From the Administrators Blotter:

Fatima Saints

Did you ever think that Glenn Beck – the once-Catholic, now Mormon political conservative and radio talk-show host – would be interested in the "Secret of Fatima"? I didn't either! But there he was, just two weeks ago, talking to his national audience about how President Ronald Reagan, St. John Paul II, and "the Virgin of the Rosary" (Our Lady of Fatima) brought down world Communism!

There's no doubt that the events which occurred at Fatima, Portugal one hundred years ago have had unsuspected political effects. But the 7 apparitions of the Virgin Mary also occasioned great holiness among the three children-visionaries. Lúcia dos Santos is the best known of the three. She has written her recollections of the events several times. She lived to be 98 years old and died in 2005, having spent most of her life as a Carmelite nun.

Francisco and Jacinta Martos, the other two child-visionaries, were cousins of Lúcia. They quickly internalized the message of Fatima despite their young age. After the apparitions of Mary they continued to tend the family sheep, but prayed the rosary daily and were known to give their lunch to beggars. On hot days they refrained from drinking water. This was how they offered up their daily crosses, as the Virgin had counseled, making reparation to Her Immaculate Heart.

Francisco and Jacinta died very early in life, victims of the Spanish influenza pandemic. He succumbed at age 10 – just two years after the visions – in 1919. Jacinta deteriorated over time dying at age 9 in 1920. St. John Paul II beatified them both in 2000; Pope Francis canonized the two child-saints *a week ago*.

The Vatican-approved miracle which won their beatification was *the case of Felipe Moura Marques*. This little boy was born with type 1 diabetes, a disease considered incurable. His mother and grandmother had great devotion to Francisco and Jacinta so they took baby Felipe to the Fatima Shrine and placed him near the tombs of the two visionaries, asking their intercession. On May 13, 2000, while watching St John Paul beatify the two, Felipe's mother prayed again to Francisco and Jacinta for the health of their son. Since that time, Felipe has not needed to take insulin and has been completely cured of diabetes.

The miracle for their canonization was *the case of Lucas Yurie*; it happened in March 2013. The five-year-old boy accidently fell 20 feet from a window of the family home. "His head hit the ground first and he sustained a very serious injury, which caused a loss of brain tissue" said his father, Batista, during the press conference at the Fatima Shrine. When we finally got Lucas to the hospital in Parana, Brazil my son was in a deep coma. His heart stopped twice, and doctors performed an emergency operation. We began to pray and called upon our Carmelite nun-friends; they went directly to their chapel where relics of both Blesseds Francisco and Jacinta were venerated. The nuns invoked these young 'shepherds' to intercede for our little son, who in many ways was like them. Against all medical expectations on March 11 our son was released from ICU and in a couple of days was back home with us...recovered and talking as before. The doctors called it a miracle!"

Dear parishioners, answer our Lady of Fatima's request for prayer and penance. Plan to start the "Five First Saturdays of the Month" *this* coming June '17. Be ready for the 100th Anniversary of the Feast and Archbishop Cordileone's consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in October, 2017. The conditions are: every month 1) Sacramental Confession, 2) Receive Holy Communion, 3) Pray 5 decades of the Rosary, 4) plus keep Our Lady company for 15 minutes more meditating on the mysteries of her life, 5) with the *intention* of making reparation to Her Immaculate Heart. Fr. James Garcia

Flores De Mayo

Please join us in celebrating the Flores De Mayo on Sunday, May 28th. Celebration starts with the Holy Rosary at the grotto site of St. Elizabeth Church at 11:00AM followed by Mass in the Church at 11:30AM. Everybody is invited to attend. Please bring flowers for the crowning of Mary.

PENTECOST CELEBRATION

You are invited to a Pentecost celebration hosted by the Light of God Community on Sunday, June 4, 2017 starting with a Mass at 11:30 AM in Church officiated by the **Most Reverend Mylo Hubert Vergara, Bishop, Diocese of Pasig, Philippines**. Fellowship and Recollection by Bishop Mylo follow after mass at Cantwell Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

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•	Monday	<u>May 22</u>
		† Salvina Yongue
	5:30 pm	† Luigi Romani
	Tuesday	<u>May 23</u>
		† Jesus "Jesse" Quinonez
	5:30 pm	† Leonilla Casayuran
	Wednesday	<u>May 24</u>
	8:00 am	† Guy Contardini
	7:00 pm	† Luigi and †Maria Casazza
	Thursday	<u>May 25</u>
	8:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
	5:30 pm	
	<u>Friday</u>	<u>May 26</u>
	8:00 am	† Manuel Scerri
	5:30 pm	
	Saturday	
		†Jorge Ayala
	4:30 pm	† Bob and †Sue Marquez
	Sunday	<u>May 28</u>
	7:30 am	People of the Parish
		†Rosita Gayaban
		†Marietta B. Nacor
	9:30 am	Italian Catholic Federation

†Denotes deceased - (L) Living

11:30 am

5:00 pm

Sunday Collection May 14, 2017
Weekly Need: \$5,000.00
Sunday Collection \$2,898.00
Over/Under \$2,102.00
Catholic Charities \$1,244.00

Maltese Society

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This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)

Presentation of the Newly Confirmed at St. Elizabeth

The 11:30am mass this Sunday, May 21st will be the Presentation of Newly Confirmed Mass of our 8th grade Religious Education (CCD) students. All parishioners are most welcome to attend. Please pray for our newly Confirmed as they received the gift of the Holy Spirit last Saturday, May 13th at St. Mary's Cathedral.



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DAISY PICAZO
RIZA RIVERA
APOLLO SEBASTIAN

ANGEL VILLANUEVA

Workshop with Fr. Garcia:

Readers- Saturday May 27th from 12:30PM to 3:30PM at the Rectory.