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The 100th Anniversary of the Militia Immaculatae in Fatima



*Above: The blessing after the ceremony
Below: Bishop Fellay, with Fr. Stehlin, renews
the "Act of Consecration to the Immaculata"
in Latin*



Dear Knights of the Immaculata!

October 13th 1917 marked the great miracle of the sun at Fatima, the heavenly seal of the veracity and importance of the apparitions of Our Lady. On the eve of the 17th of October 1917 in Rome, the Militia Immaculatae, the army of poor instruments of Our Lady for the salvation of many poor sinners, was founded. At the same time the devil gathered his armies for a general mobilization during the October revolution in Russia and the 200th anniversary of Freemasonry in Rome. All these events were like a solemn beginning, a so-called 'kick-off' of the great spiritual war between the "Woman clothed in the sun" and the "dragon" with his assistants, the two beasts.

Since then a war has been going on, infinitely worse than all World Wars and other cataclysms together: it is the devil's final battle against the "Woman and her Seed" which will end only on the day of doom!

For exactly one century this war has been going on: during the first 50 years, the first beast developed its power all over the world: what with World War II, communism in Russia, China and in many countries, domination of Freemasonry in the so-called free countries. However, in the very 'mouth of the lion' the armies of Our Lady, without material or financial support, won the battle in billions of souls: Our Lady found many instruments which brought innumerable graces of conversion and sanctification into the world. During the last 50 years of the past century, the second beast (the false prophet with the appearance of the Lamb but speaking like the dragon!) spread the ideology of the dragon in the whole spiritual sphere and entered as the 'smoke of Satan' into the very centre of the Church. Not only did it bring billions of souls to spiritual ruin, religious indifference and apostasy, but it also almost destroyed the armies of Our Lady in a very simple way: declaring that the battle is over, and that now we enter a new age of peace, fraternal love and universal freedom. Trapped by these slogans, most of the soldiers, legionaries and knights laid down their weapons and abandoned what they had previously fought for: striving instead for a paradise on earth, seeking happiness and pleasure here and now, forgetting the everlasting mysteries of salvation or damnation, forgetting the enmity between Heaven and Hell.

And now, 100 years afterwards, what a joy for the dragon and his beasts: they think they have won, they have conquered the whole world and all souls.

Once, Our Lord consoled Elias who also thought that all was lost and the true religion had disappeared, saying: "7000 have not bowed their knees before Baal". Today, Our Lady equally consoles us: "when all seems lost, my Immaculate Heart will triumph! When all is dominated by the prince of darkness, I will be your light and refuge and the way which leads you to God. Don't fear, I will never abandon you!"

These are not only words: the "little sparks of the M.I. worldwide" show clearly how much she loves us and supports us in our fights. All over the world she finds thirsty souls who want to serve her, to know her and make her known. On the 20th of August 2017, some 10,000 faithful from all over the world celebrated in Fatima the great centenaries of her apparitions and amongst them almost 3,000 Knights who also commemorated the foundation of the M.I. Remember that during this jubilee we want to put an army of 100,000 Knights at her feet. Thanks to "Mary's Mission Tour" in the Philippines and to the establishment of the M.I. in 10 more countries by the 20th of August we could put into her Immaculate Heart around 80,000.

However, during this year of jubilee the Immaculata not only consoles us with many special graces, but she wants also to prepare us for the future. The battle is not over, on the contrary: the worst is before us! Only in the measure to which we are determined to be with her and to fight for her honour and triumph she makes us immune against the continuous and ferocious attacks of the enemy. In other words, we have to use the talents we have received and make them fructify. What she operates in our soul, she wants to do in all souls, and therefore she needs us.

We should not concentrate too much in observing fearfully the progress of darkness, evil and sin; how far and how long the dragon will dominate "all people and nations" is in the hands of the Divine Providence. But in the midst of the growing disaster in the world and the Church we have to work for her, fight for her with the weapons of innumerable ejaculatory prayers, sacrifices, rosaries, good examples, fulfilment of our duties of state, all kind of apostolic activities (especially distributing the Miraculous Medal); with all these means we let her be the Mediatrix of all graces of conversion and sanctification for millions of souls in wait for our generosity.

