

Mission of Divine Mercy

24th Anniversary Newsletter



“Look at Me. Trust Me.
Abandon yourselves to Me.
And I will do the rest.”

Message of April 10, 2025

Dear Friends,

This month MDM marks our 24th anniversary, and we give thanks to God for the great Mercy He has shown us over all these years.

It has been a full year since we last published a newsletter. During the last 12 months *a lot* of energy has been expended in publishing the *Reconquest* Messages received by Sr. Amapola and in responding to all of the requirements of the canonical process in which we are involved. We hope that you are getting our weekly Friday Meditations that keep you up to date with what has been happening at the Mission. But the email format has its limitations, so with this newsletter we bring you:

- **An extended interview with Father John Mary** –we asked him what living through these last 18 months has been like.

- **Update on our Canonical Process.** As this goes to print Sister Amapola is scheduled to be deposed by the Tribunal on November 13.

- **Along the Camino with Brother Mikael** by bike and on a shoestring!

- **Inside the Sisters' new home,** with photos and commentary by Mother Magdalene.

- **Plans for our new maintenance building**—preparing for the Reconquest spiritually and *physically!*

- **Responses from around the world to our Messages.**

As we mark this 24th Anniversary of His Mission, we come to the end of another year. So many graces, but also so many sorrows, struggles, challenges. How grateful we are for all of you who are traveling this path with us. And how grateful we are for HIM Who continues to lead us Home.

Sunset at the Mission





INTERVIEW
with FR. JOHN MARY

Q: It Has Been Over A Year And A Half Since MDM Released The First Public Message And You Experienced The Canonical Consequences. What Has This Time Been Like For You Personally?

To be frank, it's been very hard, very stressful on a lot of levels. I think that is true not just for myself, but for many of us, including good friends of ours, some of whom do not understand why we are doing this and think we are wrong. And it has been hard for Sr. Amapola in particular. But here, I'll speak for myself.

Shortly after we published the first Message, I was summoned to a difficult meeting with the Archbishop and that was very hard. Also, I've been basically cut off from relationships with all the other Priests and Deacons in the archdiocese, which has been painful.

It is also painful knowing that some people think I'm a schismatic, a troublemaker, believe in crazy things, and am being disobedient to the church. A lot of good people, who have been friends and supporters of ours have stepped away.

Then there's been the whole canonical situation and having all the expense, energy and turmoil of doing that. We're very grateful for our canon law-

yers. We have two of them, both very good, very competent and very faithful. But we have had to make a lot of important decisions and that's been quite difficult.

Another distressing aspect is that for the time being I suspended hearing confessions, which has disappointed many people.

Sadly, there have been some funerals of relatives and close friends that I haven't been able to attend as a priest because I don't want to put other priests in the difficult position of refusing to allow me to say Mass.

So, yes, there has been a lot of pain in doing what we did. But I firmly believe this is what the Lord has been preparing the Mission for, and the path He has called us to take. And to *finally* be able to speak openly about what we believe the Lord has been sharing with us for all these years—despite all the difficulties—is a great good.

Q: Do You Regret Having Done This?

No. As I said, I believe this is what the Lord is asking of us. How can I regret trying to follow His will?

I might wish that it could be different, easier, but I don't regret it. I mentioned that it is hard to see old friends step away, but we had been preparing ourselves for that. We didn't know whether there would be *anybody* at Mass after the Archbishop made his announcement about us. Instead I was surprised by the number of people who stayed, and by those who have heard the Messages and have joined us or sent words of support. That is a real encouragement.

I am also grateful for the fidelity of our little community and staff and volunteers. In fact, they have been truly supportive.

We have been carrying this mission in our hearts for a long time, not just since Sister began receiving her Messages, but since the two ladies in Monterrey, Mexico, way back in the mid-90s, began sharing their Messages with me. We've been carrying this at the heart of our little Community all this time, but unable to share it with hardly anybody, just having to keep it secret.

I would think sometimes of the prophet Jeremiah when he says, "...there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones and I am weary with holding it in..." (Jer 20:9)

So we're very glad to be able at last to speak openly and freely about what we believe the Lord is saying and doing. That makes up for a lot of the pain.

