

# Following Our Lady's Path to Her Triumph

Father Nicholas Gruner's predestined journey through life has led him down a path of thorns to behold and to be enamored by the precious rose within. The thorns are the constant trials and attacks from the opponents of Fatima. The precious rose within is none other than the Mother of God, Our Lady of Fatima.

To ensure that Our Lady gets all the credit for Her final triumph, God has chosen the weak to confound the strong. The enemies of Our Lady and of our souls are so strong! We are weak, but in Our Lady's hands we become stronger. She leads all of us through the thorny paths to assist Her in the privileged task of spreading the Message of Fatima for the salvation of souls and the fulfillment of Her promise of world peace.

Below, Father Gruner describes for you that path — making reference to many past issues of *The Fatima Crusader* — of God's plan to utilize him and all of us in order to put devotion to the Immaculate Heart beside devotion to the Sacred Heart, through the ultimate triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Father Gruner was interviewed for this 100th issue of *The Fatima Crusader* and extensively questioned about the work of the Fatima Center over the years and what we all **MUST** do in the near future to reach Our Lady's triumph. This article is an edited text of his replies to our queries. (Section titles and sub-titles are added by the Editor.)

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## PART I

### How I Got Started on Fatima

**A**fter graduating from McGill University in Montreal in 1964, I began making plans to travel to Europe. On hearing this, my grandfather, Dr. Michael Gruner, insisted that I must

visit Aylesford where Our Lady of Mount Carmel appeared to St. Simon Stock with the Brown Scapular in 1251. Now, my grandfather was a very gentle man, but in this case, he was particularly insistent.

On November 15, 1964, after working my passage across the sea on a Norwegian

freighter, I landed in England. In early December, I decided to fulfill my promise to my grandfather to visit Aylesford. The property had been stolen by the English kings from the Carmelite Friars in 1549 and 400 years later, in 1949, the Friars bought it back. Once there, I volunteered my services to help with the reconstruction. The building was rebuilt and reopened in July 1965 and solemnly blessed by Cardinal John Carmel Heenan.

In March 1965, I visited Garabandal, Spain. I later returned there on June 18, 1965 and met various pilgrims from around the world. They were there at Garabandal during the appearance of St. Michael, who had given the last message of Garabandal to the world on behalf of Our Lady.

At Garabandal, I was handed literature about the Message of Fatima and among the things I remember seeing were the words of Our Lady on July 13, 1917. Those words have been impressed on my memory ever since. She made a very striking ultimatum to mankind:

**“If My requests are granted, Russia will be converted**

**and there will be peace. If My requests are not granted, Russia will spread her errors throughout the world, raising up wars and persecutions against the Church. The good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, various nations will be annihilated.”**

It was strikingly clear to me then and ever since that there is no third alternative for mankind. Either enough of mankind accepts, believes and acts upon Our Lady’s requests and we have peace, prosperity and salvation; or – not enough obedience is given to Our Lady’s requests and we have destruction, enslavement, destitution and death.

Many theologians and wise men of this world claim they, and others, don’t have to believe Our Lady of Fatima. They foolishly think their consciences are perfectly clear, yet they deny Her the obedience they owe Her. They feel good while they go about their business and ignore Our Lady of Fatima.

It’s an illusion which they will pay for with the loss of their own lives and possibly even with the loss of their own souls. Worse still, their ignorance and stupidity will

cause many other people to not obey.

All because they do not know the full Message of Our Lady of Fatima.

### **Garabandal or Fatima?**

In the meantime, I had been tentatively promoting the Garabandal apparitions but soon ran into the objection that it was not yet approved by the Church. On the other hand, Fatima has been approved by every Pope since 1930 and the Message of Our Lady offers world peace and such tremendously good things for mankind, if we would only obey. So I transferred my apostolic zeal to the Fatima Message.

### **The Thorns Among the Roses**

In 1965, I entered the seminary and in 1976, I was ordained a priest. In the meantime, in 1972, I helped bring the Pilgrim Virgin Statue blessed by Pope Paul VI at Fatima, to Canada.

While I was in the seminary in Italy, about 1971, a priest who had special gifts, told me that my vocation as a priest was to promote devotion to Our Lady.

When I met the same priest, about 1985 – I was al-

ready eight years into doing this work – he reminded me: “Didn’t I tell you that this is the work you are supposed to be doing?”

How I got into the work of this apostolate was a very unusual path. The Italian religious community that had sponsored my ordination as a diocesan priest had hopeful plans to expand their Italian outreach to the English-speaking world.

At that time, their work was only in Italy. However, after I was a few months into the novitiate, it seemed clear to me that their zealous plan would not come to fruition. This concerned me as I did not know enough of the Italian dialect to properly hear confessions there and the local bishop had put severe restrictions on my ministry because I did not speak like a native Italian.

Thus I sought to transfer my novitiate into an English-speaking community of the same religious order, but the American Provincial I went to, with the blessing of both my bishop and Italian community, stated basically the following:

(1) “We will not accept you until after you finish your Italian novitiate and are

not promising to accept you, even then.”

(2) “The vote for Communion in the hand is coming up for the American bishops for the second or third time. If it goes through, will you obey the command to give Communion in the hand?”

My answer, of course, could be no other than ...

### **“No! I Will NOT Give Communion in the Hand.”**

So my course was sealed as far as that religious community was concerned. I then sought from my bishop advice as to what to do next, since I could not continue in the Italian community, not knowing the local dialect where I would be stationed.

In addition, since I was over in North America at the time, I sought various possible situations to potentially fulfill the canonical obligations I had as a Catholic priest in regards to who my religious superiors were.

I knew I had a problem of conscience regarding the Protestant and Arian practice of Communion in the hand. This problem was putting obstacles before me, despite the fact that my right to refuse

giving Communion in the hand was then, and is still, today, upheld by the law of the Church.

Nevertheless, my options were restricted because most bishops do not understand, even to this day, that a Catholic priest cannot be forced under holy obedience to give Communion in the hand to the faithful. I have written to the Pope twice about this, as well as having printed articles about it in *The Fatima Crusader*.

### **The Silver Lining in the Cloud**

As a result of this forced “obedience” against God’s law, my alternatives were narrowed down to almost no alternative.

At the same time, this Fatima Apostolate needed some help to continue its good work; so, in 1977, I became the Executive Director of what is now known as the Fatima Center.

In the beginning, the work of the apostolate was primarily traveling extensively with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from city to city and town to town across thousands of miles in Canada and the United States, with a guard-

ian who would give talks on Fatima and hand out Fatima literature.

In June 1978, I myself became the guardian to travel with the Statue, as well as organizing trips from our head office with the help of one secretary.

## PART II

### Early Steps of *The Fatima Crusader* and Crusade

#### **The First Issue of *The Fatima Crusader***

It seemed a good idea to me to have a magazine to accompany my trips so we put out our first issue of *The Fatima Crusader*. It was 8 pages, black and white, and to save money, we collated it ourselves and there were no staples put in each copy. I felt I was going out on a limb financially when I borrowed about \$1,000 to print, what to me, was a large run of 20,000 copies.

Even today, I still feel like I am going out on a limb for each magazine. Oh how I wish it were only \$1,000, but the cost to put out a *Crusader* today is \$180,000 to \$275,000 for each magazine and we print anywhere from 330,000 to 500,000 per issue, depend-

ing on various factors, including our credit line at the time.

On my first trip with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, I travelled from Ontario to British Columbia and back again. Those were long, long days. One of them went for 19 hours non-stop – from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. the following day. In that one day I covered 200 miles, visited five different parishes, and heard confessions at the last chapel until 2:00 a.m. in the morning.

