

THE VOICE OF ROSA MYSTICA

MOTHER OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

FONTANELLE DI MONTICHIARI - (Brescia)

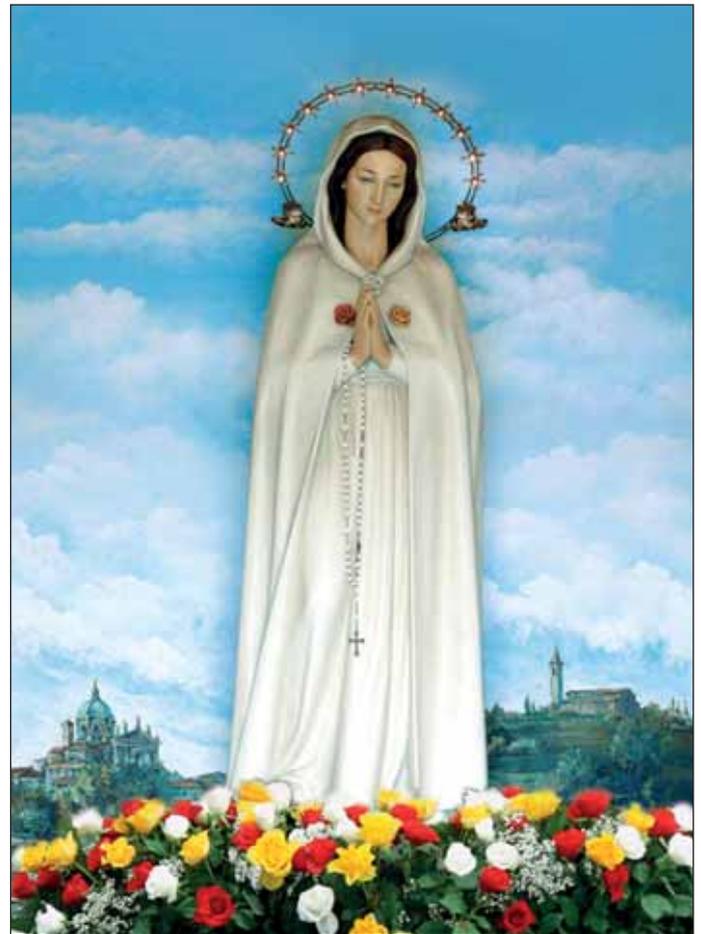
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From the beginning on, the Marian cult that came to life with great intensity and devotion at Fontanelle of Montichiari, has as one of its cornerstones a particular prayer to Mary, namely the prayer for priestly and religious vocations.

JULY 13 FEAST OF ROSA MYSTICA, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS



Not only we pray that new and holy vocations of special consecration may come into existence and will prosper, but we also constantly ask the intercession of Maria Rosa Mystica to protect and watch over the existing vocations, especially those who are put to trials and are hurt, to guard seminaries, houses of religious formation, monasteries, and teachers who accompany them and are responsible for the difficult task of vocational discernment.

The great need to pray with such intentions is more urgent today than ever in a historical context, perhaps unimaginable twenty years ago, in which the life of the Church must deal dramatically with the sharp fall in vocations, the abandonment of the consecrated life and the scandals in various parts of the world, involving the life and mission of the shepherds; for the Church this can be experienced as a time of purification and conversion, as an opportunity for the rebirth of faith, as a chance to re-establish the human and spiritual formation of people who decide to offer their lives for the cause of the Gospel. In this context the devotion to Mary, the confidence in her intercession and protection, particularly in difficult times full of tribulations, has invariably been throughout the history of the Church a great illuminating light by which people with a simple and small spirit, desire to be guided, accepting her maternal call to prayer and spiritual rebirth. Maria Rosa Mystica is in some parts of the world

already the patroness of new male and female religious congregations, dedicated to her, full of young vocations and missionary zeal.

On July 13, a special day dedicated to Rosa Mystica and to her intercession for the priesthood and religious life, it will be for all of us and the pilgrims who will arrive in great number in Fontanelle, a precious opportunity to renew this intention of prayer which is so urgent and actual; we want to welcome it with a grateful spirit, as a gift from Mary in this year of Mercy in this year of Mercy, to look with the eyes of faith to the current historical events and not let ourselves be overcome by discouragement and confusion.