Q: If The Lord Had Asked Your Opinion, Would

You Have Arranged It Differently?

Oh yes!

The Lord told us a long time ago that He was going to manifest His Presence in some way at the Mission, and that His Manifestation would bring about a lot of conversions. Would bring a lot of people back to the faith. Bring about a lot of healings, both physical and interior healings.

These Manifestations, when they happen, will make it much easier for people to believe in the Messages.

And so, I think a number of us had been hoping—certainly I was—that we wouldn't have to publish the Messages and speak out publicly until the Manifestations began. Because if we started speaking out without the Manifestations to back us up, who would believe us? And yet, that is exactly the situation that the Lord led us to.

So, it has been hard, very hard, to do this. But at the same time, God has His reasons. In the Gospel Jesus talks about the people who require signs to believe versus the people who respond and believe even without signs. I think when the Manifestations happen, there will be great numbers who will respond. But the people who can respond without the signs—even though it's a very small percentage of people—they are special and I think they will have a key role in the Reconquest because of their simple faith.

Q: So Why Did You Act When You Did? What Convinced You That This Was The Time?

There was a special moment in June of 2023 during our annual Community retreat. I was celebrating Mass for the Community and the reading was about God calling Abraham to leave his fatherland. And suddenly I felt that that reading had a special meaning for us right at that moment. We had been living quietly for seven years with the Messages that the Lord had been dictating to Sister Amapola, and not sharing them publicly in obedience to the Archbishop's request. But at that Mass I sensed strongly that the Lord was saying that NOW is the time in which we were going to have to take this new step of speaking out.

That was a very big decision. And because it would affect many people, I didn't want to make a decision like that hastily or by myself. So, we discussed it within the Community and then we formed a small discernment group with a few others to begin praying and thinking about this question.

One thing that I felt very strongly about was that before we made the Messages public, I needed to meet with the Archbishop and the two auxiliary Bishops and tell them about the step we believed the Lord was asking us to take. I felt that was my responsibility.

But it's very difficult to arrange a meeting with all three Bishops at once. In fact, I've never had a meeting like that, and so I was wondering how we could make it happen. And then, seemingly out of the blue, Auxiliary Bishop Gary Janak contacted me saying that all three Bishops wanted to have a meeting with us, to discuss questions about our Community, including the possibility of giving us a higher canonical status in the Archdiocese by making us a public association of the faithful (a canonical term elevating us from our current status as a private association of the faithful). A meeting with all three Bishops... *Okay, Lord, I thought, it must be You arranging all this.*

I knew this would be a consequential meeting. It could ruin the future of our MDM that we had been working on all these years. So our Community devoted *a lot* of time to preparing for that meeting. We knew that we were coming to it with a very different agenda from that of the Bishops. They wanted to talk about our canonical status and our property. We wanted to talk about the Messages God was sending us. We would have to address both. Given the issues involved, we hired a canon lawyer to help us prepare.

But despite all the preparation, I went to bed the night before the meeting feeling that many things were still not clear. I remember saying, "Lord, I





still don't know what I'm supposed to say in this meeting." And so much was at stake...

I woke up about 3 a.m., and I knew I wouldn't get back to sleep because of my anxiety. The thought came into my head to check my email in case Sister had received a Message for me. I almost couldn't believe it when I saw that she had posted a long Message from the Lord barely an hour earlier! It was a Message for the bishops.

The Lord had already given a very loving Message to Archbishop Gustavo in 2017 and then two helpful Messages to both him and Bishop Mike in 2018.

This new Message addressed to all three bishops was also loving but it was a much stronger Message—in some ways severe—speaking very plainly about how bad the situation was in the Church. It reminded them of their responsibilities as shepherds of His people and also asked them to cooperate fully in His plan of Reconquest.

The next day, February 1st, 2024, at the end of our meeting, I gave each bishop a copy of that letter. And in doing so, I felt that I had accomplished God's purpose in arranging the meeting.

We never heard from any of them about that Message. But the Lord made it clear that after all these years of trying to work with the archdiocese we needed now to speak out about the gravity of the situation in the Church.

Q: How Did You Select The First Message To Publish?

While we felt that God was leading us to go public with the Messages, we weren't sure which Messages to share.

