

Another Apparition At Fatima

Our Blessed Mother made her third visit to the three children of Fatima on July 13, 1947. Francis and Jacinta looked forward to the coming of the Lady with joy. At one time Lucy longed for these wonderful visits, but not now. A change had come over her. Now she was tempted to think the person to be the Devil himself. In spite of her doubts, when the hours came for the July visit with the Lady, Lucy followed an urge to join her two cousins.

The June apparition was witnessed by 60 people, that is, they were present when the children saw the Lady. This July apparition drew 4000. Lucy led the Rosary, and the crowd responded aloud. At noon, a flash of lightning announced the coming of the Lady.

The people heard Lucy say, "Take off your hats, I see the Lady already," and they immediately dropped to their knees.

Lucy spoke to the Lady, "What do you want of me?" The Lady replied, "I want you to return here on the thirteenth of next month. Continue to say the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war; for she alone can save it."

Then Lucy asked the Lady to grant certain favors. The Lady responded, "Some I will cure and others not. As to the crippled boy, I will not cure him or take him out of his poverty, but he must say the Rosary every day with his family."

Lucy mentioned the case of a sick person who wanted to be taken soon to Heaven. The Lady's answer was, "He should not try to hurry things. I know well when I shall come for him."

Hell

During the third visit the Lady gave the children three secrets. Two of these secrets were revealed twenty-five years later by Lucy after she had become a nun. The third secret has not been explained. The first secret was a vision of hell. Lucy gives this description of the scene.

"She (the Lady) opened her hands again as she had done the two previous months. The light reflecting from them seemed to penetrate into the earth, and we saw as if into a sea of fire, and immersed in that fire were devils and souls with human form, as if they were transparent black or bronze embers floating in the fire and swayed by the flames that issued from them along with clouds of smoke, falling upon every side just like the falling of sparks in great fires, without weight or equilibrium, amidst wailing and cries of pain and despair that terrified and shook us with terror. We could tell the devils by their horrible and nauseous figures of baleful and unknown animals, but transparent as the black coals in a fire." This fearful sight lasted only a moment.

Then the Lady spoke again, "You see Hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them God wishes to establish in the world the devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If they do what I will tell you, many souls will be saved, and there will be peace."

Graduate Students Please Note.

Members of the Graduate Student Association will meet in Dillon Hall Chapel tomorrow (Thurs.) at 8:00 a.m. to assist at the Mass which will be offered for the repose of the mother of Father Philip Moore, CSC, who dies early this week. Father Francis Nearly, O.P., a member of the Graduate School will celebrate the Mass.