What Is God's Will Regarding Our Lady of America? Can we know that Will?

"When you pray, you only have to ask for two things: You should ask for the light to see the will of God, and you have to ask for the courage to be able to do the will of God." (Venerable Msgr. Aloysius Schwartz)

"... I did not speak on my own, but the Father who sent me commanded me what to say and what to speak." (New American Bible, John 12:49)

"The Will of the Father must be dearer to you than all else. This is the lesson every soul desiring intimate union with my Son must strive to learn." (Sister Mildred Mary Neuzil, The Diary, OUR LADY OF AMERICA, Pg. 19, feast of the Immaculate Heart.)

As creatures we owe obedience to the Will of the Creator, our Father in heaven. In His Sacred Humanity, Jesus did only what His Father in heaven told Him to do and to say. We can say the same of Mary as the perfect imitator of her Divine Son. When the archangel Gabriel announced God's Will that she be the Mother of His Beloved Son, she answered: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word?" God's Will is contained in the Universal Laws, the Natural Law, the Moral Law, Sacred Scripture and Tradition, and the solid teachings of Christ's Church. Regarding the everyday matters of our lives, His will is either **ordaining**, ordered by Him; **permissive**, that which He allows for purification or punishment; or conditional, depending on our response to the warnings we are given. We see all three of these aspects in the message of Our Lady of America. If she came to America, it is because God willed it, for with that ordaining will the United States was given a mandate from heaven to be the Nation dedicated to Our Lady's purity, and to lead the world in a "spiritual renewal on the face of the earth never before so urgent, so important, so vital." (Diary, Pg. 25.) Our Lady said she came to America as a last resort, stating we would experience sufferings hitherto unknown to us if we do not heed her warnings and reform our lives. "As a last resort" may also imply this warning has been given before, elsewhere, and was not heeded. Hence, we have the conditional Will of God and have already seen some of His permissive Will with many chastisements for failing to listen to the prophetic voice of His Mother warning of a coming judgement upon an evil generation.

We can trust that anything Our Lady asks of us is in accord with the Father's Will and that of her Divine Son and her Divine Spouse. Father Paul F. Leibold closed his February 22, 1954 letter to Sister Mildred, over two years before Our Lady's first appearance, reaffirming the goal of all spiritual happiness: "you know our only concern is to find God's Will and to do it." God says what He means and means what He says. He cannot deceive us; He is simple. There are no shades of gray or half-truths with Him. We can say the same of Our Lady. So why, then, are we not listening to her?

"My beloved daughter, what I am about to tell you concerns in a particular way my children in America. Unless they do penance by mortification and self-denial and thus reform their lives, God will visit them with punishments hitherto unknown to them....My dear children, either you will do as I desire and reform your lives, or God Himself will need to cleanse you in the fires of untold punishment. (Diary, Pg.21.)

We know neither God nor Our Lady can deceive us. So how can we be sure these messages and warnings have truly come from God, from Our Lady through Sister

Mildred? Could she deceive us? Sister herself humbly questioned Our Lady whether she might be deceiving herself, but Our Lady replied: "You are too simple to be deceived." Father Leibold's Nov. 1, 1955 letter states:

"I like especially the phrase "'you are too simple to be deceived'—for it is one of the greatest problems with all of us that we are rather too complicated and so very open for deception of self—it is only the simple soul who sees all things in the simplicity of God Himself, that need never fear error and deception."

Let us look clearly, then, at what God and Our Lady have asked of us through Sister Mildred. First, Our Lady asked for a medal to be struck bearing her image on the front and the shield of the Christian Family on the back, a summary of the message. That was done in 1961. Second, Our Lady asked that a picture or statue of herself as Our Lady of America "be placed in the home and honored there, then will my Son bless His people with peace." We have beautiful frameable pictures available on our web site, www.ourladyofamerica.com for that purpose. Statues are in production. You may want to get on the waiting list. And thirdly, she requested that a statue in her image be carried in a solemn procession by her beloved sons and then be enthroned in a place of honor in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., her Shrine, our Patronal Church. Why is this not happening?



