



Figures in the Work



John Paul II, the Pope of the Immaculate (1920-2005)

Liturgical Feast Day on October 22



On February 27, 2000, Heaven revealed to Marie-Paule the bonds linking her to Pope John Paul II for the destiny of the Church. *“JOHN PAUL, WHO HAS THE SPIRIT OF JOHN, AND PAUL-MARIE, WHO HAS THE SPIRIT OF MARY, HAVE BEEN BOUND TOGETHER IN ORDER TO LEAD THE CHURCH OF PETER INTO THE CHURCH OF JOHN.”*

And she was given to “understand” the “mystical portent” of the Army of Mary’s rallying sentence: *“The Army of Mary will be recognized by this SINGLE TRAIT: its fidelity to Rome and to the Pope.”* (*Le Royaume*, no. 139, March-April 2000, p. 5)

The juxtaposition of those two sentences confirms Marie-Paule’s role within the new Rome, the Church of John, of which Pope John Paul II was the precursor.

The signs were eloquent. This Pope’s coat of arms, Marie-Paule wrote, represents *“the Redemption, as it does the Co-Redemption through the letter ‘M’ which [accompanies the cross]. Is he not the Pope of Mary, of the Immaculate, the Pope of the Co-Redemprix, being, in his turn, the John at the foot of the Cross on the summit of the Calvary which is the Church in this time...?”* (*Living Stones*, p. 98)

She would indicate further: *“On the Cross, Jesus bound Mary and John together... [and] at the end of His era, Mary and John will again be there.”* She would add: It has fallen to John to open *“the ways which lead to the Kingdom in which love, following the slow-working but grand divine plan, will radiate, transcending all times, thanks to the Holy Spirit and Mary Immaculate.”* (*The Hosanna of Life!*, pp. 73 and 76)

A JOINT MISSION

Providence closely associated Marie-Paule and Pope John Paul II even before he was appointed as Peter’s successor. In 1978, at the time of the pilgrimage in honor of the Immaculate, the pilgrims went to Krakow, the diocese of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla who would be elected Pope a few weeks later (as though the Immaculate herself were going to get “her” Pope, the one whom she had formed in the crucible of heavy tribulations).

The next year, there was the pilgrimage for the Pope. During the Angelus in Saint Peter’s Square on May 27, Pope John Paul II noticed our pilgrims and asked one of his collaborators: *“Who are those people in white next to the obelisk? Where do they come from?”* At the end of the fourth *White Book*, Marie-Paule explained how those words fulfilled a passage from the Apocalypse, especially with regard to the situation of the Work and Spiri-Maria.

In 1981, Marie-Paule founded the Family of the Sons and Daughters of Mary which, after the example of Pope John Paul II and upon a request from Heaven, took as its motto *“TOTUS TUUS”*, an expression taken from the writings of Saint Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort (“I am all yours”) which

form the basis of the spirituality of the Army of Mary and of this Pope.

In a dream on January 7, 1984, Marie-Paule saw herself at the bow of a huge boat (the Army of Mary) which would drop anchor between two columns, the one surmounted by the Eucharist and the other by the Immaculate. That dream reminded her of Don Bosco’s dream of the Triple White. As she recalled that dream in 1987, she asked herself, *“But then where is the Pope?”* and she wrote: *“The Pope is not openly with us. He cannot intervene, and I will be alone to the end, as was ‘foretold’ me in the past.”* (*Vie d’Amour*, Appendice III, p. 99)

However, in the background, Pope John Paul II would play the role of protector of the Army of Mary subjected to a loathsome battle on the part of certain religious authorities. For example:

- In 1985, Cardinal Vachon, Archbishop of Quebec, wanted to prevent the Sons of Mary from studying at the Pontifical Angelicum University (29 were getting ready to leave for Rome) by forbidding the one in charge of them, Father Denis Laprise, to accompany them. However, the Pope demanded that Father Denis come to Rome immediately with the students.
- May 25, 1986, the Pope ordained to the priesthood the first Son of Mary ready to become a priest.
- May 27, 1992, at a time when the Army of Mary was prohibited from meeting in churches in Quebec, the Pope welcome our pilgrims, more than a thousand of them, for the general audience in Saint Peter’s Square.

“MARY’S TRIUMPH”

After having guided the barque of the Church through numerous upheavals and left an indelible mark on all the hearts won over by his mystical soul, his celestial eyes and his kindness, Pope John Paul II died at the Vatican on April 2, 2005. Two days later, Marie-Paule would receive this indication: *“POPE JOHN PAUL II CAME TO PREPARE MARY’S TRIUMPH,”* and she “saw” *“the world enveloped in a dazzling light; it was the opening for Mary’s Work.”* She also heard: *“The Immaculate returns to triumph. Christ will return to reign.”* (*White Book I*, pp. 41-42)

Would not *“the opening for Mary’s Work”* be the change from the Church of Peter to the Church of John, *“the beloved Apostle of Jesus who, with His Mother, will introduce the world into the Kingdom of Love, under the influence of the Holy Spirit”?* (Marie-Paule, *Le Royaume*, no. 175, Sept.-Oct. 2005, p. 13) That reign of which John Paul II would have been one of the craftsmen, linked to Marie-Paule.

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