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Francis Consecrates Russia to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary" – *Again*!

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Francis Agrees to "Consecrate" Russia to "Mary's Immaculate Heart"

In the wake of the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the war which followed, Ukraine's Latin Rite Catholic bishops wrote to the Roman pope, Francis I, asking him to consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary". A Roman Catholic consecration means the person or nation so consecrated is set aside for a supposedly holy purpose. They wrote: "we humbly ask Your Holiness to publicly perform the act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary of Ukraine and Russia, *as requested by the Blessed Virgin in Fatima*." Note these words, for they are very significant, as shall be seen.

Francis agreed to do this. On 15 March 2022 the Vatican press office issued the following statement: "On Friday, March 25, during the Celebration of Penance at which he will preside at 5 p.m. in St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

Rome Desires Russia's "Conversion"

For any true Christian, it goes without saying that this whole business is utterly unbiblical: prayers and consecrations to *Mary*, the mother-goddess of Roman Catholicism – such blasphemy could *never*, in any sense, be Christian. But our focus at this time is on Rome's purpose behind this consecration. Why was it done?

After the Ukrainian bishops' request to Francis, Fatima shrines around the world were invited to pray for *the conversion of Russia*. This is something the Vatican has desired for centuries. The Vatican of Francis hopes that Russia will be *defeated* by Ukraine and the US/EU alliance in this present war; and if it is, then in the war's aftermath Romish bishops and Jesuits from Ukraine and the West will flood into Russia and "convert" it to Roman Catholicism – by persuasion or, if need be, by force.

Alternatively, whether Russia loses or wins, the Vatican hopes that its people will turn against the Russian Communist leaders and embrace Roman Catholicism.

The Papal Consecration Was Done in 1984! So What is Going On?

We know *why* Russia was consecrated to "Mary's Immaculate Heart" by Francis in 2022. But it left millions of Roman Catholics confused and perplexed – for they believe (and the official Romish position prior to 2022 supported this) that John Paul II correctly consecrated Russia in 1984. What, then, was this 2022 consecration all about? Was the 1984 one valid, or not? If it was valid, why was it done again? And if it was invalid, why was the Roman Catholic world led to believe that it was valid for some 38 years?

Francis' action had Roman Catholic commentators scrabbling to try to clarify the March 2022 consecration. It was not an easy task for them, because the ambiguity was so thick it could be cut with

a knife. The frustration and perplexity in the mind of one such Romish commentator could be read between the lines (and he is typical of so many others) when he wrote, "That [1984] validity is known only to heaven itself. I will not dare to endeavor to try to resolve it here. But as a biographer of John Paul II and as a Cold War historian who has written at length about Fatima, I can at least here offer some clarification regarding what John Paul II did."¹ One almost felt sorry for him, trying to find some way to explain this huge enigma.

As with most things pertaining to the Vatican, understanding it all can be very difficult. But it is very important to know what Rome is seeking to accomplish with all this. It is necessary to understand the Vatican politics and intrigue behind its consecration of Russia to "the Immaculate Heart of Mary". The Christian reader is encouraged to read what follows very carefully. Although lengthy, for it is very detailed on purpose, it will throw light on this immensely significant Vatican act.

Most of the following (at least until we come to the present 2022 consecration by Francis) is extracted from my article, *The Lying Lady of Fatima*, but with some material taken out and other material added. For the full picture, please read the article: <u>https://www.biblebasedministries.co.uk/2017/06/02/the-lying-lady-of-fatima/</u>

The famous apparitions of "Mary" at Fatima, a small town in Portugal, allegedly occurred on six occasions between May and October 1917, when "Mary" supposedly appeared to three child shepherds and entrusted them with three great messages (called "secrets"). The children were Lucia dos Santos (10) and siblings Francisco (9) and Jacinta (7) Marto. Francisco and Jacinta died young, but Lucia became a cloistered nun.

The cult of Fatima grew and spread very rapidly ever since then, and numbers millions of Roman Catholics today.

The "Three Secrets" of Fatima

The "first secret" of the Fatima "revelations" was supposedly a vision of hell.

The "second secret" was supposedly a prophecy, in which "Mary" told the children that if men did not stop offending God, World War Two would begin, Communism would expand and the Roman Catholic "Church" and its pope would suffer persecution. To prevent these evils, "Mary" asked for devotion to her "Immaculate Heart" to be established in the world, *and* for the pope to consecrate Russia to her. Here, supposedly, are her words to the children:

"The war [the First World War, then raging] is going to end. But if people do not stop offending God, another and worse one will begin in the reign of Pius XI. When you shall see a night illuminated by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign that God gives you that He is going to punish the world for its many crimes by means of war, hunger, and persecution of the Church [meaning the "Church" of Rome] and the Holy Father. To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church. The good will be martyred; the Holy Father will have much to suffer; various nations will be annihilated.... In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she shall be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world."

As for the "third secret" of Fatima, this was not revealed, but supposedly written down by Lucia many years later and placed in a sealed envelope which was given to the Romish bishop of Fatima, only to be opened in the year 1960.2 However, our focus in this present article is on the "second secret".

What Really Happened at Fatima in 1917?

Did three little shepherd children really experience visions of and messages from Mary? In an article I wrote, published in *The Bible Based Ministries Magazine* in 2001, I said: "Rome has claimed that a number of supposed visions of Mary have occurred over the years, and the Fatima 'vision' is the most famous of all. True Christians know, of course, that these 'visions' are manufactured Papist delusions, or perhaps in certain cases demonic deceptions. Mary never appeared at Fatima, or anywhere else for that matter. This was *not* a message from God, and it was not a message from Mary, either! The Lord would not, and Mary could not, give such a message! She was blessed among women (Lk. 1:28), in that she was chosen by God to be the mother of our Lord. But she was a *sinner* like everyone else, who saw her need for the Saviour, and was converted to Him (Lk. 1:46,47). She was *not* conceived without original sin, nor was she taken bodily into heaven, nor does she hear and answer prayer, nor does she appear to men, as Rome claims! Any supposed 'appearance' of Mary is a lie!"3

Since it was not a message from God, we are not in any sense to trust it, nor to heed it. Mary is in heaven along with all departed saints, but none of them are ever sent back to earth with messages from God (Lk. 16:19-31). It is strictly forbidden for the Lord's people to try to make contact with the dead, or to receive any supposed messages from them (Deut. 18:10-12; Isa. 8:19,20). Contact with the dead is the sin of necromancy. God speaks to us through His written Word, the Bible. This is all-sufficient. Visions of any kind are no longer given (protestations from Pentecostals notwithstanding). The "Mary" of Romanism is a powerful *goddess*, who is *worshipped* by Romanists the world over. This heathen idolatry, blasphemously claiming to be true Christianity, is an abomination to God.

