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Latest News from the Marian Library

Fatima Contest — The Mariology Club of the University of Dayton is collaborating with the **Marian Library** in sponsoring a contest on Our Lady of Fatima. The object of the competition is to foster greater knowledge of, and increasing devotion to, Our Lady of Fatima. We are using the inside pages of this **Newsletter** to publish the rules of the contest. Would you kindly inform your acquaintances who may not be receiving the **Newsletter** about this timely competition.

Marian Reprints — For almost a decade the Marian Library has been publishing the **Marian Reprints**. Since this is one of the services of the Library, there never was any idea that there would be a financial profit, but simply that we would "break even." For a long time, however, we have been publishing the **Reprints** at a loss. Rather than attempt to make up the deficit by increasing the price, we are reducing the number of issues each year from eight to seven. Of course, this new policy will go into effect with the expiration of present subscriptions. Coming **Marian Reprints** include 73-74 — The Sodality Documents of Pius XII; 75 — Proceedings of the World Sodality Congress, Seton Hall, Newark, August 20-24, 1959; 76 — Addresses Given at the Dedication of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington D. C., November 20, 1959.

Marian Studies — A new **Marian Study**, Number 5, has just been published. It contains a summary of the Third International Mariological Congress held at Lourdes in September, 1958, and the address of Pope Pius XII on that occasion (probably his last formal talk on the Blessed Virgin) in which the Pontiff reaffirmed his belief in Mary's role in our times: "We are certain that the restoration of Christ through Mary cannot fail to be realized. . . ."

Marianist—What is the real meaning and message of Fatima as distinguished from the sensationalism that has occasionally surrounded this devotion? In its May issue the **Marianist** will attempt to put Fatima in focus, viewing it in its true perspective within the Christian life. The May **Marianist** will feature articles by Father Francis Filas, S.J., of Loyola University, April Armstrong, Carl Evers of the Blue Army, Father John Ryan, and others. An expanded photo section will give added value to this Fatima theme issue. A limited number of extra copies will be available.

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FATIMA CONTEST

1. Any student in a high school, college, university, or seminary in the United States or Canada is eligible to enter except members of the Mariology Club of the U. of Dayton and the staff of the Marian Library.
2. The contest consists of twenty-five quotations relating to Fatima which are to be correctly identified. The contestant must indicate:
 - a. who said or wrote what is quoted
 - b. author, title, publisher, date, and page of book in which the quotation may be found.
3. The contest opens March 25, 1960 and closes May 1, 1960. Winners will be announced in the May **Newsletter**. No entries postmarked later than May 1 will be accepted.
4. Entries must be **typed** or **printed** on 8½ by 11 paper and addressed to: Fatima Contest, Mariology Club, c/o The Marian Library, University of Dayton, Dayton 9, Ohio. Please **print** your name, school, and address.
5. **PRIZES:** First Prize — \$40 in cash and three Marian books.*
Second Prize \$20 in cash and three Marian books.*
Third Prize — \$10 in cash and three Marian books.*
Fourth Prize — \$5 in cash and three Marian books.*
Fifth Prize — Three Marian books.*
Sixth Prize — Winner's choice of one-year subscription to two Marian magazines.
Seventh Prize — Winner's choice of one-year subscription to any Marian magazine.
Eighth to Fifteenth Prizes—One-year subscription to **Marian Reprints**.
*Selection may be made from a list furnished by the Marian Library.
6. In case of ties, the entry with the earlier postmark will be given preference.
7. Extra copies may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the above address.
8. **Suggestions** — Some quotations are taken from the following books. You might use them as a "starter."
 1. Mathews, Stanley G., S.M., Ed., **Queen of the Universe**, Grail, 1957.
 2. Ryan, Archbishop Finbar, O.P., **Our Lady of Fatima**, Newman, 1944.
 3. Haffert, John M., **Russia Will Be Converted, Ave Maria Institute** (Washington, New Jersey), 1950 and 1954.

