt and die,
and my passions are quelled.

Devotion grows within me
and sorrow for sin awakens.

Hope is made strong in my breast and the
dew of consolation falls on my soul more and
more;

And my spirit rejoices and sorrow fades
away.

Blessed Alan de la Roche

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