I was staying at the rectory of the bishop in Prince Albert, which was one of the two dioceses in Canada at that time that forbade Communion in the hand. But even there in the Cathedral, the Rector, standing right beside the bishop, had the gall to give Communion in the hand. That bishop was one of a half dozen good bishops who were willing to incardinate me, leave my conscience intact with regard to Communion in the hand, and permit me, with their blessings, to promote the Message of Our Lady of Fatima.

But the opposition to Fatima was fierce and very consistent over the years, even over the decades. One by one, the bishops who wanted

to help me were pressured by the Papal Nuncio — or other persons put up to it by the Cardinal Secretary of State — to not incardinate me, for various spurious excuses. The underlying reason for their action was to stop the Fatima Message, in all its fullness, simplicity and beauty, from being heard and obeyed — because the Vatican Secretary of State had another plan, one that is against Our Lady’s plan. The Secretary of State’s plan, not surprisingly, dovetails into the Masonic plan for the New World Order and the One World Government.

To summarize, this was my dilemma — either help Our Lady or literally turn my back on the fully approved Fatima Message by not promoting it — but if I would not, and if no other priest would do it because of those same tactics and persecutions, then *who* would?

Many tactics were used against me and against Fatima as I have brought readers up to date in the issues of *The Fatima Crusader*, but the end result was a campaign to make me look as if I am disobedient and not a priest in good standing. You see, to discredit the Fatima Message,

their “mission” was to try to discredit anyone who would dare to spread the true, full Fatima Message.

Back on those first Statue visits, I hadn’t yet begun to talk about the Third Secret or the Consecration of Russia. I only gave an abbreviated version of Fatima, which summarized the requirements that lay people have to do in their own personal lives — the Rosary, the Five First Saturdays, the wearing of the Brown Scapular, and the keeping of God’s Commandments.

Also, besides our new *Fatima Crusader*, I added some Fatima leaflets to give out as I travelled across the country. In the late 1970’s and early 1980’s, the Statue visits comprised the majority of our apostolate outreach at the time. But by going across the country again a second time and visiting more dioceses, the opposition to the Message of Fatima grew more and more over time.

Even telling people the basics — such as: to pray the Rosary and to keep the Commandments, that it is a sin to use contraceptives, that they should be devoted to Our Lady — all this drew op-

position even without mentioning the Consecration of Russia or the Third Secret.

As I was cut off more and more from visiting the parishes, I realized that we needed to get the Message out in more depth by means of our magazine and so I started focusing on *The Fatima Crusader* – printing more pages. You can see where we went from 8 pages to 16 and then 32 in the earlier larger-sized magazines.

### **The Consecration Done vs. the Consecration NOT Done**

In 1982, there was a controversy between Hamish Fraser and John Haffert. Haffert published in *Soul Magazine* that the Consecration of Russia was done by the Pope on May 13, 1982 and Hamish published in his magazine, *Approaches*, that, on the contrary, the Consecration of Russia was NOT done.

I knew them both personally. I met John Haffert in Rome in 1971 when I was in the seminary there and I met him again in the early 1980's at Fatima.

I first met Hamish Fraser in Switzerland in 1968. He was well known as a

Fatima Apostle and an anti-Communist. He had been a Communist until about 1948, when Our Lady of Fatima converted him to the Catholic Faith.

Ironically, in the 1950's, John Haffert had promoted the speech of Hamish Fraser, given at the Paris Exposition site, entitled:

*"I don't believe Our Lady can convert Russia – I KNOW She can convert Russia."*

His proof was very simple. "She converted me and I was an adamant, ardent Communist!" His book, *Fatal Star*, describes the story of his conversion over several years.

I published both of their positions in *The Fatima Crusader*. I studied the matter myself and put our own findings in Issue 9/10. By this time, *The Fatima Crusader* had grown from a circulation of 20,000 copies to 50,000 copies each issue.

I naively thought that by printing the documentation and explaining the matter logically and reasonably, everyone would concur that the consecration had not been done and that we would have a unity of purpose going for-



ward to petition and pray for the Consecration of Russia.

However, John Haffert and *Soul* magazine didn't agree.

Father Caillon, a retired French priest, who knew Sister Lucy's nieces and good friends, went to talk to them and asked what Sister Lucy was saying about this. Already, by 1960, Sister Lucy had been placed under a cloak of silence imposed by Pope John XXIII and Pope Paul VI and it continued, even more oppressively, until her death. You could not get a direct answer from her because she was forbidden, but she was allowed to speak to her friends privately. In 1983, her friends reported to Father Pierre Caillon that Sister Lucy told them the consecration was NOT yet done.

### **RUSSIA Must Be Named**

Dr. Lacerda was one of the three men who met Sister Lucy on March 21, 1982. The Papal Nuncio went there on behalf of Pope John Paul II to ask her, what exactly Our Lady of Fatima had requested of the Pope for the Consecration of Russia.

Remember that, by March 1982, Pope John Paul II was

preparing to go personally on pilgrimage, on May 13, to publicly thank Our Lady of Fatima for saving his life from the assassin's bullets, one year previous. He wanted ardently to do what She wanted him to do.

So, in March 1982, he sent the Papal Nuncio to Portugal to travel from Lisbon to Sister Lucy's enclosed convent in Coimbra. The Pope wanted to hear what he must do, directly from Sister Lucy.

The Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Santo Portalupe, was accompanied by the Bishop of Fatima, Cosmo do Amaral, and by Dr. Lacerda, a pious layman. The Bishop of Fatima tried to tell the Papal Nuncio, in the presence of Sister Lucy, that the Consecration of Russia had already been done.

Sister Lucy politely said: "No! It was not done." She told the Pope's personal representative that *Russia* must be named, *Russia* must be indicated *clearly* as the object of this act of consecration.

### **The Catholic Bishops of the World MUST Join the Pope**

Sr. Lucy also said that the



*Catholic bishops of the world must join with the Pope* in doing the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This interview lasted about two hours.

Unfortunately, the opposition to Our Lady and Her promised triumph was as strong then as it is now and the Papal Nuncio, although a good man, did not realize he was being betrayed in this mission. He allowed himself to be persuaded to not include in his official message to the Pope, the fact that Sister Lucy said that *all the bishops* needed to join the Pope in this act of consecration.

The results are obvious:

**On May 13, 1982, the bishops did not join the Pope on this occasion. Furthermore, the Pope only consecrated the world.**

The Papal Nuncio realized his error before his next visit to Sister Lucy. He did not bring the Bishop of Fatima with him in March 1983, when he went back again, this time, to ask Sister Lucy in the Pope's name, if the Pope had fulfilled Our Lady's request for the Consecration of Russia. She again said emphatically: "No!"

Did the consecration the Pope made on May 13, 1982 fulfill Our Lady's request for the Consecration of Russia? Sister Lucy replied that it did not,

**because *Russia* was not clearly the object of the consecration (because the Pope consecrated the world, not *Russia*) and because *each bishop had not arranged a public, solemn ceremony of Russia's consecration in his own cathedral.***

This information from Dr. Lacerda, eyewitness to the meetings, was told directly to Father Caillon. Father Caillon reported it to a little newspaper in France. Hamish Fraser got a copy, translated it, and put it in *Approaches*. We picked it up from *Approaches* and put it in *The Fatima Crusader*, which, at that time, had a circulation of 50,000. Shortly after that, the circulation of *The Fatima Crusader* increased to half a million copies.

*Soul* magazine, by October 1983, finally acknowledged that the consecration done in 1982 was not the fulfillment of Our Lady's requests. Yet, when the Pope attempted the next consecration in March 1984 — this time inviting the

bishops to join him in this act, but *still* consecrating the world, not Russia — John Haffert, *Soul* magazine, and the Blue Army came back again and said the consecration was done.

