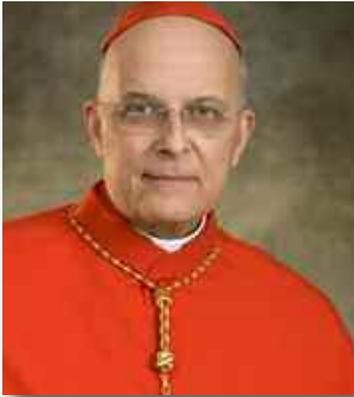


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Cardinal Francis George

Chicago's Francis Cardinal George is warning the HHS contraception/abortifacient mandate will close Catholic hospitals and universities or force them to secularize, a process he calls "a form of theft."

If the regulation is not rescinded, the Catholic Church will be "despoiled of her institutions," he said in a column printed on CatholicNewWorld, likening the proposed policies to the restrictive "freedom of worship" allowed in the Soviet Union.

"What will happen if the HHS regulations are not rescinded?" he asked. A faithful ministry must choose between selling itself to a non-Catholic group, paying "exorbitant annual fines" until going bankrupt, breaking its ties to the Church's "moral and social teachings and the oversight of its ministry by the local bishop," or closing down.

He urged people to purchase a copy of the Archdiocesan directory "as a souvenir," pointing to the page containing a list of Catholic hospitals and health care institutions.

"Two Lents from now, unless something changes, that page will be blank."

The Obama administration's rhetorical shift from supporting "freedom of religion" to "freedom of worship" paralleled an earlier shift in Russia, he said.

"Freedom of worship was guaranteed in the Constitution of the former Soviet Union," Cardinal George said. "You could go to church, if you could find one. The church, however, could do nothing except conduct religious rites in places of worship -- no schools, religious publications, health care institutions, organized charity, ministry for justice and the works of mercy that flow naturally from a living faith. All of these were co-opted by the government. We fought a long Cold War to defeat that vision of society."

"The State is making itself into a church," he stated.

Earlier this month, he wrote in a brief online reflection, "The laws that used to protect us are now being used to weaken and destroy us and this quite deliberately."

He sounded a similar alarm about the mandate, condemned by every Catholic bishop, saying

its "long-term effect is that the Catholic Church will be stripped of the institutions that are her instruments for public service."

"That's not the country I was born in," he said.

The administration's development and promulgation of numerous policies opposed by the Catholic Church and other faithful Christians also appeared to the cardinal to be unprecedented. In an apparent reference to the Obama administration's appeals to liberal nominal Catholics and administration officials like Joe Biden and Kathleen Sebelius, he wrote, "This is the first time in the history of the United States that a presidential administration has purposely tried to interfere in the internal working of the Catholic Church, playing one group off against another for political gain."

The church leader, who presides over the archdiocese where the president lives, has led the pro-life opposition to health care coverage for abortion.

Because of increasing state intrusion into Christian affairs, he forecast in 2010, "I expect to die in bed. My successor will die in prison, and his successor will die a martyr in the public square." From LifeSiteNews.com

(Some Catholics are more devout to their political party than they are to their Faith. To vote in favor of abortion and same sex marriage is not Catholic. Fino Giordano)



MESSAGES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MEDJUGORJE

Message of APRIL 25, 2012 "Dear children! Also today I am calling you to prayer, and may your heart, little children, open towards God as a flower opens towards the warmth of the sun. I am with you and I intercede for all of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Message of May 25, 2012 "Dear children! Also today, I call you to conversion and to holiness. God desires to give you joy and peace through prayer but you, little children, are still far away – attached to the earth and to earthly things. Therefore, I call you anew: open your heart and your sight towards God and the things of God – and joy and peace will come to reign in your hearts. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Message of June 25, 2012 "Dear children! With great hope in the heart, also today I call you to prayer. If you pray, little children, you are with me and you are seeking the will of my Son and are living it. Be open and live prayer and, at every moment, may it be for you the savor and joy of your soul. I am with you and I intercede for all of you before my Son Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call."

ILLUMINATION, CHASTISEMENTS, THE GREAT TRIBULATION - WHO SAYS SO?



Pope Benedict XVI in Fatima

Today books are being written by Catholic, Jewish and Protestant authors predicting an imminent catastrophe for the whole world as a result of man's refusal to obey the laws of God. All three groups use biblical references to prove their thesis. The Catholics also cite private revelation from LaSalette, 1846; Lourdes, 1858; Fatima, 1917; and other approved apparition sites as well as those still being investigated, such as Medjugorje and Garabandal.

