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"Dear children! I am calling you anew: begin the battle against sin as in the first days, go to confession and decide for holiness. The love of God will begin to flow through you into the world, peace will begin to rule in your hearts and God's blessing will fill you. I am with you and intercede for all of you before my Son Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Our Lady's message to the world on 25th March 2014 through Marija

message to Mirjana on 2nd April 2014 [pray for 'unbelievers' on 2nd of the month.]

"Dear children, with a motherly love I desire to help you with your life of prayer and penance to be a sincere attempt at drawing closer to my Son and His divine light - that you may know how to separate yourselves from sin. Every prayer, every Mass and every fasting is an attempt at drawing closer to my Son, a reminder of His glory and a refuge from sin - it is a way to a renewed union of the good Father and His children. Therefore, my dear children, with hearts open and full of love, cry out the name of the Heavenly Father that He may illuminate you with the Holy Spirit. Through the Holy Spirit you will become a spring of God's love. All those who do not know my Son, all those thirsting for the love and peace of my Son, will drink from this spring. Thank you. Pray for your shepherds. I pray for them and I desire that they may always feel the blessing of my motherly hands and the support of my motherly heart."

<u>Past messages:</u> September 25, 1999 "Dear children! Today again I call you to become carriers of my peace. In a special way, now when it is being said that God is far away, He has truly never been nearer to you. I call you to renew prayer in your families by reading the Sacred Scripture and to experience joy in meeting with God who infinitely loves His creatures. Thank you for having responded to my call."

June 25, 2004 "Dear children! Also today, joy is in my heart. I desire to thank you for making my plan realisable. Each of you is important, therefore, little children, pray and rejoice with me for every heart that has converted and become an instrument of peace in the world. Prayer groups are powerful, and through them I can see, little children, that the Holy Spirit is at work in the world. Thank you for having responded to my call."

February 25, 2006 "Dear children! In this Lenten time of grace, I call you to open your hearts to the gifts that God desires to give you. Do not be closed, but with prayer and renunciation say 'yes' to God and He will give to you in abundance. As in springtime the earth opens to the seed and yields a hundredfold, so also your heavenly Father will give to you in abundance. I am with you and love you, little children, with a tender love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

April 25, 2007 "Dear children! Also today I again call you to conversion. Open your hearts. This is a time of grace while I am with you, make good use of it. Say: 'This is the time for my soul'. I am with you and love you with immeasurable love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

August 25, 1990 "Dear children! I desire to invite you to take with seriousness and put into practice the messages which I am giving you. You know, little children, that I am with you and I desire to lead you along the same path to heaven, which is beautiful for those who discover it in prayer. Therefore, little children, do not forget that those messages which I am giving you have to be put into your everyday life in order that you might be able to say: "There, I have taken the messages and tried to live them." Dear children, I am protecting you before the heavenly Father by my own prayers. Thank you for having responded to my call."

February 25, 2003 "Dear children! Also today I call you to pray and fast for peace. As I have already said and now repeat to you, little children, only with prayer and fasting can wars also be stopped. Peace is a precious gift from God. Seek, pray and you will receive it. Speak about peace and carry peace in your hearts. Nurture it like a flower which is in need of water, tenderness and light. Be those who carry peace to others. I am with you and intercede for all of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

January 25, 2011 "Dear children! Also today I am with you and I am looking at you and blessing you, and I am not losing hope that this world will change for the good and that peace will reign in the hearts of men. Joy will begin to reign in the world because you have opened yourselves to my call and to God's love. The Holy Spirit is changing a multitude of those who have said 'yes'. Therefore I desire to say to you: thank you for having responded to my call."

May 25, 2002 "Dear children! Today I call you to put prayer in the first place in your life. Pray and may prayer, little children, be a joy for you. I am with you and intercede for all of you, and you, little children, be joyful carriers of my messages. May your life with me be joy. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Nov 25 2010 "Dear children! I look at you and I see in your heart death without hope, restlessness and hunger. There is no prayer or trust in God, that is why the Most High permits me to bring you hope and joy. Open yourselves. Open your hearts to God's mercy and He will give you everything you need and will fill your hearts with peace, because He is peace and your hope. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex **Jan 17** "How powerful prayer is! May we never lose the courage to say: Lord, give us your peace." **Jan 20** "It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions." **Feb 24** "Our Lady is always close to us, especially when we feel the weight of life with all its problems." <:)))) <>