As for what really happened at Fatima in 1917, this is not the place to go into it, and I refer the reader to my article entitled *The Lying Lady of Fatima*. Briefly, however, the Fatima "visions" appear to have been a combination of a manufactured Papist delusion and a demonic deception. The reasons for drawing this conclusion are given in the article.

The "Second Secret" of Fatima

The *timing* of the "second secret" of Fatima is all-important. The three children supposedly saw "Mary" on six occasions, from May to October 1917. And what great event occurred in October 1917? The *Bolshevik Revolution in Russia*, which swept the Communists to power in that great land! Prior to 1917, Russia had been an overwhelmingly Russian Orthodox country by religion, and the great rival and enemy of the Roman Catholic institution. For centuries Rome had desired the conquest of Russia and the destruction of Russian Orthodoxy. In the nineteenth century Rome's Jesuits began working with, supporting and financing, the burgeoning Communist movement.4 They believed that this would be the most effective way of destroying Czarist Russia and the Russian Orthodox institution. By 1917 the Jesuits knew that the Communists were about to succeed. Sure enough, in October Russia fell to the Communists in the Bolshevik Revolution, becoming officially Communist and atheist. But in the months prior to the October revolution, so we are told by the Jesuits and other Romish authorities, the "visions" of Fatima occurred!

We have to ask, then: was the timing of these "visions" merely coincidence? There can be only one answer: No, not at all. It was deliberately *staged*.

This "secret" was not part of the demonic manifestation at Fatima. It was added later, by men!

One proof of this is that "Mary", it is claimed, told the children, "But if people do not stop offending God, another and worse [war] will begin in the reign of Pius XI." This pope's reign began in 1922 – six years *after* the so-called "second secret" of Fatima was given! The devil cannot predict the future, and the message did not come from the Lord, which leaves only one source: man. The "second secret" was an invention of the priests of Rome, for the purpose of deceiving the world. Importantly also, the "prophecy" is clearly a *lying* one, because factually World War Two did not begin in the reign of Pius XI, but in the reign of Pius XII, his successor! Now even if prophecies were still being given from the Lord today (which they are not, but we will assume for the sake of argument at this point), this fact alone would confirm that this was a *false prophecy* – for the true prophets of the Lord in biblical times *never once* gave inaccurate messages!

Another proof that this was a message concocted by *men*, is that we are told "Mary" requested the children not to reveal this "secret" until she gave them permission!5 It was not part of what they revealed in 1917 but was only "revealed" *years later* – when Rome's agents had had time to concoct it! How many years later? According to the official Roman Catholic account, Christ appeared to Lucia (who was by then a nun in a cloistered convent – very convenient!) in 1927 and gave her permission to reveal in writing everything that "Mary" had supposedly told her in the apparition in which she spoke about the devotion to her "Immaculate Heart", but not the rest. Lucia therefore revealed what had occurred during the June apparition in 1917.

Then in 1941, the bishop of Leiria ordered Lucia to write a detailed account of Jacinta's life for a book being written about her. And we are told that Lucia wrote of this order from the bishop: "This order touched the depth of my soul like a beam of light telling me that the time had come to reveal the first two parts of the secret". She then (or someone, at any rate) accordingly revealed the first and second "secrets" in writing, on 31 August 1941. Then later still in that same year, on 8 December, she wrote yet another account, more detailed, on the bishop's orders.6

Very importantly, *Lucia was surrounded with Jesuits!* In 1926 her priest-confessor was Jesuit superior, José da Silva Aparicio. Another was his later replacement, a Jesuit priest named Gonçalves (who told her to write down the Fatima "prophecy", promised to work for the realisation of the wishes of "Mary", and also informed the bishop of Leiria and arranged that the matter should come to the knowledge of Pope Pius XI). And a third was Jesuit priest, Francisco Rodrigues, to whom she wrote and with whom she met on a number of occasions.7

No, the Lord had not appeared to poor Lucia. Saul of Tarsus, later called Paul the apostle, was the very last to see the risen Christ (1 Cor. 15:3-9). It was not the Lord, it was her *priest-confessor* who commanded Lucia to lie like this! Those Jesuits were the *real* authors of the lies of Fatima! Lucia was merely a pawn in their hands. We will probably never know how much she herself wrote, or how much was written in her name by others. We cannot believe a thing emanating from Jesuitical sources.

As things turned out, once they took power the Russian Communists did not behave as the Vatican desired, and in fact turned against the Vatican and went their own way. They created an atheistic state, and instead of utterly destroying the Russian Orthodox institution they hijacked it and turned it into a tool of Communism. Yes, thousands of Russian Orthodox "church" buildings were destroyed, and thousands of priests and bishops, as well as millions of Russian Orthodox followers, were sent to concentration camps. But in the case of the priests, these were the ones who did not capitulate and agree to work *for* the Reds, from *within* Russian Orthodoxy's priesthood; and in the case of the common people, this was simply the Reds doing what they always loved to do: wiping out religious people. Members of various religions were persecuted and massacred by the multiplied millions – including Roman Catholics.

The Vatican's cherished hopes of great things from the Communists did not materialise. Something had to be done. So the Vatican turned from being a supporter of the Communist revolutionaries to being their opponent. It now wanted to destroy Soviet Communism, for it realised that it could not use it as it had originally hoped. And one way to "help along" the eventual downfall of atheistic Communism was to spread a story about "Mary" desiring to see Russia "converted", and the dire consequences if this did not happen.

And so to Portugal, and to a place called Fatima.

