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#### SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

**First Friday:** 12:30-7pm Adoration, 6pm Confessions,  
7pm Mass

**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

**Bl. Miriam Teresa Demjanovich:** Friday

**St. Peregrine:** First Friday of the Month

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

Sunday, November 9, 2025 A.D.  
Jubilee Year of Hope



**If, during life,  
we have been kind  
to the suffering souls in purgatory,  
God will see that help  
be not denied us after death.**

-Saint Paul of the Cross

#### 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.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory for an appointment.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

Sick calls at any time in emergency.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

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

#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4pm & 5pm  
Sunday: 7am, 8am Latin, 9:30am,  
9:30am Family Mass (gym), 10:45am,  
12pm, 1pm Spanish, 6pm

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**Fr. Wojciech's Corner...**

Next Saturday, November 15, at 10AM we will celebrate a **special Memorial Mass** for all who died this past year, and we will have a little repast after. Please join us and spread the word around.

During **November we pray for the souls** of our deceased loved ones. Thank you to all who participate, coming earlier to Mass while we read the names and pray for all souls. Praying for the souls of the dead is a spiritual work of mercy. Burying the dead is a corporal work of mercy. In the Book of Tobit, we hear a great man Tobit, who tirelessly buried the dead at his own expense as an act of charity.

Please see page 4- **How to Help THE SOULS in PURGATORY** for practical ways.

**Live so as not to fear death.  
For those who live well in the world,  
death is not frightening but sweet and precious  
St. Rose of Viterbo**

**Holy Name Society - Sunday, November 9**

Men of all ages are invited: 9:30am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet and refreshments/discussion in the lower church. Our reflection topic will be *The Role of the Laity & Lifelong Faith Formation.* Our guest speaker is Patty Rodriguez, Director of the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation - Archdiocese of Newark.

**St. Vincent de Paul / Social Concerns Meeting  
Tuesday, November 11 - 7PM**

New members are welcome!

**HEADS UP: next Saturday  
Special Memorial Mass  
NOVEMBER 15**

Mass will be offered for all who died since All Souls day 2024. Holy Mass will be held on Saturday, November 15 at 10AM with a light repast afterward in the Lower Church.

**YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS**

**Executive Speaker Series:** Tuesday, November 18, 7PM-9PM. Patrick Manning, Assoc. Professor of Pastoral Theology and Director of the Center for Catholic Studies, will speak on *Spiritual Wisdom and Practices for the Workday*. Location: Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ. To learn more or register visit [ycp.glueup.com/event/executive-speaker-series-spiritual-wisdom-and-practices-for-the-workday-153459](http://ycp.glueup.com/event/executive-speaker-series-spiritual-wisdom-and-practices-for-the-workday-153459)

**The celebration of the Holy Mass  
is as valuable  
as the death of Jesus on the cross.  
St. Thomas Aquinas**

**Graves**

This month is a traditional time for visiting the graves of loved ones (as is the anniversary of death). Rooted in ancient tradition, St. Odilo of Cluny established a memorial of all the faithful departed in 988 AD. It was accepted in Rome in the 13th Century, where it spread from the Cluniac monasteries. St. Augustine reminds us: "If we had no care for the dead, we would not be in the habit of praying for them." The theological basis of this feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life, but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. Please remember to pray for the souls of the dead. To bury the dead is a corporal work of mercy, to pray for the dead is the spiritual work of mercy.

**Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine**

**O most gentle Heart of Jesus**, ever present in the Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in Purgatory, have mercy on the souls of Thy departed servants. Be not severe in Thy judgments, but let some drops of Thy Precious Blood fall upon the devouring flames. And do Thou, O Merciful Saviour, send Thy holy angels to conduct them to a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Amen.

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O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant unto the souls of Thy departed servants full remission of all their sins, that through the help of our pious supplications they may obtain that pardon they have always desired, Thou who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

- V. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
- R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.
- V. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- R. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**St. Catherine of Siena** to Blessed Raymond Capua: "I saw the pains of Hell and of Purgatory, [which are] so great that no tongue of man is able to declare them. I saw also the bliss of Heaven and the glory of my Divine Spouse, which only to think of fills my soul with a loathing for all things that are in the world." (*The 33 Doctors of the Church*, p. 403)

**YOU HAVE A SOUL !**  
The Church teaches that every spiritual soul is created immediately by God - it is not "produced" by the parents - and also that it is immortal: it does not perish when it separates from the body at death, and it will be reunited with the body at the final Resurrection.  
Catechism of The Catholic Church, 366.

**What if you are CALLED! ???**  
Call the Vocations office 973-497-4365 and ask for Fr. Gino, Director, who is always ready to listen - or call Fr. Wojciech at our parish 201-768-1706, x11.

**Pray for Vocations**

**Pray for Those in the Military**

**US Army**

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RRT Specialist James Crumb  
Staff Sergeant Peter Dippolito  
Major Michael Franson  
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene  
Captain Shawn Linn  
Sergeant Major Marc Medina  
Captain John G. Miele  
Captain Joseph W. Niece  
1st Lieutenant Megan Niece  
Private Edward Oakley  
Captain Jack Ottomanelli  
Staff Sergeant David Petersen  
Specialist John Petersen

**US Marine Corps.**

Corporal Shanna Bennett  
Staff Sergeant Matthew Brady  
1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo  
Lance Corporal Nicholas Giron  
Major Stephen Ikalowych  
Captain J.P. Maher  
Corporal Cody McGrath

**US Navy**

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

**US Air Force**

1st Lieutenant Brian Kearney  
Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn

**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*: infants Jack Merritt, Abigail Jude, Aidan, Olive, Adeline Quarello, Jonathan & Joseph; children Gabriel Aungst, Antonio and Shane, Cordelia and Eileen, Remy and Silvie; Annie Baklycki, Kevin Douglas Barry, Michael Baruch, Julie Berbert, Paul Brennan, James Buckley, Kathe Burruano, Joe Cafaro, Anna Carfagno, Bill Clark, Kevin Columbo, Thomas Connolly, Eddie Cooper, Paula Criqui, Michael Curran, Marie D'Ascenzo, Maryann Dean, Noelle DeJoseph, Vincent DePaola, Marge Devitt, Guy DeSantis, Siobhan Donaghi, Whitney Dugan, Carl Falasca, Michael Fallon, Dan Filippone, Jeremy Illis, Walter Flaherty, Mary Foley, Phil Gangusa & Vicky Ferrara, Robin Fletcher, Leo Gendron, Ken Grier, Glenn Hall, Pat Halligan, Amy Hartwell, Richard Hogan, Kristine Leigh Hook, Rolando Joaquim, Austin Kellar, Pat Kissane, Christina Kenny, Tim Keohane, Joseph Koch, Artie Latz, Kenneth Luther, Peter Mahler, Robert Mayer, James McGarry, Matt McGowan, Richard McLaughlin, Michael McMahon, Brendan McPartland, Adolfo Mendoza, David Mercur, Alice Miller, Len Moriarity, Gianna Moscatello, Kevin Mullane, Rose Marie Myers, Natalie Niebergall, Michael Oates, John Pal, Mary Parker, Tom Paskewich, Ronald Peterson, Louis Peduto, Bob Phillips, Canice Prince, Christina Pulver, William Ragu, Dan & Phyllis Ragusa, Robert Rasmussen, Patrick Ricci, Herman Rodriguez, Veronica Romanchuk, Wendy Ruggiero, Beth Sacco, Blase K Sacus, Samantha Sconzo, Patricia Ann Shalhoub, Peggy and Chris Shedden, Brian Sume-reau, Michael Suresh, Maria Tamayo, Ollie Tetlow, Angelina Thomas, Felicia Veneruso, Jim Viantes, Dennis Ubricco, Carl Walker, Megan Weingarten, Hope White, Maria Williams, Daniel Wu, Mary Young, Anthony K., Brian, Carla, Christina, Donna M., Edward, Elba, Jack, Jennifer, Joann, John, Karen, Kathleen V., Kaitlin V. Lauren, Lisa, Lou, Lucas, Lynn, Mary, Margaret, Melinda, Michelle, Patrick, Peter, Robert, Samantha, Sarah, Scott, Sharon, Steven, Tom.

**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 are unable to continue their donations at this time. *Donations may be mailed to OLV, 81 Lynn St., Harrington Park, NJ 07640.* **New to the area?** Register to become a member of the OLV Family. Visit OLV's website [olvhp.org](http://olvhp.org) and click on "Parish Registration". **New address or phone number?** Please inform the rectory.