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March 19, 2014. from the Diary of St. Faustina: At that moment Jesus asked me, My child, how is your retreat going? I answered, "But Jesus, You know how it is going." Yes, I know, but I want to hear it from your own lips and from your heart (Diary - 295). Meditation: It seems kind of crazy that You, Jesus, want me to tell You about my day and about myself You know everything! But it's so important to You that I talk to You, that I include You in my day, even in seemingly unimportant things. Help me to open my heart to You and to trust that You are always there waiting to hear from me. ~ Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC

Lenten Reflection March 28, 2014: from the Diary of St. Faustina: "And when it seems to you that your suffering exceeds your strength, contemplate My wounds, and you will rise above human scorn and judgement. Meditation on My Passion will help you rise above all things" (Diary - 1184).

Meditation: "What do I have to do? What is my mission, my vocation? I look to Your will, Jesus. You want to show me that Your plan and Your provisions are the best things I could ever have. Your life, dear Jesus, is my best example: You came to do the will of the Father, that was Your mission. Such a difficult mission! Yet You prayed for the Father's will, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." When my crosses seem more than I can bear, let me look to You with trust and echo, "Thy will be done." ~ Fr. Leszek Czelusniak, MIC <:)))) <><

Prayer of St. Augustine: "God our Father, we find it difficult to come to you, because our knowledge of you is imperfect. In our ignorance we have imagined you to be our enemy; we have wrongly thought that you take pleasure in punishing our sins; and we have foolishly conceived you to be a tyrant over human life. But since Jesus came among us, he has shown that you are loving, that you are on our side against all that stunts life, and that our resentment against you was groundless. So we come to you, asking you to forgive our past ignorance, and wanting to know more and more of you and your forgiving love, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

"We approach God not by walking but by loving. The purer our love for him toward whom we are striving, the more present to us will he be. To him, therefore, who is everywhere present and everywhere whole, we must proceed not by our feet but by our moral virtues - judged not by the object of our knowledge but by the object of our love." ~ Augustine of Hippo, 430-543 AD, excerpt from Letter 155,13

<u>www.iipg.org</u> **prayer request** 'Praying that God ever allow me to perceive beauty in this world & its creatures, that I may ever respond in love, not hate; forgiveness, not woundedness; & generosity, not selfishness.' [11/04]

"Jesus, in your name the blind see, the lame walk, and the dead are raised to life. Come into our lives and heal the wounds of our broken hearts. Give us eyes of faith to see your glory and hearts of courage to bring you glory in all we say and do."

Heartprints: Whatever our hands touch -- We leave fingerprints! On walls, on furniture, On doorknobs, dishes, books, As we touch, we leave our identity. Oh, Please, wherever I go today, Help me leave heartprints! Heartprints of compassion, Of understanding and love, Heartprints of kindness, And genuine concern. May my heart touch a lonely neighbour, Or a runaway daughter, Or an anxious mother, Or perhaps a dear friend. I shall go out today, To leave heartprints, And if someone should say, "I felt your touch," May that one sense be, Your love... Touching through me. ~ Anon

Footnotes: 1. "Doubt is not the opposite of faith. Fear is." ~ Verna Dozier [+ 'certainty' is the opposite]

2. "If fear is cultivated it will become stronger. If faith is cultivated it will achieve the mastery. We have a right to believe that faith is the stronger emotion because it is positive whereas fear is negative." ~ John Paul Jones

- 3. "One that would have the fruit must climb the tree." ~ Thomas Fuller
- **4.** "When eating a fruit, think of the person who planted the tree." ~ Vietnamese saying
- **5.** "Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with Him, familiarly and with confidence and love, as to the dearest and most loving of friends. Speak to Him often of your business, your plans, your troubles, your fears..." ~ Saint Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787), Doctor of the Church
- **6.** "The Christian has a great advantage over other men, not by being less fallen than they, nor less doomed to live in a fallen world, but by knowing that he is a fallen man in a fallen world." ~ C. S. Lewis
- 7. "In any museum we will find quite ordinary things clothes, a walking stick, a pen, pieces of furniture which are only of value because they were possessed and used by some great person. It is the ownership which gives them worth. It is so with the Christian. The Christian may be a very ordinary person, but he acquires a new value and dignity and greatness because he belongs to God. The greatness of the Christian lies in the fact that he is God's." ~ William Barclay