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Praying for peace *is something we can all do*

Peace is a priceless gift, and its value is recognized with greater intensity by those who live the drama of war. The occasion of this reflection is war in Syria and the urgency of not forgetting the drama of those who are afflicted by the scourge of war and religious persecution.

A group of nuns of the monastery of Qara, Syria, recently delivered to the Bishop of Leiria-Fátima, as an offering to Our Lady of Fatima, three bullets and a scarf as a testimony of the martyrdom of three Christians in the settlement of Maalula in Syria on September, 4, 2013. In the written message accompanying the offer, the religious women explain the meaning of their gesture: “[The bullets and the headscarf] are offered to the Queen of Peace as a perpetual reminder of the urgency of prayer for Christians in the Middle East, so that they remain faithful to their Baptism and, through their faith, they also be the true guardians of the holy places.”

This peculiar offering causes us to remember the third part of the “secret” of Fatima, with its announcement of the martyrdom of Christians, not only during the last century, but also in this twenty-first century. In his theological commentary on this text, the then Card. J. Ratzinger, who became Pope Benedict XVI, stated: “The blood of martyrs is the seed of Christians, said Tertullian. As the Church was born of Christ’s death, from his wounded side, so witnesses death is fruitful for the Church’s future life. Thus, the vision of the third part of the “secret”, so distressing at the beginning, concludes with an image of hope: no suffering is in vain, and just a suffering Church, a Church of martyrs, becomes a telling sign for man in his quest of God”.

The message of Fatima is a message of peace. Our Lady, the Queen of Peace asked us to pray for peace. This is something we can all do; it is an aid and benefit we can all provide, and so we’ll answer to the call of those three nuns coming from Syria.

In September, the pilgrim image of Our Lady of Fatima will be in Damascus, Syria, at the request of the Melkite Greek Catholic Patriarch, Gregory III. Let us join to this pilgrimage with our prayer, so that the Lord may grant peace to Syria and strengthen the Christians who live there.

Fr. Carlos Cabecinhas



Eva Irene Lopszyc offers a musical work for the Children's Pilgrimage

The Children's Pilgrimage to the Fatima Shrine brought together again this year, on 9 and 10 June, thousands of children coming from all over Portugal, in family groups, but mainly integrated into parish and catechesis groups, amounting to over thirty thousand boys and girls. The different activities and celebrations were distributed over the two days.

On June 10, a national holiday in Portugal, 150,000 pilgrims attended the Mass presided over by his Excellency Francisco Senra Coelho, auxiliary bishop of Braga. The pilgrimage theme echoed the words of Mary uttered at Fatima in 1917, "Pray, pray much"; so the kids were invited by the pilgrimage president to raise through prayer their minds and souls to God: "Let us make from all our voices a flower we want to lift up to heaven, asking for the conversion of sinners, for peace, for the Holy Father and for all our intentions."

At the end of the Eucharist the Rector of the Fatima Shrine, Fr. Carlos Cabecinhas announced the distribu-



tion of an offer-surprise to all children present, a prayer book, titled precisely "Pray, pray much."

Eva Irene Lopszyc, composer and Argentine conductor, wrote and offered a small child labor for this pilgrimage.

Under the title "Mary made a request", the work was written in a contemporary language for choir and organ and was performed, for the first time, during the June 10 Eucharist, at the time of the Presentation of the Gifts.

Prayer precinct with a new presbytery

The construction of the new presbytery in the Prayer Precinct of the Fatima Shrine has as its goal the celebration of the Centennial of the Apparitions in 2017, but it is expected to be completed in the next month of October. "This is an important and necessary intervention that we could not fail to promote," said the Rector of the Shrine of Fatima, Fr. Carlos Cabecinhas, on the journey of the project presentation in March, at the beginning of the work.

The new presbytery is considered as absolutely necessary: "We are aware of the enormous inconvenience that this type of intervention will bring to the pilgrims, not only because of the constraints on the use of spaces, but also of the inevitable noise that such a work brings about, troubling the atmosphere of prayer and silence, so characteristic of Fatima. But it is an indispensable work, and we will do everything so that its duration be strictly necessary."

