"TO JESUS THROUGH MARY"

Lessons and Messages to the World from Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary to Ruth Ann Wade of Bloomington, Indiana

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Message of Sept. 14, 1994, from Our Lady

Ruth Ann: Mother, would You please share words with Your children concerning this weeks message?

Our Lady: Child, the messages for the most part are no longer listened to. That is why, eventually, they too, will cease. These messages are much like the messages given to you for the world. How many of those who have read them, have taken them to heart? How many of My children have begun saying the rosary daily, How many have as a result? church returned and the to Sacraments? How many receive the Body of My Jesus as frequently as I could go on and possible? on. How many have chosen to fast one day a week? Not many have taken the messages, given to them from Heaven, very seriously.

A blueprint for salvation has been put before each of My children for their salvation, and they choose to ignore. What happens when you, as a parent, reprimand your children for doing wrong, and the child continues to do the same thing over and over?

Ruth Ann: As a parent, I would have to try something different.

Our Lady: This is what God is doing, child. He is going to remove the messages, and try something more drastic, to get the attention of His children. God has a plan. His plan is perfect. There is to be great suffering come to your country as a result of the complacency of God's children to the evil going on around



Mother of the Redeemer Farm

them. The way in which the messages have been ignored, has caused much pain to Me as your Mother. My children need to be awakened from their sleep. To do so will take drastic measures.

Many of you understand the reason for the messages, and the reason for My being among you. Many do not. These messages are a warning of things that are to come, because My children have not taken My words seriously.

Be patient, be at peace, child. You have done everything I have asked of you. You have listened to My Son and to Me. You have done the will of God. Many will come, seeking the peace and graces they have chosen to ignore, on this holy ground. Child, know God has an even greater plan in store for you. You have been faithful in all God has entrusted to you. Now you will do even greater things for Him. Be at peace with all I am saying. I am your Mother.

Ruth Ann: Mother, I am at peace. I just wish You could be more clear in what You are saying.

Our Lady: Child, you will be told all you need to know, when God so chooses. Bless you child, for continuing to be an instrument of love and peace for your God and His children. Continue on in faith and trust. God has His hands upon you. Be at peace.

Message of Dec. 9, 1993, from Our Lord Jesus

Ruth Ann: Lord, it's another busy day. This time of year it seems there is so much to do.

Jesus: Man has caused much of this. little one. The celebration of My birth has become an excuse for spending money. Christmas has become a time of comer-cialism. Whatever happened to the days when My children prepared for the celebration of My birth through The true meaning of praver? Christmas has gone by the wayside. More and more people are so busy purchasing gifts, they do not have time to think, or quietly pray. Peace will be lost because of all the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. I will be all but forgotten.

Ruth Ann: Lord, many of us still

believe in the true meaning of Christmas.	Concentrate on the peace and love of this holy and very special time of the year. Be as the innocent shepherds	are to be provided for you. My Mother
small, you think in terms of family, prayer groups, and your church. I am looking at the entire world, little one, and know many of My children will not even observe My Birthday, My	tending their sheep. Come to Me, leaving the gifts of your love.Ruth Ann: Yes, Lord. I love You.Jesus: Thank you, little one, and thanks to all those who have not forgotten the true meaning of	you." It was true then, and those words are just as true now. God does not choose someone to do something special and then walk away. His chosen ones are provided for. There is much you do not understand, but this is
Redeeming Savior. Many will not even thank My Mother for saying 'yes', to being My Mother. This is nothing		makes your journey of faith difficult, but it also helps you realize that I am in control of all things.
on special occasions, when I am ignored most days of the year unless they have a need? Then, I am found	wish to say today. You have much to do. Go about your day knowing My love is with you.	God's servants must remain humble. This is God's way, little one. You continue to walk My path on the way to Calvary, and you falter
quickly, and not necessarily asked, but told, what needs to be done and when it needs to be done. Even when I am able to accommodate them, do they thank	also.	along the way. You must pick yourself up, and carry on. This was the way of My journey on the way to My Crucifixion and Death, and it is true of
Me? No. I don't hear from many of them again until they are in need again.	from Our Lord Jesus Ruth Ann: Lord, I'm unable to	the ones who have been chosen to do the will of God, and follow in My footsteps. With death comes Resurrection, so there is hope. This
love Me! I love so much, I gave so much, I continue to give so	sleep. Do You have anything You'd like to share? Jesus: Little one, you are concerned	the cross, and My Resurrection.
down and realize all they are, have, and ever will be depends on God, not man? The Lord gives, and He can take away, all of it, in the blink of an	about those things over which you have no control. It is true, there are many changes coming about in your life very quickly, but you are ready. You do not realize this, but you have been prepared	outweigh the sufferings done here on the earth. Your cross is heavy and difficult, but the rewards will be great, and should be your focus. Man was created by God for this purpose, to share in the rewards of Heaven. While
Ruth Ann: Lord, You are really	Hand man way and has had since the	
sounding 'down' today.	very beginning. None of the things you have accomplished in your life could	him. You can be of this world, and set