Her Immaculate Heart will triumph! But it will triumph only through us and with us! What a sublime vocation! What a privilege! What an honour!

Fr. Karl Stehlin
Singapore, 1 September 2017

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



8th
September

Nine months after the Immaculate Conception, the Holy Church celebrates the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. From the 13th century onwards, the celebration assumed notable importance, becoming a Solemnity within a major Octave and preceded by a Vigil calling for a fast. The birth of Mary begins the work of Redemption. In her crib, the mother of the Saviour illuminates the desolate earth with the grace of her first smiles. **Read more:** <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Prade381.php>

The Fifth Apparition of Our Lady in Fatima



13th
September

At dawn on the 13th of September, all the roads leading to Fatima were full of people. By noon there were around 30,000 people waiting for the apparition. Lucia was very impressed by the simplicity of faith and generosity of the people who came from afar to ask Our Lady for graces or simply to honour her. Arriving at the Cova da Iria, Lucia started to say the Rosary with the people. **Read more:** <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima155.php>
<http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima156.php>

The Sixth Apparition of Our Lady in Fatima



13th
October

From the 12th of October, around 50,000 people had already arrived in Fatima. It is easy to relate what happened on the 13th of October: the witnesses of the event were innumerable, their testimonies agree, and the documents they left us are abundant. **Read more:** <http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima169.php>
<http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima170.php>
<http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima171.php>
<http://militia-immaculatae.asia/english/Fatima172.php>



Pray the **Rosary** every day

The Immaculata, during her apparition on the 13th of October 1917 in Fatima, said to the three children:

**"I am Our Lady of the Rosary.
Continue to say the Rosary every day."**

In every apparition at Fatima Our Lady urged the daily recitation of the Rosary for the salvation of the world. The Rosary is Mary's gift.

There seems no doubt that today Our Lady wants to use the Rosary to save us and inundate us with graces. Let us realize that it was not just by chance that she chose to appear at Fatima under the title of "Our Lady of the Rosary". She appears to have linked the most important affairs of our age to the Holy Rosary.



In the personal diary of St. Maximilian Kolbe, we find this passage: "So many Rosaries means so many souls saved".

"**S**capular, Rosary and the Miraculous Medal — here are three things that the Immaculata herself has deigned to offer for the salvation of mankind" — wrote St. Maximilian in 1925.

And in the magazine "Knight of the Immaculata" of October 1925, St. Maximilian wrote: "It is true that the recitation of the Rosary is not compulsory under pain of sin, but what kind of love is it that confines itself to bare duties, whose neglect may very well turn into serious transgressions? Such a course of action would seem more like slave bondage than the love of a child towards the great heavenly Father and the

most loving Mother. No, that would be unworthy of someone who loves of Mary!

A true lover seeks the opportunity to approach her as often as possible, to remain at her feet longer (within the limits allowed him by the duties of his state).

He entrusts all his troubles and his concerns to her. Also he himself, as far as his energies allow, meditates and acts to ensure that the works of Mary proceed in the best way, that her kingdom may be expanded in the souls of all those who live now and in the future, acquaintances or strangers, friends or enemies, relatives, fellow citizens, countrymen or foreigners, Catholics or non-Catholics. These are his aspirations, his desires; this is the goal at which his efforts aim.



And where could one obtain the light one needs in order to know when and how to act, if not at her feet? Could one possibly go elsewhere to draw strength for so sublime a task?

"Our Father..." "Hail Mary..."

Into grieved hearts, there drops a comforting balm; in desperate souls, a ray of hope shines again. The poor, the afflicted, those who are bent

under the burden of worries, tribulations and crosses, now more and more clearly and explicitly start sensing that they are not orphans, that they have a Mother who knows their sorrows, has compassion for them, comforts them, and comes to their aid.



They feel they have to suffer a little longer, but then a reward, a reward that is eternal and infinite, will follow. They realize that it is even worth suffering in this short life in order to wipe out the sins committed and give a proof of their love to God.

