OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S MESSAGE OF APRIL 25, 2010

"Dear children! At this time, when in a special way you are praying and seeking my intercession, I call you, little children, to pray so that through your prayers I can help you to have all the more hearts be opened to my messages. Pray for my intentions. I am with you and I intercede before my Son for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

May 2, 2010 Message

"Dear children. Today, through me, the good Father calls you to, with your soul filled with love, set out on a spiritual visitation. Dear children, be filled with grace, sincerely repent for your sins and yearn for the good. Yearn also in the name of those who have not come to know the perfection of the good. You will be more pleasing to God. Thank you."

How to Honor Mary During the Month of May.

1. Sing This Song in Your Heart.

"Bring flowers of the fairest, bring flowers of the rarest,

From garden and woodland and hillside and vale.

Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling

The praise of the loveliest Rose of the Vale.

Refrain: O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today

Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May." (repeat)

2. Pray the Rosary United with Mary.

- **a.** First, Purify Your Heart. "Sincerely repent for your sins" through an act of contrition and go to Confession when you can. As Our Lady says: "No one can pray with a heavy heart." Then turn over to her all your problems and concerns with full confidence that she will take care of them.
- **b.** "<u>Bring flowers of the fairest</u>." Our Lady said once that each Hail Mary was like picking a flower and offering it to her with love. So we want to offer each Hail Mary to Our Lady as a sign of our love, which means it should come very sincerely from our heart. She has said that the only prayers that reach heaven are those that come with love from our heart.
- **c.** "Bring flowers of the rarest." In God's paradise, Mary is "the loveliest Rose of the Vale." She is totally acceptable to God because she is without sin and she is the "privileged Daughter of the Father, Mother of the Son, and Spouse of the Holy Spirit." So our prayers should always be united with the prayers of Our Lady. As Pope John Paul II used to say: "Her Son would not know how to refuse any of her requests."

3. With Mary Relive the Mystery of the Visitation. ("spiritual visitation")

- **a.** Reach Out to Others. "Mary went with haste into the hill country." Mary put the good of Elizabeth before her own concerns. We should be attentive to the needs of others before our own. This is called caring and it is a sign of love. Let Our Lady guide us in this.
- **b.** <u>Greet Others Lovingly.</u> "Mary greeted Elizabeth." The usual greeting was Shalom Peace be with you or May every good thing be your good fortune. Our Lady advised Ivanka: "Think positive thoughts, say positive things, do positive things and you will always have peace and carry peace." Ask Our Lady to place kind and caring words on your lips for everyone.
- **c.** Cause Hearts to Leap for Joy. Mary greeted Elizabeth and John the Baptist leaped with joy within her. The reason: Mary brought Jesus to them and Jesus unleashed a powerful grace that caused gret delight. Our words should always uplift a person's spirit. If Mary is with us in this effort then Jesus will act.

May is the "special time" when we honor Our Lady and seek her special intercession in all our needs. But Mary asks us to pray for <u>her</u> intentions this month, and she guarantees that she will be with us and hearts will open.