The Vatican's First Hope: The "Conversion" of Russia by Nazi Conquest of the USSR

In 1929, so we are told, "Mary" again appeared to Lucia – the only surviving visionary, and who became a nun – and said the time had come for the consecration of Russia. Here are the words, as we have been provided with them by the Vatican spin doctors: "The moment has come in which God asks the Holy Father, in union with all the bishops of the world, to make the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, promising to save it by this means."8

Mary did no such thing. The message was a lie. But it was a lie with a definite purpose.

At the very same time as the Vatican was supporting the rise of Fascism in Italy and Nazism in Germany, it was also massively promoting the cult of Fatima. Europe had been "Fatimaized" by 1938 – the year before the outbreak of World War Two. In that year the Vatican dispatched a papal nuncio to Fatima, and almost half a million pilgrims there were told that "Mary" had given three great secrets to the children.

Part of the "second secret" said: "When you shall see a night illuminated by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign that God gives you that He is going to punish the world for its many crimes by means of war, hunger, and persecution of the Church [meaning the "Church" of Rome] and the Holy Father." By 1938, on the eve of World War Two, the Vatican deemed it to be the right time to claim the fulfilment of this part of the message. Here is what we are told happened, by an official Roman Catholic book on the subject:

"On the night of January 25, 1938, Sister Lucia stood at her convent window and saw an ominous red glow that lit the entire sky. This light was seen throughout Europe and Africa and in parts of America and Asia. Scientists tried to explain it as a most unusual display of the Aurora Borealis, or Northern Lights. But Sister Lucia knew that it was the great sign foretold by Our Lady on July 13, 1917, and that the punishment of the world was at hand. Several weeks later, Hitler invaded Austria striking the match that was to set the world aflame. Thus began another and worse war in the reign of Pius XI, as predicted by the Mother of God at Fatima."9

Note the wording: "Scientists tried to explain it as a most unusual display of the Aurora Borealis, or Northern Lights. *But Sister Lucia knew* that it was the great sign foretold by Our Lady". Any possible scientific explanation was airily dismissed, and the belief of a nun was accepted as the true one, regardless of the evidence. When it comes to Rome's "lying wonders", Rome never lets the truth get in the way.

What must always be borne in mind is that Lucia was a devout cloistered nun, a tool of the Jesuits, *and* that she supposedly only spoke up and revealed these things on the advice of her priest-confessor – the Jesuit priest to whom she always confessed her sins. This man, of course, was in direct communication with his superiors in the Vatican. Poor, deluded Lucia! She was a pawn in the hands of ambitious and cunning men. Conditioned, as a cloistered nun, to obey her priest absolutely, she would not hesitate to lie for him if told to, "for the greater glory of God", for she would have believed he stood in the very place of God.

Those three children claimed to see "Mary" and to deliver words from her, and although there is good reason to believe that they did see and hear something, being deceived by the devil, whatever messages they had originally been given by a seducing spirit back then, we may be certain that the agents of Rome *changed* or *added to* the messages at a later date, to make it *appear* as if they spoke of Russia's persecution of the "Church", its "conversion" one day, etc. Those priests saw an opportunity – three young children claiming to be receiving messages from the Virgin – and decided to capitalise on it and put words in the children' mouths. Easy enough to do in a remote, rural, poor area of Portugal in 1917: bribes, gifts, threats even. All these means could have been used; certainly one or more would have been. And suddenly Rome had a very powerful tool against atheistic Russia.

It was all so perfectly timed; perfectly choreographed. The language of Fatima was that Russia would be converted, while the language of the Fascists and Nazis was that Russia would be annihilated by their armies. Perfect timing! As far as the Vatican was concerned, Russia's annihilation at the hands of the Nazis *would be* the beginning of her conversion to Roman Catholicism. After all, the Nazi leaders were Roman Catholics, the Jesuits were the model which Hitler followed, and the Third Reich was a Roman Catholic crusade.10

"Mary" allegedly told the children that if the pope of Rome would consecrate Russia to her "Immaculate Heart", that vast land would be converted and a worldwide period of peace would follow. By "converted", of course, the Jesuits meant *converted to Roman Catholicism – not* back to Russian Orthodoxy! This is important to bear in mind.

As we have seen, in 1929 Lucia claimed (or at least, the world was told by Rome's priests that this is what she claimed) that "Mary" again appeared to her, stating that: "The moment has arrived wherein God is asking the Holy Father to consecrate Russia to my Immaculate Heart in union with all the bishops of the world. He promises to save it by this means." Lucia, we are told, sent this request to Pius XI that same year, and he promised to take it into consideration.11 But this was not done, and Lucia in later writings (again, so we are told) said that the Lord was displeased. Then, in a letter dated 2 December 1940, she addressed herself directly to Pius XII in obedience to her "spiritual directors", again asking him to carry out "Mary's" request.12

Therefore the next question to be answered is: *did* the pope of Rome consecrate Russia to Mary's "Immaculate Heart"?

The answer is not as straightforward as one might imagine. And there is a reason for this ambiguity.

In 1941 Hitler invaded Russia. As far as the Vatican of Pius XII was concerned, this was the beginning of the fulfilment of Fatima's "second secret", the conversion of Russia to Roman Catholicism. "Pius XII encouraged Catholics to volunteer for the Russian front. Catholics – most of them devotees of the Virgin of Fatima – joined the nazi armies, from Italy, France, Ireland, Belgium, Holland, Latin America, the U.S. and Portugal. Spain sent a Catholic Blue Division. In October, 1941, while the nazi armies rolled near Moscow, Pius XII, addressing Portugal, urged Catholics to pray for a speedy realization of the Lady of Fatima's promise."13

And then what did the pope do? In the midst of World War Two, on 31 October 1942, Pius XII in his radio message to the Portuguese nation consecrated Russia to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary".14 The reason for this was that Pius XII was devoutly anti-Communist, devoutly pro-Nazi, and had assisted the Nazis to come to power in Germany; and he believed that the Nazis would conquer the Soviet Union. This would be the beginning of Russia's conversion, as had been predicted at Fatima. Or so Pius XII believed.15

In other words, the first attempt at seeing the "prophecy" of Fatima fulfilled was by means of outright aggression and war! Pius XII believed that Russia would be converted by being conquered militarily by the Nazis.