## PART III

### The Enemies of Fatima are Publicly Exposed

#### The Plot to Silence Our Lady

Father Paul Kramer wrote an article entitled “The Plot to Silence Our Lady,” pointing out the Blue Army’s error. We published Father Kramer’s article to our half million readers; but to save face for Haffert and the Blue Army, I took out their names and referred to the Blue Army as “that organization” and *Soul* magazine as the “publication” of “that organization,” trusting they would see it and correct their error.

They did not acknowledge their error but, rather, dug in their heels and insisted in subsequent articles that they were right.

#### Many Were Misled by Soul Magazine and Great Harm Was Caused

In response, Father Kramer

wrote another article pointing out the error of their ways and which demonstrated, beyond any shadow of a doubt, that not only was the Blue Army wrong on this point, but that they were, in fact, deliberately deceiving the faithful by misquoting Our Lady.

You can read Father Paul Leonard Kramer’s whole article in *The Fatima Crusader* Issue 22. In fact, his article was so comprehensive, I broke it up into two articles: “The Vatican-Moscow Agreement Has Silenced Our Lady” on page 12 and “The Blue Army Leadership Has Followed a Deliberate Policy of Falsifying the Fatima Message” on page 26. (You can read these articles on-line at: [www.fatimacrusader.com/cr22/cr22pg12.asp](http://www.fatimacrusader.com/cr22/cr22pg12.asp) and [www.fatimacrusader.com/cr22/cr22pg26.asp](http://www.fatimacrusader.com/cr22/cr22pg26.asp).)

But to summarize one of Father Kramer’s main points, the Blue Army and John Haffert had to know that, regarding the Consecration of Russia on July 13, 1917, Our Lady said: “I will come to ask for the Consecration of *Russia* to My Immaculate Heart.”

Yet *Soul* magazine had the gall to claim that Our Lady

said, "I will come to ask for the consecration of the *world* to the Immaculate Heart of Mary," an obvious and deliberate deception.

Father Kramer was careful to point out that it was the Blue Army leadership, not the members, who were deceiving the public.

Some time after that, *Soul* magazine went from a circulation of 150,000 down to 75,000. Then, in 1987, Father Robert Fox, who had been working with the Blue Army, left them at the request of some individuals in the Vatican and started his own magazine.

### **False Letters**

The fight to defend Our Lady against the partisans of error then subsequently started all over again. In 1989 false letters allegedly from Sister Lucy claiming the consecration was done, were circulated. And the leading magazine in North America promoting the lie was none other than Father Fox's.

*The Fatima Crusader* was quick to point out and demonstrate that "the letters of Sister Lucy" were fakes and the matter was put to rest by 1992.

### **Fake Interview**

Since the fake letters did not work, that same year they tried to deceive the public by a falsified interview with Sister Lucy. Apparently, here we had Father Kondor conspiring with Carlos Evaristo to set up an interview with Sister Lucy, where Evaristo, the chauffeur, became translator. What they weren't prepared for, however, was the presence of Father Pacheco, a Brazilian priest, whose native language is Portuguese, who obviously understood everything said in the interview himself. When Mr. Evaristo published his "version" of the interview, Father Pacheco quickly pointed out that Evaristo had made some serious fabrications in it. We published Father Pacheco's letter to Evaristo in *The Fatima Crusader* Issue 44, p. 41 (on-line at [www.fatimacruzader.com/cr44/cr44pg41.asp](http://www.fatimacruzader.com/cr44/cr44pg41.asp)).

As well, on the same day just a few hours after the interview, Coralie Graham, editor of *The Fatima Crusader*, took down word-for-word in shorthand, affidavits from all those who attended the interview, which included those of Mr. Evaristo, Father Pacheco, Cardinal Padiyara and Bishop

Michaelappa. They all sat together at the table as a group, giving their testimony, but when Evaristo testified, they kept admonishing Evaristo that he was inventing stories, contradicting himself, and exaggerating. Several times this happened and Father Pacheco, the Cardinal and the bishop kept insisting with Mr. Evaristo: "Carlos, keep with the facts. Stop inventing things that did not happen!"

### **The Disinformation Campaigns**

At this juncture, in 1992, we might stop to reflect that people, up to this point in time, may have been wondering if we had achieved anything at all so far. Should we not have simply given up, since the opposition was so strong, so numerous, so well-organized and had all the positions of power and influence — and, on the other hand, we were so few, so weak, and our position in the Church and the world so small that we had practically no influence?

Let us reflect for a moment:

**Up until 1982**, almost no one had ever heard of the request for the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. By 1992, and even more so by 2011, many

more millions of people have come to know about it and many of them now recognize that it is crucially important for world peace and prosperity.

**In the years 1984 to 1987**, the deceptions to stop the Consecration of Russia by the deliberate efforts of those people who — under the guise of posing as devotees of Our Lady of Fatima (some even thinking they were serving Her) — were really enemies to Her Message, were for the first time, exposed for the world to see. For the true followers of Our Lady of Fatima, this revelation was of the utmost importance in order to dispel their misconceptions and free them from their naiveté. They had to learn to be not only "innocent as doves but as wise as serpents."

### **New Tactics New Faces**

**In 1989 to 1992**, the tactics and the face of Our Lady's enemies had now changed. This time, they did not misquote Our Lady but, rather, put out five fake letters over the false signature of Sister Lucy. These letters were totally discredited by 1992 and not seriously mentioned again. (Except briefly in 2000

when Archbishop Bertone mentioned one of them. But even he would not dare refer to the whole letter or identify to whom it was addressed. Clearly, he knew it was a fake or at least unreliable.)

The second point to note here is that the fight against Fatima was no longer confined to the North American arena. Rather, the turf of this fight was now Fatima, Portugal itself. The main persons who now fought against Our Lady of Fatima were none other than the Rector of the Fatima Shrine, Father Luciano Guerra (sometimes called Msgr. Guerra); and Father Luis Kondor, the Vice-postulator of the Causes of Jacinta and Francisco and also Secretary to Bishop Cosmo do Amaral, an Opus Dei bishop.

All of these conspirators against the full Fatima Message were obviously more prestigious and powerful than John Haffert and the Blue Army. When the false letters did not work, they then resorted to the false interview technique with Sister Lucy.

*The Fatima Crusader* fought this new round of deceptions and lies successfully in the 1990's so that, by 2000, the false interviews of Sister Lucy

and Carlos Evaristo were completely discredited, at least in North America.

## PART IV

### Questions and Progress

#### Questions People Ask!

Has it been worth the trouble to fight so long and so hard all the way from 1982 to 2000 to merely maintain our position, a position that has never changed, in defense of the truth about Fatima? Should we not give up today, in 2011, after almost 30 years in the trenches, fighting against the Cardinal Secretary of State — all three of them (Casaroli, Sodano, Bertone), from then until now? Is any progress being made? Is there any hope of victory?

The brief answer to all these questions is simple. We really have no choice — if we want to live in peace and freedom and if we want to save many souls, then we cannot allow Our Lady's enemies to win by our silence.

Our Lady said, if Her requests were granted, many souls would be saved and there would be peace. She also said that if Her requests were not granted, the world

would suffer famine and war, that "various nations would be annihilated."

But how can Her requests be fulfilled if they are hidden, if they are falsified, if it's openly claimed that they are already fulfilled? No! We cannot let these lies go unchallenged. We must resist them to the best of our ability. Nor can any other capable God-fearing person allow those lies to be propagated without at least challenging them.

