

Be My Army of Chaste Soldiers, O Children of America!

Ready to Fight to the Death to Preserve the Purity of Your Souls!



JESUIT MARTYRS OF NORTH AMERICA
1642 - 1649

This is the command Our Blessed Lady gives especially to her children in America, but also to all her children, calling us to a **martyrdom of purity** -- purity of body, of heart, of mind and soul. Is it any wonder then that she appeared under this new image on the morning of **the feast of the North American martyrs**, September 26, 1956 (pre-Vatican II), **to a humble, contemplative religious**, Sister Mildred (Mary Ephrem) Neuzil and spoke “solemnly and distinctly, in calm yet majestic tones,”

I am Our Lady of America. I desire that my children honor me, especially by the purity of their lives.

On the evening before, Our Lady had appeared to Sister as Our Lady of Lourdes, the image under which Our Blessed Lady proclaimed herself the Immaculate Conception, and made this promise...

... that greater miracles than those granted at Lourdes and Fatima would be granted here in America, the United States in particular, if we would do as she desires. [Our Lady cited her pleasure in our devotion to her.] I am pleased, my child, with the love and honor my children in America give to me, especially through my glorious and unique privilege of the Immaculate Conception. I promise to reward their love by working through the power of my Son's Heart and my Immaculate Heart miracles of grace among them. I do not promise miracles of the body, but of the soul. [Our Lady is anxiously concerned about our inner life.] For it is mainly through these miracles of grace that the Holy Trinity is glorified among men and nations. Let America continue and grow in its love for me, and I in return, in union with the Heart of my Son, promise to work wonders in her. My child, I desire that this be known.

This is not only significant, especially for America, but it is indeed awesome!

On the afternoon of the martyrs' feast, Our Lady again addressed Sister:

My child, I entrust you with this message that you must make known to my children in America. I wish it to be the country dedicated to my purity. The wonders I will work will be the wonders of the soul. They must have faith and believe firmly in my love for them. I desire that they be the children of my Pure Heart. I desire, through my children of America, to further the cause of faith and purity among peoples and nations. Let them come to me with confidence and simplicity, and I, their Mother, will teach them to become pure like to my Heart that their own hearts may be more pleasing to the Heart of my Son.

Sister Mildred (Mary Ephrem) Neuzil, Diary, OUR LADY OF AMERICA®, Fostoria, Ohio, Pgs. 10, 9 and 12 respectively.

Sister tells us Our Lady called herself Our Lady of America® in response to our deep desire for her favor and that this title was the sign of Our Lady's pleasure at the confidence our land places in her and as a reward for our childlike devotion to her. Such favor was truly beyond all expectation! Our Lady expressed her desire that the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. be made a place of special pilgrimage and that she be honored there as **"Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin®."**

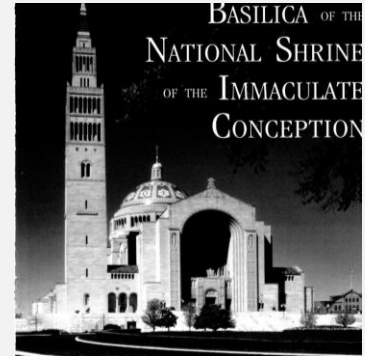
But the very next day, September 27, 1956, Our Lady appeared holding the world in her hands while tears flowed from her eyes upon it as though she longed to cleanse it from its guilt.

Behold, O my children, the tears of your Mother! Shall I weep in vain? Assuage the sorrow of my Heart over the ingratitude of sinful men by the love and chasteness of your lives. Will you do this for me, beloved children, or will you allow your Mother to weep in vain? I come to you, O children of America, as a last resort. I plead with you to listen to my voice. Cleanse your souls in the Precious Blood of My Son. Live in His Heart, and take me in that I may teach you to live in great purity of heart which is so pleasing to God. Be my army of chaste soldiers, ready to fight to the death to preserve the purity of your souls. I am the Immaculate One, Patroness of your land. Be my faithful children as I have been your faithful Mother. (Diary, Pg. 12)

On October 5 of that year Sister was inspired to write the beautiful prayer to the Immaculate Conception that is so essential to this devotion, a prayer Our Lady asks us to pray once or more each day. Then on October 13, still in 1956, Our Lady appeared holding a replica of the finished shrine of the Immaculate Conception, which had only the lower crypt church completed at that time, and promised to make the shrine a place of wonders.

This is my shrine, my daughter. I am very pleased with it. Tell my children I thank them. Let them finish it quickly and make it a place of pilgrimage. It will be a place of wonders. I promise this. I will bless all those who, either by prayers, labor, or material aid, help to erect this shrine. (Diary, Pg. 14.)