They understand that suffering purifies the soul as does fire with gold, because the soul is detached from those passing illusions the world calls happiness, and rises higher and higher, infinitely higher and higher, to the source of all happiness, God. They realize that the soul may only find rest in Him, while everything else is far too little..."

To recite the holy Rosary is like welcoming the Madonna among us, letting her enter and tarry within our poor souls. We all ought to be as

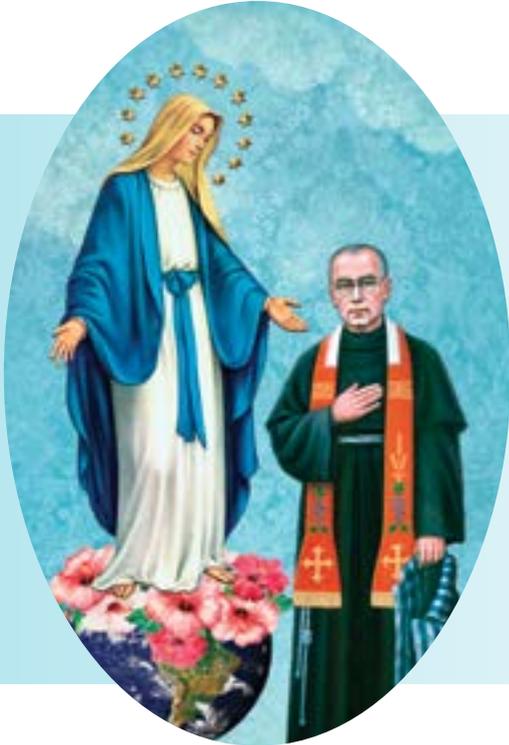
pure and zealous as the virgin Apostle, the one whom Jesus loved, St. John the Evangelist, who "took Mary into his home" (John 19:27).

Lucia of Fatima assures us that in this greatly troubled world "if everybody said the Rosary every day, the Madonna would obtain miraculous favours."

When St. Maximilian Kolbe was in the Auschwitz concentration camp and had offered to die in place of the father of a family, he was detained in a starvation dungeon, making it in a new Christian catacomb, echoing with prayers to the Madonna that were heartbreakingly beautiful. "It no longer seemed like a starvation dungeon down there," wrote one of the keepers. "It was like going down into the crypt of a church with those unlucky men enclosed; one



heard them saying their prayers aloud every day. One heard the Rosary and hymns, and the condemned men in neighbouring cells joined in. Every time I went down there, fervent prayers and hymns to the holy Virgin echoed throughout the underground area. It was Father Maximilian Kolbe who would start them, and all the others would respond..." **M**



The 100th Anniversary of the M.I.

The Militia Immaculatae was established in Rome on 16 October 1917 among students of the International College of the Franciscan Fathers, at Via San Teodoro, 41/F.

What led to its establishment were the ever more overt provocations of the freemasons and other enemies of the Church of Christ in the very heart of Christendom.

The spirit of the Militia is briefly summed up in the "Original Statutes of the Militia Immaculata", published regularly at the end of each issue of "Knight of the Immaculata".

"The two sentences at the beginning of the program, 'She will crush your head' and 'Thou alone hast vanquished all heresies throughout the world', also indicate the purpose of the Militia Immaculatae.

Therefore the members of the M.I. consecrate themselves to the Immaculata without limits as instruments in her hand, that through them she may deign to achieve what is expressed in those two sentences."

In 1919 St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe wrote:

"We are instruments in the most loving hands of the Immaculata, and that is the only way we can possibly achieve our ultimate goal: the glory of God, not only a greater glory, but the greatest possible glory. All of our concerns, therefore, ought to consist in this: to let ourselves be led, so that nothing is done except what she wants and how she wants it. (...)"



Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the M.I. in Fatima

The 100th Anniversary of the Militia Immaculatae was celebrated during the Pilgrimage of the Society of St. Pius X to Fatima.