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God, and be of the world.	Ruth Ann: Thank You, Lord.	save souls, child. Your witnessing,
	from Our Lord Jesus Ruth Ann: Lord, I am in desperate	your prayers, your persecution, is all part of helping Me save souls. So few of My children are willing to give up their lives for Me, that when I do find someone willing to do so, I must place them in the fire of purification.
but the change will bring about the salvation of souls. God's plan is	Jesus: Little one, you are under attack. Ruth Ann: I realize that, Lord, but that doesn't make how I am feeling any	No one knows the pain you suffer in your heart for others. No one knows how much you have given of yourself to your Jesus. These are all part of your gift to Me for the salvation of souls. You care not about yourself.
	Jesus: Little one, repeat My name over and over, and your peace will be restored.	
	Ruth Ann: Thank You, Lord. I am feeling better.	Jesus: Soon, child, soon. You do not wish to push ahead until God is ready. You may feel ready, but it is not
being here to give me my peace and encouragement. You are so kind and patient with me, even when I am not so	demons flee, and your peace is returned. This time of year is most	yet ready for His plan to unfold. Continue to pray, and be patient, and know I am with you.
but I also know your heart. I love you, and I love all My children. I wish for each one of you to be at peace. Peace is needed in your world, peace with		Ruth Ann: Lord, I wish to thank You for all of Mary's Children, and all the prayerful people You have sent into our lives. I have had so much removed from me, that it is touching to have the support of those who truly love You and Your Mother.
your hearts. If all My children could attain God's peace, then peace in the world would be the end result. Trust in God, and do His will. Peace will follow. I love you, and thank you for ministering to My children. Know this is done through the grace of	birth with the word 'peace.' So I say to you this day, that peace is needed in the hearts to herald in My Second Coming. Ruth Ann: How did we get off on that, Lord? I'm concerned about just getting through each day, and each week. I don't want to think about Your Second Coming. Why have You	you'. These were not just words. My Mother meant every word. She will continue to send those needed, to get all things done that must be done, in order for God's plan to unfold. The prayers, the support, all that is needed will be provided. You need only listen,
support. Jesus: Be at peace, little one. I am,	Jesus: Because, child, the pain, the attacks, the lack of peace you continue to feel, are all connected to My Second Coming. You do not think I would be putting you, and others of My children, through so much, if I were not wanting	me. Your Mother has told me She is going to stop giving messages to share. You do know that, Lord.

