HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

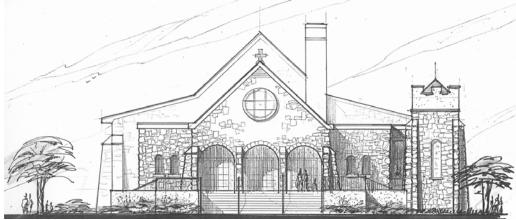
Twenty-sixth Sunday in **Ordinary Time** October 1, 2017

"But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed. and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life, Since he has turned away from all the sins he has committed, he shall surely live...when John came to you in the way of righteousness, vou did not believe him, but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

We are all called to conversion. to turn away from what is wrong or evil, and turn to what good and beautiful. Unfortunately, some believe that conversion is an event of a single moment. God's grace inspires or impels us to change and do what is right and just. The one shining moment comes and takes over.

But for most of us, conversion is a lifelong process. We constantly are on guard to avoid what is evil, resist what impedes holiness, and continue the struggle as we 'hang in there.' We all experience that fight. Maybe we can use another approach. Conversion is not so much a turning from, but a turning to. We are summoned to turn to Christ, His life, the life of grace.

It is whom we seek that is important. When we keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, obstacles and barrier lessened and the direction of our lives becomes clearer. When we realize that Jesus has His eyes on us and is seeking us, we come to THE shining moment.



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MASS SCHEDULE: Weekday Masses: 7:30 AM- St. Denis Church Saturday: 8:30 AM - St. Denis Church

Saturday. Evening: 4:30 PM (fulfills Sunday obligation)- St. Denis Church Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM- St. Denis Church Sunday: 10:00 AM - Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel Holy Days: Evening before: 7:00 PM & day of: 7:30 AM & 7:00 PM-St. Denis Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Saturday from 3:30 until 4:15 PM - St. Denis Church. Also by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL DEVOTIONS: Tuesday morning after the 7:30 AM Mass-St. Denis Church

BAPTISM: The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12:15 pm at St. Denis Church. Parents must complete the required preparation with the priest or deacon and obtain godparent eligibility letters before a date for Baptism will be given. Please call the rectory for

MARRIAGE: Please contact the rectory office for more information about weddings. All couples contemplating marriage are asked to give the priests one year prior notice in order that all the requirements for marriage can be satisfied. Do not reserve the reception hall before contacting the church; your requested date may not be available.

CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: We will gladly bring Holy Communion to anyone who is ill or otherwise unable to get to Mass. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. The priests and deacon make regular visits to the local hospitals. Please call the rectory if any loved one is hospitalized.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: At such times of deep pain and loss, we seek to offer our bereaved families comfort and hope as they commend their loved ones to God. Please note that, in accordance with Church regulations, eulogies are not permitted during Funeral Masses.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM. There are no office hours on Saturday & Sunday. Evenings are by appointment only.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We encourage new families moving into the area to stop in or call the rectory to arrange for registration.

CELIAC SPRUE PARISHIONERS – Saint Denis provides a low gluten (<0.01% gluten content) host. Parishioners who are gluten-intolerant should see a deacon or priest prior to the start of Mass in order to be included in the reception of the Eucharist.

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Saturday, September 30, 2017

8:30 pm Frank Saveriano by Darren & Jen Mahoney

8:30 pm Anne & Albert Weirman, Sr.

by the Furlong Family

4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, October 1, 2017

8:00 am	Anthony & Catherine Rotonda by the Family
8:00 am	Ruth LaVecchia by Kathleen O'Hara
9:30 am	Carrie Forsythe Mace by her Family
9:30 am	Richard Hester, Sr. by Marlene & Michael Martin
10:00 am	Hugh Mahoney by the Bartholomew Family
10:00 am	William M. Malley, Sr.
	by the Bartholomew Family
11:00 am	Joseph Strucich by his Grandparents
11:00 am	Aurea Allen by the DeGenova Family

Monday, October 2, 2017

7:30 am	Emil DeJacomo by his Mother & Sister
7:30 am	Eileen D. Graham by Maryann Crowe

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

7:30 am Robert Gorski by JoAnn Korb

7:30 am Catherine Pellicane by the Patullo Family

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

7:30 am Jack Cleary by his Family

7:30 am Regina Moynihan by the Moynihan Family

Thursday, October 5, 2017

7:30 am William Donovan by his Family

7:30 am Sister Marie Buckley by Mark & Martina Fox

Friday, October 6, 2017

7:30 am Thomas Beairsto by Eileen & Mike Mahoney

7:30 am Donna Lindson by MCW

Saturday, October 7, 2017

8:30 am	Mary Ann Lipari by Mary Maralla
8:30 am	Bernadette Saveriano by Darren & Jen Mahoney

