CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST

Young Missionaries of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Igniting the 'flame of faith' in the hearts of the children of the world as they follow the way of the Little Shepherds of Fatima!

Welcome Clergy, Teachers, Parents,

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST is an educational and evangelistic initiative, associated with the International World Apostolate of Fatima, offering spiritual and devotional programs to lead children and young people to greater understanding, adoration and love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, Entrustment to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and her Holy Rosary. The foundation is the message of Our Lady of Fatima and the visits of the Angel of Peace that preceded her apparitions to the three Shepherd Children in Portugal in 1917.

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST programs encompass the entire Message of Fatima and its teachings: the offering of prayers and sacrifices, devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary, and reparation to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

This simple program based on the message of Fatima will help children, young people and yes, even adults, to begin or rededicate themselves to a life of prayer, penance, and sacrifice, to become sensitive to sin as they ***grow in virtue, grace and holiness.***

It is a program of ***hope*** for the children of the world, helping them to learn and live the message of the "Angel of Peace" and carry out Our Lady's requests, while at the same time becoming active missionaries in their parishes, schools, and homes. It is a response to the appeals of recent popes to children for their prayers and sacrifices to convert sinners, appease the Divine Justice and usher in a 'new springtime' of holiness in families and in the world.

...and a little child shall lead them... Isaiah 11:6

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST operates both in the United States and on an international level. The Board of Trustees has recently incorporated in order to strengthen our outreach and effectiveness in promoting our programs for youth. We believe these programs, which strive to develop a deep Eucharistic and Marian devotional life in the hearts of children, have the ability to re-energize and re-catechize the family in order that the Catholic Faith may strike root deeply in its members. As then-Cardinal Ratzinger wrote in 2000 in his theological commentary on the Third Secret of Fatima:

Popular piety is a sign that the faith is spreading its roots into the heart of a people in such a way that it reaches into daily life. Popular religiosity is the first and fundamental mode of "inculturation" of the faith. While it must always take its lead and direction from the liturgy, ***it in turn enriches the faith by involving the heart.***

The time is now to gather children all over the world, those in small villages and large cities, in parishes, schools and families, into 'Little Shepherd' Prayer Groups, to unite their prayers into a powerful force that can change the direction that the wind is blowing in the family and the world.

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST has received two Apostolic Blessings:
The first in 2007 from Archbishop Sambi, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, for the fifth annual Worldwide Children's Holy Hour and the second in 2009 for the seventh Worldwide Children's Holy Hour during the 'Year for Priests'.

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST invites our world's clergy, teachers, and parents to help the children and young people in their care follow the way of the Little Shepherds of Fatima and enroll in the School of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which is the school of 'God Is Love.'

Will you consider becoming an 'Ambassador' of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to help her in these unprecedented and uncertain times to lead the children of the world to Entrustment to her Immaculate Heart, so that she can safely lead them to her Divine Son Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist?

CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST thanks you, and thanks Our Blessed Mother for choosing you for this 'Apostolate', which is simple but most spiritually powerful. We pray you will feel in your soul a strength and a great joy which the Holy Spirit will send you by means of the children: it is the Father in Heaven's "gratitude" which smiles upon you for having allowed Him to take full possession of His children with whom He will fight and overcome the last battle against the eternal adversary: "From the mouth of infants and nursing babes You have established strength against Your adversaries, to make the enemy and the revengeful cease." Ps 8: 2-3

Our Board of Trustees, being international in scope and outreach, desires to collaborate with many organizations worldwide in order to hasten the time of the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We are embarking on a new time of working together in charity and love as brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus toward the same goal. May God Bless you!

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