

Rosary Crusade



12 Million Rosaries,
& Daily Sacrifices,
By March 25, 2010

*A Crown of 12 million stars for Our Blessed
Mother.*

For the intention of the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Pope Benedict XVI in union with all the Bishops of the world.

“We ask you, dear faithful, once more to resort to prayer. It seems to us that the moment has come to launch a major offensive, firmly anchored in the message of Our Lady at Fatima, where she promised us success, announcing that in the end her Immaculate Heart will triumph. This is the triumph we are asking her for by the means she herself requested, namely the Consecration of Russia to Her Immaculate Heart by the Supreme Pastor and all the Bishops of the Catholic world, and the spread of the devotion to her Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart. So for this purpose we wish to offer her by March 2010 a bouquet of 12 million Rosaries, like a crown of 12 million stars all around her, to be accompanied by a similar quantity of daily sacrifices to be drawn above all from the faithful accomplishment of our duty of state, while we promise to spread the devotion to

her Immaculate Heart. We are firmly convinced that if we take care to do what she says, we will obtain much more than we could ever have hoped, and above all we will make sure of our salvation by benefiting from the graces she has promised us.

So we ask also of our priests a special effort to make this devotion easier of access for our faithful, by putting the accent not only on the Communion of Reparation of the first Saturdays of the month, but also on living very close to Our Lady through the consecration to her Immaculate Heart. It would also be good to know better and to deepen the spirituality of Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, the great herald of the Immaculate.”

-Bishop Bernard Fellay

What do I need to do to participate?

First, if you are not currently praying your rosary daily now would be a good time to start. Our Lady promises special graces and protection to those who are devoted to the rosary and these graces are needed now more than ever. Get everyone in your family involved even your little ones; the family that prays together stays together.

All you need to do to participate is to pray five or more decades of the rosary for the intention of the Pope, in union with all the Bishops of the world, to consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. If you are in a family or Church group this intention should be said aloud before the start of the rosary. If you are praying alone you can make the intention silently in your heart. Keep count of the number of rosaries you say and send in your total counts to the address found at the end of this flyer.

What about daily sacrifices?

Bishop Fellay has also requested that the rosary be “*accompanied by a similar quantity of daily sacrifices to be drawn above all from the faithful accomplishment of our duty of state.*” In other words whatever your vocation may be in life, whatever your daily duties are either as a husband, wife, mother, father, son, daughter, student, policeman, etc. offer it up for the intentions of the rosary crusade mentioned above. Whether you’re washing dishes, changing a diaper, scheduling meetings for your employer, or framing a house, it doesn’t matter, interiorly recollect yourself and offer your little act in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the intentions of the rosary crusade. “Offer it up!”

What were the intentions of the previous two rosary crusades and how successful were they?

The First rosary crusade was for the intention of having all restrictions on the use of the 1962 Missal (the traditional latin Mass) lifted so that any Priest would be free to say this Mass without having to first seek permission from his Bishop. This crusade was met with 2.5 million rosaries being prayed and Pope Benedict XVI issuing his *moto proprio, Summorum Pontificum*, (less than a year later) which acknowledged that the traditional latin Mass had never been abrogated and any Priest could say this Mass without special permission.

The second rosary crusade was for the intention of having the excommunications of the four Bishops of the Society of St. Pius X lifted. The goal was to have 1 million rosaries to offer for this intention as well as for the intentions of the Holy Father. The goal was greatly exceeded and Bishop Fellay was pleased to present the Pope with a spiritual bouquet of 1.7 million rosaries all prayed within a couple of months time. On the same day he was in Rome to present this bouquet to the Pope, Cardinal Castrillon Hoyos presented Bishop Fellay with a decree nullifying the excommunications imposed upon him and the three other Bishops. Another victory of Our Lady despite the odds!

Why is it important to consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary?

In 1917 the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three young children (Lucia Santos, Francisco and Jacinta Martos) in the small town of Fatima, Portugal. She told the three children that God wishes to establish devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary so that there would be peace in the world and to come to ask for the First Five Saturdays of reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In addition to this she requested that the Pope in union with all the Bishops of the world consecrate Russia to Her Immaculate Heart. She warned us if these conditions were not met that Russia would “spread her errors throughout the world” and be the instrument that God uses to chastise the world. Nations would be annihilated, the Church would be persecuted, and the Holy Father would have much to suffer. The visits of Our Lady were concluded with what is known as ‘the miracle of the sun’ which was witnessed by over 70,000 people; both believers and unbelievers alike.

