

Our Lady of Victories Church

(serving Harrington Park, River Vale and the Pascack/Northern Valley)

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WELCOME

Sunday, August 21, 2022 A.D.

To the Parish Family of
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES

The Little Church with a BIG Heart

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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:00pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions

First Saturday: 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Saturday: 12:00pm, Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Anthony: Tuesday

St. Joseph: Wednesday

St. Jude: Thursday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

St. Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & after 12:00Noon Mass



THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

Mon.-Sat.: 7:30-7:50am. Saturday: 11:00-11:50am; 3:00-3:45pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

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Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

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Please call the rectory for an appointment.

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Sick calls at any time in emergency.

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Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.

PLEASE NOTE !!!! -Adoration for Summer Months

For the months of July and August Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration will take place **only on First Friday and First Saturday**. There will be no Tuesday, nor Thursday Adoration, nor First Thursday Holy Hour in July and August.

However

You can always VISIT our Lord PRESENT in the tabernacle.



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Fr. Wojciech's Corner...

On this weekend of the Queenship of Mary we welcome in our parish Sister Liceria Sayon, Vocations Director of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist. Every year Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal (Propagation of the Faith) sends us a missionary who will be asking for our assistance. Sister Liceria will speak about the missionary work done by the Baptistine Sisters in the Philippines. So the second collection this weekend will be to support the Sisters in their missionary work. Your participation and generosity to today's second collection is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

We are now in the last days of summer and vacations. I hope that you all enjoyed some time of rest. It is also a time for many of our college students to return back to their respective colleges. Some of them will leave their families for the first time. It is not easy for them, nor for their families. We keep you in our prayers. In so many places there are great Catholic Cardinal Newman Centers and other Catholic organizations. For more info' visit cardinalnewmansociety.org - a great Catholic resource. Always remember that the Lord, your true companion, will assist you. Do not forget Him, and He will be your best support. Godspeed to All.

**As we celebrate the Queenship of Mary
may Mary reign over our lives!**

**GREAT WAYS
TO SPEND SUMMER** with kids
DAILY MASS & ROSARY
read Bible stories from Books of Genesis, Exodus, Judges,
1 and 2 Samuel, Judith, Ruth, Esther and Daniel and Jonah
LIVES OF SAINTS by Alban Butler,
Online resources <http://www.sacred-texts.com/chr/lots/index.htm>
Google your birthday saint, Baptism, 1st Holy Communion,
Graduation, Confirmation, wedding, etc.
You can also travel virtually to the places where they lived -
SO MUCH FUN + INSPIRATION

SUMMER CHURCH DRESS

Dress up for the Lord, HE IS THE LORD. Show Him your love also with your clothes. Love the Lord with all your ... dress.

GOING ON VACATION with God not without

Visit www.masstimes.org for the locations of Catholic Churches and a Mass schedule, throughout the USA.

Jesus asked one thing from us!!!

On His last night of earth (Holy Thursday) Jesus asked His disciples one thing – to stay awake with Him for one hour. Come spend some time with Our Lord Present in the Tabernacle. What a great way to truly REST.

CCD Registration 2022-2023 is open. First things first. Register as parish members on our web olvhp.org, click on *Faith Formation*, choose first time registration. Returning students choose renewal registration. For more information email olvhpccd@gmail.com or call 201-768-1400. Deadline is August 31st. After that, there is a late fee. Classes begin in September.

Harrington Park
Farmers market
SUNDAYS
10AM-2PM
Highland Field



**Queenship
of
Mary
August 22**

Reign over our hearts



Holy Trinity Crowning Mary

"The Holy Virgin is, by her motherhood, queen of the whole universe. For, if she is a mother, she is naturally heiress of the entire patrimony of the Son" (E. Hugon). Thus, today's feast reminds us that we can turn to Mary in every need, counting on her intercession and mediation. Saint Maximilian Kolbe wrote that Mary "has a right to be loved as Queen of all hearts so that through her, hearts would be cleansed and themselves become immaculate, similar and like unto her own heart, and so worthy of union with God." The Queenship of Mary invites us to love Christ by loving and serving His mother. - *Magnificat*

DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE
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Fr. Michael Schmitz or
Jason and Crystalina Evert speak
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Four Tips for Catholic College Students

Abridged from: timeonthemountaintop.blogspot.com/2015/08/5-tips-for-catholic-college-students.html

- 1) Make Time for Prayer:** Conversation (talking and *listening*) with God is one thing that can keep the craziness that is college life in check. However, prayer is usually the first thing that gets shoved to the back burner once college starts for me...Pencil in time with God for a certain time during the day and keep that appointment.
- 2) Emphasize Christ-Centered Friendships:** The word for 'religion' and the word for 'relationship' have the same root - there's a reason. No man is an island, especially in the sea of college life. Find friends who are going to hold you accountable, who are going to challenge your faith life and who are going to push you towards Christ. Develop friendships centered in your most mutual friend - Christ.
- 3) Reach out and don't be afraid to evangelize:** Your Catholic faith is going to be challenged. It's inevitable - someone is going to ask you why you're Catholic...Regardless of where it is, don't be afraid to be blatantly Catholic. The world needs more Catholic nerds - embrace it.
- 4) Find your devotion:** Find something to keep you grounded in your faith life...It could come in many different forms - maybe you're going to make it to morning Mass two times a week. Or say a rosary every day. Or learn more about the saints. Start a Bible study together, or meet to say a novena. But have a game plan and stick to it.

Pray for Those in the Military

US Army

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RRT Specialist James Crumb
Specialist Peter Dippolito
Major Michael Franson
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene
Private First Class Sean Keohane
Captain Shawn Linn
Colonel John McLaughlin
Captain John G. Miele
1st Lieutenant Joseph W. Niece

US Air Force

Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn

US Marine Corps.

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Sergeant Matthew Brady
1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo
Private Mark Fredrick
Lance Corporal Thomas Iafrate
Captain Stephen Ikalowych
1st Lieutenant J.P. Maher
Private Cody McGrath

US Navy

Lt. Commander Julia Cheringal
Lieutenant Jonathan Clemente
Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger
Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger
Airman Cody Massa

Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray for Our Sick

Please *Pray* in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the *sick of the Parish* may be restored to health and all those who *assist and care* for the sick will be given the *strength* to continue *God's Will*: baby Cordelia, baby Emmet Fischer, baby Jonathan, baby Joseph, little boy Antonio, Michael Baruch, Phyllis Bloomer, Richard Bolton, Robert Brawley, Paul Brennan, Dominic Carini, Kevin Columbo, Paul Corbett, Marie D'Ascenzo, Maryann Dean, Vincent DePaola, Marge Devitt, Carl Falasca, Michael Fallon, Dan Filippone, Jeremy Fillis, Christine Flatt, Mary Foley, Phil Gangusa & Vicky Ferrara, Ken Grier, Amy Hartwell, Martin & Mavis Ince, Dianne Kaiser, Gerald Kasper, Peter Kellar, Pat Kissane, Joseph Koch, Mary Lowe, Robert Mayer, James McGary, Michael McMahon, Kim McWilliams, Gianna Moscatello, Rose Marie Myers, Natalie Niebergall, John Pal, Tom Paskewich, Joan Phalon, Carice Prince, Elaine Punziano, William Ragu, Phyllis Ragusa, Ryan Reid, Fr. John Renard, Debra Rendon, Bruce Michael Ricciardi, Louise Ricciardi, Vincent Ricciardi, Veronica Romanchuk, Beth Sacco, Samantha Sconzo, Peggy Sheddin, Charles Touw, Aileen Vassar, Michael Wallace, Howard Walsh, Megan Weingarten, Hope White, Maria Williams, Daniel Wu, Mary Young, Brian, Carla, Chris, Christina, Dierdre, Edward, Elba, Jennifer, Joann, Karen, Lauren, Lisa, Lou, Lucas, Lynn, Mary, Margaret, Michelle, Patrick, Paul, Peter, Robert, Remy and Silvie, Samantha, Sean, Sharon, Steven, Tina W., Tom, Tara M..