This was it, Roman Catholics worldwide believed: this was the beginning of the fulfilment of the "second secret" of Fatima. "The apparitions of Fatima open a new era,' wrote Cardinal Cerejeira in that same year. 'It is the foreshadowing of what the Immaculate Heart of Mary is preparing for the whole world.' The new era, in 1942, was a totally nazified European continent, with Russia seemingly wiped off the map, Japan conquering half of Asia and world fascism was at its zenith everywhere."16 Yes, *this* was the nightmare the Vatican desired, and worked for.

Alas for the Vatican, it was not to be. "The fascist empire vanished with the collapse of Hitler. In 1945, World War II ended. And Soviet Russia, to the chagrined surprise of Pope Pius XII, emerged the second greatest power on earth."17

What, therefore, was the Vatican to do about that consecration of Russia to "Mary's Immaculate Heart" by Pius XII in 1942?

There was only one thing to do: claim that the consecration was invalid! But how to do this? A way was found: according to a letter she allegedly wrote in 1943, Lucia stated that Pius, unfortunately, had not consecrated Russia properly. It was good but incomplete, because he failed to do it in union with all the bishops of Rome – as "Mary" had asked.18 Oh, what a pity! If only the bishops had joined him, Communism would have been defeated instead of emerging from the War as a world power, with half of Europe in its iron grip! This was how the Vatican wriggled out of its dilemma.

Communism was not defeated by the War. If it had been, we may be sure the Vatican would *then* have claimed that Pius XII's consecration of Russia *was* valid. But Communism expanded after World War Two, all over the world. The time was not yet ripe, therefore, to claim that Fatima's "second secret" had been fulfilled.

The Vatican's Second Hope: The "Conversion" of Russia by American Nuclear Defeat of the USSR

If anyone thought the Fatima cult would die down after the failure to defeat Communism in World War Two, they were in for a huge surprise. It was revived in a big way in 1945, with massive pilgrimages being organised to the shrine of Fatima itself. Then in 1946 the idol of "Mary" was solemnly crowned in front of over half a million pilgrims. Pius XII broadcast a radio message from the Vatican on the anniversary of Fatima on 13 May 1946, calling on the faithful to "Be ready! There can be no neutrals. Never step back. Line up as crusaders!"19 Rome was far from done with Fatima. Or with Russia.

The Cold War began in 1947, and the Vatican encouraged massive hatred of Russia. It also sent an idol of "Our Lady of Fatima" on a world tour (called a "pilgrimage"), being taken to over 50 countries, welcomed by governments and adored by multitudes. Wherever the idol went, Romanists were aroused to a frenzy of anti-Russian hatred. Finally, in 1950 the idol was sent to Moscow itself! And with the warm approval of the American ambassador, Admiral Kirk, the idol was solemnly set up in the church of the foreign diplomats – "To wait for the imminent liberation of Soviet Russia."

Yes, the Vatican was still hoping that Russia's conversion was about to be achieved, militarily. Prominent Roman Catholics were urging Americans to prepare for a nuclear war with Russia. The Cold War tension mounted dramatically. In 1950 the Roman Catholic Secretary of the U.S. Navy, F. Matthews, called on the U.S. to launch an attack on Soviet Russia. In this call this fanatical, devout Papist was fully supported by the Roman Catholic hierarchy, the Roman Catholic press, and the Knights of Columbus, a powerful American Roman Catholic order.

The calls increased. Political and military steps were being taken. The Roman Catholic millions were being mobilised for an atomic war, led by America, against the Soviet Union. Pius XII was personally using his immense influence to push for just such a war.

In 1950, as he was doing everything in his immense power to get the United States to launch an atomic war against the Soviet Union – for the purpose of beginning Russia's conversion, of course – Pius was visited by the Virgin Mary one day in October. Or so we are told. We have nothing but the Vatican's say-so to go by, and frankly, its say-so is worthless. It was just another one of those many, many Vatican "Just So" stories, as fanciful as anything Kipling ever wrote, which the world's Roman Catholic population, not to mention everyone else, is just supposed to accept as absolutely true, because a pope said it. After all, a pope would never lie... would he?

Once he admitted to having been visited by Mary herself, Pius then commanded that the Fatima celebrations in October 1951 were to be the greatest ever held. And it came to pass. Well over a million people assembled at the Fatima shrine. And, master strategist that he was, Pius used the occasion to announce to the assembled mass of humanity, through his personal representative (a cardinal named Tedeschini), that Mary had graciously visited him.

The Jesuits and other Romish theologians gave thanks to "Mary" for the privilege granted to Pius. Papists the world over believed that Soviet Russia was on the very brink of being converted to Roman Catholicism. And of course, the only way they could see that was likely to happen was by the U.S. declaring war on the USSR. Millions of Roman Catholics were actively praying for war. In the United States, prominent Papists rose to prominent positions within the government, and an American ambassador was sent to the Vatican for the first time in 1951.

The world was edging closer and closer to a nuclear holocaust in those Cold War days – and the Vatican was at the very centre of the intrigues to bring it about. On 7 July 1952, Pius consecrated the world, and especially the Russian people, to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary" – *again*.20

Indeed, by 1952, "Rome, claiming to be a center of peace, had become a vast, sinister center of war. The ever more imposing procession of generals, admirals, war ministers, saturation bombing experts, clanking their boots along the Vatican's marble corridors, was the damning demonstration that these individuals, professional war leaders, were there to see another war leader, Pope Pius XII.... The skillful amalgamation of papal diplomacy, religious administrative might and organized superstition had made of the pope one of the supreme war leaders in the active promotion of a third World War."21

Well, the world did not go to war then. And although Pius XII continued to whip up Roman Catholic frenzy by means of "Our Lady of Fatima", intensifying the cult and seeking to prepare Roman Catholics the world over for the inevitable coming war with the USSR, he died in 1958 – and with the election of a new pope, John XXIII, everything changed. For John was a *pro-Communist* pope. And global politics entered a new era – just as dangerous, if not more so, but decidedly different from what went before.

Thus, twice, Pius XII's hopes and dreams for smashing Russia failed to materialise. He had hoped Hitler would do it, but Hitler lost. Then he had hoped the United States would do it, but that hope, too, was destined to be dashed.