What are the errors of Russia and how do they affect us today?

The errors of Russia are communism and socialism. Following are some of the goals of Marxist philosophy which directly impact family life today:

- * Women must be allowed, or even coerced, to work in factories on an equal basis with men
- * Divorce must be made free and easy
- * Definite rules for the two sexes must be eliminated
- * The notion of a woman being a housekeeper must be eliminated and housework must be seen as an industry
- * Child care must be turned over to the community
- * The stigma and concept of illegitimacy must be eliminated
- * The definition of family has to be made flexible and open
- * Sexual activities should be unrestrained

Anyone can clearly see that Russia has indeed spread her errors throughout the world and the United States has been very eager and ambitious in promoting these errors under the banner of feminism.

"If the government of a country leaves the Church in peace and gives liberty to our Holy Religion, it will be blessed by God."

- Our Lady of Fatima to Blessed Jacinta Martos

But didn't Pope John Paul II already consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart in 1984?

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First, neither John Paul II nor any other pope has ever declared that Russia has been consecrated according to Our Lady's specific requests. Given the enormity of the Fatima message and the grave consequences that will result if Our Lady's requests are not heeded, one would think that the pope would issue a document or have a press-conference of sorts (like when Pope John Paul II and Lucia met in Fatima in 1991), telling the universal Church that the consecration has been accomplished. Doesn't this make sense? Since the Vatican knows this is such a contentious and confusing question with profound implications, why wouldn't the pope clarify the matter for us?

In fact, after John Paul II performed his consecration of the "world" to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart in March 25, 1984, the pope reportedly made some very confusing statements about this consecration. Specifically, both the Italian newspaper *Avvenire*, as well as *L'Osservatore Romano*, reported that the pope declared that the consecration according to Our Lady's request was yet to be performed. The pope was reported as saying "Enlighten especially the people whose consecration and entrusting you are awaiting from us." The report said the pope made this statement only hours after his consecration of the "world," to about 250,000 people in St. Peter's Square.

Second, many people claim that Sister Lucia stated that Pope John Paul II's consecration in 1984 fulfilled the Blessed Mother's request. However, it is documented that on at least five separate occasions in the 1980s, Sister Lucia said that the 1984 consecration did not satisfy Our Lady's request (the most notable statement was reportedly made to the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Sante Portalupi). The rules of evidence refer to this as "inconsistent statements." In a court of law, this would at a minimum neutralize Sister Lucia's testimony, if not impeach her as a witness.

Moreover, Our Lady never employed Sister Lucia to be the one to declare when a valid consecration would be performed. Since the pope is the one making the consecration and is the only person who knows his own intentions, it seems that the pope would have to be the one to declare whether or not the consecration has been completed.

Third, we all know that Pope John Paul II said the "world," and not "Russia" in his 1984 consecration, even though Our Lady specifically requested that "Russia" (not the "world") be consecrated to her Immaculate Heart. We also know that Pope John Paul II did not have the participation of the world's bishops in the 1984 consecration. Why is this so important? First and most obviously, because the pope did not follow verbatim what Our Lady requested. Second, and even more enlightening, previous popes effected similar

consecrations that did not meet Our Lady's request either (if they did, then John Paul II would not have performed his consecration in 1984 and would not have said the Russians "still await" the consecration). In fact, previous papal consecrations were more in line with Our Lady's requests than John Paul II's consecration, and yet were still defective. For example, in 1942 Pius XII consecrated the "world" to Mary's Immaculate Heart, in union with all the bishops. John Paul II's consecration in 1984 was even less conforming because he didn't have the participation of the world's bishops. Pius XII effected another consecration in 1952, which means that Pius XII believed his consecration in 1942 didn't qualify. If Pius XII's consecration in 1942 ("world" with the bishops) did not qualify, how can John Paul II's consecration in 1984 ("world" without the bishops) qualify?