Barely more than a month later, November 15, 1956, Our Lady asked Sister to draw a picture of her first appearance and requested that a statue made according to this image be carried in solemn procession and then placed in the National Shrine where she wished to be honored under her chosen title, **“Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin®.”** She entrusted this mission to the Bishops of the United States, her loyal sons, as she calls them. Our Lady begs all of us to reform our lives, seeking sanctification



from within through union with the Divine Indwelling Presence of the Most Holy Trinity, in imitation of the Holy Family. She bids us come to her to learn great purity of heart and to learn what will make us more pleasing to the Divine Heart of the Son of God, noting that her Immaculate Heart is the channel through which the graces of the Sacred Heart are given to men. Our Lady gave a special call to the youth of our nation, her **“Torchbearers of the Queen®,”** to be the leaders of this movement of renewal on the face of the earth. She promised that the medal she asked to have made would be the youths’ shield against evil; the picture or statue of her image would be a protection for the home; and that the statue in our National Shrine in Washington, D.C. would be a safeguard for our country. (Diary, Pg. 25.)

America, the United States in particular, is being given the tremendous, yet privileged, opportunity to lead all nations in a spiritual renewal never before so necessary, so important, so vital. [our emphasis] (Diary, Pg. 25.)

How often we have heard or read these accounts pertaining to the great favor Our Lady has bestowed on us in America with this apparition and this devotion bearing the title of our country and of her patronage, but do we understand the grave responsibility that also comes with such privilege and favor? **America has a mission, a mandate from heaven, to lead the world to peace and a return to Faith and Purity!** But first, we in America must **purify ourselves, or we will be purified,** in order to be made fit to lead! Fit to enlist in the army of our great Queen, Patroness of our beloved land, **“Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin®!”**

Is America up to the challenge of spiritual leadership in our present world so steeped in darkness and impurities of every kind: in a culture of flesh and sexual immorality; a culture of death and neo-pagan hedonism, self-indulgence and self-worship that expresses itself in blasphemous assaults on God, Christ and Mary? A

culture delighting in demonic and evil attacks against Christ's Church and against the sanctity of every human life, born and unborn, and against Christian marriage and family life! We have been lied to so many times by our politicians, our economic warlords and by the abortion regime and those who profit from it, and have been so seduced by the subjective views of our entertainment gurus that many no longer understand that **there truly is objective reality and objective truth**. Our idols are the rich and famous who have everything this fleeting temporal world can promise, for just a little while, until it all comes crashing down in emptiness, despair and self-destruction. Satan, the Master Liar and Deceiver, the arch enemy of the Sacred Humanity and of His Church, the source of division, confusion and half-truths, is reveling in the abyss where so many fall when they leave God, Christ and His Mother, out of their lives. Satan works undercover in the guise of fiery, charismatic personages, lions in sheeps' clothing! Without God's Holy Spirit we are too spiritually blind to discern which spirits come from the world, our flesh or the devil and which come from God's Holy Spirit, **for evil spirits feign the appearance of goodness**. Without God's Holy Spirit we are too ignorant to understand Who Truth really is and what genuine Love and total Goodness really are.

Man was created in the image of God, given the two wings of an eagle as it were, intelligence and free will, by which to soar to divine heights to the dwelling place of God, there to dine on the most delectable fruits only heaven can offer us. We must have the eagle's eye and vision in using our intelligence to distinguish what are current fads and hidden agendas of politically correct but erroneous people. We must understand the universal laws of contradiction and of opposites, recognizing that when we reverse the Natural and the Moral Law, we put ourselves on a collision course that wrecks all that is true and good in ourselves. The Almighty authored these laws from His own eternal, unchanging and irrefutable Mind, the Truth that He is. If we choose that collision course of reversing His laws, we are responsible for our own demise. Anarchists stir up the disgruntled and weak, manipulating them with euphemistic language concerning freedom, healthcare and human rights that camouflages their evil intent against order, authority and peace. Wealth, fame and power—three potentially mortal things! We murder our own offspring, the most innocent and vulnerable among us, and call it a legally valid human right when it is the most heinous violation of human rights known to man, a mockery of man's superior nature over the animals, and a contradiction to everything that is good and true and noble in human nature. ***Without the right to life there are no other rights.*** Can we be this foolish and irrational? Roe vs. Wade was won primarily by the manipulation of a troubled young woman by feminist lawyers with a multitude of lies and the faulty premise of a woman's right to privacy in defiance of **the higher and greater right to life of the child. Our Declaration of Independence clearly delineates the right to life as a self evident truth and an unalienable right endowed by the Creator.** In other words, there is a supreme authority! Privacy is not mentioned as such an unalienable right. What would happen to Roe vs. Wade if

responsible men rose up and demanded equal rights under the law as fathers when it comes to the matter of the abortion of their children?