"In programmatic terms, we intended a functional solution but with symbolic expressivity and artistic quality. The interior alleys should be ample and wide, ensuring the movement and the

heightening of the scenic dimension of the celebrations. In order to support the functioning of the presbytery, we foresaw a set of spaces on the lower floor for the Chapel of Eucharistic reservation, the sacristy, for storage rooms and toilets," said the Rector.

The author of the architectural design is the Greek architect Alexandros Tombazis, who already authored the Holy Trinity Basilica project. The new building, though not exactly in the same place, will be located in front of the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary. It will

replace the presbytery that, since 1982, occasion of the first visit of Pope John Paul II to Fatima, marks the physiognomy of the Prayer Area. The new presbytery, in the whole and in each of its elements, purports to be a work of art and achieve a harmonious integration into the surrounding space.

Despite the annoyance and disturbance was not canceled any of pilgrimages or scheduled activities. During the erection of the structure is being used a temporary altar.

Leopoldina Simões



Our Lady of Fatima with a new sanctuary in Brazil



360 kilometers away from the capital of Ceará, Brazil, in the city of São Benedito, a Shrine rises that sprouted from a seed planted thanks to the visit of the Pilgrim Statue of Fatima, in October 1953; it was born by the effort and exertion of a people who found in the Virgin Mother the mirror for the following and imitation of Christ, welcoming the Fatima message which is the Gospel. The Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima of Serra Grande was erected with the purpose of receiving the pilgrims and offering them the experience of the Fatima message. By its structure and space it aims at being one of the great sites of propagation of the devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima and to the Little Shepherds, Our Lady messengers.

The 17th May, 2015, was recorded in our hearts. The story of surmount, faith and miracles closed another chapter. For ever and ever will be fixed in our memories the day we had the grace of dedicating the altar of the House of the Mother of Fatima in Serra Grande.

All of us experience the great joy of the Gospel when we welcome in our Shrine illustrious and important pastors of the Church, and among them the Apostolic Nuncio in Brazil, His Excellency Archbishop Giovanni d'Aniello. The representative of His Holiness Pope Francis rejoiced us when making reference to the ceremony: "The liturgy is wonderful and the chant beautiful. I'm feeling as if I were at the Vatican itself."

We also received the emissaries of the Sanctuary of Fatima, Cova da Iria, Portugal, its rector, Reverend Father Carlos Manuel Pedrosa Cabecinhas, and the Sister Angela de Fatima Coelho, postulator of the canonization

Cause of the Blessed Shepherds Francisco and Jacinta Marto, and vice-postulator of the Cause of Beatification of the Servant of God Sister Lucia of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart.

In communion with the Risen Christ, were present at the celebration all the bishops of Ceará, accompanied by the Archbishop of Fortaleza, His Excellency José Antonio Aparecido Tosi Marques and the bishops of Piauí accompanied by the Archbishop of Teresina-PI, Jacinto Furtado. About seven thousand faithful attended the solemn event, and we also had representatives from parishes of the Diocese of Tianguá, Ceará, pilgrims of Piauí, Maranhão and other Brazilian states.

Today we can understand, in a more immediate and concrete way, the providence of God that led us to build this Shrine, since the arrival of the first image; we are aware of his design in

every donation of the faithful, in each brick laid thanks to the material and spiritual offering of devout benefactors of Our Lady. In each action performed to implement this dream it is possible to perceive the maternal hand of Our Lady of Fatima which opens paths and teaches how to accept the will of God in Christ Jesus.

The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Giovanni d'Aniello, consecrated the altar of this house of prayer, in which we deposited, among other remains, and for permanent display, the relics of the Little Shepherds, brought by Sister Angela Coelho. In the image of Our Lady, venerated in the main church, the most Reverend Rector Fr. Carlos Cabecinhas deposited a Rosary similar to that of the image in the Chapel of Apparitions, Cova da Iria. The Sanctuary of Serra Grande also honored him with the commemorative medal of the Shrine of Cova da Iria, and so was sealed and ratified the union between Portugal, our colonizer, and this far apart country and our people who have in Our Lady of Fatima their dear Mother, which unites us to Portugal.

