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May 2019 Newsletter

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Dear Friends,

This is the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) England and Wales May 2019 newsletter.

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Message from our National President

Dear Fatima family,

Greetings of Peace and Love during this season of Easter!

I have spent my Holy Triduum and Easter Sunday at the Sacred Heart RC Church in Morriston, Swansea. It was such a beautiful, serene and enriching few days immersed in the Paschal mystery of the Church. Indeed, the Lord Jesus Christ is alive in you and me! Alleluia!

As we enter the merry month of May, we relish in the celebration of the universal Church the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima on 13 May.

Our Lady wants us all to live simple lives, anchored in her message to the Servant of God Sr Lucia, and Saints Jacinta and Francisco: penance by offering our daily duties, prayer through the daily recitation and meditation of the Holy Rosary (the “school of holiness”), consecration by wearing the Brown Scapular (the “garment of holiness”), reparation through the devotion of the Five First Saturdays, and sacrifice at every opportunity.

You are invited to join the following events, and/or pray for their success!

11-13 May: Visit to the Ecclesiastical Province of Cardiff (training day on 11 May, parish visits on 12-13 May)

15 May: Annual torchlit procession at Belmont Abbey at 9 pm

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15 June: Parish visit to Our Lady of Canvey and English Martyrs at Canvey Island, Essex from 9:55am

29 June: Feast of the Immaculate Heart and Procession of Reparation at Lady of Mount Carmel, Kensington, London, from 12 pm

The world, more than ever now, needs our sacrifices and prayers.

Thank you for continuing to live the message of Our Lady in your daily lives and the work that you are doing and will be doing as part of the hastened triumph of her Immaculate Heart.

For more details, please like/subscribe/follow our social media platforms

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Instagram: waf_england_wales

Facebook: World Apostolate of Fatima of England & Wales

YouTube: Fatima EnglandWales

Website: www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk

St Francisco, pray for us. St Jacinta, pray for us. Servant of God Sr Lucia, for us.

Ave Maria!

Jerry Rivera

National President

WAF England and Wales

Message from our National Spiritual Director

Dear members of WAF,

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"In this thine own sweet month of May, do thou remember me"

As we open the month of Our Lady my dear friends, we have an opportunity each day to put into practice the one constant request of Our Lady during apparitions from May to October 1917 - the daily rosary.

May this year falls within the Easter season and therefore we see the glory of Our Lady resplendent in the light of the victory of her risen son over sin and death.

As both mother and son participated in sorrow and suffering but were resigned to the will of Almighty God so too the Church as the mystical body will follow the founder and head.

Mary as mother of the Church will wrap her protective mantle around us and we entrust the Church and the holy father to her each day in our daily rosary.

At such times it is important that we be ever more faithful to living the full message of Our Lady of Fatima so beautifully manifested in the WAF pledge approved by Sr Lucia.

This year many Visitations and formational Training Days are taking place to help us truly know and live the message of Our Lady. I encourage you to attend and to bring others with you. By knowing well the message we can live it.

If you are not able to attend any of these may I suggest that from May to October this year you simply reflect on each month's apparition on each day of the month. See this as your 'yes' to the call of Our Lady.

The most forgotten part of the second Vatican council is the universal call to holiness. This call reflected in the Fatima message and manifested through the morning offering of the Pledge is a call to sanctify our daily duty as members of the Church.

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If every person lived the WAF Pledge then what a difference there would be as a holy army under Our Lady would proceed to fill the world with peace and holiness.

With assurance of my prayers for you all this month of May.

Canon Jason Jones

National Spiritual Director WAF England and Wales

WAF National Pilgrimage 2019

The WAF England and Wales National pilgrimage this year is from June 10th-16th. The flights are via Air Portugal TAP, and the Pilgrimage operator is Tangney Tours.

Pilgrims will stay at Domus Pacis hotel, at a cost of £632 per person sharing. The single supplement is £120, and Insurance is from £33.

Accommodation is half board, with 2 half-day excursions included in the price.

You can see details about the pilgrimage here:

<https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/waf-england-and-wales-national-pilgrimage/>

The closing date for the Pilgrimage at the above prices was 2nd April. It is still possible to book up places. However, the price then will depend on if the cost of the flight has increased.

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Social Media News

Westminster Visitation video

There is a video of the WAF England and Wales Visitation and Consecration of England and Wales to the Immaculate Heart of Mary at Westminster Cathedral which took place on 18 February 2017, here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sFLOeihon3Q&t=16s>

Social media

Also, you can help promote WAF England and Wales on Social Media by visiting the following links and reposting/sharing the Facebook posts or retweeting the tweets - thank you!

And if you bookmark these links in your browser, you can return to them from time to time and make promoting WAF a habit!

<https://www.facebook.com/World-Apostolate-of-Fatima-England-Wales-103923747220942/>

https://twitter.com/WAF_Eng_Wales

With our Twitter account, you can also help by "following" us - to do that just click the "follow" button on the top right of the webpage.

We also have our own YouTube Channel, Fatima EnglandWales here:

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You can help us by subscribing to this channel using the red "Subscribe" button near the top right of the screen.

And talking of social media, we still need help with that - if you have social media or website skills you can share with us, we would really to hear from you!

Five First Saturdays devotion

Saturday 4th May is the first Saturday of the month, so you can participate in the Fatima Five First Saturdays devotion on that day either in your local parish, or at home.

You can see details of churches around the country where the Five First Saturdays devotion is kept, here:

<https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/the-first-saturdays-devotion-in-england-wales/>

You can check for churches by diocese.

At the moment we only have notice of First Saturday devotions in about half the dioceses in England and Wales - so please consider trying to start the devotion in your local church.

All you need is a few like-minded people, and it is very important that the Five First Saturdays starts in as many parishes as possible, since it is linked with the conversion of Russia and thus with the promised era of peace for the world.

Please visit this page to check for your nearest church and contact

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If anyone wishes to donate towards the ongoing costs of promoting Fatima in England and Wales, they can do so by visiting the home page of our website at: <https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/>

This is important, because even if you can't help in a practical way, your financial assistance will be very helpful in expanding WAF England and Wales. We need, and appreciate, any donation you can make.

The yellow PayPal donation button is about half way down on the right, and you can donate either via a credit card or your Paypal account.

(There is no need to include a £ sign. Also, please ensure you enter a whole amount of pounds, i.e. 10 for a donation of ten pounds, not 10.00 - no need for a decimal point or extra zeros!

Or you can email: donate@worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk and the WAF bank account details etc., will be sent to you, and also, if you want to make a donation by cheque, you can get address details via that email address.

Or equally, if you would like to make a regular monthly donation to WAF, then we can let you have the details of how to do this.

God bless and Ave Maria!

Donal

on behalf of WAF England and Wales Committee

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