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A Message of His Kingdom
From the **heart** of the
House Of Sanctification

NEWSLETTER FOR
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Thy Kingdom Come!

Everything is harmony in Jesus, even His Justice and Mercy.

Luisa: Having received Communion, I was saying to my adorable Jesus, "I am now tightly united with You – even more, I am identified with You. If we are one single thing then I leave my being in You, and I take Yours. So I leave You my mind, and I take Yours; I leave You my eyes, my mouth, my heart, my hands, my steps. Oh! how happy I will be from now on! I will think with your Mind, I will look with your eyes, I will speak with your mouth, I will love with your Heart, I will work with your hands, I will walk with your feet. And if someone comes to me, I will say, 'I left my being in Jesus and I took His own. Go to Jesus, and He will answer you for me.' Oh, how blissful I feel! Ah yes, I take from You also your beatitude, isn't it true, Jesus? But, my Life and my Good, with your beatitude You render all Heaven blissful, while if I take your beatitude I make no one blissful." And Jesus told me: "My daughter, you too, by taking all of my Being along with my beatitude, can make others blissful. Why has my Being the virtue of beatifying? Because everything is harmony in Me, one virtue harmonizes with the other: Justice with mercy, sanctity with beauty, wisdom with strength, immensity with depth and height, and so with all the rest. Everything is harmony in Me – nothing is discordant. These harmonies make Me blissful and I beatify all those who draw near Me. So, as you take my Being, be careful that all virtues harmonize among themselves; and this harmony will communicate beatitude to whomever draws near you, because in seeing goodness, sweetness, patience, charity and equality in everything in you, they will feel blissful being near you."

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Dear Hearts,

May His Kingdom Come!

What a wonderful April this has been. We have had so many beautiful visitors and with Mercy Sunday and Luisa's 141st Birthday falling on the same day this year...we have been in wonder and awe of the "goodness of the Lord!"

Thomas and Katherine Fahy joined us at the end of March. We were able to enjoy their company until the 18th of April. Thomas always brings "new and divine" teachings to us and to all who are visiting. Kathy, my dear friend, brings her hands to help us clean and her excellent cooking knowledge to help us enjoy so much the gaining of pounds upon pounds! (smile)

April 3rd saw the arrival of a distinguished group of 18 from Germany with whom we have become very good friends. The family Von Stockhausen was such a joy to welcome to the House of Sanctification! Fr. Dietrich, Fr. Armin, and Dr. Alma Von Stockhausen are a very eminent family in

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Bavaria who have worked with distinction for Holy Mother Church. We had the great blessing of visiting them last October and were overjoyed that they returned the visit this April. We pray that there will be many visits between Germany and Garabandal in the near future.

Also visiting with the Von Stockhausens were Kirsten Rostboll, a Lutheran Priest's wife from Norway and her sister Anneta from Denmark. Kirsten and Anneta are old friends from several years ago. We were delighted to have them! Kirsten has a very special life story. I pray one day to be able to share it with you. Anneta also! Anneta told us the beautiful story of her conversion to Catholicism!

We were able to get to know better, and thoroughly enjoy the company of Countess Fella Piccolomini, an excellent translator and a lover of Luisa! We also enjoyed Fr. Eckehard Edel's company, who is a very holy Priest.

Also gracing our House was Fr. Gerhard Wentzel, a most humble Franciscan whom we have come to love dearly since our trip to Corato last October. Fr. Gerhard brought the HOS a gift of a very large cloth picture of the Divine Mercy Jesus. This picture was hung in San Sebastian Church in Garabandal and was given the special blessing of Divine Mercy Sunday by our excellent Parish Priest, Fr Rolondo. We left it hanging for several hours as there were people coming up to touch and venerate it.

The sweet ladies who cooked and waited on us so kindly in Germany travelled to visit us also. This time we had the great blessing of being able to cook and wait on them for a change. A duty we enjoyed immensely! There was a harmony among all of us to such a degree that it was as if we were living that era of peace Our Good Lord speaks so much about in Luisa. God just seems to inundate the HOS with lovely and holy souls, and from all these souls, we receive many graces and blessings.

We have also had many individual holy souls and families. Our Lady seems to send souls who help us grow so much spiritually, and whom we seem to help a little too.

We received Canon Nolan and a beautiful group of Divine Will lovers from Scotland who are still with us. We will have the privilege of having them here at the HOS through the first week of May. We have enjoyed many discussions and talks on the doctrine of Luisa Piccarreta, with many more to come!

We give thanks to Our Lady and Our Lord for keeping the HOS busy taking care of so many holy souls, who are striving to live for the universal Glory of God, their Father and for His Kingdom to Come ! May it happen soon! I pray for each and everyone of you everyday and love you most dearly as my brothers and sisters in Christ!

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PS: We would most appreciate your email address if it would be ok to send you this little letter through cyberspace!

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After this He came back again, but all afflicted; and He told me: "I feel sad when they think that I am severe, and that I make more use of Justice than of Mercy. They behave with Me as if I were to strike them at each circumstance. Oh! How dishonored I feel by these persons. In fact, this leads them to remain at due distance from Me, and one who is distant cannot receive all the fusion of my love. And while they are the ones who do not love Me, they think that I am severe and almost a Being that strikes fear; while by just taking a look at my life, they cannot but notice that I did only one act of Justice – when, in order to defend the house of my Father, I took the ropes and snapped them to the right and to the left, to drive out the profaners. All the rest was only Mercy: Mercy my conception, my birth, my words, my works, my steps, the Blood I shed, my pains - everything in Me was merciful love. Yet, they fear Me, while they should fear themselves more than Me."