We thank God for his immense love! May Our Lady of Fatima keep us under the protection of her Holy Mantle!

Fr. Antonio Martins Ireneu
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São Benedito, Ceará, Brazil



In Porto Alegre, Brazil

The XIII Pilgrimage evokes the 98 years of Our Lady's apparition

On May 17 was celebrated the XIII Fatima Pilgrimage in Porto Alegre, Brazil, in order to recall to mind the 98 years of the apparition of Our Lady in Fatima, Portugal. The faithful left the Santa Rosa de Lima Church carrying on their shoulders the Pilgrim Image and the shepherds Jacinta and Francisco, and walked towards the local Shrine of Fatima. Encouraged by the parish priest of the forenamed church, Fr. Carlos Sebastiany, the pilgrims and wayfarers sang and prayed to Our Lady, thanking and making their requests.

Presided at Mass the Archbishop Emeritus, His Excellency Dadeus Grings, and concelebrated the general director of the Saint Francis Schools Network and Rector of the Fatima Shrine of Porto Alegre, Fr. José Luiz Schaedler, the pastor of Divine Mercy Church and Santa Rosa de Lima Church, the auxiliary priest of the Shrine, Fr. Luiz Inacio Selbach, and the deacons, at the Saint Francis Convention Center, attended by thousands of pilgrims.

In his homily, Archbishop Dadeus Grings highlighted the importance of children and their innocence among the adults, in addition to their faith. According to him, that's why Our Lady of Fatima chose the three Portuguese children to reveal the secrets that would change humanity once and forever. Mary requested the children to pray and make penance for the conversion of sinners and World Peace.

Fr. José Luiz reinforced the words of archbishop Dadeus Grings stressing the importance of prayer and charity towards



others. He enhanced the work carried out in the municipal, public and private schools of Porto Alegre North Zone, during the nine days before the pilgrimage. Such work consisted in spreading, through Mary, the message of Jesus Christ for children and young people; in bringing together, according to the request of Pope Francis, thousands of children and youngsters, who could present their prayers, petitions and thanks to Mary's feet, at their schools. He also expressed gratitude for the pilgrims and community presence and participation in the new sanctuary construction; besides, he thanked to Public Enterprise of Transportation and Circulation which, every year, accompanies the journey providing security for all. Finally, he invited everyone to the solemn act of inaugurating the new sanctuary: "I want to remember that on May 17, 2017, we will have the inauguration of the new Shrine of Fatima, precisely in the year when we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima."

Rubens Monteiro (text and photo)

Diocese of Ragusa, Italy

Pilgrim Virgin, a return eagerly awaited



The Pilgrim Virgin, the venerated image coming from the Sanctuary of Fatima, returned to this diocese. This is a tradition that already counts seven consecutive years, and this year it was held in Ragusa, since the 10th of June. The pilgrimage was marked by numerous initiatives of spirituality and support to patients and those who, with affection and commitment, serve them.

On Wednesday, June 10, the Image, coming from the Fatima Shrine, arrived at 19:00 to Martyrs of Nassiriya Square, to the Civil Hospital in the city of Ragusa, and was welcomed by a Rosary Crown, formed by balloons and many faithful, just at the same time when the Children's Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Fatima was occurring in Portugal.

After launching to the sky the Rosary Crown, sign of our prayer ascending to God, the Image toured and visited the diocese hospitals in a large and festive pilgrimage, which was intended to stress the importance of the Apparitions centenary. It is also planned a visitation to the Holy Family Parish and the Carmel Shrine in Ragusa, in a hint and insinuation to the year dedicated to the consecrated life. [...]

The provincial command of the police wished to express the testimony of its members to the Virgin of Fatima during her *Peregrinatio* to the Ragusa diocese. (...) A moment with a very special meaning and significance was the procession to all the wards of the Civil Hospital, with the Hospital Chaplaincy members and AVO ("Associazione Volontari Ospedalieri") Volunteers: the blessing of the sick brought a message of hope and comfort.