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all that needs to be said. That is not the needs, child. Now He can do with you only reason. Her purpose for working what needs to be done. Be patient and in your life, was to draw the attention listen. Time is nearing. God loves you Message of Dec. 28, 1994, from Our of many, to Me. You have been beyond measure. Go in My peace. Ladv brought along gradually, as have those who have followed My Mother's Ruth Ann: Mother, do You have messages to Her children. Now, it is Message of January 5, 1994, anything to add? time for Her to step aside and let Me be from Our Lady to Prayer Groups the focus. She has pointed the way to Our Lady: Child, there is not much the light in this world of darkness. She My Dear Children, else to say. The eyes, ears, and hearts has taken the hands of many, and of most of My children continue to be walked them back to the light and the Why do you continue to search for a closed the words being to right path. Now it is time for Me to false peace in the things of the spoken. Even My sons and daughters finish the task She has begun. Don't you know that peace who should be closest to Me, refuse to world? comes from God? Turn away from listen and believe that God is again intervening in the lives of His children **Ruth Ann:** Lord, this makes no sense those things that do not bring a lasting peace. Turn back to My Son who is the on the earth through supernatural to me. prince of peace. Then, and only then, means. This is displeasing to Him **Jesus:** Little one, it need not. You are will you find the true peace that awaits Who has created all people in His you and will remain with you. God not asked to understand. Be patient, image and likeness. So many have continues to call to you and remind you and watch God's plan unfold. You are strayed so far away, that God has experiencing much unrest. You are that those things of the world do not chosen the least of you, with child-like under constant attack. Know it is last. They bring temporary pleasures to faith, to listen and share what is being because the time is nearing for My you, and then the feeling is gone. God's said. coming to you. The evil one would peace will last forever. God loves Those who choose to listen are able to like nothing more than to destroy you, you. Let Him draw you to His heart. turn their lives toward God. Those who and God's plan for you, at this Experience the love and peace He refuse to believe that God can work time. You must continue to be patient, wishes you to have through the gift of through those willing to take this and know that many prayers are being His Son. Go in God's peace. responsibility to heart, are deliberately said on your behalf. All things will turning their backs on God. This is not unfold as God intends. You have said At the end of this message, Ruth Ann pleasing to God, and it is not pleasing 'yes', and God knows your 'yes' means to Me. As your Mother, I have been had the feeling that Our Lady wanted 'yes'. God is with you, as is the love of to say something else, so she said: allowed by God, to come to you and those in Heaven awaiting the special assist you in your journey back to My gift that is to be given to you. Son. I am not here for praise, and I am Ruth Ann: Is there anything You wish not here to take any of the praise, to add? honor, and glory away from God, or The gift of My appearance to you, and the special gift I will bring with Me, Our Lady: Child, no one seems to be His gift to you, My Son, Jesus. this gift, is the gift of My divine love, listening. The messages are falling on and is being given to you to draw deaf ears. Eventually there will be no Why do My children refuse to listen others closer to Me, Who is deserving more messages. and live the words being spoken to of mankind's love and respect. You are them? It is because they have lost their a willing vessel, and have been emptied faith. They refuse to believe that God Ruth Ann: To me? of all earthly desires, in order that you can work in their lives, as He has done be filled with all God has to give in Our Lady: To everyone, child. I am throughout the history of spiritual gifts. You feel that total void only here for a time allowed by mankind. They have lost this personal at this time, do you not? God. When My time is over, I will touch with One Who wishes to be have to return to Heaven and leave My treated as a loving, and merciful, Ruth Ann: Yes Lord, I have given You everything. I have very little left children to their own undoing. I am God. They have intellectualized God doing all I can for the time I am out of existence. You do not need to to give. allowed. The rest is up to God and be a philosopher, or someone of great Total submission is all God those who are listening to My call. intelligence to know God does Jesus:

yesterday. And He will continue to work and intervene in your daily lives,	pleasures of the world, and it can only come from God. The peace and love from Him is the true peace that all must seek and find, in order to exist in such a troubled world.	continue to be a source of peace, grace, and blessings for all those who come
yet I am here to say to you again, and again, open your eyes! Open your ears! Open your hearts! God loves you! Yes, He loves you. Sins can be forgiven. Repent, little children, and know in God's infinite wisdom and mercy, He is ready to receive you with open arms. Just as the Father was ready to accept the prodigal son, so too,	Pray, dear children, pray from the heart. Many of you still do not understand what these words mean. It means you must find time to speak with God. Speak to Him from your heart. Tell Him how much you love Him, and how much you appreciate all He has done for you. Read His Word in the New Testament. Let Him speak to you through these words. These words I have been giving to you through so many, are nothing new. Realize, little children, these words were spoken to you two thousand years ago, and were recorded for you to have access to.	in your life. You have been chosen child, to witness to others so that they, too, can stand firm and steadfast in their test of faith. My children need someone who is not ashamed to say, "Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ," and "Yes, He is alive and working miracles today just, as He did two thousand years ago," and "Yes, He will work in your life for you today, just as He has in mine, if you will only let Him in."
loves you, and wishes you to know this, and take it to your heart. In accepting this love, your hearts can be opened, so you can share in the peace that can only come from God. Accept this peace, and begin your journey back to the One Who loves you. I will assist you in any way I can. Listen, and live	Many of you do not read God's Word, so therefore, I have come to share these words with you in a simple way. Love God as you love yourself, and you cannot go wrong. Love your neighbor, and forgive the hurts that he imposes upon you. Be forgiving, as your Jesus would forgive. Trust, little children. Pray for your enemies, so they too, can experience the love and peace that you have experienced	birthday. Happy Birthday! Jesus: Little one, yes, this day will be one of joy for many who know the true meaning of Christmas. That will be the special part of this day for Me, seeing those who truly know why this day is special, celebrate it in the love of their
truth. Be at peace, and know in your	I am praying with you for those who have wandered from the fold. Pray,	
<i>Message of Jan. 18, 1995, from Our Lady</i> (after Prayer Group Message)	tend to all things. My blessing I give to you. Go in My Son's peace.	Jesus: Many do not. Those are the ones that are of concern to Me. Those are the ones that were of concern to Me nearly two thousand years ago, and they are still the ones who have made
Ruth Ann: Mother, do You have anything You wish to add?	Message of Dec. 1, 1993, from Our Lord Jesus	My suffering and death on the cross so painful.
Our Lady: Child, the messages that I continue to give to all My children, are not being taken to heart. The peace that you seek is not being found in your world. My children continue to look in all the wrong places for this peace. They are trying to find peace in the	one. My children have found something missing in their lives. That 'something' is peace. Many are finding that peace here, and in places such as this. This place has been chosen to be set aside by Me and My Mother as a	Those of you who love Me, and will take the time to be with Me, are of great comfort, but you must pray for those who do not love Me, and ignore Me. They not only will ignore Me on My birthday, but all year long. They turn their backs on Me. They seek the peace and love that should come from

