## "Dear children! In this time of grace, when nature also prepares to give the most beautiful colours of the year, I call you, little children, to open your hearts to God the Creator for Him to transform and mould you in His image, so that all the good which has fallen asleep in your hearts may awaken to a new life and a longing towards eternity. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Our Lady's message to the world on February 25th 2010 through visionary Marija.

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Message to Mirjana's on 2nd March 2010. The second of the month is a day to pray for unbelievers. "Dear children, In this special time of your effort to be all the closer to my Son, to His suffering, but also to the love with which He bore it, I desire to tell you that I am with you. I will help you to triumph over errors and temptations with my grace. I will teach you love, love which wipes away all sins and makes you perfect, love which gives you the peace of my Son now and forever. Peace with you and in you, because I am the Queen of Peace. Thank you."

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## Thoughts on the Message of 25/02/2010 from Bill Sheppy

This is such a beautiful time of year, when the prospect of Springtime is such an encouragement for us it will soon be warm, and the new life all around us will begin to show. It has been a long cold winter this time, and even now there are parts of the country which are still under snowfalls, but the sun is getting warmer, and the heralds of spring - primroses, snowdrops and crocuses - are braving all of this to show their colours. Our Mother knows how much a springtime is special for us, and she reminds us in this time of Lent to open our hearts to Our Creator God, who has made such a beautiful world for us.

We are also reminded at the beginning that this is a time of grace: how could it be otherwise when we realise that Our Mother has been coming to us every day for nearly 29 years? Remember this evening, at 6.40pm our time, the Queen of Peace will be appearing to the visionaries, as She has done since June 1981 - truly a special time, a time of Grace. for Him to transform and mould you in His image, so that all the good which has fallen asleep in your hearts may awaken to a new life and a longing towards eternity.

We are asked to open our hearts to God, so that He can transform us, change us, renew us. I often wonder about the phrase 'open your hearts'. It means so much more than just listening, reacting, responding. When we open our hearts it perhaps means letting go of the control of our lives, saying to God ' You take control, I will just allow myself to be guided, to be cared for, to be taken to wherever You want, in the way You want, for as long as You want'.

Wow ! That is quite an option: do we have the courage to make this choice ? It is a bit like Peter when he stepped over the side of the boat and walked across the water to Jesus. All was well until his humanity made him look under his feet and he panicked. And yet, there are some who feel brave enough to truly just let go, just let God take charge of their lives. When this can take place, even to a limited degree, the effects are striking. We would change, because our lives would go in a different direction, God's direction: we would truly be transformed, and those things which are part of God's plans for us (yes, God has even got a plan for me, so He must have one for you) would result in a new perspective on life, and only being with Our God of Love could possibly satisfy us. This longing to be with Him, and the peace which exists nowhere else would lead each to an eternity with God. Dear Mother, you know how much love there is for each one of us. We do not realise just how unconditional it really is, how much we are being invited to walk along the path which has been made just for each one of us, which no one else can walk.

Thank you for the patient way you continue to request that we listen, open our hearts and lives, in order to know and follow your Son, who wants us all to be with Him forever. Teach us to respond, and in this season of Lent to learn how we are to awaken to His way.

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**Year of Priesthood:** via Sr. Emmanuel, here is a new prayer for priests that we may recite for a month: "Dear Lord, We pray that the Blessed Mother wrap Her mantle around Her priests and through Her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide Your priests to follow Her own words, "Do whatever he tells you". May Your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May Your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love, seeking nothing but Your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen!" St. John Marie Vianney, pray for us! (From Secretariat of Clergy, Consecrated life and Vocations. Year for Priests. USA)

<u>Past messages:</u> All begin, "Dear children!" *Suggestion: insert <u>your</u> name. All end*, "Thank you for having responded to my call". ["*Conversing" with the messages (praying and meditating) is a wonderful way to begin (or end) the day.*" - see October 2009 meeting notes for more on this]

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**January 25, 1987** "..! Behold, also today I want to call you to start living a new life as of today. Dear children, I want you to comprehend that God has chosen each one of you, in order to use you in His great plan for the salvation of mankind. You are not able to comprehend how great your role is in God's design. Therefore, dear children, pray so that in prayer you may be able to comprehend what God's plan is in your regard. I am with you in order that you may be able to bring it about in all its fullness. Thank you ..."