Another important moment was the journey to the Monastery of the Discalced Carmelites. The image of the Pilgrim Virgin was also at the Maria Paternò Arezzo Hospital, where took place the blessing of patients in the wards, animated by the Chaplaincy Hospital and the AVO volunteers. The Virgin returned to the Holy Family Parish in Ragusa, where she stayed all day, Tuesday, June 16, to allow and facilitate the pilgrimage of children and their families. [...]

The Journey of the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima ended on June 20 in the town of Vittoria. It was received here for the first time, and stayed for three days in the St. Francis of Paola Parish, involving the whole city in the planned activities and celebrations. Both in Vittoria and Ragusa there was a great participation of children and their families.

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Sanctuary of Peace dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima in South Korea



A new sanctuary dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima was erected at Imjingak, near the military demarcation line between South Korea and North Korea. On May 6th, 2015, Mons. Peter Lee Ki-heon, bishop of the diocese of Uijeongbu presided over the dedication of the new temple, accompanied by other bishops, priests and a large assembly of the faithful.

The project of erecting a sanctuary in this place was an old dream of the World Apostolate of Fatima in South Korea. It goes back to 1974 when the members of this organization decided to make a pilgrimage to the very border of North Korea, on May 13th, to celebrate a Mass in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, for peace and for the reunification of the Korean Peninsula. This

initiative, which became afterwards a yearly event attended by thousands of people, has prompted the idea of building the sanctuary of Peace dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima.

However, it was only in 1983 that the project would gain a real impulse after a generous donation was received for that purpose. However, the construction could not take place. The site chosen for building the sanctuary was a military operation zone where no constructions are allowed. Despite this, the members of the World Apostolate of Fatima did not give up and kept the dream alive for over 30 years.

Finally, in 2012, a piece of land was bought in a different location not far from the border line of the two Koreas, making possible in this way to obtain

the required permission from the Korean government and from the Bishop of the diocese to begin the construction.

The new temple, full of decorative references to the history and message of Fatima, is a two floor building in the underground with capacity to accommodate large groups of pilgrims. The panel behind the church's main altar is figurative of Sister Lucia's vision in Tuy, Spain. The relics of Blessed Francisco and Jacinta Marto, a gift from the Postulation in Fatima, are also placed at this sanctuary for veneration.

This sanctuary is now being visited by many people from South Korea. The Rector and a group of religious Sisters are there to welcome the pilgrims and assist them in their spiritual needs, through Holy Mass, the recitation of the Rosary, Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament, First Saturday's program, retreats, etc. It is a house of prayer for peace and for promoting the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The World Apostolate of Fatima was introduced in South Korea in 1964 by Mons. Anton Trauner, a young German missionary. The national headquarters of the organization is located in the diocese of Busan and it is directed by the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a Korean religious congregation founded by Mons. Trauner.

Nuno Prazeres

Director World Apostolate of Fatima-International Secretariat

Pope approves International Mariological Congress in Fatima

On May 7, at the end of the conference that inaugurated the International Forum of Mariology, held in Rome in early May, Angelo Cardinal Amato, Prefect of the Pontifical Congregation for the Causes of Saints, read the following announcement: "Pope Francis approved the conclusion of the 24th International Mariological Congress in the city of Fatima, organized by the Pontifical Marian Academy in collaboration with officials from the Sanctuary."

"The Congress, which will take place from 6 to 11 September 2016, will have as central and dominant theme: "The event of Fatima, one hundred years later - History, message and actuality"', reported His Eminence Angelo Amato.

Thus, Fatima will welcome the 24th edition of the most important moment of reflection in the field of Mariology, and its specific thematic will have as center and focus the Fatima event.

It must be brought into attention that, in the fiftieth anniversary of Fatima apparitions in 1967, occurred in Portugal, with initiatives in Lisbon and Fatima, the 5th edition of the International Mariological Congress, whose principal theme was "De Primordiis Cultus Mariani - patristic Mariology."



Pilgrim Image of Fatima in Lebanon

On the morning of June 17, the Vice-Rector of the Shrine of Fatima, Fr. Vítor Coutinho, received the Lebanon delegation that accompanied the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to this country. That visit occurred from 12-16 June 2015.

