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A Christian Voice in Your Home!

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Radio Maria is here to assist you during Lent!

It should not be enough to slide through Lent by just observing the fast and abstinence laws. We should all undertake a Lenten program, an inward cleansing and purification, for oneself and the family.

The principal works of Lent can be divided into the following four categories:

Fasting

Of course, we must fulfill the minimum requirements of the Church for fasting and abstinence. But there are other forms of abstaining and fasting.

Remember that when we do “give up” something, it should be completely, not saved for later. The money we save from not buying a cup of coffee should be given as a donation to charity. The time we don’t watch TV should be spent doing spiritual reading, or family time.

- Refrain from complaining, gossiping, grumbling or losing one’s temper.
- Abstain from favorite drinks, desserts or foods. Give up smoking, caffeine, beer or liquor.
- Reduce or eliminate time on the Internet, social media, or playing vid-



eo games.

Prayers

Lent is a good time to delve into the riches of the Church’s prayers and hymns.

Ideally, attending daily Mass is the ultimate prayer. If that is not possible, meditate on the reading of the day at home or participate in the Mass on Radio Maria offered twice daily. See program schedule on page 6.

Pray daily the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Radio Maria offers both of these devotions, several times a day. Consult the program schedule on page 6 and join us!

The Stations of the Cross are special during Lent, because they

meditate on the Passion of Christ. Usually the Stations are offered at the parish church on Fridays in Lent. On Radio Maria, join us every Friday at 3 pm Central/4 pm Eastern for Stations of the Cross.

Read the Bible daily and download the number one free podcast “The Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz. Although the podcast began January 1, it is a 365-day program and can be started at any time.

A strong emphasis should be made in receiving the sacraments of the Eucharist and Penance frequently.

Almsgiving

Almsgiving is tied closely with fasting. Whatever we give up, the

money we save should go to the needy. It should be given away to the missions, the Church, or a worthy charity.

It is also considered “almsgiving” to give one’s time and goods to those who are in need, i.e., donating time for a soup kitchen, giving clothes to charity, visiting the shut-ins, driving those without transportation and other similar practices.

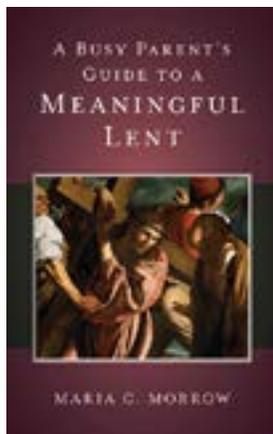
Good Works

Good works deal with perfection of our daily duties.

Our daily duties include our job as a spouse, as a parent, as a child, as a worker or student. We need to strive to do our best in these capacities, even if that means being more patient, more cheerful, more efficient, more charitable, less critical, less gossiping, or less backbiting. We should work on virtues, like obedience, charity, humility, chastity and perseverance.

Many of us postpone or procrastinate personal jobs, prayer and reading for some other time. But NOW is the time to make the best of our daily duty.

Prepare for Lent! Order these Lenten resources today!



A Busy Parent's Guide to a Meaningful Lent
by Maria C. Morrow
248 pages - \$16.95

Lent. With children.

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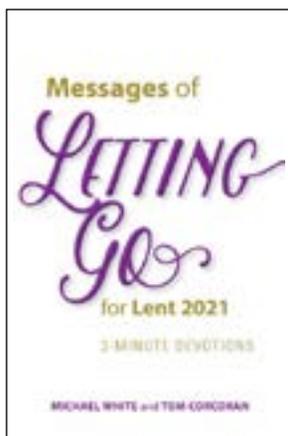
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With this guide, you can live Lent well, even in the middle of your beautiful, busy, and sometimes messy family life.

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Messages of Letting Go for Lent 2021

by Father Michael White and Tom Corcoran
64 pages - \$1.95

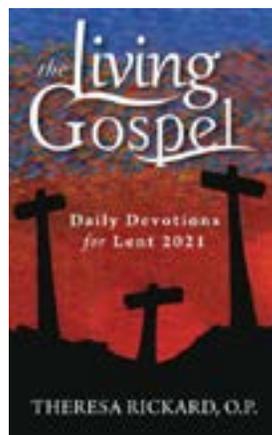
Just three minutes of prayer a day can change your life during Lent.

From Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday, simple yet spiritually rich devotions from Fr. Michael White and Tom Corcoran will guide you to let go of sin, bad habits, and grudges and to instead trust in God.

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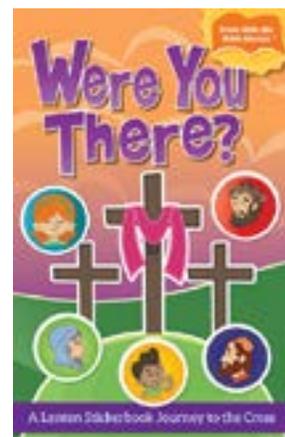
The Living Gospel: Daily Devotions for Lent 2021
by Theresa Rickard, O.P.
96 pages - \$2.25

Be uplifted and inspired as Sr. Terry Rickard, O.P., president of RENEW International, guides you through Lent and Holy Week with thought-provoking spiritual reflections on the daily gospel readings in *Daily Devotions for Lent 2021*. Rickard also encourages you to go beyond prayer and fasting by completing a quick spiritual act that will help you grow in your love for God and others during this solemn season.

The Living Gospel series of devotionals for Lent and Advent offers spiritual insight and practical wisdom from popular Catholic preachers, speakers, and homilists.

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Were You There?: A Lenten Stickerbook
by David Mean
16 pages - \$1.99

Help modern-day children imagine themselves in the scene as they follow Jesus' journey to the cross and to the open tomb of Easter.

This colorful Lenten sticker booklet features a different character on each page, a person who witnessed Jesus' Passion. The words of the familiar Lenten song "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" provide the outline of this Stick-With-Me Bible Story journey through Lent. Ages 4-10.

Send home the good news of the resurrection by sharing this sticker story booklet with the children in your life. To order go to catholic.creative-communications.com

Our Lady of Lourdes message is still relevant today

As we sail into 2021, let us give thanks for all the blessings God continues to pour out upon us.

Our radio network continues to grow. Our most recent acquisition is a station in Miami, Florida with a potential audience of 3,000,000 listeners!

We continue to rely on your support to bring Catholic radio to America. We are looking to raise \$400,000 to pay off the loan needed to purchase the Miami station.

Please pray and discern if Our Lady is calling you to help bring her message, Catholic programming, the Mass and rosary to our country by donating to Radio Maria USA.

On Feb. 11, the Cath-

From the Desk of

Fr. Dan

Fr. Dan Reehil
National Priest Director
Radio Maria



olic Church celebrates the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, recalling a series of 18 appearances that the Blessed Virgin Mary made to a 14-year-old French peasant girl, Saint Bernadette Soubirous.

This Marian site brought forth the healing miraculous waters that over 200 million people have visited seeking Our Lady's intercession. As we enter a new year still

fighting off the Coronavirus, let us pray and implore Our Lady of Lourdes for her protection and for the gift of health in 2021.

The Marian apparitions began Feb. 11, 1858 and ended July 16 of that year and received the local bishop's approval after a four-year inquiry.

Coming soon after the 1854 dogmatic definition of her Immaculate Conception, the Virgin Mary's appearances at Lourdes

turned the town into a popular travel destination. Thousands of people say their medical conditions have been cured through pilgrimage, prayer and the water flowing from a spring to which Bernadette was directed by the Blessed Virgin. Experts have verified 69 cases of miraculous healing at Lourdes since 1862.

On Feb. 11, 1858, Bernadette went to gather firewood with her sister and a friend. As she approached a grotto near a river, she saw a light coming from a spot near a rosebush. The light surrounded a woman who wore a white dress and held a rosary. Seeing the

