

On Consecrations, War and Obedience

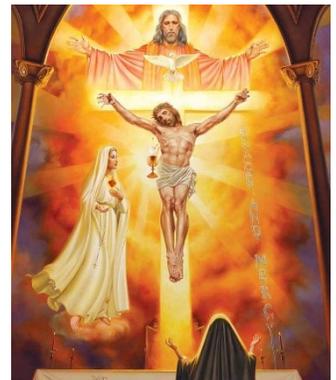
The Vision of Hell and the Way to Save Souls from It

Our Lady showed us a great sea of fire which seemed to be under the earth. Plunged in this fire were demons and souls in human form, like transparent burning embers, all blackened or burnished bronze, floating about in the conflagration, now raised into the air by the flames that issued from within themselves together with great clouds of smoke, now falling back on every side like sparks in a huge fire, without weight or equilibrium, and amid shrieks and groans of pain and despair, which horrified us and made us tremble with fear. The demons could be distinguished by their terrifying and repellent likeness to frightful and unknown animals, all black and transparent. **[Lucia said they would have died of fear had Our Lady not promised in the first apparition to take them to heaven. Our Lady then said:]**

“You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war is going to end: but if people do not cease offending God, a worse one will break out during the pontificate of Pius XI. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that He is about to punish the world for its crimes, by means of war, famine, and persecution of the Church and of the Holy Father. To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecution of the Church. The good will be martyred; the Holy Father will have much to suffer; various nations will be annihilated. ***In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she will be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world.***” (our emphasis)

(Sister Maria Lucia of Jesus, FATIMA in Lucia’s own words, Fatima, Portugal, Pgs. 123-124.)

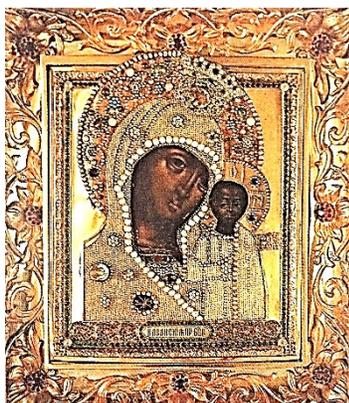
Pope Benedict XV, pope during World War I and the Fatima apparitions, called the war the “**suicide of civilized Europe.**” Because he worked tirelessly for reconciliation, he was called “**the pope of peace,**” but it was not until June 13, 1929 that Our Lady of Fatima appeared again to Lucia during a holy hour from 11:00 p.m. to midnight in a brilliant vision of the Most Holy Trinity. She was holding her Immaculate Heart in her left hand and a rosary in the right. Drops of blood flowed from Jesus’ pierced side into a chalice. Letters like water formed the words Grace and Mercy under the left arm of Jesus on the cross. Our Lady said: “**The moment has come in which God asks the Holy Father, in union with all the bishops of the world, to make the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, promising to save it by this means. There are so many souls whom the Justice of God condemns for sins committed against me, that I have come to ask reparation: sacrifice yourself for this intention and pray.**” <https://www.bluearmy.com/fatima-and-the-way-of-mary>



The Fatima apparitions were approved in 1930, but Pope Pius XI failed to make the consecration as requested. Jesus appeared to Lucia and said: “**They did not wish to heed my request...they will repent and do it, but it will be too late to prevent the evils foretold by Our Lady,**” e.g., World War II, the spread of atheism throughout the world, persecution of the Church, etc. This is mindful of Jesus’ request to King Louis XIV of France in 1689 to put the Sacred Heart

badge on the royal flags; to build a temple in honor of the Sacred Heart; to make a personal consecration to Jesus' Heart; and to have a feast established in honor of the Sacred Heart. It seems the King never got the message. A century later, his great-great-great grandson, Louis XVI, tried to fulfill these requests from his prison cell, but it was too late. He was sent to the guillotine during the French Revolution and the overthrow of the monarchy. (Fatima, Pg. 198.)

