



CELEBRATE THEIR FEASTS:

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Of the Scapular, Lucia said Our Lady held it in Her hands at Fatima because it is *the sign of consecration to Her Immaculate Heart*. And is it any wonder that the great Mystical Doctor of the Church, St. John of the Cross, said that when he took the Scapular "resolving to practice all the virtues of which this holy habit is the symbol," Our Lord made known to him "*the secret of His Sacred Heart*"? Not when we read the following words of Our Lord to St. John Eudes:

"I have given you the admirable Heart of My most worthy Mother which is identified with My own Heart that it may be your true heart as well; that My children may possess only one Heart with their Mother and My members the same Heart as their Head. Thus you may serve, adore, and love God with a Heart worthy of His infinite goodness."

Promises of the Immaculate Heart

At Fatima Our Lady said: *God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart and by this means to*

- 1.) Put an end to persecution in Russia;
- 2.) End the crisis in the Church (suffering of the Holy Father);
- 3.) Prevent the annihilation of several entire nations;
- 4.) Prevent further wars;
- 5.) Prevent world famine.

In addition Our Lady made the following *personal* promises to those who, on five consecutive First Saturdays, will confess their sins, receive Holy Communion, say the Rosary, and spend fifteen minutes with Her in meditation upon the mysteries of the Rosary, in reparation for the offenses committed against Her Immaculate Heart:

"I will assist (be present) at the hour of your death with all the graces necessary."

And to Lucia, as promoter of devotion to Her Heart, Our Lady promised:

"I will be with you always. My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God."

Further Promises from Heaven

Also, appearing to the visionary of Fatima (Lucia) Our Lord said: "I desire that devotion to the Immaculate Heart of My Mother be placed alongside devotion to My own Sacred Heart." St. John Eudes said: "Be united to the Heart of Mary that thus you may the more intimately be united to the Heart of Jesus."



To those who honor His Sacred Heart, Our Lord promised:

- 1.) I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
- 2.) I will establish peace in their families.
- 3.) I will console them in all their difficulties.
- 4.) I will be their assured refuge in life and more especially at death.
- 5.) I will pour out abundant benedictions on all their undertakings.
- 6.) Sinners will find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- 7.) Tepid souls shall become fervent.
- 8.) Fervent souls shall advance rapidly to great perfection.
- 9.) I will bless the houses in which the image of My Sacred Heart will be exposed and honored.
- 10.) I will give to priests the power of moving the most hardened hearts.
- 11.) Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names inscribed in My Heart, and they shall never be effaced from it.
- 12.) I promise thee, in the excess of the mercy of My Heart, to grant to all those who receive Communion on the First Friday of every month, for 9 consecutive months, *the grace of final repentance* and that they shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving the Sacraments, and My Heart will be their secure refuge at that last hour.



A GIFT for the SHRINE

Sister Clement Cecile Jackson, standing in picture left, received \$50 for her 85th birthday. She immediately decided that she wanted that entire amount to go towards a church built in Our Lady's honor, and therefore sent it to the Blue Army where it was applied to the

new Shrine in honor of Our Lady's Immaculate Heart. "Let it be from our little friend and patient, Sister Mary Aquila, age 92" (seen in wheelchair). Both Sisters are from the Providence Convent of the Sisters of Providence, in St. Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana.