#### Sr. Mary of St. Peter and the Work of Reparation



SR. MARY OF ST. PETER

Sr. Mary of St. Peter (*French:* Marie de Saint Pierre) (1816–1848), was a Discalced Carmelite nun who lived in Tours, France. From 1844 to 1847, our Lord spoke to her about spreading throughout the world, the devotion to His Most Holy Face. He also revealed to her, in particular, that the Father was greatly offended by sin, especially by the widespread violation of the first three of the Ten Commandments: the Holy Name of God blasphemed, and the Holy Day of the Lord profaned. Through this work of reparation to the Holy Face, God's justice would be disarmed. He promised to imprint His divine likeness on the souls of those who honor His most holy countenance, and He further promised that all who would defend His cause in the Work of Reparation by words, by prayers, or in writing, will be defended by Him before His Father.

"Those who by words, prayers or writing defend My cause in this Work of Reparation I will defend before My Father, and will give them My Kingdom."

He further explained that this Work of Reparation included "not only reparation for what is generally called blasphemy, that is, abusing the Holy Name of God, but that it also embraced reparation for *all attacks against Religion and against Holy Church*, since these also constitute a form of blasphemy."

The following is a collection of devotional prayers to honor the Holy Face of Jesus Christ our Lord in reparation for the insults and indignities offered It and His Divinity in our day, taken from the Autobiography of Sr. Mary of St. Peter called "The Golden Arrow." This devotion is approved by the Holy Catholic Church and is elevated to the status of Archconfraternity.

## Prayers of Reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus



"Oh, you, who are my friends, and my faithful children, look and see if there be any sorrow like mine. Everywhere My enemies despise and insult both my Eternal Father and My Church, the cherished Spouse of My Heart. Will no one rise up to console Me by defending the glory of My Father, and the honor of My Spouse, which has been so cruelly attacked? I can no longer remain in the midst of a people that will continue to

be so heedless and so ungrateful. 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?"

- WORDS OF OUR LORD TO SR. MARY OF ST. PETER

#### Offering to the Eternal Father

O Almighty and eternal God, look upon the Face of Your Son Jesus. We present it to You with confidence to implore Your pardon. The All-Merciful Advocate opens His mouth to plead our cause; hear His cries, behold His tears, O God, and through His infinite merits hearken to Him when He intercedes for us poor and miserable sinners.

#### Offering of the Holy Face (by St. John Vianney, *The Cure of Ars*)

Oh, my beautiful Immaculate Mother Mary, Queen of Sorrows, I beg of you, by the inexpressible agony you did endure at the foot of the Cross, to offer to the Eternal Father, in my stead, the Holy Face of your Divine Son, my Jesus, covered with Blood, wounds, and other indignities heaped upon Him during His Sacred Passion, and beg of Him to grant ... (Here mention the grace or favor you desire). Amen.

### An Act of Reparation for Blasphemies Against the Blessed Virgin Mary

Most glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, turn your eyes in pity upon us, miserable sinners; we are sorely afflicted by the many evils that surround us in this life, but especially do we feel our hearts break within us upon hearing the dreadful insults and blasphemies uttered against you, O Virgin Immaculate.

We desire to love you and to honor you with all our hearts, O most holy Mother, since this is the will of God. And just because we love you, we will do all that is in our power to make you honored and loved by all men. In the meantime may you, our merciful Mother, the supreme comforter of the afflicted, accept this our act of reparation which we offer you for ourselves and for our families, as well as for those who impiously blaspheme you, not knowing what

they say. May you obtain for them from Almighty God the grace of conversion, and thus render more manifest and more glorious your kindness, your power, and your great mercy.

May they join with us in proclaiming you blessed among women, the Immaculate Virgin, and most compassionate Mother of God.

#### HAIL MARY said three times.

#### Prayer to St. Joseph

O most faithful Saint Joseph, you who in your earthly life were ever faithful in keeping the law of God, grant that the day may soon come when all Christian people shall refrain from those works that are forbidden on Sundays by God's law, and shall devote themselves earnestly to the salvation of their souls.

Teach us, like you, to gaze with love and devotion on the Face of Jesus, and to give glory to God, Who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

# Promises of Our Lord Jesus Christ in favor of those who honor His Holy Face

- All those who honor My Face in a spirit of reparation will by so doing perform the office of
  the pious Veronica. According to the care they take in making reparation to My Face,
  disfigured by blasphemers, so will I take care of their souls which have been disfigured by
  sin. My Face is the seal of the Divinity, which has the virtue of reproducing in souls the
  image of God.
- 2. Those who by words, prayers or writing defend My cause in this Work of Reparation I will defend before My Father, and will give them My Kingdom.
- 3. By offering My Face to My Eternal Father, nothing will be refused, and the conversion of many sinners will be obtained.
- 4. By My Holy Face, they will work wonders, appease the anger of God and draw down mercy on sinners.

- 5. As in a kingdom they can procure all that is desired with a coin stamped with the King's effigy, so in the Kingdom of Heaven they will obtain all they desire with the precious coin of My Holy Face.
- 6. Those who on earth contemplate the wounds of My Face shall in Heaven behold it radiant with glory.
- 7. They will receive in their souls a bright and constant irradiation of My Divinity, that by their likeness to My Face they shall shine with particular splendor in Heaven.
- 8. I will defend them, I will preserve them and I assure them of Final Perseverance.