To the question, "Is there any hope?", the answer is, "Yes, of course." Our Lady promises "In the end, My Immaculate Heart will triumph, the Holy Father will consecrate Russia to My Immaculate Heart." She will win. It would have come by now if more people had rallied to Her cause. We must carry on until Her final victory. We pray and hope others will rally to Her cause soon. We pray and hope that we and others already in Her cause will be more fervent (in prayer), ardent (in word and work), effective apostles. Please pray for this too.

### **Is There Any Progress?**

To the question, "Is there any progress?", the answer is,

"Yes!" This progress is seen by the following facts.

(1) The false flag operation by the Blue Army leadership of 1982 to 1987 was exposed and overcome, so that this enemy of Our Lady's full Fatima Message has largely been neutralized.

(2) The operation of the five false letters attributed to Sister Lucy of Fatima, promoted by Father Fox during 1989-1992, was exposed as false and discredited by 1992.

(3) The efforts to silence Fatima, led by Guerra and Kondor along with the fake interviews of Sister Lucy, all flopped.

(4) By then, the Masonically-inspired opposition to Fatima was deploying more powerful guns to flatten the Fatima Truth Squad! But they didn't succeed.

(5) As of the year 2000, the battle for Fatima has been transferred to the Vatican. Up until then, despite their superior fire power, superior resources, the world's "Catholic" press, the prestige of the Fatima Shrine, the loyal following of naive and ignorant, though well

intentioned people, still they could not suppress the truth of Fatima.

*The Fatima Crusader* had not won the war, but at least the truth of Fatima had not been suppressed.

### **A New Phase Starts in 2000 AD**

Up until 2000, the emphasis had been on the fight for the Consecration of Russia. Because, of course, this is the crucial and essential request of Our Lady of Fatima. As Our Lady said: "Without that consecration, Russia cannot convert. Without that Consecration, the world cannot have peace."

The fight for the Consecration of Russia is still pivotal to the cause of Our Lady of Fatima. But in 2000, the terrain had changed. Before 2000, everyone knew, everyone acknowledged that the Third Secret had not been revealed by the Vatican.

From 1985 to 2000, we, of course, called for the full disclosure of the Third Secret. And, in fact, Cardinal Bertone acknowledged that it was Father Gruner and *The Fatima Crusader* that had long fought for this disclosure. He ac-

knowledged that we were influential in getting the Vatican to make their release (in part) of the text of the Third Secret. He said this in his book in 2007.

But, after June 26, 2000, we had to open another front in our war for the truth about Fatima. We had to point out the newest, latest deception, i.e. that the Vatican had not released the whole Third Secret, that the most important part had been left out and still is not yet published.

### **The Real Opposition to Fatima**

As of June 26, 2000, our battle of 20 years finally brought out into the open the real opposition to Fatima. The source of this opposition is clearly seen to be the Secretary of State – first by Cardinal Sodano and then by his successor, Cardinal Bertone.

Thus, in this battle for the Third Secret, great progress has been made. This is documented in the Fatima Center's widely circulated books, *The Devil's Final Battle* compiled and edited by Father Paul Kramer and *The Secret Still Hidden* by Christopher Ferrara.

The documentation in these



books speaks for itself.

In them, we see that over the years Pope Benedict XVI has reversed himself in favor of the full Fatima Message and distanced himself from his own statements of June 26, 2000. Even Cardinal Bertone and his co-author, Giuseppe De Carli, have reversed themselves significantly in favor of Our Lady.

The battle is not over but major progress is being made, even as we publish this issue of *The Fatima Crusader*. More will be reported about this ongoing progress, God willing, in future issues of this magazine.

### **Why Did We Enter This Fight?**

Having spoken of these things, why, again, did I get into the mission of Fatima? For the simple reason that Our Lady said that we have one choice – accept and obey Her requests and we will have peace and salvation of souls; ignore or reject Her requests and we will have the damnation of many souls, the annihilation of various nations and the subsequent enslavement of the entire remaining part of the world that survives the annihilation.

## **PART V** **What Our Lady is Still Waiting For**

### **The Requests of Our Lady of Fatima Are Several**

There are requests addressed to every human being; every Catholic layperson, religious, and priest; the bishops, the Cardinals and the Pope. Every member of the Catholic faithful is requested to pray the Rosary every day, wear the Brown Scapular of Mount Carmel, repent of their sins, receive the Sacraments worthily, keep the Commandments and do their daily duty.

These requests are not onerous. They are not hard to do and we should be doing them anyway, even without Our Lady of Fatima having asked for them. However, what the Message of Fatima does, is to crystallize, summarize and indicate what we must do in these times, despite what some priests, some bishops, some Cardinals, false religious teachers, or anyone else says to the contrary.

Another request of Our Lady is that we be more devoted to Her Immaculate Heart and that we consecrate

ourselves to Her Immaculate Heart. Those who practice devotion to Her Immaculate Heart will be especially blessed by God in time and in eternity.

Our Lord and Our Lady specifically asked us to do the Communion of Reparation on the first Saturdays of the month and it is something every Catholic person can and should do. Again, it's not onerous. It takes only approximately one hour a month to make reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

It's very little to give back to Her in exchange for what She has done for us. We should really want to do it if we were to understand the goodness, the greatness and the sacrifice that Our Lady has made for each one of us personally.

## **PART VI**

### **The Pope Needs Access to Good Advice**

#### **Why Don't They Just Do It?**

Another request, over and above the requests to the faithful, was the request for the Pope and bishops to consecrate specifically Russia to the Immaculate Heart of

Mary. Again, in itself, this request is not onerous. It would require the Pope and approximately 5000 bishops to say a special prayer whereby they dedicated, consecrated and set aside the people and the country of Russia to the service of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

This prayer would take 5 to 10 minutes, recited in the context of a solemn occasion, such as at Sunday Mass, before or after the Gospel, and recited in conjunction with other bishops around the world together with the Pope at the same hour. That would take a little bit of organization but would cost very little, or even nothing at all.

As time passes, it must become more and more obvious to more and more people, that the Consecration of Russia has not been done as requested by Our Lady of Fatima.

It also becomes obvious that there is no real obstacle to doing the consecration at the present time. The Pope is subjected, both internally and externally, to propaganda wars, but he has the authority, as Pope, to simply take a stand and give the order to all the bishops to consecrate Russia in two week's time.

There is nothing really stopping him at this present time. But in the short space of a few months or a few years, he may no longer have that freedom. He will be a fugitive, hunted down and killed by the Masonic enemies of the Church. He will, at that time, be unable to do the Consecration of Russia. So why does he not do it now?! What are the ungrounded fears that hold him back?

One lie after another has been fed to the Pope over the past few decades to stop him from obeying. Great care has been taken to see that he never talks to Father Gruner, Father Kramer or Frère Michel, or to any other Fatima expert who can answer all the lies and feeble excuses that have been fed to the popes up until now.

One of the more recent scare tactics to be placed before the Pope is the following:

**“What if Our Lady’s Promise Doesn’t Work?”**

It has been questioned by some, “What if the Pope and bishops do precisely what was asked and nothing happens and the Church loses face?” The first answer to that, of course, is, “That won’t happen!” We have the assurances of the Blessed Virgin

and of God Himself. We also have to believe in the Fatima Message, not only because it has been approved by the Church but also because of the stupendous miracles God created so mankind would know the Fatima Message was from Heaven. But in answer to that theoretical question, we need to consider what are the consequences of *not* obeying. The answer is clear, the overall consequence is total disaster. Let us consider it now.