FRIDAYS outside Lent

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of Penance. Each individual should abstain from meat or may substitute some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

In failing to confess, Lord, I would only hide You from myself, not myself from You. - Saint Augustine

Our Lord told **St. Margaret Mary Alacoque** that individuals should go to confession at a minimum once a month. This sacrament is offered EVERY DAY Monday thru Saturday at 7:30AM-7:50AM, EVERY Saturday from 11:00AM-11:50AM and 3:00PM-3:45PM, as well as every First Friday at 6:00PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions by appointment.

SOLID CATHOLIC RADIO

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Mass Intentions

Monday, August 22 - Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Francis Pommert R/b the Pommert Family
12:00 Robert Stajek R/b the Zaccaro Family

Tuesday, August 23 – St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

8:00 George Lyddon R/b Stephen and Robin Hartman
12:00 Raphael F. Longobardi R/b the Longobardi Family

Wednesday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 Mary Pantalon R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich
12:00 Stanley Wiklinski - 1st Anniversary R/b Barbara Wiklinski

Thursday, August 25 – St. Louis of France

8:00 Mary Pantalon R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich
12:00 Anna Lucia Arias R/b Maria Arias

Friday, August 26 - St. Caesarius of France, Bishop of Arles

8:00 Ann Naughton R/b the Barrett Family
12:00 Intentions of Marylene and Anthony d'Jamoos R/b Joan Crowley

Saturday, August 27 - St. Monica of Africa—Patron of Mothers

8:00 Patrick Driscoll R/b Michele and Rich Perez
12:00 Intentions of Ivan Dragicevic R/b Joan Crowley
4:00 Maritez Sita R/b Barbara Sita
5:00 Margherita Ciccone R/b Samantha Melia

Sunday, August 28 – St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor

7:00 John Ignoffo R/b Muhammad and Alicia Awais
8:00 Agnes, Florence and Lillian Foley R/b the Foley Family
9:30 Joan Schweizer - 1st Anniversary R/b Dennis and Kathleen Falotico
10:45 Mary Jane Capobianco R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich
12:00 John Oakes R/b Andrew and Marcia Oakes
1:00 George Pagnotta R/b Cathy Ryan
6:00 People of the Parish

Sanctuary Memorials (this week)

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of **Marian**

Zanetti, r/b Jeanne Marie Walsh

The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp will burn for the repose of the

soul of **Lydia Mohsenin**, r/b the Dunn Family.

The Saint Joseph Votive Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of

Clare Burruano, r/b Mike and Maria Hellrigel.

The Hosts and Wine which will become the Body and Blood of our Lord

Jesus Christ at Holy Mass this week have been donated in memory of **Patricia Rube**, by Tom and Ria Ragusa, .

Flower & Sanctuary Offerings

If you would like to donate flowers for the Altar, Bl. Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, call the rectory. Flowers, Bread and Wine, the Bl. Virgin Mary and St. Joseph Votive Lamps and Sanctuary Lamp in the Church can be dedicated on a weekly basis.

My Parish—My Responsibility

Thank you to those who so generously continue to support our parish by mailing in your donations. At the same time, we understand that some have been laid off from their work or are experiencing decreased income and are unable to continue their donations at this time. *Donations/offering envelopes may be mailed to OLV Rectory, 81 Lynn Street, Harrington Park, NJ 07640. Thank you for your generosity.*

NOT REGISTERED YET? NEW TO THE AREA? If you are, why not join our ever-growing Parish family. You may register via our parish website olvhp.org. PLEASE, if you change your address or phone number, let us know! Many times people ask for recommendation letter or sponsor eligibility letter. Become a registered member of our parish.

REQUIREMENTS for GODPARENTS

Godparents play a very important role in your child's spiritual life as role models of the faith. They should support not only the child, but the parents as well. Additionally, in their role as godparent, they represent the larger Church community and this is a tremendous responsibility. The Church has provided guidelines to help parents choose the best possible godparents for their children. In recognizing the importance of the godparent and their duties:

Godparent/Sponsor must be at least 16 years old.

