

**“Dear children! In this time of grace, I call all of you to renew prayer. Open yourselves to Holy Confession so that each of you may accept my call with the whole heart. I am with you and I protect you from the ruin of sin, but you must open yourselves to the way of conversion and holiness, that your heart may burn out of love for God. Give Him time and He will give Himself to you and thus, in the will of God you will discover the love and the joy of living. Thank you for having responded to my call.”** *Our Lady's message to the world on 25th November 2012 through Marija*

**message to Mirjana, 2nd December 2012** [*pray for 'unbelievers' on 2nd of the month.*]:-

**“Dear children, with motherly love and motherly patience anew I call you to live according to my Son, to spread His peace and His love, so that, as my apostles, you may accept God's truth with all your heart and pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you. Then you will be able to faithfully serve my Son, and show His love to others with your life. According to the love of my Son and my love, as a mother, I strive to bring all of my strayed children into my motherly embrace and to show them the way of faith. My children, help me in my motherly battle and pray with me that sinners may become aware of their sins and repent sincerely. Pray also for those whom my Son has chosen and consecrated in His name. Thank you.”**

**Past messages: February 25, 1993** "Dear children! Today I bless you with my motherly blessing and I invite you all to conversion. I wish that each of you decide for a change of life and that each of you works more in the Church not through words and thoughts but through example, so that your life may be a joyful testimony for Jesus. You cannot say that you are converted, because your life must become a daily conversion. In order to understand what you have to do, little children, pray and God will give you what you completely have to do, and where you have to change. I am with you and place you all under my mantle. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**May 25, 1997** "Dear children! Today I invite you to glorify God and for the Name of God to be holy in your hearts and in your life. Little children, when you are in the holiness of God, He is with you and gives you peace and joy which come only from God through prayer. That is why, little children, renew prayer in your families and your heart will glorify the holy Name of God and heaven will reign in your heart. I am close to you and I intercede for you before God. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**April 25, 1998** "Dear children! Today I call you, through prayer, to open yourselves to God as a flower opens itself to the rays of the morning sun. Little children, do not be afraid. I am with you and I intercede before God for each of you so that your heart receives the gift of conversion. Only in this way, little children, will you comprehend the importance of grace in these times and God will become nearer to you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**January 25, 2000** "Dear children! I call you, little children, to pray without ceasing. If you pray, you are closer to God and He will lead you on the way of peace and salvation. That is why I call you today to give peace to others. Only in God is there true peace. Open your hearts and become those who give a gift of peace and others will discover peace in you and through you and in this way you will witness God's peace and love which He gives you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**March 25, 2002** "Dear children! Today I call you to unite with Jesus in prayer. Open your heart to Him and give Him everything that is in it: joys, sorrows and illnesses. May this be a time of grace for you. Pray, little children, and may every moment belong to Jesus. I am with you and I intercede for you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**July 25, 2005** "Dear children! Also today, I call you to fill your day with short and ardent prayers. When you pray, your heart is open and God loves you with a special love and gives you special graces. Therefore, make good use of this time of grace and devote it to God more than ever up to now. Do novenas of fasting and renunciation so that Satan be far from you and grace be around you. I am near you and intercede before God for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

© **Children of Medjugorje 2012, December 2012 Newsletter:** 5. Ivan talks about the future of the Church and of the world. On August 14, Ivan was interviewed on Radio-Maria/Italy by Fr. Livio Fangaza. Here are his words, to be meditated on!

"When the prophetic secrets of the Blessed Mother are revealed in Medjugorje, the Catholic Church will find itself in a great ordeal, as much for the world as for the faithful, and a little of this suffering has already started. Satan is stronger than ever today, and he particularly wants to destroy the family and the youth, because they are the foundation of a new world."

"Presidents and leaders have their power from God; too many of them are using it for their own interests. The result is a disordered society. Without God, the world has no future, this is why the

Gospa invites us to return to God and turn to the future with God, in order to maintain peace and harmony. A government without God is anarchy. It is a deceiving government. It is therefore necessary that God be present in the government, and in the 1st place. Since the lack of God is prevalent in a lot of places, peace is constantly threatened. The most terrible war is the one waging in the human heart. The emptiness of God gives Satan a space bigger than ever."