Maria Rosa Mystica is the Mother of the Church, she knows well how to comfort and lead the Church, so that all her children, especially the consecrated, may be always protected and supported.

Mgr. Marco Alba
Episcopal Delegate



will be able to experience their vocation according to true and sincere holiness. We must be aware of this because if it is true that every 13th of the month is celebrated in this sanctuary as a special Marian day, specifically on July 13, and therefore also of this year, is the day dedicated to the priests and religious so that all

We pray to Rosa Mystica: we need holy priests and religious

The devotion to Maria Rosa Mystica as developed in Fontanelle provides a particular aspect, namely an intense prayer to the Mother of God and

Mother of the Church so that she provides not only many graces of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, but even ensures that those who have been called,

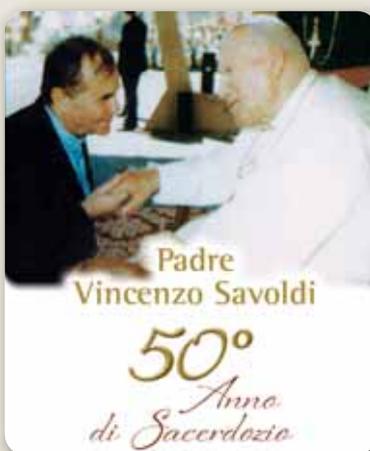
of them can live fully their vocation in an ever more intense and deep relationship with Rosa Mystica Mother of the Church. The vocation of priests and religious should be aimed to experience it in the best way, because it is very important not only for those who are called but it also will remind all of us. Let us figure out why.

As for the priests it should not be very difficult to understand

Wednesday, July 13: Solemn Celebration of the 50th anniversary of priesthood of the Scalabrinian priests, Fr. Vincenzo Savoldi and Fr. Giancarlo Rizzinelli

How can I recompense the Lord for all the graces I received and distributed in my 50 years of priestly and missionary life? I thank God the Father, so rich in Mercy, that from eternity He has also thought of me and loved me. I thank God the Son, Jesus, the only eternal high priest who chose and called me to participate in His eternal priesthood. I thank the Divine Holy Spirit that God has enriched me with His gifts and has anointed me on the feast of St. Joseph March 19, 1966 in Ciliverghe through the hands of the Bishop of Brescia, Mgr. Luigi Morstabilini.

The Lord of all times and history had confidence in me to proclaim salvation and holiness to all His children. I wish to have a more clear idea that with wisdom I could experience again all the received and administered graces. This thanksgiving is accompanied by my repentance for the many weaknesses, omissions and sins ... Lord have mercy on me. The first grace was to have two holy parents Abel and Cesarina and many brothers, including a nun sister, Sr. Victorina.



Rome, August 1, 2001: Maria Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church, is the principal topic of conversation between Fr. Vincenzo Savoldi and Pope John Paul II

I entered the seminary of the Scalabrinian Congregation when I was still very young in 1951 in the service of the migrants. Newly ordained as priest in 1966, I left for Brazil, where I worked in many communities: Vicente de Carvalho Santos, Vila Feliz e Rocio Curitiba, Astorga Santo André Rudge Ramos Umbara, Jundiá, São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro between the poorest and abandoned and currently in Santa Felicidade Curitiba. I should not only look back to what I have experienced, but always have to go more forward in the splendor of the Most Holy Trinity full of Mercy and under the maternal gaze of Maria Rosa Mystica. I have so much to say about the protection of Maria Rosa Mystica that it would fill numerous books. I limit myself to renewing my total consecration to Her in order to realize all the holy projects that God the Father has

only entrusted to me, Rosa Mystica, in favour of the entire Church of God. Many thanks to all those who pray for me; may the Merciful Lord bless and sanctify all.

Fr. Vincenzo Savoldi

that without them we would lose one of the cornerstones of Christianity itself, i.e. the celebration of the sacraments. These are not just symbolic rites instituted to remind us in some way of Jesus and the Gospel.