At that point Sister had been receiving Messages for seven years, and most of them could be characterized as strong training and formation for the Community, but much of the teaching could apply equally well to any individual of [Catholic] faith. We wondered if we should just begin with the first Message and share them chronologically as we had received them? Or, should we choose what we felt were the strongest Messages and share them thematically? Quite a lot of thought and discussion went into this!

Then about one week after our meeting with the three bishops, Sister received a Message from Our Blessed Mother and Jesus entitled "A Call to All the Children of God." The Message had much of the same loving tone that we had grown accustomed to hearing over the years, but it was also distinctly different in its announcement of the Reconquest and call to Her Luminous Army. There was no question about it, this was definitely meant to be our first **public** Message!

Q: The Interview With LifeSite News Was Also A Confirmation, Was It Not?

Yes, the interview with John-Henry Westen of *LifeSite News* really felt like another act of God.

At the time, "going public" to our mind just meant sending the Message to our regular email list, which would have been a few thousand people.

Still, I remember thinking that if I could speak to

just one journalist about our situation it would be John-Henry Westen, because I've been following his work for over twenty years and I've always been impressed by him. Not only is he strongly prolife, but he's been bold in speaking out about the crisis in the Church and he is open to prophetic charism, which is extremely rare for the head of a large important news network.

And so I'd been musing about that, but it was just a pipe dream, because we had never had any contact with Mr. Westen—or anyone from LifeSite—when out of the blue he contacted us. He said he was coming to San Antonio about something else and could he meet with us! It turns out that someone had told him about us, but he didn't know anything about our situation or the Messages.

Hearing from him at that moment seemed to us to be clearly Divine intervention!

We agreed to meet with him but also told him about Sister and the Messages. He came to the Mission and met the Community. He interviewed us and then published the first three Messages on LifeSite News, which of course vastly increased the number of people who saw them. I imagine John-Henry got a lot of pushback for doing that, so I thank God for his exceptional faith and courage.

Q: Why This Message And Why You, Why MDM?

Through these Messages, God is making it clear that the world, and particularly the Church, is in ter-

rible shape. Much worse than many people realize. And we cannot fix it. Certainly, I can't fix it and our little Community can't fix it. But what we can do is be open to the Lord. He's the only one who can fix it, but He often is looking for very poor, unimportant, unimpressive people—the *Anawim*—to be His instruments to cooperate with Him.

I'm not a theologian, I'm not a canonist or a Church historian. There are a lot of good Catholic people who are much more knowledgeable than I am. Unfortunately, sometimes they trust too much in their knowledge, which prevents them from being more open to God. That's why Jesus says that what God has hidden from the wise and the learned, He has revealed to the little ones, to the childlike, to the people of simple, childlike faith.

I think that's part of the crisis of the Church—we're not open. We have a lot of nice spiritual ideas, we have a lot of nice human plans, but we're not open to what God Himself wants to do.

And so that's why MDM. That is what this little Mission is all about: Faith, so that God can act. We might be wrong. We might be making mistakes, we're not experts, but we are trying to be open and obedient to the Lord and cooperating with Him in Faith.

Q: Have You Separated From The Church? Didn't One Of The Recent Messages Say Something About Separation?





We have no intention of leaving the Church. Our whole purpose is to serve the Lord in His Reconquest of His Church from the enemy's infiltration of her. The Message from September 2, 2025, said to separate from the *false shepherds* because they are dangerous to your soul and do not guide you to heaven.

We know the Lord would never ask us to leave His Church. We believe that the Church is truly His Mystical Body and He is truly the Head. But Scripture, and even the Catechism, says clearly that the Church, like Christ, will also be betrayed and attacked and suffer greatly and even seem to die. And I think that that is what is happening in our time. The Church is being betrayed and living its own Paschal Mystery, and many people are abandoning her.

But that is not a reason to leave the Church. On the contrary, that is why we should stay with the Church—because it is the Mystical Body of Jesus Who is sharing His own divine mystery. And this Paschal Mystery the Church is enduring is preparing her great renewal in holiness in which she will emerge resplendent—not by man's actions, not by the work of some committee or synod—but by the action of the Holy Spirit Himself, in cooperation with the suffering, the love, the fidelity of those who hold on to Jesus, to bring about a resurrection, a spiritual renewal in the Church.