4:30 pm Evelyn R. Mundy by Maryann Crowe

4:30 pm Leo Cunningham by his Family

Sunday, October 8, 2017

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8:00 am	For the People of the Parish	
9:30 am	Dorothy Scherer by the Bartholomew Family	
9:30 am	Emily & Howard J. Shroder	
	by the Furlong Family	
10:00 am	Marian Hickman by Eileen & Jim Rochford	
10:00 am	Anthony Ammirata by Mario Gentile	
11:00 am	Carrie Forsythe Mace by Cindy & Scott Ernst	
11:00 am	John P. Byrne and Hazel & Harold McClain	
	by the Family	



especially Mary Moran, Steve Ford, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Peggy Andriach, Mary Damico, Eileen Byrne, Amanda Castro, Dolores Palmisano, Holly Boyd, Mary Conlon, Jillian Zito, Jennifer Zito, Albert Wood, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Marie Gallagher, Stel-

la Thompson, Katie Holbrook, Claire Meachum, Mike Pierce, Thomas Haves, Jr., Thomas Evans, Catherine O'Connor, Edith Bean, Phyllis Van Salders, Joanne Panzarella, Taryn Rotondi, Joseph Sipley, Kathy Wicks, Michael McNulty, Colleen Grady, Richard Koch, Mary Jane Schaaf, Edna Moore, Lisa Pirrello, Joseph Bick, Mary Collins, Ken Kleinlein, Robert Kelleher, Lisa Olivera, Stephen Byrne, Denise Frank, Lucy Falco, Marie Tashjian, Angeline Hart, Joan Tumbas, Cathleen Brenner, Florence McManus, Nick Ljuljana, Jim Hodgkiss, Patricia Blumenstock, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Walter Bronikowski, Baby Kelly Grace, Donna Gaham, Nair Messias, Jennifer Noble, Scarlet Slotnick, Belle & Ashton, John Najar, Patrick Lewis, Tina Pilot, Karen Brown, Elizabeth Morgan, Frank Lopez, Christina Roundtree, Eugene Karpinski, Charlotte Pentek, Jeanne Dorian, Joan Samperi, Phillip Graceffa, Christian Russo, Matthew Wernoch, Rose DeMarco, Dee Vulgaris, Michael McGonigle, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Patricia O'Leary, Herbert "Butch" Wolfe, Leanna Rawson, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambrone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Linda Smith, Brian Alberse, Maryann Ierley, Ray Misch, Stanley Bevan, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyp, Nancy Murphy, Anthony DeMarco, Jr., Bernadette Bevan, George Leonard, Frank Bonavita, Joel Rivera, Teresa Haves, Jeanne Haves, Irene Haves, Rita Badaracco, Ronnie Micciulla, Cindy Tomkins, Joseph Fiamingo, Baby Colton Gardella, Ernie Donnelly, Anita McCudden, Baby Siena Grace Pizzillo, Samara Pirrong, Donna Schwear, Helen McGowan, Patricia Lannon, Karen Williams, Timothy Michal Przywara, Christopher Kurtanick, Wes Pal, Neil O'Callaghan, Dorothy Myers, Claire Kessler, Siobhan Vuono, Linda Lowery, the Pilots, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED especially Reverend Michael Waites.



SAINT DENIS PRAYER GROUP - The Prayer Group meets at 12:00 noon each Monday in St. Denis Church. There are no meetings on holidays. All are welcome.



especially Navy Lt. JG Rachael M. Honrath, Army Captain Christopher Cauda, Army Captain Matthew Cauda, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, Marine Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Air Force Captain David Smith, Senior Airman John J.

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MESSAGE FROM FR. BILL

This Sunday, October 1st, we begin our Parish Novena in Honor of St. Denis. The novena prayers are elsewhere in this bulletin. As Pastor, I ask we each pray these next nine days, in solidarity, for our parish and all parishioners and let us pray for each other's novena intentions. In celebration of our Patron Saint, and knowing that people will not readily be available for St. Denis's Feast Day Mass on Monday the 9th at 7:30 am, we will be celebrating the Mass of St. Denis and Companions at the Masses next Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday. At each Mass we will be having a prayer of blessing for all who volunteer at/from our parish. We will also have some light refreshments after Masses, so stop, take the time to meet new parishioners and celebrate St. Denis.