Confusion is Satan's game and we see him at work in those organizations that call pushing sex on immature, young children "education", teasing them into its harmful consequences with words like "it's only natural," "it's okay to experiment," "you can choose whichever sex you wish," and "it's okay to cross dress," when science itself confirms one's genetic gender is a given. **A dumb America is an easy America to overthrow. A weak America is an America unable to stand against the Evil One in this fierce battle for our souls and for the soul of America, a land so many loved enough to shed their blood for its true freedoms, a land soaked in martyrs' blood to give it spiritual roots.** God's Universal, Natural and Moral Laws hold all the universe in harmony and keep all our relationships -- to God, to ourselves and to our neighbor -- in perfect balance. The Natural Law and the Moral Law can never be outdated, for God speaks outside of time. God is unchanging and unchangeable. His Truth is true for every age! He established these laws precisely because He knew from eternity the risk of error our free will would give us. He cared enough to give us His own Revelation, His own brilliant and constant Light of Divine Law and a law written right into our hearts, our very nature, in order to be for us a master chart by which to guide our lives safely through every torrent of sin and error back home to Him from whence we came.

Against this backdrop on the stage of current human history, we must hear and ponder in the depths of our hearts and souls-- without intermission-- the call and the warning in Our Lady of America®'s words of November 22, 1980! **The scene Our Lady describes will be played out, one way or the other, with us obeying Heaven's mandate and being left to stand for the final applause, or refusing to obey and falling off the stage at our own curtain call!**

Beloved daughter, the United States is a small one among nations, yet has it not been said that 'a little child shall lead them'? It is the United States that is to lead the world to peace, the peace of Christ, the peace that He brought with Him from heaven in His birth as man in the little town of Bethlehem. The Savior did not come to enter this world in a big city but a small town, again, a little one among many. Dear child, unless the United States accepts and carries out faithfully the mandate given to it by heaven to lead the world to peace, there will come upon it and all nations a great havoc of war and incredible suffering. **If, however, the United States is faithful to this mandate from heaven and yet fails in the pursuit of peace because the rest of the world will not accept or co-operate then the United States will not be burdened with the punishment about to fall.** (Diary, Pg. 38.) [On February 11, 1981, Sister Mildred writes...] It is evident that the Forces of Evil are enveloping the world. Their hatred, however, is now particularly focused on the United States because of the Divine Mandate given to it to lead the world to peace. (Diary, Pg. 39.)

Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard, a Cistercian Abbot, has some powerful words on spiritual leadership and spiritual renewal in his book, **The Soul of the Apostolate**, the favorite book of Pope St. Pius X which explores the proven methods of developing and maintaining an interior life.

Nowadays, the whole power of hell seems more than ever bent upon fighting the moral power of the Church and suffocating the divine life in souls. ... It is a terrible misfortune when there is not to be found one really interior soul among all those at the head of important Catholic projects. Then it seems as though the supernatural had undergone an eclipse, and the power of God were in chains. And the saints teach us that, when this happens, a whole nation may fall into a decline, and Providence will seem to have given men a free hand to do all the harm they desire.

[And on the importance of prayer to the renewal of the world, he wrote:] No one in this world knows the reason for the conversions of pagans at the very ends of the earth, for the heroic endurance of Christians under persecution, for the heavenly joy of martyred missionaries. All this is invisibly bound up with the prayer of some humble, cloistered nun. Her fingers play upon the keyboard of divine forgiveness and of the eternal lights; her silent and lonely soul presides over the salvation of souls and the conquests of the Church.

[He speaks of the power of the hidden life of Mary and Joseph.] Was the interior life of Mary and Joseph selfish and sterile? What blasphemy, and what absurdity! And yet they are credited with not one external work. The mere influence upon the world of an intense inner life, the merits of prayers and sacrifices applied for the spread of the benefits of the Redemption were enough to make Mary Queen of the Apostles and Joseph Patron of the Universal Church.

When **our humble, cloistered nun**, Sister Mildred (Mary Ephrem) Neuzil, feared the burden of leadership was too great for America, Our Lady assured her that Michael and the whole army of Blessed Spirits would give their assistance at all times, for as Queen of Angels she has command over them and they do her bidding. (Diary, Pg. 38.)

As we live in faith and hope in spite of America's growing moral decay, we are challenged by the words of General Carlos P. Romulo, a Philippine journalist, writer, educator, soldier-patriot, President of the United Nations General Assembly in 1949 and two-time President of the United Nations Security Council in 1957, who spoke thus:

Never forget, Americans, that yours is a spiritual country. Yes, I know you're a practical people. Like others, I've marveled at your factories, your skyscrapers, and your arsenals. But underlying everything else is the fact that America began as a God-loving, God-fearing, God-worshipping people.

Let us never forget that we are a spiritual country! Never forget our Judaeo-Christian roots! Let us never cease to be a God-loving, God-fearing, God-

worshipping people! Let us pray for America that we may never forget from whence we came and for what noble purpose God has brought us forth from His bosom and placed us under the most special patronage of the Mother of God, the Immaculate Conception, “Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin®,” who will deliver us from evil with the triumph of her Immaculate Heart!

Act of Consecration to Our Blessed Mother

Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother; in union with Mary, we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion and authority.

Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our President and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the innocence of our children. Grant the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners – on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the Will of your Divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God.

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By thy holy and Immaculate Conception, O Mary, deliver us from evil!

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