People accuse us of disobedience to the Church

authorities. But our Lord Himself was accused of being disobedient to the religious authorities, to the chief priests, when He had to speak out to address an exceptional evil.

In normal times we would certainly be obedient to legitimate Church authorities when they are acting legitimately. But if they are not legitimate, or if they are acting illegitimately, then, as St. Peter says in the Scriptures, we must obey God rather than men.

This is a very solemn moment for us. And very unnerving. I don't think that any member of our Community, as they entered religious life, ever thought that they would be in the position of questioning the legitimacy of the person sitting on the Throne of Peter. It shakes you to your core. But even more profound than that, is our ultimate obedience to the Will of God. If we are mistaken, may He make that clear and may we have the humility to hear Him. If we've discerned correctly, may we have the courage to persevere and be faithful to Him.

And may the Lord grant all of us great charity in dealing with each other during this time of terrible and painful confusion. And may He lead us all to genuine reconciliation and unity that can only come with humbly embracing His Truth.

Jesus, we trust in You. ♦

My European Road Trip



During the Community's fall break, and thanks to the generosity of family and friends, I was able to spend two weeks visiting Rome, Spain and Portugal, traveling much of the time by bike.

Arriving in Rome, and suffering from jet-lag that had me wide awake at 4 a.m. local time, I got on my bike and headed straight from my lodging through the still dark streets to St. Peter's Basilica and managed to be the tenth person in line, avoiding the usual crowds. Altogether, I spent about 30 hours in Rome and was able to see many of the famous sites even if at a whirlwind pace.



From Rome I flew to Santander in northern Spain, beginning the heart of my trip—a roughly five-hundred-mile bike ride through the rugged, mountainous northern Spanish countryside, ending at the famous pilgrimage site, Santiago de Compostela. The elevation changes made the trip very challenging at times, but it was also quite beautiful.

Along the way, I visited the mountain village of Garabandal, the site of dramatic apparitions from our Blessed

Village of Garabandal

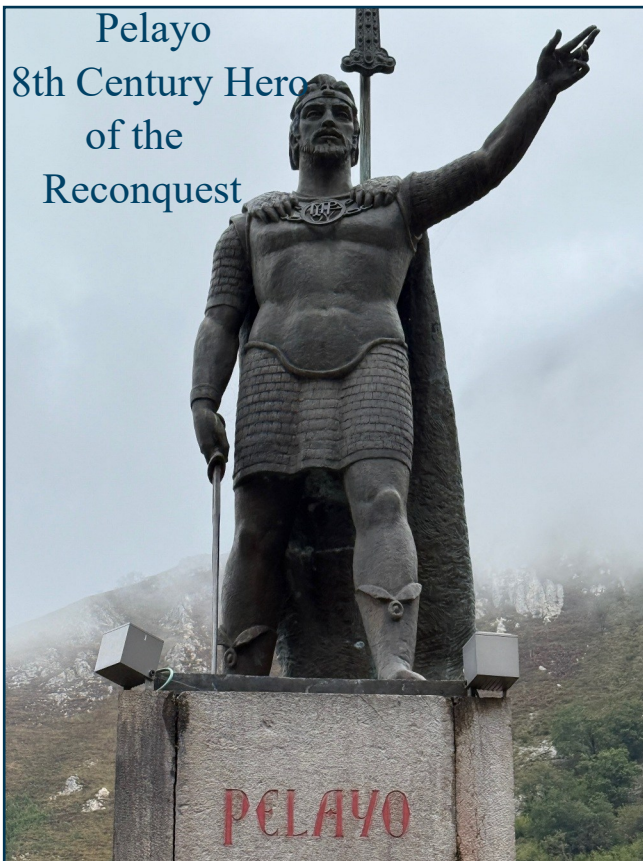


Mother to four young girls between 1961-1965. While these apparitions are not officially approved by the Church and have a complicated history with the local diocese, there is evidence of very public supernatural or miraculous events occurring during the apparitions, and they have been spoken of favorably by St. Padre Pio and St. Mother Teresa, among others.



