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94<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apparition of the Immaculate Heart of Mary at Pontevedra, Spain

Requesting the First Saturdays Devotion

## **WORLDWIDE CELEBRATION OF THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT JACINTA MARTO'S DEATH, 20<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY, 2020**

Dearest leaders and members of the WAF nations of the world, dear Marian devotees and faithful of the Catholic faith:

The World Apostolate of Fatima International in conjunction with the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal is convoking all of the faithful to join the great celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Saint Jacinta Marto of Fatima on the 20<sup>th</sup> of February, 2020. On this day, the Church celebrates the liturgical feast of Saint Francisco and Saint Jacinta Marto, the Little Shepherds of Fatima, canonized on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

This cover letter provides us with the opportunity to participate in the official celebrations at the Shrine of Fatima in Portugal, offering as well the guidelines to have a unique celebration in our parishes and Catholic institutions to mark the day with abundant grace and mercy to all.

### **SUGGESTED PROGRAMME**

1. The Program begins with a Vigil of Adoration and Reparation to the Blessed Sacrament in the company of the Immaculate Heart of Mary **on the eve, Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> of February, 2020**, offered for the intention of the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in our days. (Meditation of the Holy Rosary, procession with candles where possible, veneration of the relics, if possible, Fatima prayers, prayers of reparation, blessing of the faithful.)

2. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of February, 2020 we offer in our place at the most convenient time:

a. A solemn meditated Rosary (for the conversion of many sinners);

b. Procession with the icons or statues of Our Lady of Fatima and Saint Jacinta and Saint Francisco (for the families, the youth and children of the world);

c. Holy Votive Mass of the Little Shepherds (for the unity and strength of the Church);

d. Talk on the Children of Fatima based on the Conference enclosed: **THE SAINTS OF FATIMA AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**. The Saints of Fatima must be made known throughout the universal Church as models for holiness, as a missionary for the evangelization and active life (Saint Jacinta) and as contemplative of the mystery of God, consoler and reparative soul (Saint Francisco), the two schools for sainthood.

e. Event with children and youngsters to honor the Little Shepherds of Fatima after knowing about their lives as presented in the talk. May be done with participants of the Sunday School or Catechetical groups or Catholic associations of children and youngsters;

f. Vespers (to reject consumerism and accept in our lives that GOD IS FIRST.).

The prayers at the Little Chapel of the Apparitions may be followed by internet: <http://live.worldfatima.com> This is through our WAF International webpage. The program at the Shrine of Fatima will be as follows:

**February 19<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday**

**21:30:** Prayer vigil, with Rosary prayer, procession and veneration of the tombs of Saint Jacinta and Saint Francisco Marto (Chapel of the Apparitions and Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary)

**February 20<sup>th</sup>, Thursday**

**10:00** – Solemn Rosary prayer (Chapel of the Apparitions)

**10:45** – Procession with the Icons of Saint Francisco and Saint Jacinta Marto

**11:00** – Holy Mass (Basilica of the Most Holy Trinity)

**14:00–16:00** – Activity with children (Basilica of the Most Holy Trinity)

**17:30** – Solemn Vespers (Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary)

**18:30** – Rosary prayer (Chapel of the Apparitions)

**21:30** – Rosary prayer (Chapel of the Apparitions)

*(The hours correspond to Portugal time zone)*

The World Apostolate of Fatima is an international public association of the faithful of pontifical right present now in 120 countries around the world. This is the official Apostolate of Fatima for the Universal Church pursuing the sanctification of its members by spreading and making live the authentic Message of Fatima as an instrument for the New Evangelization and the formation of families, the two most important task in the Church today.

We thank Father Carlos Cabecinhas, Rector of the Shrine of Fatima, Portugal, for this joint effort is spreading throughout the world the authentic spirituality of Fatima. ORBIS UNUS ORANS.

In Christ and Mary Queen,



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