Muslims and Catholics prayed together before the image of Our Lady. Once it arrived in Lebanon, the Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Fatima was transported to the Saint Anthony of Padua Convent, where it was in wait for the Apostolic Nuncio. From there it moved to the Maronite patriarchy, where came together thousands of people, including 50 bishops and 2 patriarchs.

During the five days it spent in Lebanon, the Pilgrim Image

journeyed through all the patriarchates of the Catholic Churches: Maronite; Syriac; Melkite and Armenian. One of the highlights of this visit was its short

stay at the Presidential Palace, where it remained for 15 minutes, and at the Parliament, where it was for 20 minutes. In these places the priests prayed to Our Lady for freedom and peace.

All Lebanese media have mobilized to make an appropriate coverage of this event. Everything concerning the visit of the Pilgrim Image of Our Lady to Lebanon was live broadcast on TV and local radio stations.

The Lebanese Carmelite sisters organized a continuous worship in the days while the Pilgrim Image was in Lebanon, asking the intercession of Our Lady for an end to all violence and war between Muslims and Catholics in that country.

Sandra Dantas



Five Heavenly Days with Our Lady of Fatima in Lebanon

The saga of love for the Immaculate Heart of Mary is on

A joy from up above, sent with showers of love, in a Marian wedding Lebanon would have never dreamed of. Five glorious days, five heavenly days, five days forever engraved in the memories, souls and hearts of this country and its people as they celebrated the visit of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima which came to Lebanon from Portugal.

Words cannot describe how Our Lady of Fatima filled with joy the hearts of all those who visited Her. Goosebumps would engulf you as you would see how She brought people together and tears of joy would run down your cheeks as you would feel the amount of joy and love they had for Her! Their smiles lit up the world and the hearts of whoever laid eyes on them. This was a different kind of joy. This was exactly the kind of joy that no earthly joy could compare to. This was the kind of joy that was so true and so overwhelming that hearts felt like they were going to explode. This was the kind of joy that was so big our hearts felt as if they were too tiny to contain it all, all this



joy that comes from Our Lady and all this joy that is Our Lady.

The consecration started in Lebanon and reached Sharjah in the UAE! The Immaculate Heart of Mary is victorious in Sharjah! The Queen of the Heavens and the Earth entered Saint Michael Church with sunlight radiating off Her face. The priest revealed the three secrets of Fatima and confirmed the pres-

ence of hell and the presence of Holy justice. He also warned of the presence of false trends in the church. At the end of mass, the statue of Our Lady of Fatima was carried on the shoulders of the believers and the church, Emmanuel Youth, the world and the family were consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Hallelujah.

Suzy El Hage

Portuguese emigrant offers 365 statues of Our Lady of Fatima

The expansion of the devotion to Our Lady of Fatima through the world also owes much to the Portuguese emigrants who, along with other identifying elements of Portuguese culture, carry with themselves, to the regions and communities hosting them, this Marian feeling which is peculiar to the Portuguese Christian people, i.e., a way of living expressed mainly in the devotion and love showed to Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima.

José Câmara is just another case. Native of the Madeira Island, married, father of two children, lived much of his life in South Africa, engaged in real estate business and products. When retired from active life, he decided to “thank heaven, as in the Parable of the Talents, all the good life had allotted to him”.

He decided, in an original way, to increase and propagate the devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima in South Africa with the offer of 12 images of Our Lady of Fatima – as many as the months of the year – to 12 churches in South Africa, and announced, anonymously, that personal goal to Catholic weekly “The Southern Cross”. The news dates from 9 January 2013; the parishes and Catholic communities concerned would have to express and communicate to an *e-mail* address a wish to receive a statue until February 1.

What happens next is just the beginning of a movement that would end two years later, in 2015, and it mounted up to a supply of 365 statues of Our Lady of Fatima.

To the first announcement on “The Southern Cross” replied 63 parishes. The meritorious endower then determined to offer not 12 but 13 statues, “because Our Lady appeared, for the first time, on May 13”. The initial purpose was so reworked, and that would happen very often, because the requests did not stop multiplying.