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Since April 23rd was Luisa's 141st birthday, as well as Divine Mercy Sunday, I would like to share a little about Luisa's life with you. Below is a brief explanation of who Luisa is!

Biographical Sketch

Luisa was born backwards on the Sunday after Easter in Corato, Italy, on April 23, 1865, and was baptized the same day. She lived her entire life there, except for the months her family spent at a farm each year when she was young. Luisa died in the odor of sanctity a little before her 82nd birthday on March 4, 1947, after a life which was extraordinary in the extraordinary.

Luisa had four sisters. Her father was Vito Nicola Piccarreta; and her mother was Rosa Tarantini, both from Corato. When Luisa was very young, she had a timid and fearful disposition. She had frequent nightmares which made her very fearful of the devil. She also dreamed several times of the Virgin Mary who sent the devil away from her.

As for the devil, Jesus told her that the enemy had discerned some special design of God upon her that would bring great glory to Him and that Satan would be defeated as never before. No matter how hard he tried, he couldn't make any impure affection or thought enter her because Jesus had closed all the doors to him. Thus he became furious and tried to terrify her with frightful dreams, ever vigilant to find ways to harm her, recognizing that she in some way seemed destined to destroy his infernal kingdom on earth.

When she was nine years old she made her First Communion and on the same day received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Eucharist became her predominate passion, and she centered all her affections on It. Already at that age Luisa remained for hours in church kneeling immobile, absorbed in contemplation.

At this same age she began to hear the voice of Jesus interiorly, especially when she received Him in Holy Communion. Jesus became her teacher in the things of God, correcting, reproofing, giving and explaining meditations. From that time onward, the amiable Jesus gave her lessons about the Cross, meekness, obedience, and about his hidden life on earth. This interior voice of Jesus brought her to detachment from herself and from everything. At age eleven Luisa became a "Daughter of Mary."

One day at the age of thirteen, while working in her house and considering the most sorrowful Passion of Jesus, she became so overwhelmed that she began to lose her breath. Luisa went out onto the balcony of the second floor of the building. As she looked down, she saw in the middle of the street an immense crowd of people conducting the most meek Jesus with the Cross upon his shoulder, dragging Him now one way and now another. He was struggling for breath, with his Face dripping with blood. He was in an attitude so piteous as to soften the very stones. Then He raised his eyes toward her, saying: "Soul, help Me!" It would be almost impossible to express the sorrow she felt and the impression so heart-rending that this scene produced in her. Luisa quickly returned to her room in a daze, not knowing where she was, her heart broken with sorrow; and she cried floods of tears over how much Jesus was suffering.

From that time on she possessed a profound longing to suffer for love of Jesus. At about that time her first physical sufferings began, though hidden, and also profound spiritual sufferings. After three years these diabolical assaults came almost to an end. And when she was sixteen, one day while at the farm, the demons gave her a last assault, so violent and painful that Luisa lost her senses. In this state she had a new vision of the suffering Jesus. Moved interiorly by sweet and loving invitations of grace, Luisa consented totally to the Divine Will and accepted the State of Victim to which Jesus and the Sorrowful Mother called her.

At the age of seventeen, Luisa began to vomit her food and to be confined intermittently to bed. All this was unexplainable to her family, the Priests and doctors. Later, after much moral suffering from her family and the Priests, her condition was realized to be a mystical illness corresponding to her state of voluntary victim and for the mission to which God had called her. From this time until her death some 64 years later, Luisa existed almost entirely without food or water. Her nourishment consisted of the Divine Will and the Holy Eucharist.

At age twenty-two she was confined permanently to bed. On October 16, 1888, at age twenty-three, Luisa was united to Jesus with the Grace of the "Mystical Espousal." Eleven months later, in the presence of the Most Holy Trinity and the entire Celestial Court, her union with Jesus was ratified; and she was bound to Him with the Grace of the "Mystical Marriage."

But on that blessed day there occurred also the "Prodigy of Prodigies." Luisa, now twenty-four, was given the Gift of the Divine Will! This is God's greatest Gift, the Grace of Graces, far greater even than the Mystical Marriage. At that moment, on that day, the Third Fiat of God began! It began in the soul of Luisa. From that instant the Kingdom of God began to form Its reign on earth, developing quietly, hiddenly, little by little, in souls disposed by Mary, who is the Mother and Queen of the Divine Will.

In February of 1899, in obedience to her Lord and her Confessor, Luisa begins to write. Her writings would go on for 40 years, putting on paper the most sublime secrets of the Mystery of the Divine Will. The remainder of her life was a mixture of joys and sufferings, writing, sewing, obeying, praying, and helping others with the wisdom of her kindly counsels. Jesus, Who alone can be trusted, was her sole consolation. When deprived of his sensible presence, her agony of soul was so profound as to surpass, at times, the very pains of Purgatory.

Luisa passed permanently into the Eternal Splendors on March 4, 1947. There was uncertainty about her death for four days as her body did not undergo 'rigor mortis' during that time, although it was impossible to distend her back. So, a special casket had to be constructed, allowing her to be placed in a sitting position, the way she had remained in bed for 64 years.

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