Various consecrations of Russia have taken place. On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart. On July 7, 1952, he entrusted Russia and her people to the Immaculate Heart. On November 12, 1964, Pope Paul VI and bishops at Vatican II re-consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart and sent a golden rose to Fatima to commemorate it. On May 13, 1981, Pope John Paul II was shot. Then, in 1982, after studying the Fatima message, he again consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary but not all bishops were in union with him. In 1984, in union with all bishops of the world, Pope John Paul II did another solemn and universal consecration of the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Although he did not mention Russia specifically, Russia was intended when he said those persons and nations that needed to be consecrated. According to Sr. Lucia, the 1984 consecration of Russia by Pope John Paul II was accepted by heaven. On June 26, 2000, based on Sister Lucia's letters, the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith issued a statement: **"Yes, it has been done just as Our Lady asked, on 25 March 1984. (Letter of 8 November 1989). Hence any further discussion or request is without basis.** In spite of these affirmations that the 1984 consecration was accepted, some still argue, claiming Russia has not been converted, nor have we had an era of peace. **Still others believe that the consecration was only half of Our Lady's request and, therefore, we have not wholly fulfilled it, as we have not adequately promoted the First Saturdays of reparation for sin, especially for sins against Our Lady's Immaculate Heart.**
<https://aleteia.org/2022/03/16/4-times-russia-has-been-consecrated-to-the-immaculate-heart-of-mary/>



Although late, some good came from these consecrations: a 1984 explosion destroyed 1/4 - 1/3 of Russia's Northern Naval Fleet's surface to air missile stockpile; the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear power plant disaster, then part of the Soviet Union, now of Ukraine; the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and the overthrow of communist rule throughout Eastern Europe; the collapse of the Soviet Union on December 25, 1991, all weakening Russia's military prowess. Likewise, there are reports of a most remarkable increase of churches and seminaries in Russia, coupled with its longstanding devotion to Our Lady, especially Our Lady of Kazan. What miracles can we hope for with this next consecration of Russia, Ukraine and the whole world with Pope Francis, all bishops and the people of the world united in making it? Since the evils of atheism have spread around the world, we must now dedicate ourselves to the rest of Our Lady's request for the First Saturdays of reparation to heal the spiritual wounds that fester in the war-torn bodies of nations and people.
<https://world-nuclear.org/information-library/safety-and-security/safety-of-plants/chernobyl-accident.asp> <https://history.state.gov/milestones/1989-1992/collapse-soviet-union>

As we celebrate the feast of Our Lady's Annunciation, we reflect upon her humble and obedient faith. When the angel gave her a message from heaven, she submitted her will and humbly obeyed, trusting God to accomplish all that the angel had said. Our Lady herself has come down from heaven again in the latter part of the 20th century, September 26, 1956, appearing to Sister Mildred (Mary Ephrem) Neuzil, with a message of great favor for America

in gratitude for our devotion in honoring her as our Patroness under the title of her Immaculate Conception. She desires that America be the nation dedicated to her Purity. She mandates America to lead the world toward peace through a spiritual renewal never before “so necessary, so important, so vital.” As at Fatima, her tone is prophetic and apocalyptic, warning us that she can hardly hold back the arm of God’s judgement upon such sinful generations. She weeps over the sins of her children and begs us to help her save those who will not save themselves. Like at Fatima, she asks for penance, penance, penance in atonement for sin. As Lucia said, the final battle with satan will be over marriage and the family. Our Lady’s message calls for the renewal of the family through imitation of the simple virtues of the Holy Family and by praying the family rosary. She urges devotion to her holy spouse, St. Joseph, protector of the church and the family, especially on the First Wednesday of the month. Her greatest plea is for personal holiness, reform of life, sanctification from within through union with the Most Holy Trinity dwelling within us through sanctifying grace. Like at Fatima, she has special requests: to disseminate her messages and warnings; to strike a medal depicting her image on the front and the seal of the Christian family on the back; to enthrone a picture or statue of her in our homes; and most urgently for the protection of our country, for our bishops to solemnly process her statue as Our Lady of America into HER shrine, our Patronal Church, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C. honoring her there as Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin. ***She asks that HER shrine be made a place of pilgrimage and she will make it a place of wonders. She does not promise miracles of the body, but of the soul!*** She has promised to be a protection for our land if we obey her! It is 65 years since Our Lady made this request and it has not been done. She warned that America would experience chastisements hitherto unknown to us if we did not obey. Are not natural disasters--war, famine, floods, hurricanes-- forms of chastisement and punishment for sin? Were the 9/11 bombings such a chastisement? Could this have been avoided if we had obeyed? In 1954, Jesus said: **“They will not even listen to my mother...”** (Diary, Pg. 5.) **Listen to Our Lady’s weeping and tears!**