This Sunday also begins Respect Life month. We are including information in the bulletins during this month regarding Catholic teachings on life. This information is very important for each adult to understand and be aware of for the following reasons: it is the teaching of the Catholic Church that pertains to matters of faith and morals to which we are obligated to believe, we need to act on behalf of people who cannot speak for themselves for the sake of life, we need to notify our representatives about the truth of issues, and as Americans make our voices heard, so that elected officials can vote according to truth and facts, not feelings and opinions. These teachings of the Church regarding life are not opinions. For us, they are teachings that call forth religious assent. The issues that we are looking at have many emotions about them, but emotions can cloud our judgement. God calls for us to look at the truths of the matters at hand, and act from reason. Catholics must inform their conscience. Our information must come from God's Truth, and not the court of public opinion and illogic. Catholic moral teachings are based on Natural Law, which is able to be obtained through the use of human reason. Therefore, we can enter the dialogue of Respect Life with a person of any or no faith. All can reasonably see that all people must respect life. And we, because of our relationship with God, worship and thank God who *is* the Author and Giver of Life.

A USCCB Life Issues Article by Greg Schleppenbach (Sept. 22, 2017)

The movement to legalize doctor-assisted suicide has been gaining momentum in recent years. Since 2015, two states (California and Colorado) and the District of Columbia have joined Oregon, Washington State and Vermont in legalizing the deadly practice. And 28 states had assisted suicide bills introduced in 2017 with a handful coming very close to succeeding. Compassion & Choices, the leading assisted suicide proponent, has a well-organized and well-funded agenda that has been very effective in leading these efforts.

So, where's the good news you may be asking?

Let's start with those 28 states that had bills introduced to legalize assisted suicide. With almost all of these states' legislatures having finished their work for 2017, not a single bill has succeeded so far. This success is largely due to the extraordinary work of broad based and bi-partisan coalitions that include disability-rights, medical, elder, minority, faith-based and pro-life groups.

What's more, the only assisted-suicide-related legislation to succeed this year either prohibits or limits the practice. Alabama, for example, enacted a ban on the practice. Arizona enacted conscience protections for medical professionals (should the practice ever be legalized there).

There has also been good news from the judicial branch of government. In the last couple of years, court challenges to assisted suicide bans in Tennessee, New Mexico, Minnesota, Hawaii and, most recently, New York have all failed. New York's highest court, in a unanimous ruling, affirmed lower court decisions concluding that there is no constitutional right to assisted suicide.

The next source of good news comes from the medical profession with the recent and very significant action by the American College of Physicians to reaffirm its opposition to doctor-assisted suicide. Following a nearly two-year, multi-level review of its policy against assisted suicide, the ACP concluded that although there are arguments on both sides, "the ethical arguments against legalizing physician-assisted suicide remain most compelling." Continuing, they say:

"[Physician-assisted suicide] is problematic given the nature of the patient-physician relationship, affects trust in the relationship and in the profession, and fundamentally alters the medical profession's role in society. Furthermore, the principles at stake in this debate also underlie medicine's responsibilities regarding other issues and the physician's duties to provide care based on clinical judgment, evidence, and ethics. Society's focus at the end of life should be on efforts to address suffering and the needs of patients and families, including improving access to effective hospice and palliative care. The ACP remains committed to improving care for patients throughout and at the end of life."

In addition to the ACP, there are at least fourteen other medical organizations that oppose legalizing assisted suicide. The biggest among them, the American Medical Association, is currently reviewing its policy against assisted suicide and needs to hear from its members that the policy should be retained. AMA members will have an opportunity to weigh in at the group's November House of Delegates meeting in Hawaii.

Opposition to assisted suicide by medical groups plays a significant role in defeating legislation to legalize the practice. Compassion & Choices knows this well, which is why they are working very hard to infiltrate and influence medical groups to, at least, take a neutral stance. We must see to it that they fail in this effort through prayer, advocacy and speaking out for the protection of those whose lives are at risk.

ROMAN CATHOLICS AND LUTHERANS IN CONVER-

SATION: for the sake of the Gospel! The night before He died our Lord prayed to His Father, "I ask... that they may all be one... that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." (John 17:20-23) You are invited to 3 evenings of discussion/prayer/fellowship with Roman Catholics of St. Mark RC Church in Sea Girt and St. Denis RC Church in Manasquan, and with Lutherans of Holy Trinity in Manasquan. Mark your calendar for 11 a.m. or 7 p.m. on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays in October (Oct. 10, 17, 24). Topic of conversation: joint Lutheran/RC Declaration on the Way: Church, Ministry & Eucharist. 10/10 - St. Mark Roman Catholic Church, 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt (Fr. Bill Lago speaks on Eucharist) 10/17 - Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 6 Osborn Ave., Manasquan (Msgr. Sean Flynn speaks on Ministry) 10/24 - St. Denis Roman Catholic Church, 90 Union Ave., Manasquan (Pastor Mary Farnham speaks on Church) "Why now? Because in 2017 we will commemorate the 500th anniversary of a reformation movement that began in deep divisions and now calls us to the continued work of reconciliation for the sake of the gospel and our witness and work in the world." (from Intro. to Declaration on the Way)



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Any business owners or managers who are able and willing to sell these raffle tickets are asked to please contact Neil at 732-456-2123 or the church office during regular business hours. Thank you.