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There is a great effort to draw people to Rome City, Indiana, the first apparition site, by people highly invested in the property who want to draw people there, contrary to Our Lady's expressed wishes. The Diary does not mention any of the ten or more apparition sites, not even the first one. The only mention is the National Basilica in Washington, D.C. That is very important if we are truly seeking to do the Will of God and of Our Lady. Can Our Lady make God's Will and hers any clearer than in her October 13, 1956 appearance?

Today the Holy Virgin appeared to me as I was working in my room. Our Lady was very beautiful, and she was again smiling in her heavenly way. She was dressed in the same manner as when I first saw her, except that her Immaculate Heart did not appear. Instead of the lily, she held with both hands a small replica of the finished Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. She then began to speak. Her presence overwhelmed me with its holiness. I was compelled to stop my work, for it was impossible to go on. I then knelt down and wrote Our Lady's words as she desired:

"This is my shrine, my daughter. I am very pleased with it. Tell my children I thank them. Let them finish it quickly and make it a place of pilgrimage. It will be a place of wonders. I promise this. I will bless all those who, either by prayers, labor or material aid, help to erect this shrine."

This is my Shrine!

On February 11, 1958, Our Lady said the medal, worn with devotion, would be a personal protection against evil; a statue or photo of her in the home would be a protection for the home; and the statue of her in the Shrine in Washington, D.C. a special safeguard for our country. With what is going on in our country these days, how can we continue to ignore Our Lady's desires and fail to protect our country from God's enemies? And ours! It is sixty-three (63) years now since Our Lady asked for this enthronement.

Our Lady then asked me to draw a picture of her first appearance. She also requested a statue made according to this likeness and placed, after being carried solemnly in procession, in the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. She wishes to be honored there in a special way as Our Lady of America, the Immaculate Virgin. (Diary, Pg. 14.)

The pressing need for Our Lady's protection for our Church and our Land is growing more critical each day. How long will we keep her waiting? When God gives a mission, He also gives the grace to fulfill that mission. Surely God has not failed to give America that grace! Are we refusing to co-operate with it? Here is a beautiful prayer for our country and Our Lady's cause composed by John, a subscriber. Thank you, John.

Prayer for Our Lady of America's Cause

Father in heaven, we approach You with complete confidence as Your children that You will provide all that is needed for this work. We look to You for the resources necessary to fulfill the requests of Our Lady whom You sent to us. We believe that her request is Your request. We submit ourselves to Your holy Will. May it be done in America as it is in Heaven.

For our bishops, we pray: Come, Holy Spirit, guide and bind them in unity for this great work. Dispel all fear from their thoughts and hearts; fill them with holy confidence.

Let no evil spirit or evil intent corrupt this work. Unite the laity in devotion to Our Lady and place Our Lady's statue in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. May her presence in our nation's capital drive out the demons who prowl about seeking the ruin of our nation's soul. May her enthronement result in Your Enthronement over our country.

Blessed Mother, pray for us, that we may with great humility consecrate ourselves to you. Pray that your sons and daughters who have been chosen for this work will find each other so that this devotion may spread far and wide. Pray for us that the Father will bless this work now. Pray for our bishops that they may rededicate themselves to you and obtain for us spiritual and temporal protections against the forces of evil that are striving to lead us away from God, our One True Hope. We ask this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

"Will you do as I wish at last, my children?" (Diary, Pg. 21.) "Will my loyal sons carry out my desires and thus help me bring the peace of Christ once again to mankind?" (Diary, Pg. 15.)

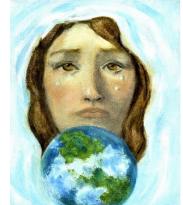


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"Behold, O my children, the tears of your Mother! Shall I weep in vain? ... Will you do this for me, beloved children, or will you allow your Mother to weep in vain?" (Diary, Pg. 12.) "My daughter, will my children in America listen to my pleading and console my Immaculate Heart?" (Diary, Pg. 15.)

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Sister Mildred's words: Our Lady could have asked for another shrine but didn't. All she asked for was her statue in the shrine we were already building.