As alluded to, in 1952, Pius XII consecrated "Russia" to Mary's Immaculate Heart, but without the union of the world's bishops. Again, this consecration evidently didn't qualify either, first because Pius didn't have the union of all the bishops, and second because Paul VI and John Paul II subsequently did their own consecrations in 1964 and 1984 respectively. These subsequent consecrations affirmed that Pius XII's 1952 consecration didn't qualify. Paul VI in 1964 did the same thing that Pius XII did in 1952, consecrating "Russia" without the bishops. If Pius XII and Paul VI's consecrations ("Russia" without the bishops) did not qualify, then how can John Paul II's consecration in 1984 ("world" without the bishops) qualify?

But what about the Great Wall of Communism falling? Our Lady promised that Russia would convert if the consecration would be performed properly. Doesn't the fall of communism mean that the consecration truly has happened?

This can be considered a partial blessing from God, because John Paul II performed a partial consecration. God our Father is faithful and generous, even when we are unfaithful and selfish. We see God granting similar partial blessings in the past for the partial consecrations made by previous popes.

For example, after Pius XII performed his partial consecrations in 1942 and 1952, World War II ended, but the Korean War began. Similarly, after Paul VI performed his partial consecration in 1964, the Korean war ended, but the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Vietnam war (both instigated by Russia) began. After John Paul II performed his partial consecration in 1984, the Soviet Union collapsed, but the world is more dangerous than ever before.

Moreover, when Our Lady said, "If they attend to My requests, Russia will be converted and the world will have peace," she was talking about a spiritual conversion of Russia to her Son, Jesus Christ. She was not talking about worldly, economic benefits associated with the fall of a political regime. Mary's many appearances have only one purpose in mind: to lead people to Jesus for the purpose of saving their souls. Mary is the one who tells us, "Do whatever He tells you."

Which brings us to the real issue: has Russia converted to Jesus Christ? Hardly. Russia is still a dangerously anti-Catholic nation, which forbids Catholic evangelization and imposes serious restrictions on establishing Catholic churches in the country. Today, less than one half of one percent of Russia's population is Catholic. Russia also has the highest rates of abortion, divorce and alcoholism in the entire world. Russia is also a considerable nuclear threat, and still has nuclear arms pointed at the United States. In short, Russia is even more dangerous and morally bankrupt than it was 21 years ago when John Paul II performed his consecration to the world. Are these the fruits of a valid consecration of Russia to Mary's Immaculate Heart? It certainly is a far cry from the millions of Aztecs who converted to the Catholic faith through the appearance of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

How to make the First Five Saturdays Devotion:

"Look, my daughter, at my heart, surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You at least try to console me and say that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me." –Our Lady of Fatima

The following should be performed with the intention of making reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

- 1. Confession** – Confession can take place eight days before or after the first Saturday provided that communion is received in the state of grace on the first Saturday.
- 2. Holy Communion** – Should be received on the First Saturday of the month. Christ allowed an exception and told Sr. Lucia, *"This Communion will be accepted on the following Sunday for just reasons, if my priests allow it so."*
- 3. Rosary** – At least five decades of the rosary should be properly said while meditating on the mysteries of the rosary for that particular day.
- 4. 15 minute Meditation** – This meditation is a separate event from the meditation which accompanies the

recitation of the rosary and consists of meditating on one or more of the mysteries of the rosary for 15 minutes or longer. Simply think about the mysteries, contemplate them, place yourself there in the events of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother as an observer.

Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

St. Maximillian Kolbe

O Immaculata, Queen of Heaven and earth, refuge of sinners and our most loving Mother, God has willed to entrust the entire order of mercy to thee. I, _____, a repentant sinner, cast myself at thy feet humbly imploring thee to take me with all that I am and have, wholly to thyself as thy possession and property. Please make of me, of all my powers of soul and body, of my whole life, death and eternity, whatever most pleases thee. If it pleases thee, use all that I am and have without reserve, wholly to accomplish what was said of thee: "She will crush your head," and, "Thou alone have destroyed all heresies in the whole world."

Let me be a fit instrument in thine Immaculate and merciful hands for introducing and increasing the maximum in all the many strayed and indifferent souls, and thus help extend as far as possible the blessed Kingdom of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. For wherever thou enters, one obtains the grace of conversion and growth in holiness, since it is through thy hands that all graces come to us from the most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

V. Allow me to praise thee O Sacred Virgin.
R. Give me strength against thy enemies.

Keep count of the rosaries you say and the sacrifices you make and send them in to the address below before March 25, 2010. You can send them in monthly or all at once at the end of the period.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Number of rosaries & sacrifices said in your household :

Rosaries: _____ Sacrifices: _____

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