SAINT DENIS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY 732-223-1383

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and

EVERY 3RD & 4TH SATURDAY: 10:00 AM-12:00 NOON

Items needed at this time: oil, canned milk, powdered milk, instant potatoes, popcorn, crackers, bath soap & body lotion. We are currently overstocked on dry pasta and canned soup (thank you). Parishioners are asked to place their nonperishable donations in the shopping cart that is located in the gathering space near the stairwell to Msgr. O'Connor Hall. Nonperishable food may still be brought to the Beach Chapel. Please check the expiration dates of your donations, as we cannot use expired items. Thank you for your generosity!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR LATE AFTER-NOON FOOD PANTRY HOURS. PLEASE CALL THE HOTLINE (732-223-1383) IF YOU CAN BE OF HELP.



WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2017
IN LOVING MEMORY OF EMIL DEJACOMO
REQUESTED BY HIS MOTHER & SISTER

THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI is October 4th. Because of his love of animals, we will have the annual Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 1st, at 2:00 pm on the front steps of the church. Parishioners and friends are invited to attend with their pets.



THE DANIEL PLAN- GOD'S PRESCRIPTION FOR YOUR HEALTH- JOIN US... and CHANGE YOUR LIFE TODAY! The Daniel Plan is a groundbreaking healthy lifestyle program founded on biblical principles and focused on The Five Essentials: Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus and Friends. The program is an innovative approach to optimizing your health in each of these life areas, setting goals, and providing support and encouragement. WHO: Anyone looking to improve his/her health WHEN: Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm WHERE: St. Denis School Building LEADER: Monica Butler Contact Eileen in the parish office with any questions (732)- 223-0287.

ST. DENIS CHURCH- THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

The Gospel today is a great example of saying, "actions speak louder than words." As you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are putting your faith into action.

That actions speak louder than words is a reminder that belief isn't a matter of saying yes or professing creeds. Belief is action, follow-through. St. Vincent de Paul said "Aren't the poor the suffering members of our Lord? Aren't they our brothers and sisters?... We should assist the poor in every way and do it both by ourselves and by enlisting the help of others... To do this is to preach the Gospel by words and by work." If tax collectors and prostitutes (symbols for great sinners) can enter the Kingdom of God, then there's got to be great hope for all of us! Taking their lead, all we need to do is make change a permanent part of our life. Spirituality is about growth that can only come from the willingness to let go and change. Do our actions speak louder than our words?

Here is another thank you from a neighbor, that we assisted. "Dear St. Vincent de Paul, We just wanted to thank you for all that you have done for us. Thank you for fixing our garage door. It opens so smoothly, that we can have easy access to our storage. Thank you as well for the dinners, which you all have cheerfully provided."

Our next scheduled general meeting will be Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. The St. Denis Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has its general meetings at 7:00 pm, the first and third Tuesdays of every month. All are welcome to attend.



CELEBRATE THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY AND 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATIMA- Join us on Thursdays in October October 5th-26th at 7:00pm at St Denis Church. Fr. Richard Villanova will lead a Holy Hour with Meditations on the Life of Christ Grain Mary in the Holy Rosary. Draw closer to

and the Virgin Mary in the Holy Rosary. Draw closer to the Holy Family as you meditate on the Life of Christ!

FAITH AND REAL LIFE- Back to school? Back to stress? Back to feeling like you don't have time to have the faith life you really want? Join us for *Faith and Real Life*, a ministry for parents and other busy adults. Meet us at the Beach Chapel on Wednesday, October 4th at 7:00 pm. We will discuss tips and tricks for tending to your faith everyday. For those who are interested, we plan to walk up to Leggett's later in the evening. If you have questions or need more information please call Kate Galdieri at 609-933-4231 or email her at kategaldieri@gmail.com

DONATE A BULB TO OUR 'MEMORIAL TO THE UNBORN' PRAYER GARDEN! Do you know of a child who died before birth or in infancy? Honor the brief, yet meaningful lives of these little ones by donating a bulb to our prayer garden. Members of our youth group will be planting all of the donated bulbs this Fall. In the Spring, our garden will be bursting with color and LIFE to remind us of the beauty and sanctity of these children lost to miscarriage, abortion, stillbirth and infant loss. Look for a 'Bulb Donation' basket in the Gathering Space. Bulbs will be accepted now through the end of October. This effort is sponsored by the St. Denis members of Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry. Hendricks at 732-223-1658 Rachel maryschildprolifeministry@gmail.com for more information.

