

“Our Lady of America®’s” Call to Faith and Purity

Will You Do This for Me, Beloved Children, or Will You Allow Your Mother to Weep in Vain?

Part I -

Why Is Our Lady Weeping?

On September 25, 1956, Our Lady first appeared to Sister Mildred Mary Ephrem Neuzil as Our Lady of Lourdes where she had identified herself as the “Immaculate Conception,” that singular privilege by which America honors her as our Patroness. It was the eve of the feast of the North American martyrs whose blood was the seed of Faith in our great land. Neither this day nor this first appearance as Our Lady of Lourdes are accidental; they were precisely chosen because of their significance to America.

I am pleased, my child, with the love and honor my children in America give to me, especially through my glorious and unique privilege of the Immaculate Conception. I promise to reward their love by working through the power of my Son’s Heart and my Immaculate Heart miracles of grace among them. *I do not promise miracles of the body, but of the soul. ...greater miracles than those granted at Lourdes and Fatima would be granted here in America, the United States in particular, if we would do as she desires.* (Sister Mildred Mary Ephrem Neuzil, Complete Diary, “Our Lady of America®”, Fostoria, Ohio, pgs. 9-10)

On September 26, Our Lady appeared and identified herself for the first time as “Our Lady of America®,” calling on her children, especially in America, to honor her by the purity of their lives and calling on America to be THE country dedicated to her Purity. She came in response to our longing for this personal visit and emphasized her desire that the Shrine in Washington, DC be made a place of special pilgrimage and that she be honored there as “Our Lady of America®, the Immaculate Virgin.” In that title we honor two of her singular privileges, her Immaculate Conception and her Perpetual Virginity, both of which flow from her first singular privilege, that of the Divine Motherhood of the Sacred Humanity.

On September 27, Our Lady appeared to Sister Mildred again, and instead of the lily, held the world in her hands while her tears flowed upon it as though she longed to cleanse it from its guilt. Our Lady spoke with such sorrow and pleading:

Behold, O my children, the tears of your Mother! Shall I weep in vain? Assuage the sorrow of my Heart over the ingratitude of sinful men by the love and chasteness of your lives. Will you do this for me, beloved children, or will you allow your Mother to weep in vain? I come to you, O children of America, as a last resort. I plead with you to listen to my voice. Cleanse your souls in the Precious Blood of My Son. Live in His Heart, and take me in that I may teach you to live in great purity of heart which is so pleasing to God. Be my army of chaste soldiers, ready to fight to the death to preserve the purity of your souls. I am the Immaculate One, Patroness of your land. Be my faithful children as I have been your faithful Mother.

(Complete Diary, Sr. Mildred Mary Neuzil, pg. 12)

The following year, in February of 1957, Our Lady defined her pleas and the way to assuage her sorrow over man's ingratitude clearly as a call to a **"reform of life"** as the **"sign and proof of our love for her."** (Complete Diary, Pg. 16) She longs to see **"the kingdom of Jesus my Son established in all hearts."** (Pg. 17) She likewise warns that if man fails to reform his life he will suffer persecution, and if he does not willingly do the penance necessary to atone for his sins and the sins of others, **"God in His justice will have to send upon him the punishment necessary to atone for his transgressions."** (Pg. 17) In August of 1957, Our Lady lamented, **"time passes and with it wasted graces and constant refusals on the part of man to co-operate with me in the accomplishment of the Divine Will for his own sanctification and salvation."** (Pg. 18) Our Lady goes on to say:

What am I to do, child of my heart, when my children turn from me? The false peace of this world lures them and in the end will destroy them. They think they have done enough in consecrating themselves to my Immaculate Heart. It is not enough. That which I ask for and is most important many have not given me. What I ask, have asked, and will continue to ask is reformation of life. There must be sanctification from within. I will work my miracles of grace only in those who ask for them and empty their souls of the love and attachment to sin and all that is displeasing to my Son. Souls who cling to sin cannot have their hands free to receive the treasure of grace that I hold out to them. (Pgs. 18-19)

We must look at these words very carefully because they are of the utmost importance in understanding Our Lady's ultimate request for enthronement in the National Shrine and they help us understand why it has been so long delayed.

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Why has the enthronement been too long delayed? Because we still are not listening to Our Lady's pleas! Our Lady herself has made **"reform of life"** the most important requirement of all of us, from the highest to the lowest in the Church, before she will allow that enthronement to take place. Without evidence of a serious commitment to such renewal of the interior life, sanctification from within through union with the Divine Indwelling, any enthronement would be a mockery of the message and would be insincere, and not a sign of true devotion to her as our Patroness and Protector. She herself demands a **"reform of life"** as the proof of our love for her. She also says that in the end all would happen as she wishes. Not as *we wish*, but as *she wishes*!