Around 10,000 pilgrims from all over the world came to Fatima on the 19th– to the 20th of August 2017 for the Society of St. Pius X's Pilgrimage to mark the centenary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta.

Before the pilgrimage (on the 18th of August), Fr. Stehlin, Director of the M.I., gave several conferences about the apparitions in Fatima. Pilgrims could listen to these conferences at various spots: notably the place of the apparitions of the Angel and Our Lady in Valinhos and at the Cova da Iria.

On Saturday the 19th of August the pilgrims assembled in Car

Park for the Solemn High Mass celebrated by the Rev. Fr. Franz Schmidberger, Rector of the SSPX's German seminary, assisted by Father Karl Stehlin, Superior of the District of Asia, as deacon, and Father Pascal Schreiber, Superior of the District of Switzerland, as subdeacon.

A magnificent procession followed to Os Valinhos where the rosary was recited on the spot where 100 years to the day that the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared. It was truly special. About 300 priests and seminarians and 150 religious sisters surrounded the statue of Our Lady and around 10,000 faithful.

All night adoration on Car Park was followed by a Pontifical High Mass on 20th of August celebrated by the Superior General, His Lordship Bishop Fellay. During the sermon His Excellency spoke about the important message of Fatima: the consecration of ourselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary, prayer and the conversion of sinners as well as the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

After the Mass, Russia was consecrated to the Immaculate of



Heart of Mary by the three bishops of the Society. The pilgrimage closed at "Os Valinhos" with a meditated Rosary, litany and act of consecration of the Society of St. Pius X to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Following the closing ceremony, the Rev. Fr. Karl Stehlin, Director of the Militia Immaculatae, led a ceremony to commemorate the centenary of the founding of the Militia Immaculatae by St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Bishop Fellay gave a short sermon explaining that each of us should be a good instrument of the Immaculata. It is both our honour and our responsibility.

Afterwards His Excellency blessed a few banners of the M.I. and he read the "Act of Consecration to the Immaculata" in Latin. The Knights of the M.I. repeated their "Act of Consecration" in Latin and afterwards in their own languages. This was made possible thanks to representatives of Kolbe Publications who had distributed the act in several languages: English, French and Spanish.

The renewal of the "Act of consecration to the Immaculata":

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvALB-5FoTc&t=75s>



*Above: Singing before the ceremony
Below: Bishop Fellay blesses the banners of the M.I.*



Establishment of M.I. 2 – Mission for Russia

The Director of the Militia Immaculatae, Fr. Karl Stehlin established **M.I. 2 – Mission for Russia** (a second degree of the Militia Immaculatae), bringing

together Knights to pray for the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, according to the requests of Our Lady at Fatima and Tuy.

Every day these Knights would offer a prayer for the consecration of Russia:

‘Oh Immaculata, I ask you that, in union with all the bishops of the world, the Holy Father will consecrate Russia to your Immaculate Heart’

The goal of M.I. 2 — Mission for Russia is to provide supernatural and natural help for the works being undertaken for the fulfilment of the request of Our Lady of Fatima to consecrate Russia to her Immaculate Heart.

If you want to join M.I. 2 — Mission for Russia, please write

your intention of joining (full name, country of residence, e-mail address, and a promise to pray every day for the intention of the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary), to:

info@militia-immaculatae.asia



All information about the **M.I. 2 – Mission for Russia** is available at: www.consecrationrussia.wordpress.com

Working for the consecration of Russia

According to the requests of Our Lady at Fatima and in Tuy we are working for the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The establishment of M.I. 2 — Mission for Russia was the beginning of the work for Russia.

One of the Knights from Belarus translated the letters of the Father Director of the Militia Immaculatae, texts of "Towards Fatima 2017" and other news for the website in Russian:

<http://militia-immaculatae.asia/russianindex.php>

One of the Knights from Russia translated the texts for the "Knight of the Immaculata" magazine. Now we have published a second



issue of "Knight of the Immaculata" in Russian.