## **PART VII**

### **Mankind Has Only Two Alternatives**

**Mankind  
Has Been Offered  
Increasing Wars as an  
Alternative to Obeying  
Our Lady of Fatima**

Right now, the only alternative that mankind is being offered to bring about peace, security and prosperity in this world has been:

**WWI** — the war to end all wars;

**WWII** — to preserve Democracy;

**The Korean War** — to prevent Communism from

gobbling up more countries in its quest for world domination.

**The Vietnam War** — also to prevent Communism from gobbling up more countries;

**The War against Terrorism** — in which the US presently is spending 113 billion dollars a year, just in Afghanistan alone, and which the leading general on the ground says will not be over for two generations, i.e. approximately 50 years. And that is just for Afghanistan, not to mention the military occupation of Iraq; and the not much publicized renewed arms buildup in both Russia and the U.S.A, and the impending worldwide financial crash, precursor to WWII.

The only alternative they offer is war and more war, followed by the centralization of all military and political power under a worldwide Masonic tyrannical government in order to enforce the New World Order — to make the world a global slave plantation. This Masonic plan, first published in 1730, is being implemented before our very eyes and it is staring us

in the face.

### **Mystery of Iniquity**

If you find this hard to believe, read Father Paul Kramer's new book, *Mystery of Iniquity* (available from the Fatima Center at \$14.95 postpaid), which outlines the Masonic plan and other plans of the enemies of God for the enslavement of mankind, which are ultimately the plans of satan which have been unfolding since the beginning of creation. St. Paul tells us that this mystery of iniquity was unfolding in his time and will culminate in the reign of the Antichrist, which it is not so far-fetched to believe could take place after WWII is over.

St. Pius X, in 1904, believed the Antichrist was already alive and that things were being put in place for the not-too-distant future reign of the Antichrist.

### **Why Not Just Try It?**

So, mankind is facing the alternative of war and destruction — which we can see, not only in the prophecies of Our Lady, but also in the daily current events of geopolitics, i.e. the carrying out of the diabolical plans against mankind (I again encourage you to read

*Mystery of Iniquity*) – versus the alternative of a five-minute prayer. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure it out – why not just try doing what Our Lady asks? There is no third alternative!

### **What's Your Choice?**

To give you an analogy: Suppose you are ill and your doctor tells you, "you are going to die". He further says, "I cannot cure you" and "you should just go home and wait to die." You solicit a second opinion of a doctor who tells you, "I have certain procedures for you to follow and if you do them, I guarantee you will be cured." Even if that doctor was not speaking on behalf of God with miracles to back him up such as Our Lady of Fatima has done, which doctor would you follow: the one that gave you no hope at all or the one that guaranteed a cure?

So we should follow what Our Lady of Fatima tells us to do, not just because of the shocking difference between the alternatives but because of the guaranteed heavenly graces and promises that go with it.

This is the picture of where we find ourselves today, and

of the crossroads we are at. We positively have to make a choice! We have maybe a few months, but based on the world situation today, we may not have two years.

Whatever we do, we **MUST** get the Consecration of Russia done, and very, very soon!

## **PART VIII**

### **What Can and Must the Priest and Layman Do Faced with These Alternatives**

First of all, the faithful need to obey Our Lady's requests on their own personal level and that is the first thing we can never lose sight of.

Secondly, we have to do all we can to encourage, to repeatedly and clearly point out, to request the Pope and the bishops to do their duty and consecrate Russia, despite whatever antipathy, hesitation, reservations or rationalizations they may have.

### **The Church Is Founded Upon Peter and Peter Upon Christ**

Cardinal Gagnon said about me and my work that "Father Gruner should know that the Catholic Church is

not a democracy, but a hierarchy." The Cardinal, and those who think like him, need to realize that I agree; however, he needs to remember that neither is the Church an absolute monarchy.

The Church is not a democracy. Thus, we do not have a right to vote on what the Church teaches or does. Nevertheless, the faithful have rights. These rights of the faithful come from Jesus Christ and God the Father Himself.

Secondly, the hierarchy — i.e. the Pope, the Cardinals, the bishops, the priests — have the obligation to God and to the faithful to rule the Church according to God's law, all His laws, for the common good of the faithful and according to God's specific will given to us through the public, prophetic Message of Fatima.

The Pope and the bishops cannot simply say, "I am the superior. Do what I tell you." They are not absolute monarchs. They must command within the constraints of the authority Jesus Christ has given them and for the purpose of saving souls. All authority on earth is limited. That

is because that is how God has ordained it in the Church and in the State. All authority to command comes from God and if God does not give the authority in certain matters, then no one — not even a Pope, a king, a president, a legislature — has the right to command in these matters.

### **God, in Giving Authority, Doesn't Contradict Himself**

God cannot command us to have Russia consecrated and then command us to not have Russia consecrated. God cannot contradict Himself. Nor does He do so. Just as a father, in his home, cannot tell half his family to paint the whole room red and then tell the other half to paint the same room green. He would breed chaos, confusion, and cause division and disunity and fighting within the family — which, in the Church, is termed schism.

That is what various powerful officials of the Vatican — including Pope Paul VI and his successors — have done by not correcting an impression that the Traditional Latin Mass was forbidden by authority of Pope Paul VI. This impression foisted in the minds of the family of

the faithful was instigated by irresponsible officials in the Vatican. This caused schism in families. People were naively thinking that they were being obedient to the Pope. The fact is, as Pope Benedict XVI pointed out on July 7, 2007, the old Mass was never forbidden and that the bishops could not forbid it. But in the Church since Vatican II, the abuse of authority whereby the impression was deliberately created that an order had been given about the old Latin Mass led to deep divisions in the Church which still need to be healed.

### **Authority Is Given to a Person After He Accepts the Corresponding Responsibility**

A doctor has a choice to either accept to be your physician or not. But by accepting, he takes on the responsibility of having to give his attention to your health needs, of properly diagnosing your ailment, and of giving you a prescription and his advice of what you should do.

Similarly, a Pope does not have a gun to his head when he accepts the office of Pope. But once he does accept, he has the solemn obligation to

become pastor of all the souls of mankind, to do his best to save all the souls he can and even to do what he can to take care of the physical well-being of all mankind if it is in his power to do so.

### **The Pope Has a Moral Obligation**

Our Lady of Fatima has requested that the Pope consecrate Russia and promises, in return, the salvation of souls and the preservation of the physical welfare of mankind. The Pope has the moral obligation to obey the Fatima Message, not only because the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven, commanded it — and the Pope, too, is a subject of the Queen of Heaven, and must obey Her — but also because as Pope he accepted, in charity and justice, the obligation and responsibility to take care of all human persons, especially all Catholics, by accepting his position as Pope. Thus, he must obey also because he owes us this pastoral care.

### **The Faithful Have a Right**

And we, the faithful, have the right to point this out to the Pope and bishops. So, although the Church is not a



democracy, nevertheless, it is a Catholic dogma which has been defined twice by the Second Council of Lyons and the First Vatican Council that *every baptized Catholic has the right to appeal directly to the Pope in matters pertaining to ecclesiastical jurisdiction.*

Furthermore, the Fifth Lateran Council tells us that in prophetic revelations such as Fatima – which is not simply a private revelation – the Pope is the sole judge. So either Our Lady of Fatima said, “If My requests are not granted, entire nations will be annihilated...” or She didn’t. The Pope is the judge and every Pope since 1930 has said this Message comes from God.

### **Fatima is NOT Finished**

The present Holy Father, Benedict XVI, has said that anyone who thinks the prophetic Message of Our Lady of Fatima is concluded, is deceiving himself. The prophetic Message of Fatima talks about the annihilation of nations if Her requests are not granted. We have not had that yet, but we are facing it in the near future if we don’t consecrate Russia in time.

