

THE 25TH DAY OF EACH MONTH, THE BLESSED VIRGIN GIVES A MESSAGE TO THE VISIONARY MARIJA, THAT IS TO BE GIVEN TO THE WORLD.

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“Dear children! In this time of grace, I call you anew to prayer and renunciation. May your day be interwoven with little ardent prayers for all those who have not come to know God's love. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Humility

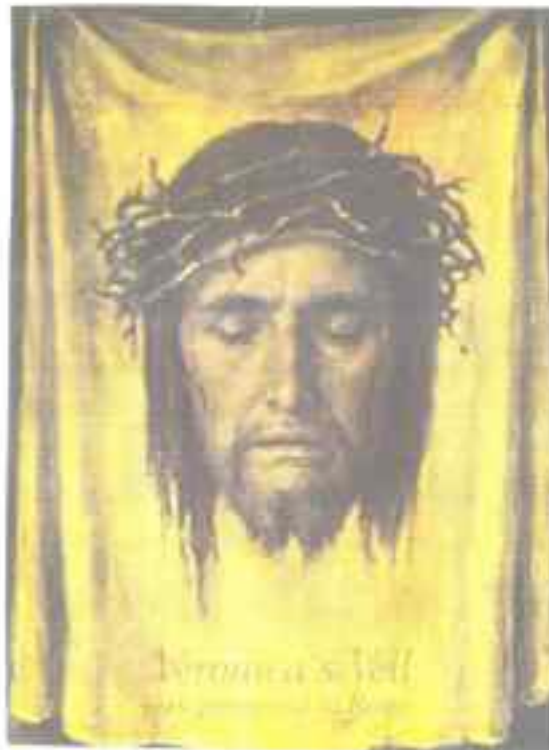
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A number of months ago someone hurt me deeply. For a month I let it bother me. I was not angry at all, just deeply hurt. It kept gnawing at me and I just could not get this of my mind. When I went to confession and told the priest about this, he told me that we should not dwell on things like this because then we might miss the lesson God is trying to teach us through this situation. How true!

The next day after that confession, I went to a one-day retreat, where there was sharing time. I always learn something from these sharing times. That day a lady mentioned that a priest had told her that it is a sin to be overly sensitive. She went on to explain that it is a sin of pride, because we are focusing on ourselves. This made perfect sense to me, because when we are too sensitive it makes us unhappy, and this is not from God. God w

Stations of the Cross book I have, written by prayer says something that is so simple, yet so profound: “The key to all sanity (good mental health), the key to all good spiritual health (sanctity) is ACCEPTANCE.”

The following prayer was given to me as a penance years ago in confession. It was written by Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val (1865-1930), Secretary of State for Pope Saint Pius X. If you have the little blue “Pieta” book, you will recognize this prayer. It is a good prayer to pray every day. What a gem!



Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the desire of being loved...

From the desire of being extolled ...

From the desire of being honored ...

From the desire of being praised ...

From the desire of being preferred to others...

From the desire of being consulted ...

From the desire of being approved ...

From the fear of being humiliated ...

From the fear of being despised...

From the fear of suffering rebukes ...

From the fear of being calumniated [falsely accused]...

From the fear of being forgotten ...

From the fear of being ridiculed ...

From the fear of being wronged ...

From the fear of being suspected ...

That others may be loved more than I,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I ...

That, in the opinion of the world,

others may increase and I may decrease ...

That others may be chosen and I set aside ...

That others may be praised and I unnoticed ...

That others may be preferred to me in everything...

That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should...