Download:

https://knightlibrary.files.wordpress.com/2017/04/knight_no-2_ru_web.pdf

We invite you also to visit the two following Russian SSPX websites for more information about the M.I.:

<http://mos.fsspx.ru/novosti>

<http://pet.fsspx.ru/rycar-neporochnoy>

These websites publish links to the M.I.: a website in Russian, issues of "Knight of the Immaculata" and a website about the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

We offer also books and flyers in Russian in our M.I. Library:

<https://knightlibrary.wordpress.com/>

M.I. 2 – Association of Our Lady of Fatima in Japan

During some free time, while we were making the Akita Pilgrimage this year, the spontaneous idea came to our pilgrims to establish an "Association of Our Lady of Fatima" in Japan (AOLF) to honour her and to work for her, as M.I. 2. Thus our AOLF was established on the 13th of May 2017. Our first action was to promote Life and the Family in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. The AOLF supported *March for Life* fully in coordination with Mr. Ikeda.

Members of AOLF joined *March for Life* on July 17 in Tokyo. After a Mass, the *March for Life* went through Tokyo's most chic and fashionable districts. The SSPX has participated in this March since 2016. This year, with the agreement of the organizer, the statue of Our Lady of Fatima



was carried along with all of us together.

Already before the start, the Statue which was beautifully adorned with roses and lilies, had arrived at the gate of the church, waiting for the pro-lifers. With big and beautiful smiles, everyone marched in the modern city of Tokyo under summer sunshine. It seemed that Our Lady of Fatima was the centre of attraction for everybody, even for the side-walkers. The SSPX parishioners walked praying the Holy Rosary. The March ended with the taking of a group picture. After the dismissal, around the statue of Our Lady of Fatima, many sang together the hymn "Ave Maria of Fatima".



Apologetics Conference in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)

On the 15th of July 2017 two Knights of the Immaculata in Kuala Lumpur organized the first ever Traditional Catholic Apologetics Conference to be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The topic explored was "The Protestant Reformation & the *Novus Ordo Missae* — A defence of the Traditional Latin Mass". Citing Scripture and Tradition, the speakers faithfully presented, to an eager Catholic audience, the reason the *Novus Ordo Missae* is a striking departure from the theology of the Mass formulated in Session XXII of the Council of Trent. The speakers were two Knights: Norman Chia and Benjamin Loh, assisted by other members of the faithful in the SSPX chapel, Kuala Lumpur.

The conference was attended by 72 people. It was a mixture of Protestants and Catholics in Malaysia, from all States.

Since the talk a few families have been attending Masses at our SSPX chapel, with children receiving catechism from our Society priests. The video about the conference is to be released on the 3rd of September 2017, the Feast of Pope St. Pius X.



First anniversary of the launch of the M.I. in District GB

June 19, 2017 marked the 1st anniversary of the launch of the M.I. in the District of Great Britain & Scandinavia by the District Superior, Fr. Robert Brucciani.

Most of the early enrolments were of the faithful attending their usual Masses. However, Knights have been handing out flyers and Miraculous Medals obtained from their local co-ordinators at the M.I. Corners. The Immaculata has used such Knights as channels through which to pour her grace. Thus, there are signs of enrolments of Catholics from outside our parishes.

There are now just under 600 of us in the District of Great Britain & Scandinavia. In the booklet: "Consecration to the Immaculata" by Father Director, Fr. Karl Stehlin,



Fr. Robert Brucciani, District Superior of the District of Great Britain and Scandinavia

we are gently reminded on page 9 that "You are a real Knight of the Immaculata only if you endeavour to make those around you interested and passionate about her and draw them to her". Do please pick up a few flyers and Miraculous Medals from your M.I. Corner at your next Mass, and give them out to relatives (especially adolescents), friends, workplace colleagues and wherever an opportunity presents itself.

What you will be doing is opening up a channel through which the Immaculata's graces can flow, and the aim is to win more souls for Christ through her.

A selection of commendable reading material is available from Kolbe Publications at

www.kolbepublications.com

Residents in the District of Great Britain & Scandinavia can buy a smaller selection of titles in English at

<http://mi-bookshop.uk>

including the "Consecration" booklet mentioned above.