The later messages printed under Sister Mildred's second spiritual director are absolutely essential because Our Lady makes "reform of life" her most important request, and in them Our Lady and Our Lord identify the sin in our Church, and in all our lives, that must be addressed to show our sincerity of devotion in requesting her protection with the enthronement she has promised would be a safeguard for our Nation. Those sins are — rejection and persecution of the small one chosen by God for this urgent work of His; the loss of spiritual sensitivity to the Divine and human presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; the lack of simplicity and purity of heart to discern the evil spirits; listening to false prophets and self-proclaimed Messiahs; teaching false doctrines and repudiating the Holy Sacraments; intellectual pride; the misuse of the tongue; the failure to hear God's Word in the Bible; *the error of tolerating unnatural deeds as intrinsic rights*; disobedience to Christ's Vicar on earth; following human wisdom that is not saturated with Divine Wisdom and thus leads to darkness; and the refusal to sacrifice — these are the sins from which Our Lady wishes to deliver us so that our souls might know that Divine Invasion of grace that is the Indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity, sanctification from within, genuine purity of heart and true faith in that Sacred Humanity Who is the only way to true peace and eternal life. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life, the Light of the world. (Pgs. 37-45)

So many wonder why the bishops have not fulfilled Our Lady's ultimate request for enthronement? Can there be any doubt that we are not yet ready to make that enthronement with pure hearts? There is a leprosy of politics and corruption, false teaching and heresy, within the Church that is eating away at the Body of Christ, His Church, attempting to destroy it from within, and this sickness must be exposed to the Light of Christ so it may be healed and dried up. *This message will expose the darkness in anyone who takes it seriously, and anyone who does NOT take it seriously will remain in darkness.* Oh how purifying is the love of our God and Our Lady, for nothing impure can come into His Presence. May He send His angels to earth with flaming torches to set the whole Church on fire to burn away every iniquity and evil so that purity and truth may prevail. Then we can enthrone "Our Lady of America®" in our National Shrine because we will have already enthroned her in our hearts. God will decide when we have been purified enough to do that.

An enthronement without this serious commitment to “reform of life” as outlined by Jesus and Mary themselves would be an insult to the Holy, Triune God Who offers His Pure Self to live within us as our true peace and power over evil. It would equally be an insult to our sorrowful and compassionate Mother, our Patroness, our Mother of Mercy to process her into our National Shrine of her Patronage as the Immaculate Conception with unclean hearts! Will we continue to allow ourselves to be seduced by Satan’s false promises and lies, pride and impure ways, or will we join Our Lady’s “army of chaste soldiers” willing to fight to the death to preserve the purity of our souls?

Our Lady is seeking an **“army of brave lovers, who as my torchbearers will enkindle the fire of Divine Love in the souls of men.”** (Pg. 19) We have been given the example of such love in the greatest saint of modern times, St. Therese of Lisieux, who said, “We cannot be half a saint.” And she did it all with the “little way of spiritual childhood,” offering to God with great love the crosses and sacrifices of everyday life.

When God established His Covenant with His Chosen People, He demanded: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind,” (Deut 6:4) Jesus reconfirmed that duty in these words: “You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.”(Mt 4:10) “No one can serve two masters. ... You cannot serve God and mammon.”(Mt 6:24) Sister Mildred expressed that kind of spiritual childhood and total surrender to Divine Love when Jesus appeared to her offering her the cross and the crown of thorns, and on another occasion asked her if she were willing to suffer for souls; her reply was, **“How can I refuse Him anything?”** Jesus then said to her, **“I have placed you on the altar of sacrifice.”** Jesus tells us: “Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow Me.” (Mk 8:34) Jesus’ footsteps climb straight through the Will of God and up to the Mount of Calvary, right beside Our Lady, co-redeemer with Him. Hear her words to Sister Mildred:

Nothing is accomplished without pain. Prepare to suffer much. You see the sword in the Heart of your Mother. Suffering completed the work of divine grace in my soul. He who refuses to suffer will never abide in the Spirit of Christ, will never be formed in His image. (Pg. 23)

Ponder those words: **“He who refuses to suffer will never abide in the Spirit of Christ, will never be formed in His image.”** How will the Father know us at our Judgment if we have not been formed in the image of His Son?

Our Lady speaks of the sword plunged into her heart:

It is the sword of grief plunged therein by my children who refuse to let me teach them the true way. There is only one true way to the Father, my child, only one way to eternal union. It is the way of the divine humanity. It is through my Son, the Only-begotten of the Father, that souls attain perfect

union with the Divinity, as perfect as human nature is capable of, aided by divine grace.

The way of the Divine-Humanity will always lead us into His Paschal mystery of death and resurrection, the sacrifice of our lives in order to save them.

I ask greater sacrifice of the most favored and beloved of my children....If I ask for reform of life, it is first from the chosen that I look for it. They must by the example of a sacrificial life lead the way for souls to union with Christ, honoring the Father by putting on His Spirit and His likeness in all things. (Pg. 24)

These words speak loudly to that awesome call to priests and religious as the chosen ones to be the pre-eminent witnesses to Christ through a radical consecration to Him by sacrificial lives, and to lead souls to Him through the example of their holiness of life, lives of prayer and penance, in the world but not of it.