May 25, 2006 "..! Also today I call you to put into practice and to live my messages that I am giving you. Decide for holiness, little children, and think of heaven. Only in this way, will you have peace in your heart that no one will be able to destroy. Peace is a gift, which God gives you in prayer. Little children, seek and work with all your strength for peace to win in your hearts and in the world. Thank you ..."

**March 25, 1999** "..! I call you to prayer with the heart. In a special way, little children, I call you to pray for conversion of sinners, for those who pierce my heart and the heart of my Son Jesus with the sword of hatred and daily blasphemies. Let us pray, little children, for all those who do not desire to come to know the love of God, even though they are in the Church. Let us pray that they convert, so that the Church may resurrect in love. Only with love and prayer, little children, can you live this time which is given to you for conversion. Place God in the first place, then the risen Jesus will become your friend. Thank you ..."

**April 25, 2000**<sup>*c*</sup>..! Also today I call you to conversion. You are concerned too much about material things and little about spiritual ones. Open your hearts and start again to work more on your personal conversion. Decide everyday to dedicate time to God and to prayer until prayer becomes a joyful meeting with God for you. Only in this way will your life have meaning and with joy you will contemplate eternal life. Thank you ..."

**March 25, 2008** "..! I call you to work on your personal conversion. You are still far from meeting with God in your heart. Therefore, spend all the more time in prayer and Adoration of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, for Him to change you and to put into your hearts a living faith and a desire for eternal life. Everything is passing, little children, only God is not passing. I am with you and I encourage you with love. Thank you ..."

**August 25, 1998** "..! Today I invite you to come still closer to me through prayer. Little children, I am your mother, I love you and I desire that each of you be saved and thus be with me in Heaven. That is why, little children, pray, pray, pray until your life becomes prayer. Thank you ..."

#### A Marian prayer of Cardinal John Henry Newman

O Mother of Jesus, and my Mother, let me dwell with you, cling to you and love you with ever increasing love. I promise the honour, love and trust of a child. Give me a mother's protection, for I need your watchful care. You know better than any other the thoughts and desires of the Sacred Heart.

Keep constantly before my mind the same thoughts, the same desires, that my heart may be filled with zeal for the interests of the Sacred Heart of your Divine Son. Instill in me a love of all that is noble, that I may no longer be easily turned to selfishness. Help me, dearest Mother, to acquire the virtues that God wants of me: to forget myself always, to work solely for him, without fear of sacrifice. I shall always rely on your help to be what Jesus wants me to be. I am his; I am yours, my good Mother!

Give me each day your holy and maternal blessing until my last evening on earth, when your Immaculate Heart will present me to the heart of Jesus in heaven, there to love and bless you and your divine Son for all eternity.

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# Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for March 2010

World Economy. **General**: That the world economy may be managed according to the principles of justice and equity, taking account of the real needs of peoples, especially the poorest.

The Churches in Africa. **Missionary**: That the Churches in Africa may be signs and instruments of reconciliation and justice in every part of that continent. <:))))

<u>Misc. Footnotes:</u> "Things don't go wrong and break your heart so you can become bitter and give up. They happen to break you down and build you up so you can be all that you were intended to be." ~ Charlie "Tremendous" Jones; "Life is a magic vase filled to the brim, so made that you cannot dip from it nor draw from it; but it overflows into the hand that drops treasures into it. Drop in malice and it overflows hate; drop in charity and it overflows love." ~ John Ruskin - (1819-1900);