Instead, they are important gestures because despite their simplicity, not only they recall, but explicitly re-enact what Jesus did two thousand years ago. When wandering through the streets of Palestine and announcing the Kingdom of God, healing the sick, expelling demons, forgiving sins and then finally reaching the threshold of passion, He anticipated the donation of Himself on the cross; in the Eucharist His body and blood are always available as spiritual food that brings salvation to all men, at all times, until the end of times. Precisely for this reason the priesthood has been desired and established by Jesus Himself when He said to the apostles to continue in His name and to do what He Himself had done. But the fact that it is a fundamental and necessary role, does not make it simpler and easy. It is actually quite the opposite. Every priest, in fact, when celebrating using the words of Jesus, acts as an intermediary so that the bread and wine become the flesh and blood of the Lord. Furthermore, when hearing confessions in the name of God and forgiving sins, he faces a big responsibility. Pondering about this fact truly makes “veins and pulses tremor.” Therefore, it is a vocation that, first of all requires great humility, a continuous and profound bond with the Lord, which can be only ensured by an intense spiritual life. For this also we have always to pray for them, and especially here, in this Marian place where this protection and help of Maria Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church, in favor of the priests, have been promised and are particularly invoked. But also the religious vocation is

very important in the Church because it is a powerful sign – when well lived – how faith can penetrate and orient a life to the point of dedicating one’s whole life to God in chastity, poverty and obedience, thus giving up earthly wealth, although good, that is offered by life. Even in this case, to perceive the call and to further

pursue it in a proficient way, in the first place, much effort and a serious spiritual life are required as well as the help of Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church, obtained also through our poor but intense prayers. Please remember this date: July 13.

Rosanna Brichetti Messori

We have received

■ *From Mexico* - Dear brothers and sisters, our brothers in Morelia Michoacan are organizing the sixth national meeting of Rosa Mystica Missionaries. We urge the participation of all the coordinators of national groups so that we can evaluate and make arrangements concerning the pilgrimage of our groups. This Assembly will take place on July 11 and 12, and we kindly ask every diocese to organize it so that at least one responsible can participate. His/her presence is of great importance. May God bless you all.

Gabriel Zechinelli



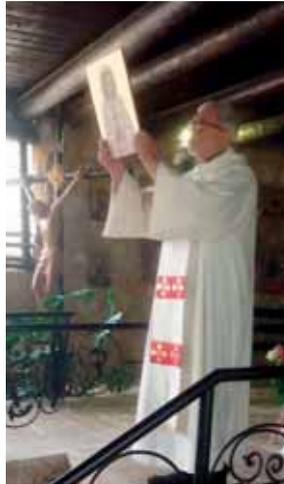
The Foundation Rosa Mystica Fontanelle expresses its spiritual affinity with this important National Assembly.

It also calls for much prayer to be able to respond appropriately to the requests coming from all over the world regarding a meeting on a worldwide level here in Montichiari, on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of this Marian devotion now spread over all continents.

We have received



Benediction with the icon of Maria Rosa Mystica.



■ *From Nigeria* - Praised be Jesus Christ and Mary, I am a monk of the Catholic congregation of the Two Hearts of Love Jesus and Mary. It is a Nigerian congregation. I am the son of Sicilian immigrants. Before my religious vocation, I have been 2 times in Montichiari (in 2009) to visit Maria Rosa Mystica and I took some pictures... I do not know if these pictures could be useful for you, but I am glad to send them together with my personal testimony. It is right there in Montichiari that I felt my religious vocation through the intermediary of Maria Rosa Mystica. God bless all of you.

Friar Rosario

■ *From Lebanon* - Dear Sisters and Brothers, The month of May is the month of Mary and here in Lebanon this month is consecrated to the Holy Virgin. Since the 13th of this month is the feast of Our Lady of Fatima, we celebrated this Marian day with much joy and spiritually united with you in Montichiari. May the Blessed Virgin give you joy, peace and courage to persevere in your mission.

*Prayer group Maria Rosa Mystica
Baabdash - Lebanon*

Timetable for July-August 2016

Every day:

16:00 Confessions
16:30 H. Rosary

Every Tuesday and Friday:

16:00 Confessions
16:30 H. Rosary or Stations of the Cross
17:00 H. Mass

Saturday:

16:00 Confessions
16:30 H. Rosary
17:00 H. Mass, pre-festive

Sundays and feast days:

16:00-18:00 Confessions
16:00 Adoration
16:30 H. Rosary
17:00 Solemn Mass

July 13 - Feast of Rosa Mystica, Mother of the Church

Prayer day for priests and religious
Timetable for feast days

August 15 - Assumption of Mary

Timetable for feast days

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all your priests bless you!*

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