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Me, from things. This will continue and She is being ignored and Bible, and through the mouth of others until all things are removed from them. blasphemed. How much more is God supposed to take, little one? He is disgusted, little one. He is disgusted **Ruth Ann:** Lord, that is a strange with mankind and his evil ways. Man statement, 'until all things are removed from them'. is destroying himself little by little, and all that surrounds him. This is sad, but true, child, and even the words given to Jesus: Little one, it is not a strange statement. It is a statement concerning His children from Heaven are not the state of your world. All around changing the hearts of those who are in you, in other countries, you see need of this change. devastation brought on by man's greed and lust for power. You see the world It is up to those of you who have been being destroyed because of hatred for listening, to continue to gather for one another. The innocent suffer, as prayer in great numbers, in order to show God that you do care about Him well as the guilty, and still the hatred and His children. You care about His continues. love and His gifts to you in the form of Your world is going to experience the land, the water, and the very air devastation too, child, and it is through vou breathe. You need to let Him know you love all He has created, and those who choose to ignore all the signs that have been put before them. wish to thank Him for all these special My Mother has told you, "You were gifts, through the proper treatment of only a footstep away from the war and these gifts. Man must respect God, depravation of other nations," and yet, and the gifts given to him from man continues on the road to God. He must respect life, and hold all destruction. He is destroying your things that come from Him as sacred world, little by little, through the lack and holy. of care and proper treatment of all of the gifts God has given to you, little Ruth Ann: Lord, this message is not one. Little by little, your world is what I would have expected on Greed, lust, and being destroyed. Christmas morning. arrogance, continue to be more important in your world, than the love Jesus: Little one, these words are and care of all that is holy. The love of necessary. This is a solemn time in on Him. God and neighbor are no longer your world. Many are caught up in important, little one. Through this lack greed and materialism. Today means of love, animals, land, water, and air 'presents', and more and more of the are being polluted and killed. These things and distractions that have taken Jesus: are all God's gifts to you, and man them away from the quiet time they continually destroys through his selfish could, and should, be spending with desires. 'More and bigger', have been Me in prayer. Man is getting farther the order of the day, instead of being and farther away from Me. I am satisfied with only those things here. I am here, just as I was nearly necessary for the good of your soul.

God has sent you the gift of His Son in human form, in order to tell you, and show you, what is and should be, important. His word was ignored, and He was murdered. He has sent His Mother, and His words through Her,

two thousand years ago, but man is not listening to Me. He is not spending quiet time with Me daily, in order to hear what I have to say. He is too busy with other things to listen.

I speak to My children through signs, nature, the gift of My word in the

trained in the gift of My word. But man continues to find ways to ignore these words. Because they do not hear My voice in human terms, they choose to believe I cannot, and am not, speaking to them. They are not listening. If they were to listen, they would hear Me. Then, they would have to change their lives. Many would discover all of the things they hold sacred are of little importance.

It is the soul that is of great importance, and it is being ignored and left to die, in many cases. The soul needs food, and it needs nurtured, just as a hungry body needs food to be sustained. Many of you feed your bodies, and ignore the food for your soul. The food for your soul is the word of God. Man must feed his soul through the gift of this word. And through this food, he will realize the need for change in his earthly life. The spiritual life has been ignored, and that is why, little one, the world is being destroyed through the lack of love and care for God, His gifts, and the love of his neighbor. Man is destroying himself and his world. Pray for the conversions of My children, and ask for God's mercy for those who continue to blatantly turn their backs

Ruth Ann: Yes, Lord.

Now, I know you must be about your day. I thank you for your love, and I thank you for your continued fidelity to God's plan for you. Know God is pleased, little one, with all you are doing. Thank you for wishing Me a Happy Birthday. Many will forget, but those who remember, please Me.