Much of what was predicted by Our Lady of Fatima, Lourdes and LaSalette has come true. Our Lady predicted the end of the first world war and the beginning of the second world war. She foretold immodesty in dress, especially in beach wear, which would offend God very much. She said that sins of the flesh would overcome the whole world, families would be attacked, and schisms would form within the church. Our Blessed Mother begged the world to pray the rosary every day for the conversion of Russia and the world; otherwise there would be another war that would annihilate nations. At that time in history, no one could imagine these tragedies occurring. Many years later the atomic bomb was invented. The last prediction, as we know, has not yet been fulfilled. We pray it will not happen. Remember biblical Nineveh (3:17) and Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18-19).

I have been researching Marian apparitions for 35 years and believe 99% of them are false. Today you can search for visionaries

in these countries: Australia, the former Yugoslavia-Medjugorje, Austria, Argentina, Canada, Chile, China, Ecuador, England, Egypt, France, Ireland, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Korea, Poland, Ukraine, Switzerland, Rwanda and Syria. This list can go on but these few, in my opinion, are credible apparitions.

I met a seer from Australia and two seers from Medjugorje who have visited my home at different times. **And I came to know the mystic, Maria Esperanza from Venezuela, at her choosing, not mine.**

Authentic visionaries such as the mystic, Maria Esperanza, St. Padre Pio, the children of Fatima, Lourdes, LaSalette, Blessed Anna Taigi, St. Louis De Montfort, mystic Sister Natalia of Hungary, Saint Faustina, even approved visionaries from the United States, these and so many more corroborate the chastisements as well as the alleged apparitions of Medjugorje and Garabandal.

The predicted illumination will occur after three days of darkness, and at that time all people will see themselves as they really are and will have time to convert before the chastisement of fire. This time is called the Great Tribulation by our Protestant brothers and sisters. Allegedly, a permanent sign will be left in Medjugorje and in Garabandal that will be visible to all and cannot be destroyed. It will be a miraculous sign that all may believe.

This is the century of the Marian Movement as predicted by St. Louis De Montfort and as Our Lady promised, "My Immaculate Heart will triumph."

In my opinion, the approved apparitions and prophecies from Akita, Japan summarize the messages of all the apparitions, approved and alleged.

October 13, 1971 Our Blessed Mother speaks to Sister Agnes Sasgawa:

"My dear daughter, listen well to what I have to say to you. You will inform your superior."

After a short silence:

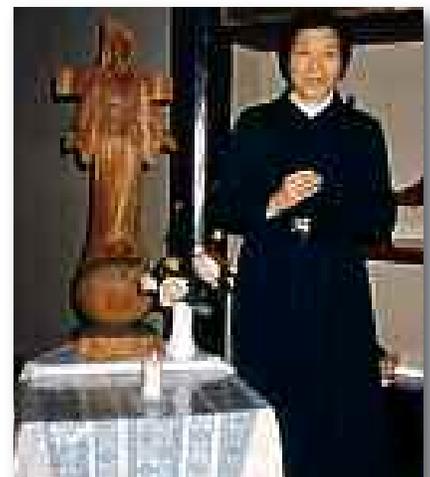
"As I told you, if men do not repent and better themselves, the Father will inflict a terrible



The Marian Age

punishment on all humanity. It will be a punishment greater than the deluge, such as one never seen before. Fire will fall from the sky and will wipe out a great part of humanity, the good as well as the bad, sparing neither priests nor faithful. The survivors will find themselves so desolate that they will envy the dead. The only arms which will remain for you will be the Rosary and the Sign left by My Son. Each day recite the prayers of the Rosary. With the Rosary, pray for the Pope, the bishops and priests."

"The work of the devil will infiltrate even into the Church in such a way that one will see cardinals opposing cardinals, bishops against bishops. The priests who venerate me will be scorned and opposed by their confreres... churches and altars sacked; the Church will be full of those who accept compromises and the demon will press many priests and consecrated souls to leave the service of the Lord."



