HOLY SPIRIT GAINS PROMINENCE IN MESSAGES

After only one mentioning in 2005-10, the Virgin Mary has talked about the Holy Spirit nine times to visionary Mirjana Soldo in 2011-12. "What is to come requires the full presence of the Holy Spirit" and "Heaven is ready to give the graces of the Holy Spirit now" Medjugorje experts explain.



The universal symbol of the Holy Spirit is a dove

When the Virgin Mary's message to Medjugorje visionary Mirjana Dragicevic-Soldo on Tuesday made mention of the Holy Spirit, it was the ninth such mention in 24 messages given to Mirjana this year and last year.

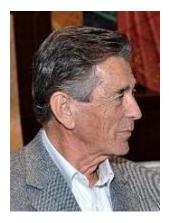
In comparison, the Holy Spirit was mentioned only once in Mirjana's messages from these became regular in 2005 until 2010, message research conducted by <u>Crown of Stars</u> editor Bernard Gallagher reveals.



Mirjana during her apparition on October 2

Long-time followers of the apparitions and messages of Medjugorje believe the trend is meaningful and worthy of notice, they tell Medjugorje Today.

"I feel the Holy Spirit is being credited a little more often at this time due to the length of time the apparitions have occured. Does the mention of the Holy Spirit add anything new to the messages received by Mirjana? I do not think it does in a direct way" best-selling author Wayne Weible sets out.



Wayne Weible

"However, in these times with so many abnormalities in nature, it is more of an acknowledgment of the presence of God on earth as Jesus predicted in Holy Scripture. The very act of an apparition is evidence of the Holy Spirit. What is to come requires His full presence, and we are seeing the rumblings of what is to come when the secrets actually begin to occur" Weible tells Medjugorje Today.

MaryTV message commentator Cathy Nolan's reply springs from the Virgin Mary's actual message given to Mirjana on October 2:



"Dear children, I am calling you and am coming among you because I need you. I need apostles with a pure heart. I am praying, and you should also pray, that the Holy Spirit may enable and lead you, that He may illuminate you and fill you with love

and humility. Pray that He may fill you with grace and mercy. Only then will you understand me, my children. Only then will you understand my pain because of those who have not come to know the love of God. Then you will be able to help me. You will be my light-bearers of God's love. You will illuminate the way for those who have been given eyes but do not want to see. I desire for all of my children to see my Son. I desire for all of my children to experience His Kingdom. Again I call you and implore you to pray for those whom my Son has called. Thank you."

"When the visionaries are asked "Why" questions about what Our Lady is saying and doing, they change the question. They say it is not fruitful to ask "Why" but instead it is for us to ask "How". I would say, we need to ask ourselves how we can respond to Our Lady's request to us" Cathy Nolan tells Medjugorje Today.



Cathy Nolan

"If she is asking us to pray to the Holy Spirit, then we need to ask ourselves how we can pray to the Holy Spirit more effectively. How can we open ourselves to His grace, His inspiration, His power? If Our Lady asks us, we need to respond."

"Our Lady leads us in a plan from Heaven. She gets her cues from the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. If she is asking this of us now, it is because Heaven is ready to give the graces of the Holy Spirit now. Our Lady is with us to guide us, lead us, protect us, and strengthen us. She knows the patterns. We are safe with her" Cathy Nolan says.

"We do not need to figure out what God is doing. He is loving us, as usual!"