QUOTATIONS

1. "Your crowning of this image of Our Lady (of Fatima) is an attestation of faith in her royalty, but also of submission to her authority, of filial and constant correspondence to her love. It is more: for by this act you become crusaders for the conquest or reconquest of her kingdom which is the kingdom of God; you undertake, that is to say, to strive that she be loved, venerated, served, by all around you: in the family, in society, in the world."
2. "Superstition can do a great deal of harm to the Fatima message by regarding it as a magic formula instead of realizing that, simple as it seems on the surface, it involves a real change of life."
3. "Oh, I am very sorry for Our Lady, I am very sorry for her!"
4. "I do not need images in order to pray, but I honour them, to be in harmony with the spirit of the Church. I do not pray to the statue but to the Virgin who is in heaven; I transport myself there."
5. "It may seem that I should have revealed these things sooner than I did, and that their value would have been doubled. It might have been so if God had wished me to appear before the world as a prophetess, but such was not His will . . ."
6. "If the liar goes to hell, then I am not going to hell, because I do not lie, and I tell only what I have seen and what the Lady has told me. And as for the people who go there, they go only because they want to. We have not sum-

- moned anyone there.”
7. “The Solar phenomenon of October 13, 1917, described in the press at the time, was most marvellous and made a very deep impression on those who were present.”
 8. “Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, I adore You profoundly. I offer you the most precious Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the insults, sacrileges and indifferences whereby He is offended. By the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and of the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg of You the conversion of sinners.”
 9. “Ah! if the confessionals of Fatima could only bear testimony!”
 10. “The Lord wishes to establish in the world a devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.”
 11. “When all the world is taught that she can, by her prayer, obtain all graces from God, then will peace be granted to the world.”
 12. “Oh my Lady, I will recite as many Rosaries as you wish!”
 13. “Yes, I am suffering; but all for the conversion of sinners or to expiate for the offenses which are made against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.”
 14. “My God, I believe, I adore, I hope, and I love you. I beg pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope, and do not love you.”
 15. “Don’t you know Our Lord is sad? Our Lady told us that people should not offend Him any more because He is already much offended. But nobody listens. They go on committing the same sins.”
 16. “So the Blessed Virgin is going to work a great miracle in order that the whole world will believe that her Apparitions are real! Aren’t you afraid the people will be angry if the miracle doesn’t happen?”
 17. “She bids us, boldly, cost what it may—as the gathering of Catholic Youth affirmed at Fatima—live as sincere, convinced, integral Catholics. More still she bids us out of the fullness of Christ, to diffuse around us, near and far, the perfume of Christ, and by constant prayer—especially the daily Rosary—as well as by such sacrifices as zeal inspires, to win for sinful souls the life of grace and life eternal.”
 18. “A Lady all in white, more brilliant than the sun, clearer and more intense than a crystal cup full of crystalline water penetrated by the rays of the most glaring sun.”
 19. “Do you wish to offer yourselves to God in order to bear the trials and sufferings He wants to send you, as a means of reparation for sin and of supplication for the conversion of sinners?”
 20. “This enormous multitude was drenched, for it had rained unceasingly since dawn. But—though this may appear incredible—after the great miracle everyone felt comfortable, and found his garments quite dry, a subject of general wonder. . . . The truth of this fact has been guaranteed with the greatest sincerity by dozens and dozens of persons of absolute trustworthiness, whom I have known intimately from childhood, and who are still alive (1937), as well as by persons from various districts of the country who were present.”
 21. “If someone, who had closed his eyes 25 years ago, were to open them now, he would no longer recognize Portugal, so profound and extensive is the transformation effected by that modest and unnoticed factor—the Apparitions of Fatima. Truly the Blessed Virgin wishes to save Portugal.”
 22. “We cannot find in them any selfishness or vanity. They accept neither alms nor gifts which the people want to give them. When we decided to direct the works and the religious movement personally, they honestly gave us . . . the money and other valuable objects which the people in their ardor had left in the place of the apparitions.”
 23. “I’m not going to the Cova da Iria,” she announced on the morning of the thirteenth of July, “I think there’s something bad there.” and for a time not all the tears and pleadings of the other two could move her.”
 24. “Give up your sins,” . . . “Make sacrifices and give up your sins. The Lady says we must make sacrifices!”
 25. “I don’t believe it. You are a fine saint to be seeing Our Lady.”

MARIAN LIBRARY STUDIES

1. **Mary and the Mystical Body** by Thomas A. Stanley, S.M., S.T.D. 1953. 32p.
2. **The Blessed Virgin and Social Reconstruction** by John J. Griffin. 1954. 141p.
3. **Mary in Protestant Theology and Worship** by Paul F. Palmer, S.J., S.T.D., 1955. 32p.
4. **Lourdes Publications in French in the Clugnet Collection** by William Fackovec, S.M. 1958. 71p.
5. **Third International Mariological Congress - Lourdes, 1958.** Address of Pope Pius XII; summary by Charles Balic, O.F.M., 32p.

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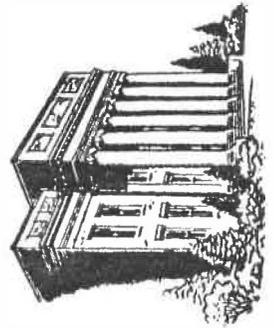
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