Godparent/Sponsor must be in good standing with the Catholic Church. Must be a practicing Catholic (*attend Sunday Mass weekly*). Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. If married, must be married in the Catholic Church. If single, not living with significant other, nor married civilly only.

Godparent/Sponsor cannot be the candidate's parent. Each child only requires one Godparent. If you wish to have two Godparents there must be one female and one male. (Canon Law 872-874)

NEED BAPTISM, FIRST COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION

If you want to become a Roman Catholic or complete your Initiation into the Church, the RCIA is for you! For more information, phone the rectory. *Adult Catholics* who have not yet celebrated *Confirmation*, should also contact the rectory for preparation class information.

Catholic Daughters Gladys Heyliger / Mary Carley Scholarship: CDA Court 1639 is offering a \$1000 scholarship to an 8th grade student entering a Catholic High School in September. For an application, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Dr. Marie Woke, 20 Kensington Court, Norwood, NJ 07648.

Trip to Lancaster, PA: Club 60, Harrington Park's senior group is sponsoring an overnight trip to Lancaster, PA on November 15th & 16th. Cost for nonmembers is \$319 - incl's, overnight lodging, 1 dinner & breakfast. The Sights & Sounds Theater, American Music Hall Show, Kettle Kitchen & Tanger Outlets. Call Phyllis 201-768-5753 or Mary Ann 201-214-9804.

Cancer Support Group: Prayer-based group meets first and third Thursdays, 4PM-5PM at Our Lady of Sacred Heart School, Tappan, NY. For information call Maureen Barbey 914-646-6014.

Someone You Know Addicted? Nar-Anon Family Groups in North Jersey. www.naranonofnj.org

Array of Hope: Check out all that we have been up to on social media & make sure to follow us on all of our platforms to stay up to date! We are on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

New Hope Gala is Back-Celebrating 35+ Years of Supporting First Time Single Moms & Their Babies * Thurs. October 6, 2022, 6:30-10:30PM, Seasons Banquet Hall in Washington Twp. \$100 Presale; \$125 after Sept. 10. Reservations: Kathy Turlick 201-519-5149 kturlick@gmail.com or the Center M-F 9-2 @201-722-4705

Clothing Bins: Please donate clothes, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, toys, & children's books. Please place donations INSIDE the bins (sometimes you have to push it in). Do not leave items outside. If you have any concerns please call the phone number on the outside of the bins.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. We celebrate the Queenship of Mary on August 22nd.
2. We celebrate Mary as the Queen of Heaven and Earth.
3. Pope Pius XII instituted the Feast of the Queenship of Mary.
4. Saint Monica is the mother of Saint Augustine.

saint Mother & Son

St Monica - Mother of St. Augustine

Patron Saint of difficult marriages, homemakers, and mothers

Saint Monica was born in 333. As soon as she was old enough she was married to Patricius, a pagan citizen of Tagaste. Although Patricius was a difficult man, she bore all trials with great patience. Monica's example and influence resulted in Patricius' conversion to Christianity. He died a year after his baptism, leaving Monica a widow at 40.

Saint Monica's cross in life was the conduct of her son Augustine, who was 17 when his father died. She wept, she fasted and she prayed long and fervently for his conversion.

When he left her in Africa to go to Italy, she followed him and found him in Milan. In Milan, Monica befriended the great Saint Ambrose, who played a key role in Augustine's conversion. The seed of her prayers bore fruit when Augustine abandoned his sinful life, was baptized, and decided to return to North Africa as a Christian leader. Her son had come home to the Church and was returning to his native land. Her life's mission accomplished, Saint Monica died in her late fifties in the Roman port of Ostia, while waiting to board the ship to cross over to Africa. Her remains are now found in the Basilica of Saint Augustine in central Rome. Her feast day is August 27th. -**Lives of the Saints; My Catholic Life!**

St. Augustine - August 28th

Patron of those who struggle with the 6th commandment, the Confused, the Lost, the Theologians, GREAT SAINT TO PRAY TO

This famous son of St. Monica was born on November 13, 354 in Africa and spent many years of his life in wicked living and in false beliefs. Though he was one of the most intelligent men who ever lived and though he had been brought up a Christian, his sins of impurity and his pride darkened his mind so much, that he could not see or understand the Divine Truth anymore. Through the prayers of his holy mother and the marvelous preaching of St. Ambrose, Augustine finally became convinced that Christianity was the one true religion.