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, November 9 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

7:00 All Souls / Harry Barrett R/b John and Marion Barrett  
8:00 All Souls / Intentions of Enrollees of the Society of St. Margaret of Cortona  
9:30 All Souls / John Rice Jr. R/b Donna Rice

**No Family Mass in Gym today**

10:45 All Souls / René Cardona R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich  
12:00 All Souls / Alex Amendola R/b Bob and Sue Muggeo  
1:00 All Souls / People of the Parish  
6:00 All Souls / Anthony Agostinelli R/b Scott and Jenn Brackenbury

**Monday, November 10 - St. Leo the Great, pope, doctor**

8:00 All Souls / James M. Walsh R/b Jeanne Marie Walsh  
12:00 All Souls / Anthony Zaccaro R/b Ellen King

**Tuesday, November 11 - St. Martin of Tours, Bishop**

8:00 Bernard Burruano R/b the Dunn Family  
12:00 Carole Stonitsch R/b Pete Stonitsch

**Wednesday, November 12 -St. Josaphat, bishop and martyr**

8:00 Anne Raven R/b Caroline Connolly  
12:00 George and Helen Smith R/b the Oakley Family

**Thursday, November 13 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Italy - Nun**

8:00 Andrew Andryszczak R/b the Andryszczak Family  
12:00 Intentions of Barbara Butler R/b Joan Crowley

**Friday, November 14 – St. Sidonius of Ireland - Abbot**

8:00 Intentions of Joan Crowley R/b Bridie Kiene  
12:00 Selena Piazza R/b Monica Ottomanelli

**Saturday, November 15 -St. Albert the Great, Germany-bishop-doctor**

8:00 Mary Degnan R/b the Barrett Family  
12:00 Charles Touw R/b Sonny and Anita Garzino  
4:00 Vera Faloon R/b Marie Ortiz  
5:00 Michelle Paparella R/b Rose and John Hroncich

**Sunday, November 16 - St. Margaret of Hungary, Queen of Scotland; St. Gertrude-Patroness of the West Indies**

7:00 Oliver and Rosaleen Fitzgerald  
8:00 Margaret Pranita R/b Greg and Susan Evanela  
9:30 Eugene A. Norton  
9:30 (Gym) Anthony Zaccaro R/b OLV CCD  
10:45 Zdzislaw Kolakowski R/b Michael and Mary Jane Ferro  
12:00 Dalton Family R/b Julia Dalton  
1:00 People of the Parish  
6:00 Peter Colonna R/b the Grassi Family

**Sanctuary Memorials (this week)**

**The Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in loving memory of Daniel Harrison - First Anniversary, r/b the Harrison Family

**The Bl. Virgin Mary Votive Lamp** will burn for the repose of the soul of René Cardona, r/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich

**The St. Joseph Votive Lamp** will burn in loving memory of Martin Frka, r/b the Hoth Family.

**The Hosts and Wine** which will become the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ at holy Mass have been donated in memory of Daniel Harrison, r/b the Harrison Family

**Flower & Sanctuary Offerings** 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. Contact the rectory for more information

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## Wednesdays are dedicated to St. Joseph

### Parents speak about the loss of their children

St. Zélie and St. Louis Martin had lost four of their nine children, who had died either in infancy or early childhood. Their ninth child was St. Thérèse of Lisieux. When Mme. Guérin (*sister in law of St. Zélie Martin*) had just given birth to a son who died immediately, to console the sorrowing mother, Zélie wrote the following words:

"I am deeply grieved at the misfortune that has just struck you. Truly, you are sorely tried! It is one of your first troubles, my poor, dear sister. May our good Lord grant you resignation to His holy will. Your dear little child is with Him. He sees you, he loves you, and you will find him again one day. That is the great comfort I felt and still feel." "When I closed the eyes of my [four] dear children and buried them, I felt the sorrow indeed, but it has always been resigned sorrow. I did not regret the pain and cares I had borne for them. Several people said to me, 'It would have been better if you had never had them,' but I could not endure this sort of language. I did not think that the sufferings and anxieties could be weighed in the same scale with the eternal happiness of my children. Then they were not lost forever; life is short and full of miseries, and we shall find them again up yonder. "It was especially at the death of the first that I was most vividly aware of the happiness of having a child in Heaven. For God showed me in a sensible manner that He accepted my sacrifice. Through my first little angel, I obtained a very extraordinary grace." You see, dear sister, it is a great advantage to have little angels in Heaven, but it is not less painful to nature to lose them. These are the great sorrows of our life."