From Garabandal I made my way to Covadonga, a pilgrim site too little known or appreciated by most Catholics, given its role as the site from which the *Reconquista* or Spanish Reconquest began. In the early eighth century, Muslims invading from the south conquered practically all of Spain. The last holdout of Christian resistance retreated into the mountains in the far north of the country. The leader of the resistance, King Pelayo, after receiving an apparition of the Blessed Mother in a small cave, led his band of Christian warriors to victory against the Muslim army in the Battle of Covadonga in 722.

Thus was initiated the *Reconquest* by which the Christians, over the course of some seven hundred years,



drove the Muslims out and reconquered Spain for Christianity. I visited both the Basilica and the Holy Cave of the Virgin that commemorate the events at Covadonga, taking note of the special resonance we at the Mission



feel for this place. In the Messages given to our community, the Lord specifically invokes the notion of *Reconquista*, speaking of the Reconquest of His Church and of the hearts of His children.

From Covadonga I crossed the Asturias mountains to León where I got on the main route of the Camino de Santiago and made my way to Santiago de Compostela.



Santiago de Compostela is believed to hold the relics of the apostle St. James the Greater (also known as James of Zebedee and the brother of St. John). After Pentecost, St. James evangelized in Spain. Upon his return to Jerusalem, he was martyred by King Herod. His relics were then miraculously transported to Spain and revealed to a hermit who in a vision saw angels and stars gathering around the bones in a field. A church was built to house them on the Compostela (*Campus Stellarum* means “field of stars”).

It became, with Rome and Jerusalem, one of the most popular pilgrimages in medieval Europe. And although by the twentieth century, its popularity had considerably declined, in recent years it has seen an incredible upsurge (under 1000 people walked the Camino in 1985 and 450,000 people in 2024), albeit with accompanying



secularization. Still, I had a great time on the Camino, met a lot of interesting people and appreciated the hostels after getting rained on in my tent. And all that secularization cannot erase the sense of veneration due to the final resting place of one of the Sons of Thunder.

Given the length of my bike pilgrimage, the last part of my trip was a bit rushed. Traveling now by bus, I journeyed to Portugal and was able to visit Fátima, whose apparitions continue to be so consequential for our Church. From Fatima, I concluded my trip with a visit to Lisbon, the birthplace of Saint Anthony of Padua (the patron of the Archdiocese of San Antonio) and perhaps the most beautiful city I've ever seen.

From Lisbon, I flew home. All in all, a good and blessed trip.

Deo gratias! ♦



The Cathedral of Leon



Update: The Canonical Tribunal

The Charge of Schism

As many of you know, Father John Mary is participating in an archdiocesan tribunal which has brought the charge of schism against him. Schism is sometimes confused with heresy or apostasy, so it is helpful to distinguish them. *Heresy* is a rejection of settled Catholic teaching, such as Protestant reformers rejecting the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. *Apostasy* is to reject the faith in its entirety, such as when a Catholic leaves the faith and converts to Islam or becomes an atheist. We are not being accused of either of these things. We are being accused of *schism*, which does **not** involve rejection of Catholic teaching, but is defined in canon 751 as “*the refusal of submission to the supreme pontiff [i.e., the Pope] or of communion with the members of the Church subject to him.*”

We emphatically deny this accusation of schism.

As we have previously said, we recognize that Our Lord established St. Peter as the first pope, the Vicar of Christ, the Supreme Pontiff of the Church, and that Peter’s successors continue in this role as the visible head of the Church. We submit to the authority of all valid popes. We are in communion with all faithful Catholics, including our Archbishop, even if in good conscience we have to withdraw obedience from some of his decisions because they are gravely unjust.

However, we were not in communion with Jorge Bergoglio, nor are we in communion with Robert Prevost **because we believe the Lord has made it clear through the Messages given to us—and confirmed by many of their words and actions—that they were/are not true popes and are in fact betraying the Church.** This fact has led some to claim we are schismatic. But this understanding goes against the common teaching of the Church. Eminent canonists, such as Cardinal Thomas Cajetan, Father Franz X. Wernz, S.J. and Father Peter Vidal, S.J., teach that **one who has sincere and reasonable doubts about the legitimacy of the ostensible pope cannot be charged with schism.** Such a person is not willfully refusing to submit to one he knows is the pope—true schismatic behavior—but rather refusing to submit to one he precisely believes is not the true pope.