The South African newspaper follows and monitors the evolution of the case of the Portuguese benefactor, “who wants to remain anonymous”. Some of the titles of the articles were: “Nine more statues offered”, “More statues of Fatima presented as gifts – The objective is to offer a hundred,” “Fatima Images now for schools.”

The Nazareth House institution, in Port Elisabeth, helps and cooperates in the spread of this individual initiative and distributes 25 images. The Priestly Society of Saint Pius X in Africa extends the project from South Africa over the countries where it has missions: South Africa, Gabon, Kenya, Nigeria and Zimbabwe. Also come some private requests, especially from families or persons with illness. The first personal offer is made to an Irish resident bishop in Tzann, Zimbabwe. “How to say no?” recalls José Câmara, 74, stired by emotion.

The offer of the images, in various sizes, required certainly a personal investment of time and money, not only in the acquisition of the statues, from a factory of Fatima, Portugal, but also with respect to correspondence and other logistics, since the initiative became worldwide.

“I am Portuguese, my goal is to disseminate this im-



portant devotion, especially the devotion of the Rosary prayer, as Our Lady requested at Fatima. My time is devoted to it, “says José Câmara, who lives again in Portugal, Cascais.

The 365 statues of Our Lady of Fatima - as many as there are days in the year - got far away. They have been personally sent or delivered in 21 countries, to very different institutions – parishes, convents, schools, prisons, hospitals – and to individuals.

The correspondence received by post or Internet certifies to the reception of the images and expresses the gratefulness of the institutions and individuals, with written testimonies and photos.

How are we going to illustrate this article? José Câmara does not want to be photographed; important is his project, not him. Perhaps will we furnish it with a picture of the image of Our Lady of Fatima? “That would be beautiful indeed; what we want is to make Her known.” Agreed!

Leopoldina Simões

IV National Eucharistic Congress scheduled for Fatima

Between 10 and 12 June, 2016, Fatima welcomes the realization of the Fourth National Eucharistic Congress, an initiative of the Portuguese Episcopal Conference (CEP), which has the support of both the Shrine of Fatima and the National Secretariat Apostolate of Prayer (AO) for its organization and execution.

“Living the Eucharist, source of mercy” is the congress theme and motto. This initiative will occur in the context of the Jubilee Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis, and of the Centenary celebrations of Fatima apparitions, for mercy is one of the key dimensions of the Fatima message.

When submitting the IV National Eucharistic Congress to the media on July 14, the committee underlined the motto relevance as a response to Holy Father’s requests: “Pope Francis, since the beginning of his pontificate,



has emphasized the need of opening ourselves to God’s mercy and of being merciful to all.”

“The message of Fatima is closely linked to the Eucharist, first, with regard to the apparitions of the Angel in 1916, then to the apparitions of Our Lady in 1917, and finally in Pontevedra (1925-1926) and Tuy (1927-1929), in neighbouring Spain, when Sister Lucia lived in communities of the Sisters of Saint Dorothy”; hence the importance of the option for the Fatima Shrine as the place to carry out this fourth edition.

This initiative, open to all interested, “is intended specially for pastoral agents who, in parishes and other communities, perform different ministries and services: priests, deacons, laity and members of institutes of consecrated life”. The Portuguese bishops also announced that the episcopate pastoral journeys of 2016 will consist in the participation in this Congress.

Leopoldina Simões

Fatima Shrine engages schools in the Apparitions Centennial

In another initiative proposed by the Sanctuary of Fatima, and carried out within the context of the official program of the Apparitions Centenary, the Portuguese Catholic schools are invited to take part in a multidisciplinary competition, that will reach the highest point with a cultural session at the III National Pilgrimage to Fatima of the Catholic schools, on October 21, 2016.

The growing activation of this initiative, free and open to all Catholic schools, is committed to an Organizing Committee made up of elements from

the Sanctuary of Fatima, the National Secretariat of Christian Education (SNEC) and the Portuguese Association of Catholic Schools (APEC).

The proposed thematic frame will be that of the seventh cycle of the Thematic itinerary for the Apparitions Centenary; it has as reference event the October 1917 apparition, as inspiring motto Our Lady’s phrase “I am the Lady of the Rosary”, and as pastoral theme the biblical verse “The Lord has done great things for me.”

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