*Saints Zélie and Louis Martin pray for us.*

### How to Help THE SOULS in PURGATORY??

It is very possible that some of our own nearest and dearest ones are still suffering the excruciating pains of Purgatory and are calling to us for help and relief. There is no hunger, no thirst, no poverty, no need, no pain, no suffering to compare with what the souls in Purgatory endure. How YOU can help these souls:

1. **Have Masses offered for them.**
2. **Make the Stations of the Cross.**
3. **Recite the Rosary.**
4. **Offer up all your pain and sufferings for the relief of Souls.**
5. **Visit the cemetery.**

### KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. The Lateran Basilica is the oldest and highest ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome.
2. The Church celebrates the anniversary of the dedication of St. John Lateran as a cathedral since it is regarded as the Mother Church of the entire Catholic Faith
3. St. Zélie and St. Louis Martin's 9th child was St. Thérèse of Lisieux.
4. Burying the dead is a corporal work of mercy.
5. Praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy.

### Are you an ADULT without Confirmation, Communion or Baptism?

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

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION SPONSOR

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 872874)

#### Sacred Matrimony on Sacred ground

"ceremony" at the venue is not a valid Sacrament

For the Catholic Church the Sacrament of Matrimony is such a sacred matter that the Church requires for two Catholics to be married Sacramentally in the Catholic Church, not elsewhere. All the Sacraments except Confession are always celebrated in Church. Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and the Sacred Orders (Priesthood is even celebrated at the Cathedral of a given Diocese). A Catholic priest can only officiate Sacrament of Matrimony of two Catholics on sacred grounds (Church). This wedding at the same time is a civil wedding. For more info contact Fr. Wojciech.

**Respect Life** Any woman who is pregnant and in need of assistance should never feel that abortion is her only option. For confidential assistance call: Archdiocese Respect Life Office 973-497-4350\*Gateway Pregnancy Ctr. 908-353-0604\*Catholic Community Svcs. 201-246-7379 \*Lifecall 800-662-2678\*Birthright: 201-845-4646\*NewHope 201-722-4705.

**OLV Needlers** If you'd like to learn to knit or crochet, join us in the lower church Wednesdays at 6PM and/or Thursdays after 12Noon Mass. Yarn, crochet hooks and knitting needles supplied.

**OLV Knights of Columbus** All men over 18 are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. As Catholic men we are called to lead, serve, protect and defend our Faith, families, and our parish. The Knights of Columbus will help you grow as a husband, father and Catholic. Join us!

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas** For info' call Marie 201-741-0499.

**St. Joseph Regional HS Theatre Team** presents Mark Twain's comedy, "Is He Dead?", the story of an artist who is down on his luck and in a moment of inspiration, devises a plan to drive up the value of his artwork. Special preview for Seniors (Tickets \$10) on November 12 at 4PM/*Coffee & Nosh* at 3:30pm. Performances Nov. 13/14 at 7PM. Purchase tickets at sjr.booktix.com. Adults \$15/students \$10

**Clothing Bins:** Please donate clothes, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, toys, and children's books. Please place your donations INSIDE the bins. Do not leave items outside.

*The saints did not all begin well,  
but they ended well.*

*St. John Vianney*

### *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the oldest and highest ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome. The Basilica's official title is "Basilica of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran" but most often called the Basilica of St. John Lateran. It is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, the official ecclesiastical seat of the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, not the Basilica of St. Peter as so many mistakenly believe. The Basilica is also called the Church of Holy Savior or the Church of St. John Baptist. In ancient Rome this was the church where everyone was baptized. It the oldest church in the West, built in the time of Constantine and was consecrated by Pope Sylvester in 324. This feast became a universal celebration in honor of the archbasilica, the ecclesiastical mother church, called "the mother and mistress of all churches of Rome and the world" (*omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput*), as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter.

St. John Lateran is unique because it is both a cathedral and a basilica. The Church celebrates the anniversary of the dedication as a cathedral since it is regarded as the Mother Church of the entire Catholic Faith. Because the Church/Cathedral bears the title of "Christ our Savior Cathedral," today's feast is considered a Feast of the Lord which takes precedence over the Sunday liturgy.