The Tribunal Process

This tribunal process began in early April 2025.

Since then, the tribunal has gathered evidence, interviewed witnesses, and received Father John Mary’s written deposition. With Sister Amapola’s consent, we requested that she be called as a witness given that, despite her crucial role in this matter, she has never been interviewed by the archdiocese. God willing, by the time you read this she will have completed her interview.

Once all evidence and testimony have been gathered, the proceedings will be shared with our canon lawyer, and we will be given a chance to respond to them. Then the tribunal will make its final judgement, which we have been told to not expect before January or February. Again, we believe the charge is unjust, and a number of learned people have told us as much. Nevertheless, given the profound confusion in the Church at this time, we do not expect the tribunal’s decision to be in our favor.

We thank you all for all the prayer, encouragement and support that have helped us so much in this trial. And, regardless of the decision, we encourage people not to worry or be upset. We believe this is all in the Lord’s hands, and, as He has said, that we should not fear, despite the storm we are living. In the Message of September 2, 2025, He said:

My beloved children, My little ones, I show you what you are facing.

So that you remain firmly in Me, in My Heart that loves you.

So that you may be able to resist these and future deceits.

Trust in Me. I KNOW WHAT I DO

AND PERMIT.

Be at Peace. Without fear.

He who trusts in Me, who abandons himself with humility to My Will, will NEVER be forsaken.

Yes, children, these HOURS are horrendous.

They are grievous in extreme. Crushing in body, soul, and spirit.

But it is MY HOUR. And all that takes place in it is in MY Hands, it is in MY Will,

it is in MY Permission.

Do not be afraid. Remain with Me.

*Words of God the Father
“He is not Mine.”* ◆



It has now been over nine months since we have settled into our new home and life goes on as normal (abnormal?). Routines have been established, daily patterns recognized, edges smoothed out as we co-exist in a new space, and most—but not all—of our boxes have been unpacked. We begin to take this beautiful new home for granted. But never totally. Always, not far from the surface, there is the underlying wonder and gratitude—to the Lord and to our friends!—for this Gift.



Last spring, on a quiet Monday in March, I awoke to a silent household. Ahhhh.....

Each morning since we three women had moved into our new house three weeks prior, it had been busy—with seemingly never a moment to catch your breath. Either WE were going out to do something; or WORKMEN were coming in to do something; or BOTH.

But that particular morning Sister was sleeping in, Susannah was already out, and no workmen were scheduled. It seemed like the first time I was able to experience our new house as my home. I found myself seized with a delight that reminded me of Christmas mornings in my childhood. I threw on my bathrobe and darted from room to room sitting in chairs, looking out windows, and opening closet doors while chanting to myself, "We have a new house, we have a new house, we have a new house...."

Over the almost three decades since our Community began to form, we have had many—and sometimes startling—living situations (See sidebar). But this was the first time that we had a real Convent—a structure that was designed specifically to house, protect and further a consecrated way of life. *Gracias a Dios!*





The structure is traditional and generous: A two-story rectangle with a wing, and a wide central hallway with rooms on both sides. There is a lovely sunny kitchen with a bank of windows that face the east; an office; a guest parlor; a laundry; a gracious dining room/common room (Sunday Community suppers are held here) with quilts on the sofas and a limestone fireplace. Upstairs there are bedrooms, and a well-lighted sewing room.

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Early Days, Early Stays...

- The rattling noise that didn't stop when the vacuum cleaner was turned off. (Yes; a real rattlesnake.)
- The tarantula in the Offertory Procession; the tarantula on the bedroom curtain; the tarantula in the hallway, the tarantula...wherever.
- Learning that those delicate little spiders running along the baseboard were called Brown Recluse. Finding that you had rolled over in the night and crushed one on your sheet.
- The spectral barn owl that executed our mice each night - a sharp squeal, then silence.
- Turning on the light at night to see a raccoon paw reaching down from the crack in the ceiling and rattling the bedroom curtain rod.
- The old refrigerator that emitted a banshee-like wail always in the middle of the night.
- The washing machine tub that had to be emptied by placing the hose through an open window. Not much laundry done during cold spells.
- The dryer that consisted of an outdoor clothesline. The clothes dried fine but the horses sometimes ate them.