He was baptized, became a priest, a bishop, a famous Catholic writer, Founder of religious orders, and one of the greatest saints that ever lived. He became very devout and charitable, too. On the wall of his room he had the following sentence written in large letters: "Here we do not speak evil of anyone." St. Augustine overcame strong heresies, practiced great poverty and supported the poor, preached very often and prayed with great fervor right up until his death. "Too late have I loved You!" he once cried to God, but with his holy life he certainly made up for the sins he committed before his conversion. His humility prompted him to write his Confessions about the year 397, and from this work we have a detailed account of his early life. His feast day is August 28th. —**Lives of the Saints; www.Catholic.org**

"You spoke to your son about God now is the time to speak to God about your son."
-**St. Ambrose to St. Monica**

Will you ever understand HER ?

Suppose your mother baked a pie and there were seven of you - your parents and five children. What part of the pie would you get?" a teacher asked a boy. The unexpected answer was forthright. "A sixth," replied the boy. The teacher immediately replied, "I'm afraid you don't know your fractions. Remember, there are seven of you." "Yes, teacher," said the boy, "but you don't know my mother. Mother would say she didn't want any pie.

5 Reasons Mary Should Reign as the Queen of Your Heart

Why should you devote yourself to the Blessed Mother? On this feast of the Queenship of Mary, I've provided just a few reasons why she should be the "queen" of your heart:

1) Many of the greatest saints devoted their hearts to Mary. There are countless saints who devoted themselves to the Blessed Mother, but here are just a few examples: St. Louis de Montfort wrote many books in honor of the Blessed Mother, including *True Devotion to Mary*, *The Secret of the Rosary*, and *The Secret of Mary*. He said, "The greatest saints, those richest in grace and virtue will be the most assiduous in praying to the most Blessed Virgin, looking up to her as the perfect model to imitate and as a powerful helper to assist them." St. Therese of Lisieux, another doctor of the Church, said, "In trial or difficulty I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear." St. Pio of Pietrelcina, a Franciscan priest and mystic, who also had the gift of the stigmata, said, "Let us bind ourselves tightly to the Sorrowful Heart of our Heavenly Mother and reflect on its boundless grief and how precious is our soul."

2) Jesus gave her to us as our mother. At the foot of the cross, Jesus put His mother into the hands of St. John. "When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple there whom He loved, He said to his mother, 'Woman, behold, your son.' Then He said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his home." (Jn. 19:26-27) St. John represents the entire human race; therefore, Mary is our spiritual mother as well.

3) She is the "Mediatrice of All Graces". The Second Vatican Council said, "in suffering with Him as He died on the cross, she cooperated in the work of the Savior, in an altogether singular way, by obedience, faith, hope, and burning love, to restore supernatural life to souls. As a result, she is our Mother in the order of grace." (*Lumen Gentium*, 61-62). In his encyclical *Adiutricem*, Pope Leo XIII explained that the power "put into her hands is all but unlimited." In Pope Pius X's encyclical, *Ad Diem Illud Laetissimum*, he said that Mary is the "Dispensatrix of all the gifts that Our Savior purchased for us by His Death and by His Blood." He also quotes St. Bernardine of Sienna, saying that Mary "is the neck of Our Head, by which He communicates to His mystical body all spiritual gifts." How incredible are the graces we can receive from our most Holy and Blessed Mother!

