

# THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS



## The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Jubilee of the Year 2000!

In this note, we are concerned with this passage taken from Message No. 532 "The Pupil of My Eyes" (5th December 1994).

*"I confirm to you that, in time for the Great Jubilee of the Year Two Thousand, the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart, which I foretold to you at Fatima, will come about and it will be brought about with the return of Jesus in Glory to establish His Kingdom in the World. Thus you will at last be able to see, with your eyes, the new Heavens and the new Earth."*

There were high expectations of some extraordinary happening within the time of the Great Jubilee, and many questions were raised because nothing seemed to happen. In fact, the whole question of the Message was called into question. As this problem continues to make itself felt, this is a little personal Meditation which may help to approach the question.

How to approach this, to try to see what is involved? It has to be said that the interpretation of the language employed in Messages and Communications from Heaven is an extremely delicate business, and mistakes can easily be made. It is a question separate from that of the reception of the Messages: in other words, the "Seer" (in this case Don Gobbi) receives the words of the Message, but does not necessarily have the Gift of accurate interpretation of it.

### "Per"

The first question is that of translation, as the original language of the Messages is, of course, Italian and the trouble seems to lie here. The Italian word in question is "*per*" (literally "*for*"), and so the promise was translated as "*in time for*" (the Great Jubilee)". The interpretation was also followed in the American translation, and it was also Fr. Gobbi's original view of the meaning of the promise.

Later on, however, in the light of events (or lack of them), it was pointed out that the word "*per*" could carry a second meaning i.e. "*in consequence of*". In other words, seen in this way, the **Triumph** would come about **because of the Jubilee**, which would play a big part in bringing it about, but it is not said that it would come about in or prior to the Year of the Jubilee. (Let us emphasise that it was *not* ever suggested that the Jubilee was itself the Triumph).

This meaning was accepted by Father Gobbi in a Circular Letter:

*"First of all, I invite you to read the book not in a superficial way by making the validity of everything that is in it dependent upon the confirmation of a date (that which always could have been altered in the plan of God), but to live what the Book says if we want our Lives to be transformed by Our Lady's maternal action in us. This being said, I believe that the authentic meaning to give to the Phrase is the Second One, namely that because of and as a consequence of the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000 the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will occur. Therefore, it will come to pass during the time of the post-Jubilee, as a result of the Great Grace of Mercy that the Great Jubilee brought to the Church and to Humanity."*

On this basis, the Phrase we are considering really tells us *nothing of the timing* of the Jubilee, but rather *how it is to come about*.

### The Role of the Great Jubilee

The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart Mary will be a Gift of Grace. Nothing we can do of ourselves can bring about such a profound Grace in our World. Yet the fact remains that, if Mankind wishes to have a Great Gift from God, it must do its part. Heaven is not an automatic vending machine! This would appear to be the role of the Jubilee Year.

...a tremendous and overwhelming Gift of Grace, and it is for *all*. It is at that point that we will be able to speak of the *Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*. It is said that such a Gift has occurred in some Souls already, but we await humbly a Universal Gift for, as it says in the Message, "every man". For some, it will be a terrifying Gift, as a person inwardly and alone confronts the fact that he is an inch from Hell itself, but its purpose is *pure Love*, to what is necessary to save us from ourselves. For this, sometimes a correction, even a severe one, is necessary. It is the Gift of the Holy Spirit, Himself the Author and Creator of Motherly Love. But it will come to everyone, even the good, so as to bring about a total purification of the Church.

When will it come? We cannot say as we stand before the Throne of God, with empty hands, powerless to do anything for ourselves except pray and offer our poor sufferings. In this, the Holy Father leads us. It is said that, years ago, when asked what could be done, he took out his Rosary and answered: "Pray, Pray, Pray", and of his sufferings there is no doubt.

Waiting is perhaps the most difficult thing, when our circumstances are desperate. We worry about the World, about Ourselves, our Children and Families, and cast about for something which will offer some certainty. But Heaven does not tell us everything, and indeed there are times when things can be changed through Prayer.

**"This is what I want to tell you. Do not limit yourselves therefore to the Predictions which I give you, seeking to lead you to understand the times you are living in. As a Mother, I am telling you about the dangers you are facing, the threats which are hanging over you, the evils which could befall you, only because this evil can still be avoided by you, the dangers can be escaped, the design of God's Justice can still be changed by the Power of His Merciful Love. Even when I foretell punishment to you, remember that everything can be changed in a moment by the Power of your Prayer and your Penance, which makes Reparation. So, Do not say "What you foretold to us did not come true!", but thank the Heavenly Father with Me because, through the response of Prayer and Consecration, through your Suffering, through the immense Suffering of so many of My poor Children, He has again put off the time of Justice, to allow the time of Great Mercy to Flower."** Message No. 282, "My Book" (21st January 1984).

