



June 9/10, 2008: Children's Pilgrimage to Fatima

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Therefore, the Shrine of Fatima promotes for children and adolescents of Portugal a national contest of a handwritten text or drawing titled 'Francisco, the friend of «Hidden Jesus»!', about the figure and spiritual life of this Little Shepherd.

The results of the contest will be announced on June 10.

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