WILL YOU TAKE A BABY BOTTLE ... AGAIN? Good Counsel Homes visited St. Denis Parish two years ago and will be returning the weekend of October 14th and 15th to share with you how your support has helped our mothers and babies of our Southern Jersey Home for homeless, pregnant mothers. Our home, open for 6 years now has witnessed the birth of 71 babies. We are asking you again to take a baby bottle home with you, and fill it with change, dollars, and checks- whatever your means allow and return it within two weeks! Thank you for your support and prayers for our mothers who have chosen to give their baby life. JoAnn DiNoia joann dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org



September 10, 2017

Weekend Collection-	\$15,633.00
Average Envelope Donation-	\$25.07
2nd Collection-Catholic University-	\$3,068.00
Average Envelope Donation-	\$9.65

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Recovery Corner

St. Denis Recovery Ministry will be hosting our fourth recovery weekend. "Gratitude in Recovery" Saturday, October 21, 2017, 10:00 am-1:00 pm in the Church of Saint Denis School cafeteria. The donation is \$10 and includes lunch. Preregistration is required by calling 732-223-0287

YOUTH GROUP NEWS- Our next meeting is Sunday October 8th from 6:00pm-7:30pm in the cafeteria of the school. Tell your friends and bring them along for our continuation of the fun and conversation... and food. And save the date: Sunday October 22nd from 6pm -7:30 pm in the CHURCH for a TEACHING MASS, so you can sleep in on Sunday and go to mass at night and learn more about the Mass as we celebrate the Mass. Followed by pizza in the Church Basement.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING COMING SOON! We will be having two altar server trainings for girls and boys from 3rd Grade through High School. You can come to one or both to learn about the privilege to "Serve at the Altar of God." We ask that a parent or guardian stay for the 45 minute session to help his/her child be sized for an alb and also learn about the particulars of scheduling. Please come to the Church on Monday, Oct. 16 and/or Tuesday, Oct. 17, from 5:30 – 6:15pm. For more information contact Father Bill at 732-223-0287.

THE FEAST OF SAINT DENIS, OCTOBER 9TH- We will celebrate our Parish Feast Day next weekend at all the Sunday Masses. Afterwards, all are invited to spend time in the gathering space for refreshments. In preparation for our Feast Day, each parishioner is asked to pray the novena to St. Denis.

Prayer in Honor of Saint Denis

O God, who did confer your saving faith on the people of France through the holy Bishop and Martyr Denis, and did glorify him before and after his death by many miracles; grant us, through his intercession, that the Faith practiced and preached by him be our light on the way of life, so that we may be preserved from all anxieties of conscience, and if by human frailty we have sinned, we may return to You speedily by true Confession and penance. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Novena

Glorious servant of God, St. Denis, with intense love you devoted yourself to Christ after learning to know Him through the Apostle St. Paul, and did preach His saving Name to the nations and did not shrink from Martyrdom; implore for us God's Blessings for these our intentions (mention intentions). Through your help, St. Denis, may we have continual growth in the knowledge and love of Jesus, so that we may experience that peace which He alone can give. Help our parish, by your powerful intercession, to serve God with willing hearts, and show God's Love and Mercy to all we meet, so to give God glory and attain the eternal bliss of Heaven. Amen.

For the Love of God... Praise & Sing
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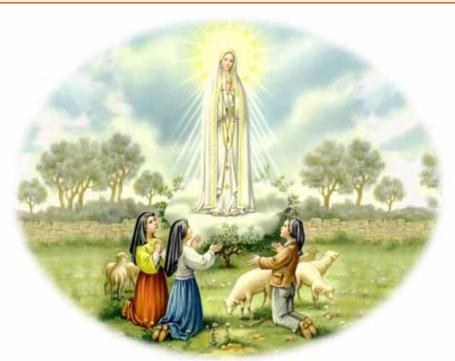
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Become a part of the 20,000 groups saying the Rosary throughout America on October 14, 2017 at noon.

"and My people who are called by My name **humble themselves and pray** and seek My face and turn from **their** wicked ways, then **I will hear from heaven**, will forgive **their** sin and <u>will heal their land</u>." <u>2 Chronicles 7:14</u>

100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima

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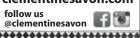
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