Even if a Grace were to be postponed, our Faith must be strong enough to accept that Heaven does nothing which is not for our good. It is related that little Jacinta, when she was dying and could hope to be swiftly in Heaven, was asked by Our Lady if she would remain on earth a little longer, to suffer some more and save someone else. She could have complained that she had done everything asked of her, but immediately replied "Yes, Mother" because she trusted in her Mother's Love. *We must be like this.*

We live in God's Holy Will, and in Mother Mary's Plan, as in a Mystery. The essential relationship we have with God's Plan is **Faith and Trust**. Just because we cannot understand something with our intelligence is no reason to declare it wrong; we must at least admit the possibility that it is we ourselves who are wrong and perhaps leave the problem for a while when some clearer understanding comes to light. In the Messages, we find an extraordinary Gift: there has been placed in the World a huge body of Prayer and Sacrifice, which would otherwise *not* have been there, which cannot fail to move the Heart of God into showing Mercy to a World in desperate straits. It is known that the Messages have been the means of many Conversions and of much Consolation and Trust in our Mother, in the Hearts of *many*. One hears of Cenacles ceasing to function over the understanding of Message No. 532. Whose purpose can this serve? Our Mother's? Or Her adversary's?

As I say, the watchword for us all in this, is **Faith and Trust**. That **Faith** does not consist of knowing where we are going, where our Mother is leading us or the details of Her Plans. It consists of a **Trust in Herself, in Her Immaculate Heart, the Trust of a Child in its Mother**, sure that wherever She leads is right for us, even though we do not understand or we suffer pain or see. That was the way in which Jesus treated Her; that is the way of the Gospel for us. At Fatima Our Lady told us "**My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge, and the way that will lead you to God.**" We *accept Her Invitation* with our **Consecration** for She has intervened to *save us from these present times.*

**May Our Lady give us Her Motherly Blessing!**

and began to live the *spirit* which our Mother had given us, marked an *advance* of that *Triumph in the World*. We say again: the **Triumph** does not consist of startling and catastrophic events, but the restoration of the Kingdom of God in Souls. Message No. 507 "The Years of My Triumph" (8th December 1993) speaks (as in its Title) of "**the Years of My Triumph**", in that sense of process over time. Each Soul who enters the Church, who repents, who makes and lives the Consecration to our Mother, *advances it*. It is something we cannot often see or measure, which frequently takes place in the secret of the Confessional.

Heaven is patient. It is patient with a Mother's Love, valuing each Soul's recovery (like the Good Shepherd with the Hundredth Sheep!), not confining itself to grand gestures. Naturally, we would like to see everything accomplished immediately, especially when we look at the World and see the dangers to which Souls are exposed, but we must also appreciate and be grateful for that Patience which waits for every one. It is the *Patience of the Divine Mercy*, and perhaps we have personally benefited from it.

It must also be said that the Messages contain other Promises which indicate that the moment has not arrived for the *final Great and Universal Triumph*. Let us look to our Holy Father. Our Mother has spoken to us about the end of his life in these terms:

**"When this Pope has completed the Task which Jesus has entrusted to him, and I come down from Heaven to receive his sacrifice, all will be wrapped round by a dense darkness of Apostasy which will, by then, have become general"** Message No 449. "The Pope of My Secret" (13th May 1991)

This tells us that we shall be awaiting the *full Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary* at the end of the reign of the present Holy Father. We have also been promised an Apostasy, but surely there can be no doubt, that this has already occurred, in the denial of the Faith of the Church on the part of many, the opposition to the Holy Father and the Magisterium of the Church, the bad teaching in many Seminaries and in spurious Catechetical Schemes. Persecution has been promised and has certainly occurred in the lives of numerous Priests who have been put to one side in various places for their lack of willingness to conform to trends, which are *not Catholic*.

But there is one thing which has been promised, which has not yet occurred, but which may be seen as the supreme call of Heaven to repentance and to reconciliation with God. It can be seen as the *step necessary* for the *Triumph of the Immaculate Heart* and for the *Conversion* leading to the *Kingdom*. It is known as the **Second Pentecost**.

We have said that we cannot have the *Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary* without having it in the context of the *Triumph of the Divine Mercy*. Let me explain a little more. The Immaculate Heart is the Heart of a Mother. As Our Lady looks at this World, She weeps, as She sees so many of Her Children on the way to Hell. Our Lady told this first to the Children of Fatima, and has repeated it to the Marian Movement, saying that only the Prayers and Sufferings of Her Faithful Children will save them by winning them the Grace of Repentance. At this point, please read Message No 21. "I want to save them" (16th October, 1973). The fact is that it is impossible for a Mother's Heart to Triumph if She loses Her children.

The problem is not simply that they do not repent, but that so many are no longer capable of repenting, because they are so hardened in their hearts by remaining unrepentant in sin, that the Light of Grace has gone out for them. They are no longer capable of thinking in God's way and returning to the *Confessional*. No doubt, satan thinks that this is his most powerful weapon - blinding God's Children to Grace.

