

Seek His Holy Face

*If My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and **Seek My Face** and turn from their wicked ways ... I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

2 Chronicles 7:14

Miraculous Images of Jesus



Since Jesus walked the earth, He has been leaving us miraculous images to help us visualize His face and draw closer to Him! From Veronica's Veil, the Shroud of Turin, the burial veil of Manoppello, the Holy Image of Edessa and even the Divine Mercy Image, Jesus is calling us to seek His Holy Face!

According to tradition, Saint Veronica courageously broke through the angry mob as Jesus walked to His crucifixion, to use her veil to wipe the blood, sweat and spittle from His beaten and bruised face leaving an imprint of His Holy Face on her veil. In Latin her name means "true image" and this precious relic is venerated as authentic and stored securely at the Vatican. **Her feast day is on July 12th!**

Jesus explicitly asks us to venerate His Holy Face!

In 1843, Jesus and Our Lady began appearing to a Carmelite nun, Sister Marie of Saint-Peter from Tours, France, imploring her to start a devotion to venerate His wounded, Holy Face. He said, "**I seek Veronicas to wipe and honor My Divine Face which has few adorers.**" He explained to her that gazing upon His Holy Face would act as reparation for the sins against His first three commandments:



1. I am the Lord Your God; you shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.

He said this devotion would combat blasphemies against God and the desecration of Sundays and Holy Days. Jesus told Sister, "**The executioners crucified Me on Friday, Christians crucify me on Sunday.**"

Sr. Marie of Saint-Peter said the Savior made me understand He was greatly irritated against mankind for our sins, but particularly for those that directly outrage the Majesty of God, that is, Communism, Atheism, and cursing. These apparitions lasted five years and Jesus begged for faithful souls to imitate Veronica saying:

“Look at the torrents of tears that stream from My eyes! Can I find no one to wipe away these tears by making reparation to My Father, and imploring forgiveness for the guilty?”

His Holy Face Devotion is more than just another set of prayers, it's a plea from Heaven for us to emulate Veronica by having compassion and pity on our hurting world. The powerful prayers associated with this devotion, though simple, are for the conversion of sinners, those who have left the Church and those who may never know the gift of salvation and for the reparation for all the continued insults and profanities toward Our Lord. Jesus has issued an urgent call to all of us to gaze at His Holy Face with a promise He is gazing back at you!

Sr. Marie of Saint-Peter wrote a book which promotes this devotion called, The **“Golden Arrow”** because the Lord dictated a prayer of this same name which would act as a means of devotion and reparation:

“May the Most Holy, Most Sacred, Most Adorable, Most Mysterious and Unutterable Name of God be praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified, in Heaven, on earth, and under the earth, by all God's creatures, and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Amen.”

Jesus promised to imprint His divine likeness on souls - and personally defend them in front of His Father – when they honor His Holy Face and defend His cause by words, prayers or in writing.

The Miraculous Apparition of Veronica's Veil:



In 1849, the year after Sister died, Rome was being attacked so the Pope displayed Veronica's veil for three days and asked for her intercession. On the last day, the veil **came to life for three hours!** Several artists were brought in to memorialize the image. These images were replicated on linen, touched to the veil, the lance of Longinus and a piece of the true cross and distributed globally! One man who received one of these relic images was Venerable Leo DuPont, “The Holy Man of Tours.” He was a contemporary of Sr. Marie of Saint-Peter and his relentless prayers and unwavering devotion to the Holy Face resulted in more than 6,000 “Vatican Approved” miraculous healings.

Many people in France began venerating the Holy Face of Jesus including St Therese of Lisieux and her family. She was so profoundly affected by this devotion that she chose her religious name to be St. Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face.



In 1883, the Vatican approved a petition from France for a Devotion to the Holy Face. Two short years later, Pope Leo XIII, recognizing the need for this Devotion, approved the establishment of the Archconfraternity of the Holy Face enabling the Devotion to spread from France to the rest of the world.

Jesus asks for a Medal of His Holy Face

In 1936 Jesus began appearing to Blessed Mother Maria Pierina De Micheli with new revelations on His Holy Face. She felt Jesus was asking her to create a medal with the words, **“Illumina, Domine Vultum Tuum Super Nos (May the light of thy Face shine upon us)”** on one side and a Host on the other surrounded by rays with the words **“Mane Nobiscum Domine A.M.D.G. (Stay with us Lord. For the greater glory of God)”** He said to her:



“By My Holy Face you will obtain the conversion of numberless sinners. Nothing that you ask in making this offering will be refused you. According to the care you take in making reparation to My Face, disfigured by blasphemers, I will take care of your soul, which has been disfigured by sin. I will reprint on it My Image and render it as beautiful as it was on leaving the Baptismal

Font. I promise personal and spiritual protection to all who venerate this medal.”

Padre Pio was remembered as passing out countless Holy Face medals saying, **“This medal is your entrance ticket to Heaven.”**

In 1939, Jesus said to her: ***“I wish that my Holy Face be honored in a particular manner on Tuesdays.”*** And ***“I wish that it be venerated by a special feast on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday.”***

Will You Help Bring the Devotion to His Holy Face to Atlanta?

Sr. Marie of Saint-Peter said Jesus desired to establish Confraternities of Reparation to His Holy Face throughout the world saying, **“It is the express will of God that this**

Devotion be established in every diocese.” She said Our Lord showed her an Association of an army of brave soldiers, uniting themselves to Him as to their Commander-in-Chief, to defend the glory of His Father.

Currently Keri Allen and Jerry Tiarsmith are gathering spiritual warriors to join them in a monthly meeting to accept Jesus’ invitation to promote this devotion. Their desire is to encourage a Confraternity to the Holy Face Chapter in Atlanta.

Jerry Tiarsmith said his interest in the Holy Face was not something that he went looking for, but rather, “The Holy Face found me!” He was listening to the Feb. 28th episode of the Family Room podcast on AM1160 The Quest Atlanta (www.TheQuestAtlanta.com.) They interviewed the distant niece of Sr. Marie of Saint-Peter, Mary Jane Zuzulo about her new book, “**Unveiling the Sixth Station of the Cross: Reparation to the Holy Face, Mother of All Devotions**” and he was immediately drawn to learn more. Jerry encourages others to download “The Holy Face” app as a great way to start and to access the Holy Face prayers.

Keri Allen said, “What a great time to be alive. Just think, God has chosen each one of us to be here in this significant time in history, maybe the most significant time since Pentecost. We have a purpose - a purpose to help change the direction of the world. This is a great opportunity to help save souls who may otherwise be lost forever, including our own loved ones who have strayed from their faith. This devotion to His Holy Face is a simple and effective opportunity with wonderful promises from Our Lord for those who pray these prayers in private or with others; it’s something everyone can do to make a difference in our troubled world.”

The Holy Face Devotion is a timely testament to the transformative power of faith, prayer, and contemplation. As we journey through life’s joys and sorrows, may we seek the Holy Face of Jesus with trust and devotion, to help save the lost and to bring Our Lord consolation.

“I wish that my Face, which reflects the intimate sorrow of my soul, and the suffering and love of my Heart, be better honored. He who contemplates me consoles me.”

A group gathers on the first Saturday of each month at Christ The Redeemer Parish in Dawsonville after the 9am mass from 9:45am to 10:30am. All are welcome! If you would like more information on the local Holy Face prayer group or to receive (2) Holy Face Medals and (2) Holy Face Prayer Cards, one to keep and one to give away, email Keri Allen at Info@ProclaimMyWord.org.