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Dear Friends,

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Dear Fatima family,

Greetings to you and your families!

As I said in last month's newsletter message, "The month of June will usher in a reinvigoration of devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary when the celebrations and procession of reparation will happen on the 29th during the feast day, in Kensington, London... On 15th June, there will be the parish visit of the NPVS and the Relics to Our Lady of Canvey and English Martyrs at Canvey Island, Essex from 9:55am."

I would like to thank you for your prayers as both events were hugely successful and uplifting. In my message to those who were actively involved, I wrote "Thank you for allowing yourselves to be moved by the Holy Spirit, for making haste in helping those in need. I believe that we are always refined in every task and challenge placed in front of us."

We will learn from them but most importantly, we cherish the fact that we have assisted others in realising the value of Our Lady and prayer... Let us echo the words of the Servant of God Sr Lucia, 'what do you want of me?' each time Our Lady appeared to them. May we have the humility of saying these words every day."

I am very much looking forward to the National Pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal on 10-16 July. If you are coming on this pilgrimage, I can assure you of an experience you will not forget. If you have not managed to join this year, please come on next year's pilgrimage.

The WAF Ecclesiastical Province of Westminster Promoters Training Day will happen on Saturday, 27 July at Our Lady Immaculate RC parish, Chelmsford, Essex beginning at 9 am with Holy Mass, and goes on until 5 pm. If you belong to the Dioceses of Westminster, Brentwood, Nottingham, Northampton and East Anglia, you are invited to join this important training event to reflect on the aspects of the Fatima message.

It is hoped that those attending will become active promoters in their

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parishes and dioceses, helping Our Lady spread her message to others.
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Facebook: World Apostolate of Fatima of England & Wales

YouTube: Fatima EnglandWales

Website: www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk

Thank you for your continued witness to the people you meet daily, including your own families. Thank you for being part of the hastened triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Our Lady.

St Francisco, pray for us. St Jacinta, pray for us. Servant of God Sr Lucia, pray for us. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us. Ave Maria!

Jerry Rivera

National President

WAF England and Wales

Message from our National Spiritual Director

Dear members of WAF,

Each July the WAF England and Wales National Pilgrimage to Fatima takes place. Often it is asked “Why July?”

The July apparition and the content of the message is of vital importance. The July apparition speaks of hell, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, conversion, the Rosary, the Five First Saturdays, and sacrifice and peace. We are presented with a treasure trove of points for reflection and guidance on a way of life to follow.

Next year as we begin the countdown to the centennial celebration of the full revelation of the Five First Saturdays, we are presented in the July message with the prophecy of the 1925 apparition to Lucia, and the revelation of how if the devotion to the Immaculate Heart is undertaken there will be peace in the world.

The Consecration of Russia has taken place, but due to doubts and distortions much time has passed and this means that the key to world peace – the Five

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First Saturday devotion – is little known and practised. We have missed out but it is never too late

One of the conditions Our Lady asked for, in order to fulfil the Five First Saturdays devotion, is for us to go monthly to confession. Yes monthly. When we are peace with God, peace with our neighbour and our family then this state of grace will also be given to the world. There will be peace.

Through monthly confession we say sorry to God and each other. Through monthly confession, the grace of Holy Communion will transform us as we will be much better disposed to receive its fruits. Through monthly confession there is victory over sin. Through monthly confession the Immaculate Heart will triumph in us.

When next you hear a fellow parishioner speaking about the state of the Church or the world, ask them if they go to confession each month and fulfil the other conditions asked for by Our Lady for the faithful observance of the Five First Saturdays.

To sum up, Our Lady has given us the remedy for world peace and part of that remedy is monthly confession.

As we approach the July apparition anniversary, please take some time to read what happened and make the resolution to learn and pray the sacrifice prayer, which was taught to the children by Our Lady.

O my Jesus, it is for love of You, in reparation for the offences committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the conversion of poor sinners.

That way, each of us can do our part to hasten the triumph of the Immaculate Heart by showing that we love and honour that Heart by practising the Five First Saturdays devotion ourselves and by encouraging others to make reparation.

This is what happened at Fatima on 13 July 1917

Lucia: What does Your Grace wish of me?

Our Lady: I want you to come here on the thirteenth of next month and to continue to pray the Rosary every day in honour of Our Lady of the Rosary, in order to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war, for she alone can be

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Lucia: I would like to ask you to tell us who you are and to perform a miracle so everyone will believe that Your Grace appears to us.

Our Lady: Continue to come here every month. In October, I will tell you who I am and what I wish, and I will perform a miracle that everyone shall see so as to believe.

Lucia then made a number of requests for conversions, cures, and other graces. Our Lady recommended the constant recitation of the rosary; thus they would obtain those graces during the year.

Then she went on: "Sacrifice yourselves for sinners and say many times, especially when you make a sacrifice, 'O Jesus, this is for love of Thee, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.' "

Lucia writes, "Our Lady showed us a great sea of fire which seemed to be under the earth. Plunged in this fire were demons and souls in human form, like transparent burning embers, all blackened or burnished bronze, floating about in the conflagration, now raised into the air by the flames that issued from within themselves together with great clouds of smoke, now falling back on every side like sparks in a huge fire, without weight or equilibrium, and amid shrieks and groans of pain and despair, which horrified us and made us tremble with fear.

"The demons could be distinguished by their terrifying and repulsive likeness to frightful and unknown animals, all black and transparent. This vision lasted but an instant. How can we ever be grateful enough to our kind heavenly Mother, who had already prepared us by promising, in the first Apparition, to take us to heaven. Otherwise, I think we would have died of fear and terror."

The second part—The warning of the chastisement and how to avoid it

The children then looked up at Our Lady, who said to them so kindly and so sadly:

"You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war is going to end: but if people do not cease offending God, a worse one will break out during the Pontificate of Pius XI.

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"When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that He is about to punish the world for its crimes, by

means of war, famine, and persecutions of the Church and of the Holy Father.

"To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church. The good will be martyred; the Holy Father will have much to suffer; various nations will be annihilated.

"Finally, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she shall be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world. In Portugal, the dogma of the faith will always be preserved, etc."

Be assured of prayers at the feet of Our Lady of Fatima at our Holy Mass which can be viewed online on the Fatima Sanctuary webcam at 3:30 pm on Wednesday 11th July at:

<https://www.fatima.pt/en/pages/online-transmissions>

Canon Jason Jones

National Spiritual Director WAF England and Wales

Five First Saturdays devotion

Saturday 6th July 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.

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All you need is a few like-minded people, and it is very important that the 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 them directly before travelling to check that the times etc., as advertised, are correct for the coming month.

Donations to WAF England and Wales

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.

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God bless and Ave Maria!

Donal

on behalf of WAF England and Wales Committee

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