Then on 21 November 1964, at the request of 510 archbishops and bishops from 78 countries meeting for the Second Vatican Council, Pope Paul VI *also* consecrated the world to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary".22 But nothing happened. Russia was no more converted to Roman Catholicism in the wake of that 1964 consecration than it had been in the wake of the 1942 and 1952 consecrations.

So then, if neither 1942, nor 1952, nor 1964, was the valid consecration of Russia to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary", and if Russia was not beaten militarily, either by the Nazis in World War Two or by the Americans in the aftermath of World War Two, it was necessary for the Vatican to claim *yet another date* for the correct consecration, and *yet another time* for the "conversion" of Russia.

Fast forward to 1984, and to the pope at the time, John Paul II.

The Vatican's Third Hope: The "Conversion" of Russia by Means of the Staged "Collapse of Communism" in 1989-1992

On 13 May 1981 – the 64th anniversary of the first apparition at Fatima! – the Roman pope, John Paul II, survived an assassination attempt in the Vatican at the hands of a Turkish gunman. Attributing his survival to "Mary", John Paul II then consecrated the world (and maybe Russia – there is uncertainty about this) to "Mary", possibly in union with all the bishops (again, there is some uncertainty), *twice* – the first time on 13 May 1982, and then again on 25 March 1984. He did this after sending a letter to all the world's Roman Catholic and Orthodox bishops, asking them to join him in the consecration. He also consulted Lucia as to how to fulfil what "Mary" had asked. Or so we are told.

This 1984 date was very significant; for the *very next year* - 1985 - Mikhail Gorbachev came to power and *perestroika* began, which signalled the beginning of all the progress which the Roman Catholic institution made in the USSR thereafter.

But was this the real deal this time, according to Rome? Had the pope really done it properly?

Well, yes. Or maybe not. Again the answer is far from straightforward. And again there is a reason for this.

Up until about mid-1989, it is claimed that Lucia always insisted neither one of the consecrations by John Paul II were valid. But since about mid-1989 she supposedly began to recognise the validity of the 1984 one. She said this was the real one, although she also said that this was her personal opinion, not a supernatural revelation.23

Lucia apparently said that the Third World War would have broken out in 1985 if John Paul II had failed to consecrate Russia to "Mary's Immaculate Heart" when he did, a year before in 1984. But because he had done so, instead of a world war in 1985, this was the year in which Mikhail Gorbachev came to power in Russia and started his *perestroika* policy, which culminated, in 1991, in the demise

of the Soviet Union and what the world was led to believe was the collapse of Soviet (and thus Russian) Communism.

Note, as always, I have said she "apparently" said this.

Why did Rome deem the 1980s to be the right time (this time) for the pope to consecrate Russia to "Mary's Immaculate Heart"? It was because of what was occurring in the Soviet Union and its satellite states in those years, and because of the huge role which the Vatican of John Paul II was playing in those events.

By the 1980s the Vatican had created its own brand of Communism, which may be called Catholic-Communism, and was exerting ever-increasing pressure on the Soviet Union itself, in all sorts of ways. By 1988 the Vatican could smell victory. And so it was that the changes which took place in the Soviet Union and the eastern-bloc Communist countries from 1988 to 1990 were claimed to be the *fulfilment* of "Mary's" words in her "second secret": that Russia was being converted to Roman Catholicism! The Soviet Union had its own agenda, of course, behind the *staged events* of those momentous years. For indeed the events *were* staged: Communism did *not* die then, as the world was deceived into believing. It is as much alive and well today, in those countries, as it ever was. But that is another story, too large to tell here. For now our focus is on what the Vatican perceived to be the beginning of the conversion of Russia to Romanism, in those years.

1989 was one of the most significant and eventful years in world history. It was the year when one eastern-bloc country after another *appeared* to be casting off the shackles of Communism. And, very significantly, Roman Catholic Poland was where it all started! The Polish pope, John Paul II, had laid the groundwork well: Poland was to be the place where the Roman Catholic takeover of Eastern Europe was to begin. The dominoes started falling there. Two versions of Communism knocked heads. In April 1989, Solidarity, the Catholic-Communist Polish trade union movement, was legalised by the Moscow-backed, atheistic Communist government in Poland. Then on 17 May, the Polish parliament granted legal status to the Roman Catholic institution – for the first time since the Communist takeover of Poland in 1944. Poland thus became the first eastern-bloc country to be reconciled with the Great Harlot (Rev. 17:2)!

By August, the "domino effect" had begun in Eastern Europe. Hungary was next. The Communist government there began to relax its hardline stance against Roman Catholicism. Diplomatic relations with the Vatican were sought. In Poland in August, after the Communist prime minister resigned, a Solidarity leader was asked, by the president, to form a government. Poland therefore became the first country since World War Two to oust an atheistic government. The new prime minister was a devout Roman Catholic, a Solidarity member, and a devout *Catholic*-Communist. And in Czechoslovakia, a Romanist became the first deputy premier.

Then, on 1 December 1989, the most significant event in a year of significant events occurred. Mikhail Gorbachev of the Soviet Union met John Paul II in the Vatican! This was the first time ever that a Soviet leader had done so. Gorbachev called the meeting "a truly extraordinary event", and the pope said their meeting "will hardly fail to have a powerful impact on world opinion." It would "be interpreted as singularly meaningful: a sign of the times that have slowly matured, a sign that is rich in promise."

So *was* Russia indeed being converted to Roman Catholicism this time? Was Fatima's fraud paying off? As far as Rome was concerned at the time, the answer was Yes. It really did appear, to the powers that be in Rome, that they were about to witness the conversion of Russia to Roman Catholicism.

But what has been the reality since then? Decades have passed since that 1984 consecration, yet what is the reality, politically and religiously, in Russia?

Politically, Communism did *not* die, and even in Russia itself Communism is alive and well, indeed flourishing. And religiously, Russia has *not*, in fact, been converted to Roman Catholicism! The great hopes entertained within Vatican circles in the early 1980s did not materialise after all. Russia saw a massive resurgence of Russian Orthodoxy – but that is a very different matter, for Russian Orthodoxy

is Rome's great, centuries-old enemy. A re-conversion to Russian Orthodoxy would merely bring Russia much closer to where it was before the Bolshevik Revolution – which is why the Vatican supported that Revolution in the first place!