In summary, to answer Cardinal Gagnon and peo-

ple like him, the faithful in the Catholic Church have the right – and the Second Vatican Council says even the duty – to point out to the pastors of the Church what the pastors must do to save souls and to save mankind from destruction, annihilation, death and damnation.

The faithful have the right to point this out to the Pope but they cannot command or physically force the Pope. However, the Doctors of the Catholic Church like St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Robert Bellarmine teach that they can show their displeasure by refusing to support their pastors and bishops who do not do their duty, such as by not putting money in the collection basket. They don’t have to support their pastors as long as their pastors refuse to do their duty.

## **PART IX**

### **The Faithful Must Also Ask for the Release of the Rest of the Third Secret**

#### **Your Right to Know the Third Secret**

The faithful also have the right to know the Third Secret, which has not been

given to them in its entirety. That has been demonstrated and proven over and over again – in the book, *The Devil's Final Battle*, compiled by Father Paul Kramer; in Antonio Socci's book, *The Fourth Secret of Fatima*; in Christopher Ferrara's book, *The Secret Still Hidden*; and in our Fatima Center DVD documentary, *The Secret Still Silenced*.

The faithful have the right to petition the Pope to release the full Third Secret. It will give clarity of purpose to the clergy and the faithful, who need to know the Secret in order to more effectively work together to win the battle for souls, a battle which is now being lost almost everywhere.

### **We All Belong to the Mystical Body of Christ**

The Church does not belong to the Pope or the hierarchy, to Cardinals and bishops and priests. The Church belongs to God. It is the Mystical Body of Christ. As a member of the Church, we Catholics are all a part of the Mystical Body of Christ. And we have a right to have our part of the "body" protected, informed, and able to know what to do. But they deny us that right by

hiding the rest of the Secret.

To give an analogy: the U.S.A. went off to war in 1898 against Spain because it was claimed that the Spanish had attacked the American naval ship, the USS Maine. The U.S. government has now disclosed that it was not attacked by the Spanish but rather, the attack was carried out by the U.S. government itself. So now, 100 years later, we find out that the whole war was fought on the basis of a lie. And had the American people known that, they would not have sent their sons off to die in a war begun unjustly.

### **Injustice — the First Fruit of Error**

The first fruit of error is injustice. In other words, if people in the U.S. had known the truth, then they would not have committed the injustice of waging war against Spain in the first place.

Similarly, the U.S. entered into WWII on December 7, 1941 because of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. Although the attack did take place, what is still not widely known is that the U.S. President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, a 33rd degree Mason, already knew before

that date that the attack was planned. He had, first of all, provoked the Japanese into attacking by having the U.S. navy blockade Japan from getting supplies of oil.

Secondly, Roosevelt and the US military had already broken the code of the Japanese secret communications network and knew the time, date and place of attack before it took place. Roosevelt deliberately refused to give that information to the Commander-in-Chief at Pearl Harbor because he wanted the Japanese to inflict the most possible damage on the American fleet so that the American people would be outraged and accept, without question, his declaration of war against Japan.

So the Commander at Pearl Harbor and the soldiers and sailors were sacrificed by Roosevelt's refusal to supply them with information they had a right to know. Many thousands of soldiers and civilians died that day, all because Roosevelt refused to give this information he had. Additional hundreds of thousands of soldiers' lives were lost because of the subsequent entry of the U.S.A. into

WWII.

### **The Pope Is Our Commander-in-Chief on Earth**

Similarly, today we have the Commander-in-Chief of the Church militant, the Commander-in-Chief on earth – the Pope – who has the information in the Third Secret which his base commanders around the world need to know in order to defend themselves in this war against the Church today.

Those base commanders are the Cardinals and other advisors to the Pope as well as bishops and priests in charge of the dioceses and parishes. The Pope has this fundamental information from the Queen of Heaven, and from the leader of the Militant Church in Heaven, Our Lord Jesus Christ – but the Commander-in-Chief on earth has refused to pass it on.

The sacrifice of one's life in defense of one's country is the ultimate civic sacrifice. However, the loss of one's soul is a still greater loss, and the loss of souls we face because of the withholding of the Third Secret is incalculable.

It surely is clear to all that

the premise that the Pope has the right to withhold this information from us is false. The Pope cannot sit on the fence. If he believes this Message is not from God, then he must pronounce that papal judgment; but if he believes it is from God, then he must give us the full Third Secret.

### **Authority, Responsibility, Accountability in Masonic Groups**

I need to further illustrate how God's natural law decrees that all true authority is vested in persons who must be responsible and accountable for each and every act of authority they exercise.

To help us better understand the right way to use authority, let us consider how the devil and his followers on earth exercise their power (they really do not have legitimate authority) in their evil organizations.

In a secret society, the top Masons will give their orders privately, quietly, through their subordinates, who, in turn, pass these on to lower ranking Masons. For example, if one of the top Masonic authorities commands an assassination be carried out — say the U.S. President, or a

scientist, or whoever the target is — that top Mason gives the order down through the ranks until it reaches the person who is charged with actually pulling the trigger. But no one who carries out the order ever knows who really gave the order because the members of each rank only know their immediate superiors. This tactic is used to separate the person giving the order from the accountability to third parties for having given the order. Thus, the top ranks never take responsibility for the orders they give. Nor are they held accountable. This is what allows them to do and command such terrible deeds. This is not the way God ordains real authority.

### **Real Authority Requires Responsibility and Accountability**

In an open society, in a society that is founded on God's law, on natural law — whether it is a democracy, a monarchy, or some other form of government — a person who has authority also has the responsibility and also the accountability. If we have a law passed by Parliament or Congress, we all know who it was that voted for the law

and who it was that voted against the law, and that the law was passed by such and such a majority in the Senate or Congress or Parliament, and then, who it was that signed the law into existence. So each of these people are taking personal responsibility for their part. Everybody knows who the people are, who are accountable and responsible.

The Church is an open society. The Church and all the authorities who comprise the Church hierarchy — the Pope, the Cardinals, the bishops, the priests — must obey God's law, even when they administrate the Church. They cannot have secret orders given that are binding on the faithful. In fact, Canon Law points out that if a superior wants to give an order to a subject but refuses to give the order before two witnesses or refuses to put the order in writing, then the order that the Superior gave, even if it came from the Pope himself, is not binding. The reason for this is because the Pope, as the Superior, has to be willing to take responsibility and accountability for every binding order he gives.

Pope John XXIII, Pope Paul VI, Pope John Paul II and now Pope Benedict XVI, on the one hand, acknowledged there is a Third Secret (Our Lady wanted it to be released by 1960) but, on the other hand, for some of them to release part of it and claim it is the whole thing without actually ruling on the other text — the main part of the Third Secret — is to not take responsibility for their acts, not be accountable for their actions. This is wrong, even for a Pope to do, and it's not inappropriate for the faithful to point this out to him in public or in private.

It is necessary for the faithful to understand what is at stake and not allow themselves to be deceived. That is why you need to keep praying the Rosary, and use the spiritual weapons Heaven gave us, so that you won't be deceived. And you must also keep yourselves informed.

We are on a crusade and we are fighting for Our Lady. We are defending Her cause and that of God as well against a host of adversaries on all sides. We fought against the opponents of Fatima outside the Church; but really, the worst enemies of Fatima are those who are within the

Church and it is they who have divided the faithful. Just as they have divided the faithful over the Mass from 1969 to 2007, they have divided the faithful over the full Message of Fatima.