On July 18, 1959, Our Lord chides those chosen ones, His priests and religious, saying He comes daily laden with grace which daily they refuse.

What am I to say of you, my best beloved? How long will you resist My love? It is from you I expect everything, and you give Me but the husks of your affections. ...Oh, how they resist My grace! How they fight against My love! So fearful are they that I will deprive them of their tawdry trinkets that they turn their backs lest they see the reproach in My eyes. (Pg. 33)

On December 20, 1959, Our Lady tells Sister she comes again to warn and to plead for penance, penance! How little we understand, she says, and *give her many words but refuse to sacrifice ourselves.* “It is not me they love, but themselves.” (Pg. 34)

See, I weep, but my children show me no compassion. They behold the sword in my heart but will make no move to withdraw it. I give them love; they give me only ingratitude. Weep, then, dear child, weep with your Mother over the sins of men. Intercede with me before the throne of mercy, for sin is overwhelming the world and punishment is not far away. (Pg. 34.)

On June 25, 1967, over ten years after her first appearance, Our Lady again spoke to Sister:

I come again for men have not changed their lives. Their sins cry to heaven for punishment. I hold out help, they will not receive it. I show them the way to peace but they only spurn the efforts of my love. It is late sweet child, oh how late! (Pg. 36)

On July 18, 1980, eight years after the death of Sister’s first spiritual director, the humble, holy Archbishop Paul F. Leibold, and nearly 24 years after the first message, and while under the spiritual direction of another humble, holy priest, Fr. Edmund Morman,

dearly loved by Our Lady as recorded in Sister's Diary, Our Lady again comes to beg us to heed her voice. Fr. Edmund became Sister Mildred's spiritual director after the death of Archbishop Leibold and it was under his holy and providential direction that copyright was placed on the Diary to protect it from any future contamination. It was he who directed the printing of the later messages which outlined so clearly the "reform of life" heaven has asked for, as mentioned earlier. How can we doubt his wisdom in guiding Sister Mildred in these matters when Jesus and Mary themselves bestow their blessing upon him?

Dear child, I give my blessing and that of my Son for whose glory I work and intercede, upon my faithful and devoted priest-son, Edmund, my beloved daughter, Clara, and all who help to promote my cause which is also that of my son, Jesus, for peace among the Father's family of children which encompasses the whole world. Tell my faithful ones this to give them courage. I am pleased with their efforts and stand by them at all times. (Pg. 38)

Sweet child, ... my message has not been heeded nor have I yet found one to further the cause of renewal within. The Presence of the Trinity within every human being is the focal point, the basis of interior holiness. From this will spring a deep life of prayer and a love for penance as the discipline needed to convert all peoples to a serious preparation for the coming of my Son and His Kingdom. Dear child, there are those of my children who are faithful, among these are my priests and religious who live a life of prayer and dedication to the work of my Son. What a consolation they are to me...But there must be more of such self-sacrificing souls, many, many more. Until this comes to pass, peace will not come, rather much more of suffering will encompass the world. I wish to spare my children from this, but I cannot do it without their help. You must try to make my people understand that the life of God within them is the source of their peace and happiness. There is no other way. This is what my Son came to teach and bring and it was for this He lived and died. Unless this mystery of God's Presence within is accepted and lived, peace will not come. It is the only way, believe me, my daughter."
(Pg. 37)

On August 14, 1980, Our Lady tells Sister she is not being believed because she is a little one but that in the end, **"those who oppose you will receive light to understand"** and all will be done as she desires.

I will speak to them in their hearts and the Divine Spirit who makes all things clear will give them wisdom and understanding. In the end they will do as I wish. So, have patience, dear one, it will happen as I have said and those who have opposed me will become my most ardent and courageous supporters. Until this comes to pass, wait in trust, knowing that I never fail those who place their confidence in me. My Son blesses you, be at peace. (Pg. 37)

However, 2-3 years later, between the years 1982-1983, Our Lady is still lamenting our refusal to heed her voice crying out for a **“reform of life,”** a turning away from sin, sanctification from within! Oh what she would teach us if only we would go to her, let her!

O my children, you still aren't listening. I see the destruction coming but you do not believe me. You can stem this tide of suffering if you at last do as I've been asking of you for so long. Renew your hearts, your spirits, by seeking and following the light of the Holy Spirit within yourselves and in the teachings of Holy Church. (Pg. 44)

The Divine Spirit is there but you are continuing in your blindness and so blotting out the Divine Light and closing your ears to eternal truth. I beg of you to heed my voice or there will be no more time for you to turn back the Divine Wrath. I weep for you because I love you and wish, my dear children, to spare you this terrible suffering. Listen and pity your Mother. (Pg. 45)

Will my children in America listen to my pleadings and console my Immaculate Heart?

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