Besides, the Russian Orthodox institution has been a tool of the Communists ever since the Russian Revolution. Orthodox priests have been Communist secret agents. Today, Russia is permitting a more overt Russian Orthodoxy than before – but it is all part of the smokescreen, to fool the world into believing Communism is dead and Russia has changed. Orthodox priests are *still* Communist agents, and Russia is *still* ruled by Communists.

There are Roman Catholics who continue to maintain that John Paul II's 1984 consecration was valid. But faced with the problem of Russia apparently re-converting to Orthodoxy instead of to Romanism, they have had to put a good spin on this inconvenient obstacle in their way. They explain it by claiming that when "Mary" spoke of Russia's conversion, she meant Russia's conversion to Russian Orthodoxy! For example, Robert Moynihan, editor of *Inside the Vatican*, stated in 2017: "Indeed it is the most impressive conversion in history. They built or reopened 29,000 churches in only 28 years, three every day! The number of monasteries grew from 15 to 788, the number of faithful from below 50 million in 1990 to over 113 million today. And today, 82% of all Russians follow Orthodox Christianity. The Russian state spends more than \$100 million every year for the restoration of churches destroyed or misused by the Communists. The 500 theological seminaries are full of young men who follow their vocation.... I heard Orthodox chants right on the Red Square. They rebuilt the Cathedral of Our Lady of Kazan, destroyed by the communists, and transmit all liturgies and prayers with loudspeakers on the square five times a day. Lenin surely is rolling over in his mausoleum – it's an exorcism!"24

But again: what Moynihan described was Russian Orthodoxy - *not* Roman Catholicism. And considering that Russian Orthodoxy has been the age-old enemy of Rome, and Rome has always sought its destruction, the fact that Russia is now more openly Orthodox is not, in truth, a desirable thing for Rome.

Unless...

Unless, by other means – ecumenical means – Russian Orthodoxy *is* being slowly drawn back under Rome!

Great steps have been taken towards eventual "unity", via the ecumenical movement. And doubtless it is believed, by those Romanists who maintain that the 1984 consecration was valid, that although Russia appears to be being converted increasingly to Russian Orthodoxy, it doesn't matter, because slowly but surely Russian Orthodoxy is being drawn under the wings of the "Mother Church" of Rome. In the long run, then, Russia's conversion to Orthodoxy will mean Russia's conversion to Romanism. This is especially so, given Romanism's enthusiastic embracing of its own brand of Catholic-Communism for decades now, particularly under the popes John XXIII, Paul VI, John Paul II, and Francis I.

Those who do not believe that *any* of these consecrations were valid say, "Communism's errors expanded after the War, and have continued to expand even after the so-called 'collapse' of Communism in the late 1980s/early 1990s. Russia's Communist errors have continued to cover the world like a blanket, and have indeed been adopted by most countries of the world now and become official policy everywhere, often without a shot being fired and usually under different names." In all of this they are certainly correct. Communism, under other names, *has* been victorious throughout the world, conquering even the West.

Even for this dilemma, however, some high-ranking Papists have a ready answer. For example, Roman Catholic archbishop of Moscow, Paulo Pezzi, said in 2017 that he had witnessed Russia's conversion: "We should not interpret Our Lady of Fatima as foretelling Russia's conversion to Catholicism," but to Christ, he claimed. And a cardinal named Capovilla said, "When the message of Fatima says, 'In the end, Russia will convert and my heart will triumph,' I have always interpreted it in this way: What will it convert to? Christianity."²⁵ In other words, Russian Orthodoxy, not Roman Catholicism. Statements such as these might satisfy Rome's more ecumenical Papists; but they will

certainly not satisfy the more conservative Papists, who believe only Rome is the true Church.

Another reason given by those who reject the 1984 consecration is that "Mary's" words were, "I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Herat, *and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays*. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted..." As this "First Saturdays devotion" was not carried out perpetually, this aspect of the vision has not been fulfilled.

After World War Two Lucia was (apparently) interviewed, on 15 July 1946; and when she was asked about the part of the "prophecy" which said that if "Mary's" requests were heeded Russia would be converted, and there would be peace, but if not, Russia would spread her errors throughout the world, the interviewer asked: "Does this mean, in your opinion, that every country, without exception, will be overcome by Communism?" And Lucia is said to have replied: "Yes."26 She also apparently confirmed the consecration's authenticity in writing, including in letters dated 29 August 1989, 3 July 1990, and 21 November 1999. In the 29 August letter she apparently stated that the pope "made the consecration in the way in which the Blessed Virgin had wished that it should be made. Afterward people asked me if it was made in the way Our Lady wanted, and I replied: 'Yes.' From that time, it is made!" Furthermore, or so we are told, she also verbally affirmed its authenticity to a cardinal named Tarcisio Bertone. He himself wrote: "So Russia has been consecrated, and the consecration was performed on March 25, 1984."²⁷

One would have thought that Lucia's repeated affirmation that John Paul II validly consecrated Russia to Mary would be the end of the matter, in addition to John Paul II's own words, and the assertion of Rome's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the old Inquisition (then under Ratzinger the cardinal, later Benedict XVI) that the consecration was valid. But apparently not.

Both sides will speak up against the other side, often with very strong language. For example, those who deny the 1984 consecration's validity were called "crazy Fatima-conspiracy-theorists"28 by one of those who believe it was valid. But this is not at all unusual. The Jesuits have always played both sides, with undercover agents on one side criticising and hurling abuse at undercover agents on the other side. The point is, however, that depending on which way the wind blows, one side will gain the ascendancy – deliberately so. And by that time most people will have forgotten the issues that were once hotly debated.