Ivan asked the audience to pray for the realization of Mary's plans. "If Satan's first target is families and youth, his second goal is to destroy the Church and the priests. He wants to prevent the birth of new priestly vocations." Ivan received the mission of praying for priests. Every Thursday, in the evening, he opens his chapel to priests who wish to pray with him.

Dearest Gospa, in the days of preparation for Jesus' birth, you kept looking inside of you at the Child that you were carrying, in spite of the drastic external conditions. The Child was all your joy! We want to accompany you during the novena before Christmas and stay with you in everything! We need to look at you living and adoring in silence, because looking at you purifies us and restores our peace. Please allow us to stay with you and Joseph on the road to Bethlehem and then, in the manger! The world outside is so hard! You are our wonderful shelter! May the Infant-Jesus be born in our hearts; this is your desire and our desire, too. So, please show us how you put Him in the 1st place! In front of Him, all the world's vanities vanish, and in front of His love, the enemy runs away. O Mother of the Savior, intercede for us! Sister Emmanuel + [www.childrenofmedjugorje.com](http://www.childrenofmedjugorje.com)

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Dec 11 2012, - One of my prayer groups held a devotion on Saturday and someone read a prayer after the rosary entitled 'My Rosary'. It struck me that while we do pray the rosary and unite ourselves to the people with whom we pray it near and far it is an important concept to pray MY rosary. It is my gift, my connecting to heaven and most especially to MY Blessed Mother even tho She is yours too. What an inspiring concept and it helps me to be more motivated in praying this devotion which I have so much trouble doing by myself. Joan.

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Prayer for Advent/ Christmas "Lord our God, with the birth of your Son, your glory breaks on the world. Through the night hours of the darkened earth, we your people watch for the coming of your promised Son. As we wait, give us a foretaste of the joy that you will grant us when the fullness of his glory has filled the earth, who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. Amen."

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**Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for December 2012:**

**General Intention:** That migrants throughout the world may be welcomed with generosity and authentic love, especially by Christian communities.

**Missionary Intention:** Christ, light for all humanity. That Christ may reveal himself to all humanity with the light that shines forth from Bethlehem and is reflected in the face of his Church.

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**Footnotes: 1.** "Love shows us what we have to do. It takes us out of ourselves, makes us emulate the virtues of our Lord, and withdraws us from this world into Him. The reason why so many Christians get no farther than the threshold of virtue is that they will not break the chains that hold them back and will not give themselves up confidently to our Lord's guidance. They feel that if they go to Communion they will be unable to resist the love of Jesus and will be forced to give themselves in return. So they content themselves with books, with words, and do not dare turn to the Master Himself. Oh, my brothers, I pray you to take Jesus Christ Himself for your Teacher! Receive Him within you and let Him direct all your actions." ~ St. Peter Eymard

2. "We should have frequent recourse to prayer, and persevere a long time in it. God wishes to be solicited. He is not weary of hearing us. The treasure of His graces is infinite. We can do nothing more pleasing to him than to beg incessantly that He bestow them upon us." ~ St. John Baptist de la Salle

3. "A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ. We must make an effort to "live" the Mass with calm and serenity, with devotion and affection. And this is why I have always suspected that those who want the Mass to be over with quickly show, with this insensitive attitude, that they have not yet realised what the sacrifice of the altar means." ~ St. Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer

4. "Our actions have a tongue of their own; they have an eloquence of their own, even when the tongue is silent. For deeds prove the lover more than words." ~ St. Cyril of Jerusalem

5. "The poor stretch out the hand, but God receives what is offered." ~ St. Peter Chrysologus

6. "A truly humble person never believes that he can be wronged in anything. Truly, we ought to be shamed to resent whatever is said or done against us; for it is the greatest shame in the world to see that our Creator bears so many insults from His creatures, and that we resent even a little word that is contradictory." ~ St. Teresa