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Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve					
11:00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	12:00pm	Holy Mass (Advent Weekday)		
	and Confessions	9:15pm	Vigil Office of Christmas		
11:45am	Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	Holy Mass			
Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day					
10:00am	Holy Mass				
	Saturday, December 31 - New Year's Eve				
11:00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10:00pm	Holy Hour of Reparation to the		
	and Confessions		Sacred Heart		
11:45am	Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	11:00pm	Vigil Office for the Solemnity of the		
12:00pm	Holy Mass (Christmas Octave)		Mother of God		
6:00pm	Vespers and Rosary	11:45pm	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of the		
9-11pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		Mother of God		
Sunday, January 1, 2023 - Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God					
10:00am	Holy Mass				
Sunday, January 8, 2023 – The Epiphany of the Lord					
10:00am					
	Year. Please join us for Mass, Dinner and	draw your patr	on saints for the New Year!		
	Upcoming	g Retreats			
December 3, 2022 >>> "Bethlehem, House of Bread"					

December 3, 2022>>>"Bethlehem, House of Bread"Talks Given By>>>Friar Gabriel Cortes, FI

During this Advent Day of Reflection we will focus on the gift of the Holy Eucharist in the light of the Birth of Jesus, and reflect on how the Biblical account of Our Lord's Nativity can help us deepen our understanding of this mystery, as called for in the Eucharistic Revival that the USCCB has launched for our Nation.

Friar Gabriel M. Cortes is originally from Bristol, New Hampshire and joined the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate in 1995. He made his perpetual profession in 2000 in Connecticut and shortly thereafter was sent to the Mission in Australia. During his 14 years in the mission, he organized many Catholic events both in Australia and in New Zealand. Friar Gabriel also helped to build and renovate the mission friaries and contributed to the local municipality of Toodyay, W.A. as a board member to the Department of Recreation and Parks as well as a board member on the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Committee. Br. Gabriel returned home to the U.S. in 2015 and he was assigned to Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center and currently serves as friary Vicar.

				<u>Schedule</u>	
Everything will take place in the Sacred Heart Chapel					
9:00am	Welcome & 1 st (Conference		11:00am	Adoration (Confessions Available)
9:45am	break			11:25am	Holy Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
10:00am	2 nd Conference			11:45am	Benediction
10:45am	break			12:00pm	Holy Mass
Registration Guest House Phone 812-825-4642 Ext 1					
Single \$84 (1 p	erson) Double $\$89$	9 (2 Persons)	Famil	ly with Children Con	mmuter \$50
Name			Addı	ress	
				Phone	
Name of person	sharing room		Phor	ne if different	
Cost of 3 day	RetreatFriday to	Sunday Reti	eat		
Single Room (1	Person)	\$220 Plus	tax	\$	Commuters
Couples (2 pers	ons & Children)	\$280 Plus	s tax	\$	check in at
Each additional	non family person-	\$50 retr	eat	\$	Guest House
Commuters: No	ot staying overnight	\$50 retr	eat fee	\$	on arrival
(Includes lunch & supper can purchase Breakfast for \$3 Plus. tax Total \$					
Price Includes: Room for 2 nights, Friday & Saturday—Check-in time by 6:00 PM Friday					
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2 Breakfasts (Saturday & Sunday) 2 Meals --Lunch Saturday & Dinner Saturday Evening Pre-registration-Send form & check to Mary's Children, 8220 State Rd 48 west, Bloomington, IN 47404

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Upcoming Retreats in 2023

January 13-15, 2023 >>> "Practicing the Presence of God" – **Retreat Leader:** Fr. Elias Mills, FI February 17-19, 2023 >>> "Franciscan Christology" – **Retreat Leader:** Friar Roderic, FI Saturday, March 18, 2023 >>> "The Creed: Understanding What We Profess" – **Retreat Leader:** Deacon Ed Walker

Schedule of Devotions at the Farm

Visitation Hours for Sacred Heart Chapel: 6 A.M. to 6 P.M. daily

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 A.M. - Confessions Available ... 7:00 A.M. - Mass

3:45 P.M. - Exposition of Blessed Sacrament with Silent Adoration

4:30 P.M. - Holy Hour with Vespers, Rosary, Litany and Benediction

Thursday: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: In Sacred Heart Chapel 9:00 A.M-4:30 P.M.