But the quiet Gem is the small Chapel in the center of the house.

Wherever we have lived as a Community we have always had a space that served as our Chapel. But it often proved to be rustic and not particularly beautiful. But this is a real Chapel, set apart by an arched entryway, incorporating exposed beams and with wall sconces and white shutters that modulate the daylight. A large arch forms a niche for the Tabernacle, while two smaller arches hold the Sacred Images of the Divine Mercy and Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Above the Tabernacle is an antique wooden Crucifix from France that we rescued from eBay. (Definitely re-blessed by Father John Mary.) I like to think that it has come down to us through the Communion of Saints, and that we are united to those who have prayed before it in times gone by; and that now they pray for us.

We give profound and ongoing gratitude to Our Eternal Father for this Providential Gift of His Protection. But also to you who through your prayers, sacrifices, do-

nations and Faith continue to uphold His Mission; who continue to be Co-Workers with Christ as He brings about His Great Reconquest.

"UNLESS THE LORD BUILD THE HOUSE..."
(PSALM 127) ♦





Maintaining the Mission: The New Maintenance Building



Dave Sommers, MDM's Director of Operations, often says that operating the Mission is like running a small city. It has public buildings, private houses, roads, utilities, parks and even a cemetery to manage and maintain. We also have our own transportation system—if golf carts count! This small town has a pretty regular population during the week, but swells to several hundred on weekends and certain feast days.

Consider for a moment the work involved in managing and maintaining your home. There is always something, or many somethings, needing to be done or repaired. Now imagine what is needed to maintain 30 buildings, seven wells, eight pump houses, ten cisterns and miles of roads on 300-plus acres. Not only do you need manpower, but you need an exhausting list of equipment, machines and tools to maintain, clear, clean, cool, heat or repair the Mission buildings and grounds throughout the calendar year and in the event of various emergencies. And you need a place in which to store all of this equipment.

According to Dave, who likes an organized workspace, *"The shop is so full of supplies, tools, and equipment that we barely have room to move around, much less perform any work. It is hard to work on more than one thing at a time because there is so little available space. And that gets very frustrating because there is always more than one thing needing to be repaired at any one time."*

In addition to the current demands we must also take into account what the Messages have said about preparing for future events.

MEETING NOW AND FUTURE NEEDS

In October of this year ground was broken for a new maintenance building to replace the Padre Pio Workshop which has served as Mission Maintenance Central since 2012. The new maintenance building is situated on the main campus on the site of a former playing field.

The design for the new larger 40' by 80' building should remedy many of the current problems. It is designed with specific work areas for different projects that will help us to keep up with the current and future demands of the Mission:

- Paint jobs and plumbing supplies
- Welding area
- Wood shop
- Small engine repair
- Heavy equipment maintenance

Because the Mission's storage capabilities are currently very limited, we have included regular and controlled environment storage rooms. The plan also includes a sorely needed loading dock for receiving heavy deliveries and helping to protect the sore backs of our small operations crew: Dave, Raul Landa and Steve Magdich.

Last but not least, the new maintenance building power needs will be augmented by solar as part of this project. This includes a large solar carport to house much of the outdoor equipment. ♦

From Her Luminous Army...

Writing to you from near Brisbane Australia. So often we feel here that we are being given stones instead of bread, but your Homilies FEED us !!! We wait in grateful anticipation for the Messages and believe and have unwavering Faith in them. We listen to your Homilies over and over and gain clarity and increasing Hope. Thank you from the bottom (or maybe Top) of our Hearts for answering God's call to do HIS WILL. ♦

I am Italian from Milan... married with 3 children and I have taught ...for 40 years (I am now retired)...I decided to subscribe to your messages after I happened to casually read the messages you reported regarding the messages of God the Father and the Virgin Mary. I was impressed by my full agreement with what was stated. I won't go into details but it's all clear! I thank you for your testimony and I will pray for you. ♦