## PART X

**To Win This Fight, We Need to Know and Counteract the Devil's Strategies**

We must come to realize finally that this is a battle for the salvation of our own souls and for the very life of the Church, and that the entire Church is engaged in this struggle.

The leader in this battle is the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will only be successful if we follow Her leadership and Her battle plan. We must also come to understand Satan's plan of attack against Our Lady and Her Fatima Message. Let us consider Satan's strategies against Fatima in their barest outline.

### **Attack Strategy No. 1 Against Fatima**

The first attack on Fatima is to be silent about it, to not talk about Our Lady's appearances at all, to not talk about Her requests of what each one must do, to not talk about the

story of Our Lady's appearances, to pretend it doesn't even exist, to the extent that this is possible.

That is why people under 40, who have even been to Catholic grade school, high-school and university, and even those who read so-called Catholic newspapers, quite possibly have never heard about Fatima.

Fatima is the most dramatic and most important intervention of Heaven since the time of the Resurrection and yet they don't know about it.

How can people, today, study in Catholic schools, attend Catholic churches and read Catholic newspapers and magazines, and never even hear about Fatima? Obviously, the campaign of silence has been very effective.

### **Attack Strategy No. 2 Against Fatima**

The second attack on Fatima is used against those who have heard something about it, but not much.

If people do hear about it, it's just a footnote, it's not important, it's just about a personal devotion or it's only a pious thing. It has no significance either for them or for the world.

The objective of this second assault against Fatima is to release as little information about Fatima as possible, never offering any more information unless forced to do so, and downplaying its importance by lying and saying, “you don’t have to believe in Fatima if you don’t want to.”

### **Attack Strategy No. 3 Against Fatima**

The third attack on Fatima is to say the Consecration of Russia was done, the Third Secret was released, and you don’t need to concern yourself about it anymore.

### **Attack Strategy No. 4 Against Fatima**

The fourth attack on Fatima is aimed directly against those who insist on proclaiming it, who insist the Consecration is not done, who insist the whole Secret needs to be released, and especially against those who insist upon the right and obligation of the faithful to know the truth, to petition their pastors for the whole truth, and urge those pastors to live by the truth of Fatima.

### **Attack Strategy No. 5 Against Fatima**

The fifth attack on Fatima is the use of distortion and

deception — the use of any means, moral or otherwise — to toe the party line of the Vatican Secretary of State who has never repudiated the Vatican-Moscow agreement (which by God’s law must be) and who continues to insist that the Third Secret has been released in its entirety and that the Consecration of Russia has been done.

This fifth attack is by far the most evil in the acts themselves as it uses strategies and tactics that are even more repugnant to Christian sensibilities. We do not judge the subjective moral rectitude of the person who commits such acts for as Jesus says, “Judge not that you may not be judged.” (Matt. 7:1) God alone is their judge. On the other hand, Sacred Scripture tells us not to call good evil and evil good. (Is. 5:20) Therefore, we cannot call such deceptions good and we do not see how anyone can honestly say they are good.

### **[EXAMPLE A] Cardinal Slipyi, the Blue Army, and the Curious Case of Bishop Luna**

Cardinal Josyf Slipyi, born in Poland in 1892, was a Ukrainian Cardinal impris-



oned by the Soviets from 1945 to 1963 because he was a staunch defender of the Church's rights and a staunch anti-Communist due to his Catholic principles.

Because of the secret Metz Pact (Vatican-Moscow Agreement) of October 1962 between the Vatican and Moscow, the Russian Communists were able to send their Russian Orthodox Church observers to the Second Vatican Council. Yet ironically, Cardinal Slipyi, a prince of the Catholic Church, continued to be held in jail by the Russian Communists. This contrast was intolerable to those who knew about it and their outcry embarrassed the Russians into finally releasing Cardinal Slipyi on January 26, 1963.

Convinced of the urgent need for the Consecration of Russia to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart, Cardinal Slipyi led the crusade for petitions for the Consecration of Russia in the 1970's. During that time, more than 2,000,000 signatures had been collected. John Haffert and the Blue Army had been a part of that crusade. Sadly, after the death of Cardinal Slipyi, the petition campaign fizzled. Cardinal

Slipyi would go to his eternal reward without having seen his efforts bear fruit regarding the Consecration.

In 1981, the Blue Army conducted the election of their international president in Fatima, Portugal. After some illegal maneuvers at their congress in which half of their delegates were illegally stripped of their voting power, Bishop Constantine Luna was "elected president." Bishop Luna himself was an Italian who had been a missionary in China in the 1950's and was captured by the Communists and imprisoned there for some time. As far as our research goes, he was apparently released quietly without the aid of any public protests. Bishop Luna later became a bishop in Guatemala and by 1981, had retired. This background is important to understand what was to happen next.

John Haffert, in a special meeting with Father Gruner in 1983, for the acknowledged purpose of both parties to seek better relations between their two organizations, expressed sorrow because *The Fatima Crusader* had published Cardinal Tisserant's personal involvement in the

Vatican-Moscow agreement.

Cardinal Tisserant's defender, his former secretary Father Georges Roche, claimed that Tisserant did this because of Holy Obedience, a claim published in the *Crusader*. Because John Haffert felt he was a personal friend of Cardinal Tisserant, Father Gruner offered to have an article more favorable to Cardinal Tisserant published in *The Fatima Crusader* to help Haffert, but on one condition: that the Blue Army would renew their efforts to collect signed petitions for the Consecration of Russia. To this condition, John Haffert replied, "I cannot do that. Bishop Luna, the president of the Blue Army, won't let me."

Obviously, there is a policy coming down from on high, not to promote the Collegial Consecration of Russia among the faithful. We see the falsehoods that were circulated to the general public by the Blue Army in 1982 and again from 1984 to 1987, pretending that the Collegial Consecration of Russia had been done. After *Soul* magazine and the Blue Army had been discredited by 1987 on this point, it was now time for Father Robert Fox, a writer with the Blue

Army, to take center stage in the ongoing deception.

### **[EXAMPLE B] Father Fox and the Fake Letters**

Father Fox left the Blue Army sometime in 1987 to start his own magazine, *The Immaculate Heart Messenger*. It was this same Father Fox who would be confronted as the promoter of five fake letters, purportedly written by Sister Lucy in 1989, claiming that the Consecration of Russia had been accomplished.

However, instead of coming from the mind and hand of Sister Lucy, it was discovered that these five letters originated from the Sanctuary of Fatima.

At their 1992 conference, Frère François de Marie des Anges of the Contre-Réforme Catholique accused those whom he believed were responsible.

Frère François confronted Father Kondor and Father Fox on Sunday, October 11, 1992. (See [page 53](#) for description of this confrontation.)

On Monday, October 12, 1992, at 10:30, after the closing session of the conference put on by the Bishop of Fatima, in the presence of Father Rene Laurentin, Frère François ap-

proached Monsignor Luciano Guerra.

### **Frère François' Account of the Confrontation**

*Frère François* [*Frere F*] "Can you swear to me on the Gospel that you did not draft the apocryphal letters of Lucy?"

*Msgr. Guerra* [*Msgr. G*] "No, I don't wish to. I cannot now, not under these conditions."

[*Frère F*] "Internal criticism of those letters proves that they could not have been written by Sister Lucy."

[*Msgr. G*] "I will not discuss it with you. You have no heart!"

[*Frère F*] "If you show me my errors, I will retract them."

[*Msgr. G*] "You have no heart!"

Father Kondor [*Fr. K*] arrived.

[*Frère F*] to Father Kondor: "Do you know that I accuse you of being implicated in the fabrication of the apocryphal letters of Sister Lucy?"