Rome is always very careful to have a "Plan B." Back in 1984, when John Paul II carried out his consecration, the language of many Romish officials was somewhat guarded; somewhat ambiguous; a trifle vague. This was deliberate, for the Jesuits and their fellow-workers are old hands at knowing how things can change very suddenly in the world. Twice before in the past, their claim that Fatima's prediction was being fulfilled backfired; and although things looked very promising this third time round, and they were optimistic at the time that Russia was indeed being converted, they were realistic enough to know that various spanners could so easily be thrown into the works. They therefore put forward two strategies, either one of which they could use, depending on the circumstances as they evolved in the coming years. The first, as we have seen, would be to claim that, yes, Russia was being converted – but to Russian Orthodoxy, to be followed at a later stage by conversion to Roman Catholicism.

And the second?

The Vatican's "Wait and See" Approach

The second strategy would be to permit, even encourage, some influential Roman Catholic voices to claim that the 1984 consecration was not really valid (they would find various excuses as to why it was not), and that it still had to be done "properly". In this way Rome left enough "wriggle room" for herself to slither out of any dilemma. For example, in the official Roman Catholic booklet, *Our Lady of Fatima's Peace Plan from Heaven*, which carries the *Nihil Obstat* and the *Imprimatur* of Rome, it is categorically stated: "Yet even this singular act [John Paul II"s 1984 consecration] did not exactly fulfil the specific request of Our Lady for a Collegial Consecration of Russia by the Holy Father 'in union with all the bishops of the world."29

Certainly the side which claims that the 1984 consecration was not really valid was able to draw on some indisputable facts. Firstly, Russia did *not* convert to Roman Catholicism after 1984 – and that was a long time ago now. Secondly, a period of peace did *not* follow 1984 – and that was one of "Mary's" promises too. Thirdly, there are Roman Catholics who even doubt that Lucia was still alive when she was said to have stated that the consecration was valid, or if she was, they doubt that she really said what it is claimed she did! It would have been easy enough to get some other woman to "stand in" for her, even on camera – no doubt about that.

Fourthly, John Paul II *did not actually mention Russia by name* during his consecration! He spoke of entrusting "all individuals and peoples" to the "Immaculate Heart": "O Mother of individuals and peoples, you who know all their sufferings and their hopes... In a special way we entrust and consecrate to you those individuals *and nations* [emphasis original] which particularly need to be thus entrusted and consecrated"; "We wish to unite ourselves with our Redeemer in this his consecration for the world and for the human race"; "In entrusting to you, O Mother, the world, all individuals and peoples, we also entrust to you this very consecration of the world, placing it in your motherly Heart."³⁰ *No direct reference* to the Soviet Union or to Russia at all! This omission was deliberate and was done for diplomatic reasons. He himself was not troubled by this and claimed that as Russia was naturally included in the use of the word, "all", used repeatedly in the text, it was validly performed; also, the words, "we entrust and consecrate to you those individuals *and nations*" were clearly referring to Russia (according to him). And after the ceremony, when he was thanked for consecrating the world, he himself added, "and Russia."³¹

All this is perfectly satisfactory to those Roman Catholics who believe John Paul II carried out the consecration correctly. They even go further: "many have speculated that during the several pauses John Paul made while reciting the...consecration prayer, he was probably bringing this intention of his heart even more directly to Our Lady, namely, his prayer for the collapse of Soviet Communism."³² This just shows the desperation of these Roman Catholic faithful – going so far as to claim that John Paul must have said something under his breath, or at least he must have thought it!

Some even make the following excuse. This is from a so-called expert on the World Apostolate of Fatima: "If Russia had been consecrated as Our Lady had asked back in 1917, then Communism would have been nipped in the bud and World War II never would have happened. Instead, because of the consecration's long delay, World War II did happen and Russia did spread her errors of atheism and Communism throughout the world. Therefore, by 1984, not just Russia but *the whole world* needed to be consecrated. So, John Paul explicitly consecrated 'the world' as well as 'nations that particularly need to be thus entrusted and consecrated'". In other words, "The consecration was made, *but it was made late,* as Mary herself had said. Therefore, we shouldn't expect things to turn out as they would have had the consecration been done back in the early 20th century."³³ To which we simply say: nice try. For at the end of the day Rome claims that "Mary" supposedly gave specific instructions for how to carry out the consecration, and these instructions (if they were genuine, which of course we know they were not) could not simply be altered because times had changed!

And so, for decades since 1984, nothing was 100% settled. The Vatican was watching, and waiting, to see how things would "pan out". It knew that the time might yet come when it would claim, unequivocally, that the 1984 consecration was valid; or it would claim that it was not. It would all depend on what transpired, politically and religiously. This was why there was no crystal-clear, absolutely dogmatic statement from the Vatican. The "second secret" of Fatima was too valuable a "prophecy" to be absolutely dogmatic about it... just in case.

2017: Francis I and the 100th Anniversary of Fatima

With the 100th anniversary of the Marian apparitions occurring in 2017, Fatima once again became global news. Remember Pius XII and how, in alliance with the USA, he used Fatima as a political tool against Russia? Well, the Vatican was targeting Russia all over again. And Fatima was a very helpful tool in this deadly and global political game. The 100th anniversary occurred at a most convenient and

opportune time, as far as the Papacy was concerned. Russia on the one side, and the United States and western Europe on the other, were facing off all over again. The atmosphere was tense. A papal visit to Fatima, emphasising Fatima's message of "the conversion of Russia", sent a clear message, just as it had at other important moments in history: that the Vatican would be supportive of any and all steps to bring about the collapse of the Russian political-military government.

And so it was decided, by the Vatican powers-that-be, to dispatch the Jesuit pope, Francis I, to Fatima, to "canonise" two of the three children as "saints" in the Roman Catholic religion: the siblings Francisco and Jacinta Marto. The third "seer", their cousin Lucia dos Santos, died (so we are told) at the age of 97 in 2005. She could not be "canonised" with the other two because not enough time had elapsed since her death for the Vatican to study and complete her "beatification" and "canonisation" cause. But it is only a matter of time before she, too, will be "canonised", becoming "Saint Lucia".

Rome's leaders made sure they could get maximum mileage out of the 100th anniversary.