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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.... I am the Immaculate One, Patroness of your land. Be my faithful children as I have been your faithful Mother. ...

Reform of life is what I ask as the sign and proof of my children’s love for me.... Do not disregard the voice of your Mother. It is the voice of love trying to save you from eternal ruin.... My Immaculate Heart desires with great desire to see the kingdom of Jesus my Son established in all hearts. How I have pleaded with my children to open their hearts to Him but most are cold and indifferent. Has ever a mother shown more love and interest in her children’s welfare than I have done? ...My sweet child, unless my children reform their lives, they will suffer great persecution. If man himself will not take upon himself the penance necessary to atone for his sins and those of others, God in His justice will have to send upon him the punishment necessary to atone for his transgressions... Do not delay, or

the time of grace will pass and with it the peace you seek. Oh, if you knew the punishments, I am holding back from you by my pleading and intercession on your behalf!”

“They think they have done enough in consecrating themselves to my Immaculate Heart. It is not enough. That which I ask for and is most important many have not given me. What I ask, have asked, and will continue to ask is reformation of life. There must be sanctification from within.” Penance, penance, penance

(Sister Mildred (Mary Ephrem) Neuzil, The Diary, OUR LADY OF AMERICA, Pgs. 12-18.)

In 1983, Our Lady said: “O my children, you still are not listening!” On January 3, 1984, the year Pope John Paul II consecrated Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sister asked Our Lady if there would be a nuclear war. Our Lady said:

“My faithful one, if my warnings are taken seriously and enough of my children strive constantly and faithfully to renew and reform themselves in their inward and outward lives, then there will be no nuclear war...There must be much more good than evil prevailing in order to prevent the holocaust that is so near approaching. (Diary, Pg. 45.)

History has shown us what happens when we do not obey a request from heaven. Many wonder if it is too late for America to fulfill Our Lady’s most urgent request for her own shrine and to protect our land from further disasters and World War III? Our Lady’s apparitions clearly explain the rewards of obedience and the consequences of disobedience to Heaven’s desires. Our Lady’s visits from heaven are first and foremost about her love and care for us and her desire that we find our peace in her Divine Son and be saved for all eternity. No man-made weapons of war can guarantee any lasting peace for any nation or person. Jesus is the only Way. Is there hope for America? We have Our Lady’s word that there is!

Beloved daughter, you are not being accepted because you are a small one. But in the end all will come as I desire. Those who oppose you will receive light to understand. These good people mean well and if they are in authority, it is for you to listen respectfully and obey. I will speak to them in their hearts and the Divine Spirit who makes all things clear will give them wisdom and understanding. In the end they will do as I wish. So, have patience, dear one, it will happen as I have said and those who have opposed me will become my most ardent and courageous supporter. Until this comes to pass, wait in truth, knowing that I never fail those who place their confidence in me. My Son blesses you, be at peace. (Diary, Pg. 37, August 14, 1980.)



My Immaculate Heart will win in the end...! (Diary, Pg. 23.)

Join in Pope Francis’s consecration of Russia, Ukraine and the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Friday, feast of the Annunciation.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/250756/vatican-pope-francis-text-for-march-25-consecration-prayer#>

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