Friday: 4:45 P.M. – Stations of the Cross

<u>Saturday:</u> Eucharistic Adoration at 11:00 A.M. Mass 12 Noon. Confessions at 11 A.M. & by appointment. Sunday: 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. – Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

4:00 P.M. – Holy Hour with Vespers, Rosary, Litany and Benediction

Bookstore Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M

Activities at the Retreat Center in October:

On Saturday, October 1st, we began the month with a special celebration for the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the Sacred Heart Chapel. The day started with a Rosary Procession, followed by a Marian Talk, and then the noon Mass celebrated by Archbishop Charles Thompson in the Sacred Heart Chapel. After Mass there was a celebratory luncheon in the Dining Hall, and finally the day was concluded with a Holy Hour.

Over the weekend of October 14th-16th, a group of seven attended a retreat on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, led by Fr. Matthias, the newest of the Franciscan Friars to be stationed at the Retreat Center. Then on Monday, October 17th, a group of homeschooling families came for a day of reflection led by Fr. Terrance, FI. Later that same week, a group of women from Cincinnati came for a retreat that took place October 19th-21st. On October 25th-26th we welcomed a group of about thirty high school students from Lumen Christi high school in Indianapolis for a two-day retreat.

Finally, we were blessed as usual to welcome several individuals who came throughout the month and stayed in the Guesthouse for a private retreat, including a priest from Colorado who came for a week-long retreat near the end of the month.

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Projects Completed in 2022

We would like to express our gratitude to all those who contributed to our planned projects this past year. Thanks to your support, we were able to complete a major waterline replacement, putting in all new pipe for the line carrying water to the Guesthouse and other buildings of the lower campus. The original waterline had developed a leak that was unable to be repaired, so replacing the line was a high priority. We were also able to replace two outdoor stairways of the Guesthouse, which had developed rusting issues that could have eventually caused them to be structurally unsound, if left unaddressed.



Memorial for the Unborn Project

Another project we saw completed this year is the new memorial for unborn children (pictured left) which was completed near the end of this summer. The memorial is meant to be a place of prayer and healing for those grieving the loss of an unborn child, and features two bronze statues, one of an angel weeping over an empty crib, and another portraying a baby being carried in an angel's arms back to God, which is our hope and prayer (pictured below.)

New Projects for 2023

In spring of 2023, Jim and Ruth Ann Wade will be moving back to the Farm, and once again living in the original house where they first lived many years back at the very beginning of the retreat center. The house needs to be restored to a residence, as it was when they left. The estimated cost for this project is \$60,000.

On the side of the hill beneath the Sacred Heart Chapel, there is a memorial for aborted children, consisting simply of a cross, and benches for people to sit and pray. Over the years, the cross has started to lean, and needs to be re-set. We would also like to do some landscaping work around the cross to make it into a memorial area that is more conducive to prayer and reflection. The estimated cost for this project is \$6,500.

In April 2015 when the new cemetery was opened, an access road was put in so that the heavy equipment needed for opening and closing graves could reach the cemetery. This road now requires maintenance in order to repair a number of washouts, and to redirect the flow of water from the parking lot to prevent future damage. The estimated cost for this project is \$9,400.

Finally, the locks on the Guesthouse rooms are beginning to show their age, and we would like to upgrade to a modern system with electronic locks and keycards. The estimated cost for this project is \$5,250.

Our realistic estimate of a total cost is about \$81,150.00

<u>With your generous financial support in the past</u>, Mary's Children has been able to construct the chapel, a Friary for the Franciscans, the Guest House, Bookstore, the Conference Hall and the Divine Mercy Chapel requested by the Blessed Mother. The Retreat Center has included a cemetery and radio station. Now we ask for your financial assistance to accomplish these current requests. Financial assistance is again needed at this time. It has always been our goal "<u>not to</u> <u>go into debt"</u>; we rely upon the generosity of benefactors sent to us by Our Blessed Mother.

The Friars offer their Mass each "First Saturday" for our many benefactors, their families and their special intentions. Mary's Children volunteers provide many services for the "FARM," such as laundry and housekeeping for the Guesthouse, helping in the dining room, childcare for retreats, and working in the bookstore.

We print, provide and mail about 2,000 Messages each month without charge and depend upon contributions to offset the cost. We have committed volunteers that organize, print, fold, label and prepare them for mailing each month. The expenses are the cost of the paper, ink and postage. *Once a year we ask for your help*.