*Sister Agnes Sasgawa
to Bleeding Statue of the Blessed Mother*

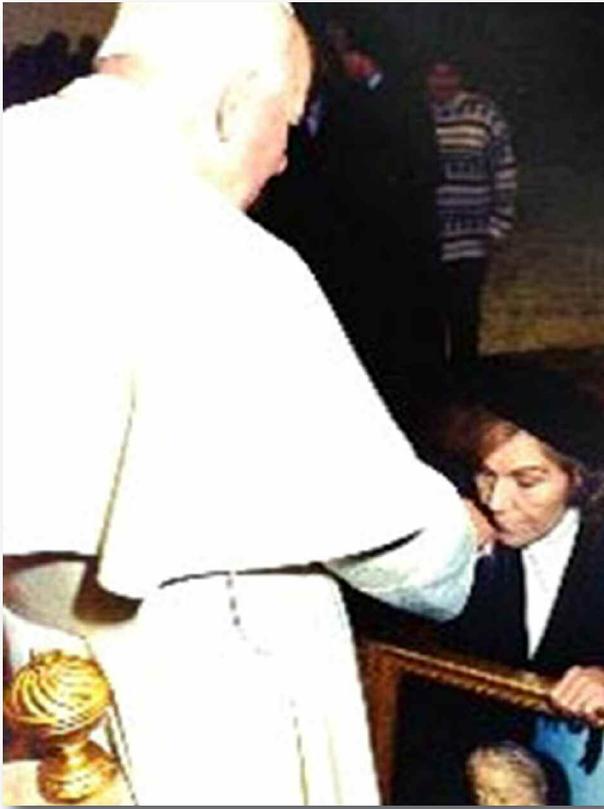
"The demon will be especially implacable against souls consecrated to God. The thought of the loss of so many souls is the cause of my sadness. If sins

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MARIA ESPERANZA, SERVANT OF GOD, AND THE CHASTISEMENTS

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Maria receiving Holy Communion from Pope John II

Maria Esperanza is hopeful and sees a new era for humanity.

From the book, *The Bridge from Heaven*, author Michael Brown asks Maria about the pending chastisements. *Maria said that Jesus told her the world will undergo a purification due to sinfulness, especially the lack of humility, charity, and love, and especially love for the Holy Eucharist. Men cannot think or imagine for a moment the great struggle among nations that will take place, even between brothers.*

Jesus is coming in a way never before imagined by man, because the Light of His New Rising will be evident to everyone. Jesus will be felt very clearly in our hearts and you will see Him just as His disciples did on the great day of His resurrection into Heaven.

Maria's prophecy can be equated to the time of the illumination when Jesus will give humanity the choice to follow the path of Jesus or of the world. She does, however, say there will be great suffering and the privation of common necessities - food, clothing, shelter and especially WATER. Thousands of souls will retreat to Betania as a refuge!

This is why we at Betania XIII are praying for the funds necessary to establish this Sanctuary as soon as possible, because we feel time is short. We are confident that a sincere benefactor will help. But in the meantime, your financial assistance and prayer are what keep us going. Remember, no member of the staff of Our Mother Queen of Peace-Betania XIII is salaried, and all donations are tax deductible, both state and federal.

Fino Giordano

Illumination - continued from page 2

increase in number and gravity, there will be no longer pardon for them."

"With courage, speak to your superior. He will know how to encourage each one of you to pray and to accomplish works of reparation."

"It is Bishop Ito who directs your community."

And she smiled and then said:

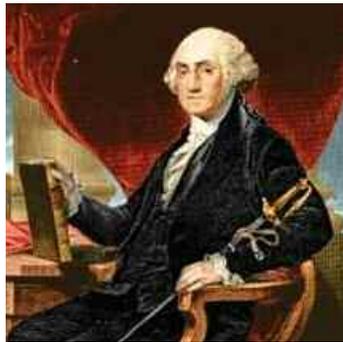
"You have still something to ask? Today is the last time that I will speak to you in living voice. From now on you will obey the one sent to you and your superior."

"Pray very much the prayers of the Rosary. I alone am able still to save you from the calamities which approach. Those who place their confidence in me will be saved."

Pope Benedict XVI said that these prophecies are essentially the same as the third secret of Fatima.

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A GODLESS AMERICA?



George Washington, 1731-1799, who certainly knew the intent of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights since he presided over their formation, said in his Farewell Address, "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, **religion and morality are indispensable supports.** In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism **who should labor to subvert these great pillars**"



Ben Franklin, 1705-1790, at the Constitutional Convention, said: "...God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?"

God commands you to pray, but forbids you to worry... The more one prays the more one wishes to pray... God sends no trial without consolation.

Saint Jean Marie Batiste Vianney – The Cure of Ars – 1786-1859

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No Betania 13 meetings for the months of July & August.

First Saturday is Parish Day:

Lindenhurst, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, starts 7:40am
 Hicksville, Our Lady of Mercy, starts 7:40am
 Center Moriches, St. John the Evangelist, starts 7:40am
 Glen Cove, St. Patrick, starts 8:40am
 Manhasset, St. Mary's, starts 8:00am
 Glen Cove, St. Rocco's, starts 8:00am
 Shoreham, St. Mark's, starts 9:00am followed by Rosary

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