Dear friends, today's feast celebrates a mystery that is always relevant: God's desire to build a spiritual temple in the world, a community that worships him in spirit and truth (cf. John 4:23-24). But this observance also reminds us of the importance of the material buildings in which the community gathers to celebrate the praises of God. Every community therefore has the duty to take special care of its own sacred buildings, which are a precious religious and historical patrimony. For this we call upon the intercession of Mary Most Holy, that she help us to become, like her, the "house of God," living temple of his love.

—Benedict XVI, Angelus Address, November 9, 2008

### **KIDZ KORNER** - answers on page 4

1. What is the oldest & highest ranking of the 4 major basilicas in Rome?
2. Why does the Church celebrate the dedication of St. John Lateran Cathedral?
3. What saints are the parents of St. Thérèse of Lisieux?
4. Burying the dead is what work of mercy?
5. Praying for the dead is what work of mercy?

### **"A Spirit All on Fire, Resembling Incandescent Metal" Saint Lidwina of Schiedam**

Saint Lidwina of Schiedam was a 15th century Dutch saint and mystic. As a teenager she had an ice skating accident that left her debilitated the rest of her life. A sinful man was converted by her prayers and exhortation and was able to make a good confession, but he died soon after, unable to do



much penance. After some time, she asked her guardian angel if he was still in purgatory, and she had this vision:

"He is there," said her angel, "and he suffers much. Would you be willing to endure some pain in order to diminish his?" "Certainly," she replied, "I am ready to suffer anything to assist him." Instantly her angel conducted her into a place of frightful torture. "Is this, then, hell, my brother?" asked the holy maiden, seized with horror. "No, sister," answered the angel, "but this part of purgatory is bordering upon hell."

"Looking around on all sides, she saw what resembled an immense prison surrounded with walls of a prodigious height, the blackness of which, together with the monstrous stones, inspired her with horror. Approaching this dismal enclosure, she heard a confused noise of lamenting voices, cries of fury, chains, instruments of torture, violent blows which the executioners discharged upon their victims. This noise was such that all the tumult of the world, in tempest or battle, could bear no comparison to it. "What, then, is that horrible place?" asked St. Lidwina of her good angel. "Do you wish me to show it to you?" "No, I beseech you," said she, recoiling with terror, "the noise I hear is so frightful that I can no longer bear it; how, then, could I endure the sight of those horrors?"

"Continuing her mysterious route, she saw an angel seated sadly on the curb of a well. "Who is that angel?" she asked of her guide. "It is," he replied, "the angel-guardian of the sinner in whose lot you are interested. His soul is in this well, where it has a special purgatory." At these words Lidwina cast an inquiring glance at her angel; she desired to see that soul which was dear to her, and endeavor to release it from that frightful pit. Her angel, who understood her, having taken off the cover of the well, a cloud of flames, together with the most plaintive cries, came forth. "Do you recognize that voice?" said the angel to her. "Alas! yes," answered the servant of God. "Do you desire to see that soul?" he continued. On her replying in the affirmative, he called him by his name; and immediately our virgin saw appear at the mouth of the pit a spirit all on fire, resembling incandescent metal, which said to her in a voice scarcely audible, "O Lidwina, servant of God, who will give me to contemplate the face of the Most High?"

"The sight of this soul, a prey to the most terrible torment of fire, gave our saint such a shock that the cincture which she wore around her body was rent in twain; and, no longer able to endure the sight, she awoke suddenly from her ecstasy. The persons present, perceiving her fear, asked her its cause. "Alas!" she replied, "how frightful are the prisons of Purgatory! It was to assist the souls that I consented to descend thither. Without this motive, if the whole world were given to me, I would not undergo the terror which that horrible spectacle inspired."

"Some days later, the same angel whom she had seen so dejected appeared to her with a joyful countenance; he told her that the soul of his protégé had left the pit and passed into the ordinary purgatory. This partial alleviation did not suffice the charity of Lidwina; she continued to pray for the poor patient, and to apply to him the merits of her sufferings, until she saw the gates of heaven opened to him."

(*Purgatory*, by Fr. F. X. Schouppe, SJ, 16–19)

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