For the new projects, the total cost is about \$81,150.00

_____Contribution \$______ --- \$8,115.00 for 10% of the total projects

- _____ Contribution \$_____ ---- \$811.00 for 1% of total projects
- _____ Contribute per month ______ over a 12 month period
- _____ Would like to talk about contributing a portion of the \$81,150.00 for labor & materials for the projects
- _____ Would like to talk to you about a major contribution
 - My phone Number is ______ and/or Email _

____Contribute \$_____ for support of monthly message which I receive

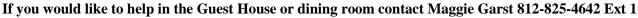
If you wish to talk to someone about how you can financially assist in these opportunities call or contact:

Jim Wade, 812-320-1308. Or Bill Dunfee 812-825-4642 Ext 2

You may also call these numbers to make an appointment.

Enclosed is an envelope for any contribution you would be willing to provide Mary's Children.

** May we help you in any way? Call 812-825-4642 or Jim Wade or Bill Dunfee



With your prayers, help, and financial assistance we will accomplish these projects.



THINK RELIGIOUS FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT



<u>Religious Bookstore</u> is located to the right upon entering the grounds of the Retreat Center. It offers a large variety of religious books and gift items for both adults and children:

 Rosaries
 Crucifixes
 Religious Statues
 Greeting cards

 Religious Gifts

 Bible Room

 Children's Room

 Religious Gifts

Also Available (\$5.00 each 4 for \$15) Four Volumes of: "Lessons and Messages to the World from Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary "<u>To Ruth Ann Wade of Bloomington, Indiana</u>" Store Hours: Wednesday - Saturday 10 AM to 2PM You can reach the Bookstore @ 812-825-4642 Ex.2 **Voice Mail available to leave a Message for a "CALL BACK"**

LET THE BLESSED MOTHER GIVE YOU A GIFT!!



THIS IS THE PROMISE OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

I promise to help at the hour of death, with the graces needed for salvation,

whoever on the **<u>First Saturday</u>** of five consecutive months shall:

1. Attend Mass for 5 Consecutive First Saturdays

2. Confession (within 8 days before or 8 days after every first Saturday for the 5 months.

Confession every 2 weeks will always cover you.

- 3. Receive Holy Communion
- 4. Recite 5 decades of the Rosary
- 5. Keep me company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary.
- 6. Have the intention of making reparation to Our Lady. "You, at least, try to console me."

Please Join Us – New Schedule Starting December 3rd, 2022

10:00 A.M. - Confessions Available in Annex (Annex is Located in the Same Building as the Bookstore)

10:45 A.M. – Rosary Procession on Rosary Path (In Sacred Heart Chapel at 11AM if Cold or Inclement Weather)

- 11:30 A.M.–Marian Talk in Sacred Heart Chapel (Confessions Available During Talk)
- 12:00 Noon- Holy Mass at Outdoor Altar (In Sacred Heart Chapel if Cold or Inclement Weather)

December 2022



Dear Friends,

My how time flies! It is time once again to wish everyone a very Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Holy and Happy New Year. On behalf of Ruth Ann and me as well as all associated with Mary's Children Inc., the volunteers at the Retreat Center along with all the volunteers in the Washington, Indiana area who work at getting this newsletter to you monthly, I am happy to do that.

I wish to thank all the folks who help support both financially and by prayers Mary's Children Inc whose primary function is to support and administer the work at the Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center and the publishing of this monthly newsletter. Without your help we could not carry out the desires which The Blessed Mother has expressed through her messages to Ruth Ann.

We celebrated on October 1st a rather important and happy 25th Anniversary of the first Mass at the Sacred Heart Chapel this year. His Excellency Archbishop Charles Thompson was the celebrant and concelebrating were several priests from the archdiocese along with the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate that minister here at the retreat center. Deacon Ed Walker from the Evansville Diocese assisted Archbishop Thompson at Mass. Isaac Siefker a seminarian for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis served at the Mass. Isaac grew up very close to the retreat center and during his childhood years he served daily Mass at the Chapel. We were extremely happy that Archbishop Thompson could take time out of his busy schedule to celebrate with us.

I would like to share that Our Lord and His Mother are very disappointed with the moral decay of the human race and how so much of what is taking place in the area of morals is a complete Abomination to God including the murdering of babies in the womb. I would like to encourage all to pray more as Our Lady is very sad for all of us.

I wanted to share two desires They have for Ruth Ann. The first one is They wish for her to begin praying with those people who would like that type of prayer. Out of obedience to that desire we have begun to offer to pray with people after the 12:00 noon Mass at the Sacred Heart Chapel. Fr Terrance, the Father Guardian here who is also our spiritual director is graciously allowing us to use a parlor room in the friary which is attached to the chapel as a private place to pray with one person at a time. You do not have to make an appointment, just be there after Mass on Saturdays.