*Howard Toon
District Co-ordinator for the M.I.
in Great Britain & Scandinavia*

M.I. in Nigeria

The Militia Immaculatae is flourishing in Nigeria with over 120 members. They now have their own website which you can visit at the following address:

<http://militia-immaculatae.ng>

Please keep these knights in your prayers who strive for Our Lady's honor in very difficult circumstances!

News from Lithuania

In Vilnius (Lithuania), Fr. Pezutti received two new Knights into the Militia Immaculatae on July 13, 2017.

We invite you to visit the website about M.I. This page is available in Lithuanian. The letters of the Director are published there. Other publications will also be available shortly. We invite you to our library, where we publish books about the M.I. in Lithuanian.

We can honestly say that Our Lady has been strongly encouraging us to vivify her Militia Immaculatae in Lithuania. Please pray for us!

The website about M.I. in Lithuanian:

www.fsspx.lt/straipsniai/nekaltosios-riterija

Lithuanian books in M.I. Library:

www.knightlibrary.wordpress.com/lithuanian/



Library: <https://knightlibrary.wordpress.com/>

Fatima Mission at Mackay (Australia)

On the weekend of the 7th to the 9th of July, Fr. Paul Robinson left a Latin final examination behind at Holy Cross Seminary in order to travel to Mackay, in Queensland, Australia. While there, he preached a Fatima mission, which included one conference on Friday, three on Saturday, and one on Sunday. At the conclusion of the mission, 25 new members were enrolled in the M.I., 11 of whom share Fr. Robinson's last name!

In the course of the mission, Fr. Robinson pointed out that Freemasonry and Communism are movements with global ideologies. They have a vision for the entire human race, which they claim will better it and, in

a certain sense, redeem it. Because their ideologies concern all human beings, they have been effective in recruiting millions of people from all nations to give their lives for their godless agendas. While Freemasonry and Communism have been quite successful in pursuing their goals, they have not improved the human race. On the contrary, they have only brought great bloodshed, immorality, and unhappiness.

The real plan for the human race is the one given by God at Fatima. He wills that devotion to the Immaculate Heart be the means to save the human race from the evils of Freemasonry and Communism, the final remedy for humans to save themselves from the clutches of Satan. He wants Catholics to offer their lives to the Immaculate with as much fervor, if not more fervor, than dedicated Freemasons and Communists. Catholics are to enlist themselves in the army of the Immaculate so as to overcome, with spiritual weapons, the combined forces of the elite powers that dictate today's globalist agenda.

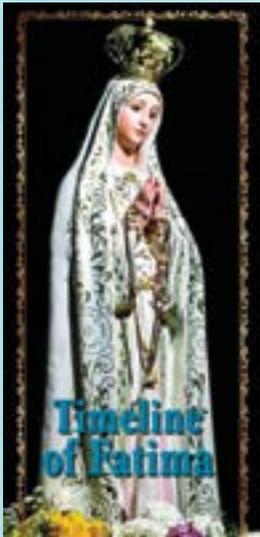


Our Lady (and the angel of Portugal) provided the three seers of Fatima — and so us as well — with very concrete intentions to defeat evil, that is, sin, in our times. We are to pray, sacrifice, and receive Holy Communion for two intentions: reparation for sin and the conversion of sinners. We are to do them reciting the four prayers taught to the children by the angel and Our Lady.

Beyond these spiritual works, we must also do works of apostolate. We must recruit, more actively than the Freemasons and Communists, new members of Our Lady's army. We must



seek to bring all the people of the world to devote themselves to the Immaculate Heart. Such was the vision of St Maximilian Kolbe. Such is the role that we have to play in bringing about the triumph of the Immaculate Heart in our materialistic world.



Flyer

Timeline of Fatima

Orders: www.kolbepublications.com

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Mary's Mission Tour

Mary's Mission Tour ended on the 13th of August 2017.