4) She leads us to Jesus. When we are devoted to Mary, our love for Jesus increases because her greatest desire is to lead us to Him. St. Louis de Montfort wrote in his book, *True Devotion to Mary*: "All our perfection consists in being conformed, united, and consecrated to Jesus Christ; and therefore, the most perfect of all devotions is, without any doubt, that which the most perfectly conforms, unites, and consecrates us to Jesus Christ. Now, Mary being the most conformed of all creatures to Jesus Christ, it follows that, of all devotions, that which most consecrates and conforms the soul to our Lord is devotion to His holy Mother, and that the more a soul is consecrated to Mary, the more is it consecrated to Jesus."

5) She is our perfect pathway to holiness. As St. Louis de Montfort said above, "all our perfection consists in being conformed, united and consecrated to Jesus Christ." Mary's ability to bring us closer to her Son draws us to greater holiness, because she was completely sinless. Pope Paul VI said in *Lumen Gentium*, "But while in the most holy Virgin the Church has already reached that perfection whereby she is without spot or wrinkle, the followers of Christ still strive to increase in holiness by conquering sin. And so they turn their eyes to Mary who shines forth to the whole community of the elect as the model of virtues."

With all this said, there are many ways we can devote ourselves to the Blessed Mother. We can pray the *Rosary*, the *Angelus*, consecrate ourselves to Jesus through Mary or practice the *Seven Sorrows Devotion* or the *Five First Saturdays* devotion. The list goes on!

-Churchpop Editor, August 22

The Queenship of Mary

When Pope Pius XII instituted the Feast of the Queenship of Mary in 1954, it was celebrated on May 31, which is now the Visitation of Elizabeth by Mary. When Pope Paul VI promulgated the current Roman Calendar in 1969, this feast was transferred to August 22 to close the octave or eight-day celebration of Mary's Assumption. These two Marian Feasts – Her Assumption into Heaven which we celebrated last week, and her Queenship or Coronation this week are very Christ-centered celebrations. Without Christ the King, there could be no Queenship of Mary. Incidentally, in ancient times, the Queen was not the King's wife; she was the King's mother. Mary's Queenship highlights her dignity and full glorification. In Mary's Queenship we see the fulfillment of the promise made to all her Son's disciples, "If we persevere, we shall also reign with Him." (2 Timothy 2:11). She who cared for the Infant Christ and taught Him to know, love and serve God, and who even stood beneath His cross to ease His dying pain, deserves the great honor of "reigning with Christ." As mother of the messianic King who now sits on the throne of David and rules over His Kingdom, the Church declares Mary to be our Queen and mother. Since Mary is "the lowly handmaid," who was raised to glory, according to her Son's promise, "those who humble themselves shall be exalted." From her place at her Son's side, Mary now intercedes for the Church with a mother's love. The Church first experienced Mary's powerful intercession in the Upper Room, where she gathered with the Apostles to await the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. After the Holy Spirit descended on them at Pentecost, scripture falls silent on Mary's role in the Church, but our Catholic Tradition has always taught that Mary remains with the Church, "following its progress homeward until the day of the Lord dawns in splendor." How can we be sure of this? As her Son hung upon the Cross, He saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved. Jesus said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son." Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." St. John's Gospel, chapter 19 verse 27 then adds, "And from that hour on the disciple took her into his home." Jesus meant these words for us! Have you taken Mary into your home?

PROMISES OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

"**Pray the Rosary every day**, in order to obtain peace for the world, and the end of the war... If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace... If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace... In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she will be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world. In Portugal, the dogma of Faith will always be preserved... He (Jesus) wants to establish in the world, devotion to my Immaculate Heart. I promise salvation to those who embrace it, and these souls will be loved by God, like flowers placed by me to adorn His throne... The moment has come in which God asks the Holy Father, in union with all Bishops of the world, to make the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, promising to save it by this means." **Words of OUR LADY at Fatima**

KIDZ KORNER

1. What date is the feast of the Queenship of Mary?
2. What do we celebrate on the feast of the Queenship of Mary?
3. What pope instituted the Feast of the Queenship of Mary?
4. Who is the saint mother of Saint Augustine, whose prayers for the conversion of her son were answered? **Answers on page 4.**

It has been my experience that when you really come to the Lord, He never sends you away empty unless you come to Him stuffed full of yourself.

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