The last desire They have expressed will take a little longer to explain. As many of you know Ruth Ann and I no longer live on the property. Our Lady asked us to move from our home when she requested the property become a Place of Peace and Prayer. Sometime around 1995 we moved as Our Lady wanted the house so religious could occupy it. Our former home became home to several; first a Religious Brother, then a retired priest, followed by another retired priest, Then an order of sisters lived in it until due to some internal concerns of the order, they were called back to the Mother House. At some point it was used as a house of discernment for young women considering religious life and finally until the Covid pandemic another order of religious lived in it and they left because of Covid and returned to the mother house in Mexico.

With that as background Our Lord and His Mother have said it is Their desire that we move back to our original home. To put it mildly this came as a mild shock to both of us. So in Prayer we explained that we are up in the 80+ age bracket. In that prayer They reminded us that God doesn't care about time or age of His servants. They suggested we meditate on Moses and his age. Of course, I said something like "Oh no, not another 40 years". But guess what! We are planning on moving back to our original home as it is Their desire that Ruth Ann be more visible to the people who come to pray. They have given us a time frame to work toward. Their desire is that we be moved into the home in the spring of next year. They say as a sign of Ruth Ann's obedience many graces will be granted to those who come to pray with her and that all she has to do is be obedient and God will do the rest. Hope to see you at the "Farm".

My reason for sharing is each December Mary's Children tells you of upcoming projects or goals they are funding for the upcoming year. This year's project is to restore the house on the property so that two elderly lay people will be able to live there comfortably. In this newsletter there is information as to how you can contribute to this project of Mary's Children Inc for next year. May God Bless us all!

Jim Wade



Dear Families & Friends of the Farm,

Ave Maria! Another year has gone by and we're blessed to have reached the seasons of Advent & Christmas once again. Like every year that passes, 2022 has also been a special year for the farm. I'll mention just a few highlights that come to mind:

We had the privilege of hosting our Archbishop, Charles Thompson, twice this year: once during a Lenten day of reflection in March with 50 other priests of the Archdiocese, & then more recently on October 1st with the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the dedication of Sacred Heart Chapel. We also saw the completion of our new outdoor Memorial for the Unborn, a memorial which was blessed by the Archbishop & which was sponsored & spearheaded by the generous work of the Mauro family, who are dear to the farm & to Our Lady's heart. Our Father Guardian, Fr. Ignatius Manfredonia, was chosen to be the head of the US delegation for the Franciscan Friars. In August, he transferred to the northeast & Fr. Terrance was designated as the new Father Guardian of the friary. Fr. Matthias Sasko, FI, was assigned to be the second priest stationed here & he's already been busy at work with a number of apostolate activities as well as taking over as the spiritual assistant for our local MIM Cenacle. The friars also celebrated their General Chapter in Rome this year & our new Minister General, Fr. Immacolato Acquali, FI, will be visiting the farm this month, along with Fr. Ignatius.

For the first time this past Easter season we hosted an Eastern Triduum retreat which was well-attended & which we plan on preaching again this upcoming year.

God blessed the farm this year with the marriage of Ethan Mobley & Alexis Siefker, who were married at St. John's on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, the same day Roe vs. Wade was overturned – a day of blessing for us and for our country as well! We are also grateful to welcome back Ernie & Cecilia Mobley to the farm, who have been operating the kitchen & are doing a wonderful job. They took over for Gianna Siefker, who, along with her family, continues to give a great contribution to the cleaning & decorating of the Sacred Heart chapel. We were saddened at the passing of Betty Garst this past April but were comforted knowing that she received the Anointing of the Sick literally just minutes before passing through the veil to meet the Lord. Another blessing was the addition of the Schneidt family who now live alongside the Sokols & are contributing greatly to the local St. Benedict School as well as to the upkeep of the 22-acre farm.

We want to thank everyone on the farm for their work & prayers & their faithfulness to Our Lord & to Our Lady, & we would like to thank all of you who are friends & visitors & contributors – Our Lady wouldn't be able to do Her work without you! We ask Her, in this Christmas season, to grant the gift of peace & harmony & unity to all those whom She has called here, that we may be true witnesses of the Gospel of Her Son – the Gospel which truly sets us free when we embrace it with all of our heart, mind, soul & strength (cf. Lk 10:27).

You will all be remembered during our novena of Masses for the Octave of Christmas this year. A Blessed Christmas & New Year to all of you! In Corde Matris,

Fr. Terrance Chartier, FT