I simply offer my prayers for you. You are following God the way I wish I would have in my priestly life. Thank you for your perseverance and your example. Please pray for me. I am an older priest who fears facing God in the possible near future. ♦

These messages are brilliant lights in this present and terrible darkness in the Church and in the world. I look forward to them for direction like someone driving in a dense fog at night seeks the next street light.... ♦

Thank you Fr. John Mary for being the voice of the messages to the world and for bearing the wrath of Our Lord's enemies, especially in the Church. Thank you Sister Amapola for your faithfulness in listening and writing them so we can hear His Voice. Thank you, all behind the scenes who have to support them and bear the crosses that no one sees to be a beacon of hope and light in these times. ♦

Keep doing all the things which the diabolical despise. Praying for your team. ♦

Tomorrow morning I will be leaving for Medjugorje, leading a group of pilgrims. I will carry MDM in my heart and bring you to the Queen of Peace. I look forward to hearing the words our heavenly Mother gives to Sister Amapola. Her words are always balm for the soul in these difficult times. Thank you for your "yes" to God. In this we are united!~ A

priest in Europe ♦

My husband and I have known Father Juan María for over 26 years, ever since we made his retreat in Nuevo Laredo. We want to continue getting closer and listening to the messages and contributing with prayers. We trust that they are attached to God's will because the community has always been distinguished by its holiness and obedience to God. ♦

Thank you for your Beautiful Work. I live in Argentina, but despite the distance, I feel very close in spirit and heart. ♦

I would thank for the beautiful messages and for what you do, for your mission. Thanks and Pray for you from Reggio Calabria, Italy. ♦

I always look forward to these messages with excitement. They fill my heart with joy in the Lord. Today I feel pain, sadness, because Love is not loved as it deserves. ♦

Greetings Father, from Dublin, Ireland. First of all, I found your video on prophecy very clear. You have the ability to make concepts very intelligible to the ordinary Roman Catholic Laity. As an engineer, I have always found diagrams useful. Your use of a diagram in discussing public/private revelation and canonical/special revelation made things very clear. ♦

Thank you again for your steadfast witness. I can't imagine the spiritual trial that you and the community have been enduring. You and the Mission are in my prayers every day and I have offered 2 Masses for you and will continue to do so. Please keep me in your prayers. God bless you and the Mission.~ A priest friend ♦

I have deeply appreciated your faithful transmission of the messages of the Persons of the Most Holy Trinity and of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I recognize those Voices, and knowing that someone else has heard Them as I know Them gives me hope, which I appreciate so very much.~ From Prince George, BC, Canada ♦

Yes, We Would Be Grateful For Your Support

Only once a year, as we mark our Anniversary, do we reach out to ask our friends for financial support. In addition to the regular long list of grocery, utility and repair bills, each year brings its own needs:

- **The property** on which the Sisters formerly lived, and which we were counting on selling, **has yet to sell**. The hot property market has cooled off somewhat. We feel sure that it will eventually sell, but in the meantime....
- The canonical process in which we are involved drags on. We are very grateful for the skill and integrity of our two canon lawyers. **But good representation is expensive....**
- **A new maintenance building** has been a practical need for several years, but it always got bumped by more pressing needs. Finally, it has reached the point where we couldn't put it off any longer. Our current needs and our sense of what Our Lord tells us to expect led us to begin construction in October—trusting in the Lord's Providence....

Our expectations of His provident generosity might seem presumptuous, but God has shown us over 24 years that if we are obedient to His Will, and if we have Faith, He will act. He will provide through the generosity of the good people He brings to His Mission—**PEOPLE LIKE YOU**.

Your financial help, your prayers and your sacrifices are all greatly appreciated. We also encourage you to share the Messages. Please know that we pray for all of you whom God is enlisting to take part in His great Reconquest.

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MDM Calendar

November 23 - 9am - 24th Anniversary for MDM

Mass followed by Reception

November 27 - 9am - Thanksgiving Day Mass

November 28 - Mission Closed

December 24 - 9pm - Christmas Vigil Mass

December 25 - 10am - Christmas Day Mass (No Choir)

December 31 - 9pm - Vigil Mass of Mary Mother of God

December 24 - January 1 - Mission closed except for Mass

Please check website for possible schedule changes.