The Vatican's Fourth Hope: The Conquest of Russia by Ukraine and the US/EU Alliance

For some years now, Francis has been seeking closer ecumenical relations with the Russian Orthodox institution and with its leader, known as "Patriarch Kirill." It appeared that things were coming along very nicely between the two men and the two false "churches"; but all was not as rosy as the world was led to believe. And when Kirill, soon after Putin's invasion of Ukraine, came out openly in support of Putin, this was too much for the Francis Vatican. With many of Kirill's own priests apparently turning against him and condemning the war, Francis and his cronies in Rome decided to suspend their ecumenical attempts to win over Russia for the time being, and rather to support Ukraine and the US/EU alliance against Russia. With the tide of worldwide public opinion – at least that part of it which matters to the Vatican – favouring Ukraine and condemning Russia, Francis and the Vatican had to do the same in order to remain relevant in this conflict. Not difficult for them to do, because – recent ecumenical overtures to Russian Orthodoxy notwithstanding – Rome's favoured method of defeating a foe will always be to see them crushed militarily.

And so, after Russia invaded Ukraine and amidst worldwide condemnation of the invasion, on 25 March 2022 Francis consecrated Russia and Ukraine to the "Immaculate Heart of Mary", and also prayed for world peace. Seated before an idol of the Roman Catholic goddess-mother they call "Mary", he prayed to her as follows: "Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the Church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine. Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love. Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world."

He also said: "In union with the bishops and faithful of the world, I desire in a solemn way to bring all that we are presently experiencing to the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

As to whether or not Russia was correctly consecrated in 1984, it would appear – given Francis' consecration in March 2022 – that the answer the Vatican is now promoting is... No, it was not, and therefore Francis had to do it correctly. This, despite the supposed Fatima "seer", the nun Lucia, insisting repeatedly that John Paul II did it correctly back in 1984. This would appear to be confirmed by the fact that Ukraine's Latin Rite Catholic bishops, asking Francis to consecrate Russia and Ukraine, said, "we humbly ask Your Holiness to publicly perform the act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary of Ukraine and Russia, *as requested by the Blessed Virgin in Fatima*." Thus, Francis knew that he would be consecrating Russia – at least as far as Ukraine's bishops were concerned – *in order to fulfil Fatima*!

The fact that the act of consecration was also read out simultaneously by a cardinal at the "Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima" in Portugal showed that Francis was deliberately connecting this papal consecration to the "prophecies" of Fatima. He was saying, in effect: this is the fulfilment of Mary's request at Fatima concerning Russia. In addition, the fact that he *specifically* said that his consecration was being done "in union with the bishops and faithful of the world" – one of "Mary's" conditions –

indicates clearly that he was sending the message that *this* was the correct consecration. And finally, the fact that he specifically mentioned Russia by name – another of "Mary's" conditions – indicates that he was sending the message that *this* was indeed the valid consecration.

But if it was not done correctly in the past, why did the Vatican not say so directly, as it prepared for the 2022 consecration? Why did neither the pope of Rome himself, nor any high-ranking Vatican official, come out and state categorically that John Paul II's 1984 consecration was invalid, and that this one by Francis was the valid one? Reason: this is always how the Vatican works – *it covers both bases*. In this case, it wanted the Roman Catholic world to believe that Francis was going to do what previous popes, including John Paul II in 1984, did not do correctly. Hence this 2022 consecration. *But... just in case it ever becomes necessary to do so, by remaining ambiguous about whether or not this consecration is the correct one the Vatican can always say in the future, "Actually, the 1984 consecration was correct; all that Francis did in 2022 was <i>re*-consecrate Russia to Mary." The Vatican could simply argue that the 2022 war in Ukraine demanded that Russia be consecrated *again.* After all, the Vatican does not deny the previous consecrations of Russia by various popes – it views them all as valid, in fact. It simply claims that they did not fulfil the *specific directions* given by "Mary" through the children at Fatima. And this would definitely explain the choice of 25 March as the date for this present consecration – for it was on this day in 1984 that John Paul II consecrated Russia and the world to Mary's "Immaculate Heart".

Covering both bases – just in case – was also shown by Francis' words during the consecration, for he declared that it was "no magic formula but a spiritual act." So, if things do not turn out as the Vatican hopes, its spin doctors can always turn around and remind the Roman Catholic faithful that there was no magic formula in the consecration.

One Roman Catholic commentator wrote: "I have no doubts that there is nothing wrong with [Francis consecrating Russia in 2022]. One would think that such an act can only help, and certainly cannot hurt."³⁴ One could almost hear his uncertainty and perplexity: was *this* the valid consecration then, and not the 1984 one? Guardedly, he stated that perhaps the most that could be said about this one was that it was a good idea, helpful and not harmful, perhaps a kind of top-up to the 1984 one.

But Roman Catholics could be forgiven for asking, in this case: "So was there an expiry date on the 1984 consecration? Or did it fail, despite being validly performed?" After all, during his 1984 consecration John Paul II had actually said, "*The power of this consecration lasts for all time* and embraces all individuals, peoples and nations."³⁵ Well then, if its power lasts for all time, why did Francis I carry out *another* consecration? Was there really a need for a top-up consecration? Or was Francis actually declaring that the 1984 one was invalid, and his 2022 one was the correct one?

Conclusion

And so the "Lying Lady of Fatima" has entered into the global political and religious atmosphere of the twenty-first century, and is all set to play a role as large as, or perhaps larger than, that which "she" played in the political and religious atmosphere of the twentieth century. But when we reflect on the pivotal role which Fatima's "Lady" played in the wars and sufferings of millions of men and women in the twentieth century, then we can only view, with deep concern and foreboding, the role which "she" may yet play in the wars and sufferings of the time yet to come, before the Lord Jesus Christ returns. Indeed, understanding these things, we must view this "Lady" as nothing but a very important facet, and in truth a reflection, of that Woman, that Great Whore, that false religious system masquerading as a "church", which reigns from Rome, the city on seven hills (Rev. 17 and 18). That Harlot is no true lady, and this expression of her evil, which radiated out into the world from Fatima, is no true lady either. That which Papists call "Our Lady of Fatima" was both a demonic manifestation to three children for the purpose of deceiving millions and leading them to hell, and a very useful political and religious tool in the hands of Jesuits and other priests of Rome, who hijacked the original demonic

apparitions and then proceeded to put words in "her" mouth for the purpose of promoting their global agenda of expanding Vatican control over all the nations of the earth.

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