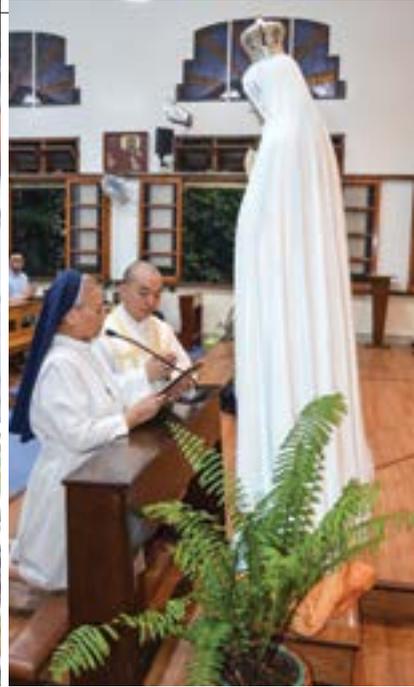


During the Mission in Luzon, pilgrims of Mary's Mission Tour participated in many ceremonies of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: by schools, neighborhoods, cities and convents. The Latin Tridentine Mass was celebrated before each ceremony of consecration. Many people attended these Masses.

Priests enrolled many new Knights into the M.I.

In the next issue of "Knight of the Immaculata" we will publish a report about Mary's Mission Tour in the Philippines.

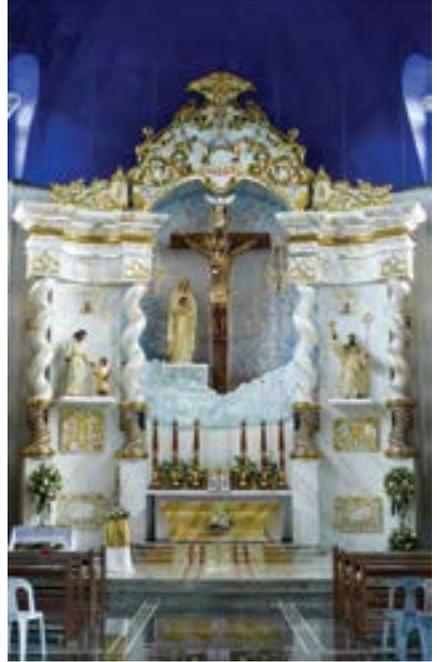




The Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was consecrated by Bishop Fellay on Saturday, the 13th of May 2017 (the 100th anniversary of Fatima), with nearly 400 faithful coming from the province of Iloilo as well as Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao.

The new church offers the St. Bernard Novitiate and the local faithful a magnificent house of recollection and prayer.



Montfortian Retreat in Manila

From the 3rd to the 7th of July 2017, parishioners of Our Lady of Victories Church in Manila attended a Montfortian Retreat. The recollections were conducted by Fr. Stehlin, Director of the M.I. These Conferences can be viewed in M.I. Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLI_FWDrpCK-dMLkHmYbDhoa8W73E8g-Fz7h



Consecration of OLVC to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

On the 9th of July 2017, in Our Lady of Victories Church in Manila, priests and faithful consecrated the parish, their families and themselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The following day saw the consecration, in front of the Blessed Sacrament, of Our Lady of Victories Catholic School with all its teachers, parents and students.



75 new Knights in Trichy

A one-day recollection was given by Rev. Fr. Karl Stehlin in Trichy on the 24th of June 2017. The recollection consisted of Holy Mass, Holy Rosary and three sessions of sermons. The major theme of this recollection was to recall and meditate on the messages given by Our Lady at Fatima. Over 350 individuals took part in this event. 75 people were enrolled into the Militia Immaculatae.

At the **first session**, Father spoke about the need for the Apparitions of Our Lady. Whenever the salvation of humanity was in a danger, Our Lady appeared, to save the Church and her poor children from the snares of the enemies of the Church. He also narrated the various incidents in which Our Lady had shown her

power against the devil and his traps, which includes Our Lady's apparition to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, St. Catherine Laboure in France, St. Juan Diego in Mexico and various other miraculous events.

In the **second session**, Father compared the three mysteries of the Holy Rosary with human life and showed that the Rosary can act as a very powerful weapon against spiritual enemies.

