

Parish Family Ablaze 10-29-17

THE PRAYER OF THE ANGEL OF PEACE (Fatima, Fall of 1916)

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

PRAXIS: THIRD APPARITION OF THE ANGEL TO THE CHILDREN OF FATIMA

- I. Devotion to our Eucharistic Jesus, present **NOW** Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity
 - A. Late September or early October of 1917, the Angel of Peace appears again to Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta at the Cabeço.
 1. Children are grazing the sheep and praying the Pardon Prayer.
 2. Angel appears holding a Chalice in his left hand, with a Eucharistic Host dripping Precious Blood into the Chalice.
 3. Angel leaves the suspended Host and Chalice in the air, kneels down beside the children, and has all of them bow down with their foreheads to the ground, reciting the Angel's Prayer.
 4. The Angel's Prayer is to be recited three times.
 - B. The Angel gives Holy Communion to the three children: "Take and drink the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, horribly outraged by ungrateful men. Make reparation for their crimes and console your God."
 1. Lucia receives the Eucharistic Host.
 2. Francisco and Jacinta receive their First Holy Communion from the Chalice.
 - C. After Holy Communion
 1. The Angel of Peace prostrates himself on the ground repeating the prayer three times.
 2. The children—overwhelmed with happiness and peace, ecstatic spiritually but becoming tired physically—also prostrate themselves on the ground and repeat the Angel's Prayer.
- II. Devotion to Mary leads us to more perfect devotion to our Eucharistic Lord
 - A. Devotion to Mary
 1. Imitate her obedience, peace, humility, simplicity, and purity of heart.
 2. Pray the Rosary and do acts of penance for the conversion of sinners and world peace.
 - B. Devotion to our Eucharistic Lord Jesus Christ
 1. Reverently participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass frequently.
 2. Receive Holy Communion worthily and frequently.
 3. Adore Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration fervently and frequently.
 4. Make reparation for the offenses against the Eucharistic Lord Jesus Christ.
 - a. Outrages: Blaspheming and dishonoring to Him
 - b. Sacrileges: Receiving Jesus in Holy Communion irreverently and/or with mortal sin on one's soul
 - c. Indifference: Receiving Holy Communion carelessly, immodestly, in a bored and distracted way

DIALOGUE QUESTIONS

- I. Considering the way the Angel of Peace taught the children to adore and revere our Eucharistic Lord Jesus, do I believe it is more fitting to receive Him while kneeling or while standing, in my hands or on my tongue? Explain your answer.
- II. By the way I dress for Mass and receive Holy Communion during it, would I convince someone who is not Catholic that I really believe God is present at the Holy Mass and in the Most Blessed Sacrament that I receive? Explain your answer.

MISSION

- I. Morning Prayer: "The Apostles' Creed," "The Pardon Prayer," and "The Prayer of the Angel of Peace"
- II. Mental Prayer during the day (15-30 minutes):
 - A. Meditatively read or write down "The Apostles' Creed," "The Pardon Prayer," or "The Prayer of the Angel of Peace."
 - B. Lift up your prayer to One of the Three Divine Persons.
 - C. Listen to this Divine Person speaking within your mind and heart.
- III. Examination of conscience based on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit
 - A. **WISDOM**: Did I make decisions based on carrying my Cross and on remaining a dwelling place for God Who has prepared a dwelling place for me in Heaven?
 - B. **UNDERSTANDING**: Did I not only say my prayers but also seek to understand them more?
 - C. **COUNSEL**: Did I deliberately carry out good actions and consistently intend good actions rather than evil ones?
 - D. **FORTITUDE**: Did I begin and follow through with the good and difficult responsibilities of my day?
 - E. **KNOWLEDGE**: Did I seek through prayer, study, and good actions to know and love God today?
 - F. **PIETY**: Did I show respect and reverence to God and to His Presence in others, especially to my parents and teachers? Am I sure to pray each day and to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation?
 - G. **FEAR OF THE LORD**: Did I experience a sense of wonder about God, desiring to draw closer to Him and fearing doing anything that might separate me from Him?