[*Fr. K*] "What letters?" (he said with a laugh. )

[*Frère F*] (I showed them to him and he began to read them. I interrupted him:)

"But you are very well ac-

quainted with them since you have fabricated them." (Laurentin, who was present at the scene wanted some photocopies of them.)

[*Fr. K*] "Ask for them at the St. Joseph House."

[*Frère F*] (While leaving the Paul VI Center, we met Father Fox and he said to me:)

[*Fr. Fox*] "I love you in the Lord."

[*Frère F*] "They delivered my articles to you this morning?"

[*Fr. Fox*] "Yes, I know Father de Nantes."

[*Frère F*] "I am talking to you about the articles denouncing the fabrications and apocryphal characters of the letters you have published. I am awaiting your retraction." (He remained silent. I left him.)

### **Accusations Justified**

Frère François gives his reasons for accusing Father Kondor and Msgr. Guerra of fabricating these fake letters of Sister Lucy in his book, *Fatima: Intimate Joy, World Event*, Vol. III, page 155, Footnote 28; Volume IV, pages 190-195 and pages 218-221 (paperback edition) or Vol. IV,

pages 129-132 and pages 147-149 (perfect bound edition). See also his article in *CRC* No. 284, Aug-Sept 1992, page 3, Note 4. See also *The Fatima Crusader*, Issue No. 44, pages 36-41.

(See also the photo and caption of Frère François and Msgr. Guerra together on page 58 of this Issue.)

### **[EXAMPLE C] The Phony Interview with Sister Lucy**

In 1992, we had laid this matter to rest. We exposed the letters as fake, so the next deception strategy was to conduct a false interview with Sister Lucy.

Again, we published the fact that Fr. Kondor knew Carlos Evaristo, but was hesitant to admit it. We exposed over and over again Carlos Evaristo's part in this false interview. Evaristo, who was little more than a chauffeur, now became Evaristo the "accomplished translator". The Evaristo interview was contradicted by the Portuguese-speaking priest, Father Pacheco, who was present at the interview. A Cardinal and a bishop were also present and they too explicitly corrected Evaristo for making

things up about this interview. See photo on page 41.

Nevertheless, Evaristo's lies, deceptions, and exaggerations were given wide circulation for awhile.

### **[EXAMPLE D] The Path Is Laid for the Big Lie of 2000**

The fight against Fatima and disinformation tactics passed from John Haffert and *Soul* magazine in 1982 and again from 1984 to 1987, then to Father Fox in 1989, through Father Kondor and Father Guerra in 1992, and eventually to the highest reaches of the Vatican with Archbishop (now Cardinal) Bertone. It was Cardinal Bertone who said at the June 26, 2000 Vatican conference that the Collegial Consecration of Russia has already been done. The only proof he offers is amazingly from the false Sister Lucy letter to Walter Noelker, dated November 8, 1989, one of the five fake letters already publicly discredited!

The attack on Fatima has ascended a ladder up through the hierarchy, implicating powerful prelates in the Vatican itself, although that is not to say that the entire Vatican apparatus is in-



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This picture is taken at Fatima, on Sunday, October 11, 1992, at 5:30 in the afternoon in the main hall of Paul VI Center, at the end of the conference given by Father Fox, who is at the center of the table, and in the presence of Father Kondor, who is at the far right of the table. Frère François is at the microphone. He is denouncing the five bogus letters which have circulated since August 1989 to August 1992 and which are attributed to Sister Lucy.

These letters speak about the Act of Consecration of March 25, 1984. These same fake letters have been circulated and published by Father Fox and Father Kondor, pictured above. Frère François denounced these letters in their presence and said: "These letters are fake. I have already published the demonstration of it, and my demonstration has not been refuted. I am ready to justify my accusations and, if necessary, to retract them if my criticisms are refuted in a decisive manner." The next day, October 12, Father Rene Laurentin will express a certain astonishment upon learning that Father Fox and Father Kondor gave no reply to Frère François. Instead the session was swiftly closed.

volved. But what is obvious is that some high-ranking Vatican officials are making a great effort both to hide the full text of the Third Secret and to falsely say that the Consecration of Russia is

done.

That is why it is necessary for the faithful to understand what is at stake and why we must not allow ourselves to be deceived. This is why you must keep being informed

and keep praying the Rosary, our spiritual weapon, which prevents us from being deceived. The stakes are very high since the devil and his henchmen will lose everything they have fought for when the Consecration of Russia is done as Our Lady of Fatima requested.

### **Conclusion**

**The crucial point we are to take away from this is the extent to which the enemies of Fatima will go, doing whatever it takes to deceive the public about the Consecration of Russia and the Third Secret. Not only are certain Catholic lay people responsible for these deceptions, but also some Catholic priests and even some Catholic bishops. If we are going to win, instead of the devil, then enough Catholics must live the Fatima Message. They must also do all they can to know the truth and spread the truth about the Consecration of Russia (and the Third Secret). We also need to unmask the devil's tactics against Fatima.**

The devil and his followers realize that faithful Catholics would overcome all opposition to the Consecration of Russia if they knew the following truths:

1) The Consecration of Russia done as Our Lady requested is the *only* way to be

saved: (a) from financial collapse and famine; (b) from war on our own soil; (c) from annihilation of various nations, possibly including our own; (d) from enslavement of all the surviving nations, including the U.S.A. (if it survives) in a Masonic-inspired, anti-Christian tyranny.

2) Millions of faithful Catholics, together, have it in their power by their prayers, especially the Rosary, and their petitions to the Pope to absolutely bring about the Pope's obedience to this command of Jesus and Mary.

3) All Catholics have the duty to pray and petition for this. If they don't, no one is to blame but themselves for the disasters that will overtake us all in the near future.

The enemies of Fatima want the general public to be uninformed, misinformed and deceived so that they will not pray unceasingly, not speak up, and not insist that the Pope consecrate Russia. If millions of the faithful would e-mail, telephone, fax and call the Pope on this point, he would soon obey and the Church and all of humanity would be spared annihilation and Masonic enslavement in the very near future.



## PART XI

### YOU Need *The Fatima Crusader*

As you can see, *The Fatima Crusader* is one of the major stumbling blocks in the way of the diabolical opponents who seek to silence the Message of Fatima.

In *The Fatima Crusader*, you will find detailed articles exposing their diabolical plans and giving you the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. And that truth is absolutely essential to you and to your loved ones in order to survive in these times and to save many souls — maybe even your own.

We continue to stand for the truth and defend Our Lady, our Holy Catholic Faith, and the Roman Catholic Church, to save souls and to work to bring about true world peace.

We have exposed many diabolical plans against Our Lady of Fatima and depend on your prayers, especially your Rosaries, to sustain us in this battle.

### **The Fatima Crusader Needs YOU**

We can only continue to publish through free-will donations. Then *The Fatima*

*Crusader*, Our Lady's flagship, can continue to steer you through the snares and storms and help keep you safely under Our Lady's protective mantle. Again, ONLY through your support.

Let us all work, pray and sacrifice that *The Fatima Crusader* can continue to do Our Lady's work and assist in the ultimate triumph of Her Immaculate Heart.

### **The Holy Father Needs YOU**

As we go to press in mid-October, riots in Rome caused more than 2 million dollars worth of damages and also desecrated crucifixes and holy images. A life-size statue of the Virgin Mary was dragged out of the Church of Saints Marcellino and Pietro, smashed on the ground and stomped on.

**Is this the prelude to the prophecy of the Pope fleeing Rome amidst chaos and death?**

**Will the Consecration of Russia be done in time to avoid that prophecy?**

It is up to you. Pray for the Holy Father that he will soon consecrate Russia and release the full Third Secret. **FC**