The Joyful mysteries help us to obey the commandments of God and to follow His Holy Will in all the circumstances we face.

The Sorrowful mysteries remind us that this life will be filled with sorrows and sufferings. Most of the time we want to avoid and get rid of these sufferings and



we expect to have a luxurious and fun-filled life but Our Lord showed us the perfect example by all His sufferings, Passion and His Death on the Cross.

The Glorious mysteries make us think of life eternal, of Heaven and of Hell. We should always prepare ourselves to get into Heaven by prayers, penances and sacrifices. Thus, the Holy Rosary is the most powerful weapon which can defend us from the attack of evil and its spirits. This is the reason why Our Lady insisted, at every apparition, that we say the Holy Rosary daily.

In the **third session**, Father introduced the concepts and the evolution of Our Lady's great organisation, the MILITIA IMMACULATAE. He spoke about the founder of the M.I., St. Maximilian Kolbe and his life. St. Maximilian Kolbe (1894–1941) is a Polish saint who received the crowns of purity and martyrdom from the hands of Our Lady herself. The only aim of this organization is to make as many people as possible act as instruments in the Hands of Our Lady and to make the Holy Mother of God known and loved. In a very short period of time this



movement has spread all over the world and millions of people have joined as Knights of the Immaculata. The Rev. Father also invited the faithful to join this M.I. movement.

After the recollection, the enrolment ceremony for the M.I. took place led by the Rev. Fr. Karl Stehlin in person. 75 people were enrolled into the movement. There were several books, flyers, pamphlets and holy pictures which were brought from Tuticorin by the Apostles of Mary, and were given to the faithful who attended the event.

Places associated with St. Maximilian



One was the St. Francis of Assisi Church in Kraków, Poland. St. Maximilian stayed in this convent from 1919 until October 1922. He published ten issues of the magazine "Knight of the Immaculata".



The Militia Immaculatae is an army of Knights of Mary Immaculate which works for the conversion of all men to God, whether they be Protestants, or Jews, or Muslims, and in particular the Freemasons, and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

The Militia Immaculatae was founded by St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe on October 16, 1917. Since 1937 Militia Immaculatae is also called the Knights of the Immaculata.



Original Statutes of the Militia Immaculatae (by St. Maximilian)

"She will crush your head." (Genesis 3:15)

"Thou alone hast vanquished all heresies throughout the world."

(from the Roman Breviary)

I. Goal of Membership:

To work for the conversion to God of all men, be they sinners, heretics, schismatics, Jews, Moslems etc., in particular the Freemasons; and that all become saints, under the patronage and through the mediation of the Immaculate Virgin.

II. Conditions of Membership:

1. To consecrate oneself entirely to the Immaculate Virgin, placing oneself freely as a docile and generous instrument in her hands.
2. To wear the Miraculous Medal.

III. Duties of Membership:

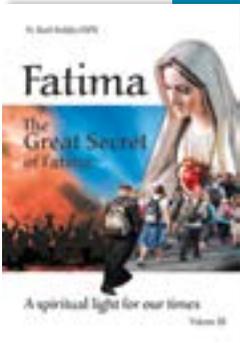
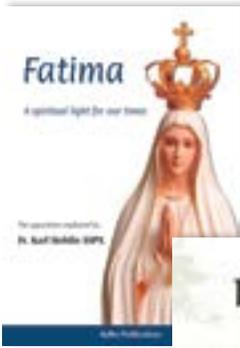
1. If possible, to pray the following ejaculation at least once a day: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee, and for all those who do not have recourse to thee, especially for the Freemasons and for those who are commended to thy care."

2. To use all other valid and legitimate means for the conversion and sanctification of men, according to one's means, in the different states and conditions of life, as the occasions present themselves; this is entrusted to the zeal and prudence of each one. Particularly recommended, however, is spreading the Miraculous Medal.

N.B. These means are recommended only as suggestions and not as an obligation; not one of them obliges under pain of sin, not even venial sin. Our principal motive is to help the greatest possible number of souls to be united with the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the mediation of the Immaculata.

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