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YEAR OF
**SAINT
JOSEPH**

Dec. 8, 2020 - Dec. 8, 2021

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Listener's Comments

- Welcome Fr. Reehil! We are so grateful for you! -Mary B., Thibodaux, LA
- Thank you for the teachings of the Divine Will. They are a blessing to so many. Blessings to you. -Pat K., San Diego, CA
- I especially have been enjoying the programs about the Divine Will. -Maureen B., Naugatuck, CT
- With His Will and in the name of all we pray that God bless you that you may continue your ministry. -Sally N., Red River, NM
- I was so pleased to find you, after hearing my aunt in Rome talk about listening to Radio Maria for a while. Just decided to do an internet search and not only found you but so close to home! -Melissa M., Hammond, LA
- Thank for making available Fr. Ianuzzi's teaching on the Divine Will. -Leonard V., Sliema, Malta
- Thank you for everything you do for Our Lady and Jesus Christ!! -Carol H., Minster, OH

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

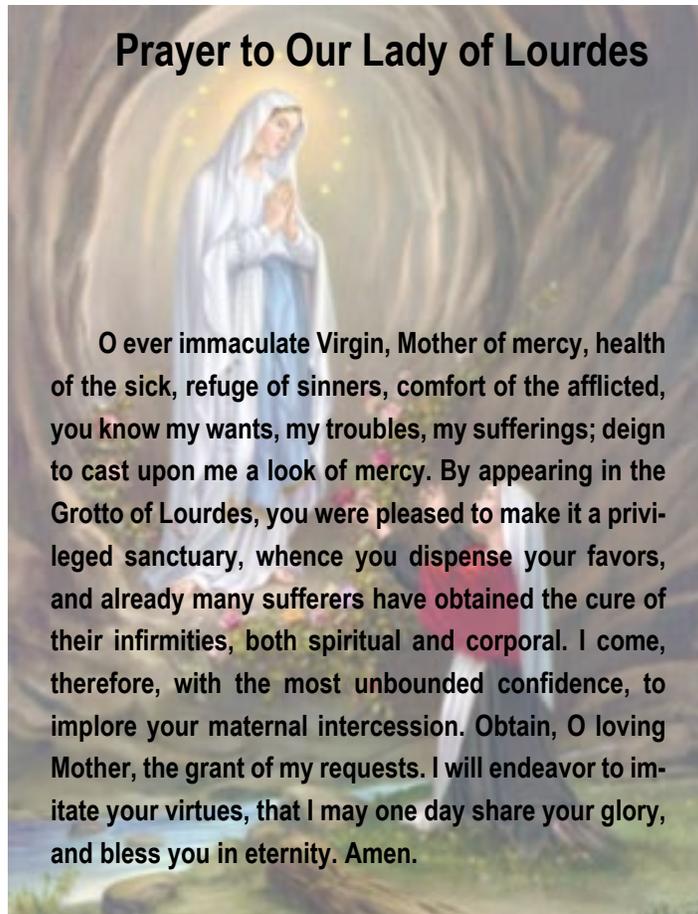
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lady in white make the sign of the Cross, Bernadette knelt, took out her own rosary, and began to pray. When she finished praying, the woman motioned for her to approach. But she remained still, and the vision disappeared.

Her companions had seen nothing. Bernadette described the lady in white to them, demanding they tell no one. But the secret came out later that day. The next Sunday, Bernadette returned to the grotto, where she saw the woman again. The identity of the apparition, however, would remain unknown for several weeks.

Some adults accompanied Bernadette on her third trip, on Feb. 18, though they did not see the vision she received. The woman in white asked the girl to return for two weeks. "She told me also," Bernadette later wrote, "that she did not promise to make me happy in this world, but in the next." A group of family members and others went with her to the cave the next day, but only the young peasant girl saw the woman and heard her words.

Over the next few days, the number of people in attendance at the cave swelled to more than 100. A parish priest, Father Peyramale, became concerned – as did the



police. On Feb. 24, 250 people saw Bernadette break into tears, but only she heard the woman's message: "Penance! Penance! Penance! Pray to God for sinners. Go, kiss the ground for the conversion of sinners."

A larger crowd was there on Feb. 25 – but they were shocked to see Bernadette drinking from a muddy stream and eating weeds. The apparition had told her to drink the water, and the weed-eating was a penitential act. Onlookers, meanwhile, saw only the girl's unusual behavior, and popular fascination turned to ridicule and suspicion.