But our Mother has a final weapon, given Her by the Holy Spirit, Whose Bride She is, and of *all* of Whose Grace She is the Mediatress. It is a Grace which will crack open the shell of that blindness and compel these "lost" Souls to see and recognise the Truth. It is a Grace which is described in these terms:

**"The Holy Spirit will come, to establish the Glorious Reign of Christ. And it will be a Reign of Grace, Holiness, Love, Justice and Peace. With His Divine Love, He will open the doors of Hearts and He will enlighten All Consciences. Every man will see himself in the Blazing Fire of Divine Truth. It will be like a Judgement in Miniature. Then Jesus Christ will bring His Glorious Reign into the World. The Holy Spirit will come through the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart. For this reason, I invite you *all* to enter into the Cenacle of My Heart. In this way, you will be prepared to receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit. Who will transform you and make you into Instruments with which Jesus will establish His Reign."** Message No. 383 "The Holy Spirit will Come" (22nd May 1988)

Holy Doors in Rome and in the World, the symbol of repentance, making sincere and good Confessions, the immense Pilgrimages, the flocking of millions of Young People to the Holy Father, the Consecration of the World to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the occasion of the Bishops Jubilee, we have to see that this was the occasion of immense Grace for the Church, and therefore a year of "*pleasing Offering to the Father*". In turn, that Offering *can* bring further Graces into the Church, in order to meet its great needs at the present time. It has no greater need than the total renewal which is spelled out in the expression "*The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*", and it can be seen how the Jubilee Graces have been a *Great Instrument* in drawing that *Grace into the World*.

The events of that year, which were Acts of the Church, therefore, became a great *plea* before the Father, for *Mercy for the World* which lies helpless "in darkness and the shadow of death". Our Mother tells us repeatedly that the *Triumph of Her Immaculate Heart* can only take place in the context of the *Triumph of the Divine Mercy* and, if we see it in the way described above, that is precisely what is occurring.

The Jubilee Year was not the moment of the Triumph, but was necessary for it to occur. So let us read the Message again in the light of the other meaning of the word "*per*": "*I confirm to you that, in consequence of the Great Jubilee of the Year Two Thousand, there will take place the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart, which I foretold to you in Fatima.*"

### So When will the Triumph Occur?

We are not, let us now face it, told when it will occur. However, when we speak of it, just what are we looking for?

It is tempting, of course, to think in terms of some enormous physical event, involving the natural world, which would be terrifying to those who saw it. Let us not exclude the phenomena and natural disasters referred to in Message No. 485 "The End of Times" (31st December 1992) but let us see that, for what it truly refers to: Warning Signs of what can come about. It is not the Triumph itself, but what goes before it.

The Messages do refer to an event which is to come, but without detailing it:

*"I have chosen you and prepared you for the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart in the World, and these are the years when I will bring My plan to completion. It will be a cause of Amazement even to the Angels of God; a Joy to the Saints in Heaven; a Consolation and Great Comfort for all the Just on Earth; Mercy and Salvation for a great number of My straying Children; a severe and definitive condemnation of satan and his many followers. In fact, at the very moment when satan will be enthroned as lord of the world and will think himself now the sure victor, I Myself will snatch the prey from his hands. As if by magic he will find himself empty handed and in the end the Victory will be exclusively My Son's and Mine: this will be the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart in the World."* Message No. 29, (19th December 1973)

As well as pointing to an event, the Messages point to a gradual progression in the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart. They do not refer to the Triumph simply as a future event, but to one which has already begun! Let me refer you to Message No. 158. "In the Heart of the Church" (5th August 1978) Here, our Mother invites us to look at the beginnings of Her Triumph, listing a number of categories of people in whom She has already triumphed. These are "the Holy Father..." "My beloved Sons who are Consecrated to My Immaculate Heart. Their number increases from day to day..." "in the lives of many Consecrated Souls who, drawn by My gentle and powerful action, have again come to live their Religious Vocation with generosity"..."in the lives of many of the Faithful who have responded with exemplary enthusiasm to the Invitation of Your Mother, and have now become good examples of *all*." All this points to a gradual growth in the Presence of the *Triumph of the Immaculate Heart* in our midst and in every part of the Church. The same Message then seems to lead to something wonderful and general:

*"In all these Children of Mine, the Triumph of My Immaculate Heart is already taking place: and thus they form as it were, the Heart of the renewed Church. Through them My action has begun, but a short time remains before My complete Victory, because when this Vitality has been sent out by the Heart into all parts of the Organism, then the whole Church will flourish anew. Under the powerful action of the Spirit of God, its soil will open up to put forth its Greatest Growth, and there will be in the Church a Greater Splendour than has ever existed. She will become a Light to all the Nations of the Earth who will turn to her, to the Glory of God."*