On Feb. 27, Berna-

dette made a joyful discovery: the spring from which she drank was not muddy now, but clear. As the crowds continued to gather, this change was noticed, and a woman with a paralyzed arm came to the water hoping to be healed. Four years later, her case would be recognized as the first miraculous healing at Lourdes. Public interest continued, and Bernadette heard a recurring message from the vision: "Go, tell the priests to bring people here in procession and have a chapel built here."

While others were quick to conclude that Bernadette was seeing the Virgin Mary, the vi-

sionary herself did not claim to know the woman's identity. As she conveyed the repeated message to Fr. Peyramale, the priest grew frustrated and told Bernadette to ask the woman her name. But when she did so, the woman smiled and remained silent. Her identity remained a mystery after the initial two-week period.

Three weeks later, on the Feast of the Annunciation, Bernadette visited the cave again. When she saw the lady, she kept asking to know her identity. Finally, the woman folded her hands, looked up and said: "I am the Immaculate Conception." The seer, devout but uneducated, did not know what these words meant. She related them to Fr. Peyramale, who was stunned and informed his bishop.

Bernadette saw the Blessed Virgin Mary two more times in 1858: on the Wednesday after Easter, and on the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. In 1862, the local bishop declared the apparitions worthy of belief.

St. Bernadette left Lourdes in 1866 to join a religious order in central France, where she died after several years of illness in 1879. By the time of her death, a basilica had been built and consecrated at the apparition site, under the leadership of Fr. Peyramale.

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6:00AM	Full Rosary Pope John Paul II	Angelus, Holy Rosary with Various Bishops, Litany						7:00AM	
6:30AM		Food for the Journey, Sr. Ann Shields						Mary Queen of Peace Fr. John Fletcher 7:30AM	
7:00AM		Morning Prayers & Holy Rosary						Morning Prayer & Holy Rosary 8:00AM	
7:30AM	Morning Prayers	Morning Office of the Liturgy of the Hours (Lauds) and Preparation for Holy Mass						Lauds & Bishop Glen Provost 8:30AM	
8:00AM	Healing Through the Mass Fr. Duane Stenzel	Sacrifice of the Holy Mass						Companions on the Journey Mark Polietnow and Michael Norton 9:00AM	
8:30AM	God's Word Alive: Sunday's Readings Tom Webb	Living the Lectionary Various Presenters	Mary Queen of Peace Fr. John Fletcher	St. Faustina's Diary Fr. John Fletcher		God's Word Alive and Active Tom Webb		9:30AM	
9:00AM	The Catholic "Take" on Truth & Culture Fr. Peter Pilner	Battle Ready Fr. Dan Reehil						Homeschool Lifeline Katy Moran	
		Live with Passion Fr. Cedric Pisegna	Healing Through the Mass Fr. Duane Stenzel	Heroes of Faith Isaac Longworth	Hope and Purpose Dcn. Larry Oney	Healing Through the Mass Fr. Duane Stenzel			
10:00AM	Sacrifice of the Holy Mass time varies by week	Catholic Classics Fr. Joseph Koterski	Beyond the Veil Fr. Thomas Loya	Marian Apparitions Mary Pypier	The School of Mary (A Kindergarten of The Divine Will) Depalma	Aim High Fr. Jason Kalczyński	Carmelite Teresian Spirituality Dr. Patrick DiVietri	11:00AM	
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Noon	Angelus, Midday Office of the Liturgy of the Hours & Holy Rosary							1:00PM	
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January 25, 2021 Message to Marija

“Dear children!

I am calling you at this time to prayer, fasting and renunciation, that you may be stronger in faith. This is a time of awakening and of giving birth. As nature which gives itself, you also, little children, ponder how much you have received. Be joyful bearers of peace and love that it may be good for you on earth. Yearn for Heaven; and in Heaven there is no sorrow or hatred. That is why, little children, decide anew for conversion and let holiness begin to reign in your life.



Thank you for having responded to my call.”

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Heart arming '21

February 1-16

During these cold winter days, Our Blessed Mother is always there to warm our hearts. Her never-ending maternal love for her beloved Son and for all of us gives us hope to face our daily challenges.

It's also a time to remember all those who you love and bring joy to your life.

Please consider making a donation in honor of someone special in your life and help Radio Maria continue Our Lady's mission of saving souls.

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