

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS & LAITY

General Purpose: *To pray for the Church's Bishops, Priests, Deacons & Religious and with all the faithful to be "Consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary."*

Specific Purpose: *To assemble & form "Cenacles" in church parishes and in family homes among the priests & among the faithful as a crusade to continue the Marian Movement of Priests/laity.*

Introduction: What is the Marian Movement of Priests and who is Fr. Gobbi?

(Personal sharing) Has anyone heard of the MMP and Fr. Gobbi? Well, I first came across his blue book(show) titled "TO THE PRIESTS Our Lady's Beloved Sons" The Marian Movement of Priests. About 20 years ago. I read it and thought it was great but thought nothing much else since I figured it was only for priests so I ordered copies and gave them out to local priests.(I even gave one to Fr. George Reynolds who use to be here at St. Barnabas, I'm sure some know him). Anyway, it wasn't until recently that my aunt here, Mary Sabate, re-introduced the book to me and I discovered **the importance and urgency of our Lady's messages of the end times** and at Fatima and how we must prepare ourselves during these "signs of the times" in which we are living. I mean just look around you, let me ask this: has the world gotten any better or worse since say 20 years ago? Take for example, the ecclesial life of today, the wars going on in different parts of the world, the destruction of the family lives by same sex marriages, this gender identity issue just to name a few. We can read the gospel passage in Matt 24:3-44 and realize some signs of this end is emerging, just listen to the news, sadly more and more act of violence happening everywhere, it is disconcerting.

Fr. Stefano Gobbi formed the Marian Movement of Priests in 1972 when our Blessed Mother Mary, made it known to him while he was praying at the Shrine of Fatima for his brother priests who were planning to rebel against the Catholic Church, that this was her desire. The movement has since spread throughout the entire world. In the book, "To the priests, our Lady's beloved sons" contains the messages (through interior locutions) that our Blessed Mother spoke to his heart and gave to Fr. Gobbi from 1973-1997. It is a guide for helping our Lady's beloved children (that's all of us) **to live the Consecration to her Immaculate Heart.** In it she manifests her maternal plan to lead all souls back to her to Son Jesus.

We will have these Cenacles of Prayer of which our Lady wants to continue to multiply in every part of the world that will bring us to the Triumph of her Immaculate Heart will be completed. It is necessary that even a small flock is formed by Mary who is Mother of the Church, which will remain faithful to Christ and his Church. We become part of this little flock which our Lady is forming each day and guarding in the secure refuge of her Immaculate Heart. So this blue book is a beneficial medicine for healing the many grave evils from which our beloved and holy Mother Church is suffering in these so painful and difficult times. The book teaches us how to live out daily, our consecration and to better understand the gospel in the Book of Revelation. We will gather the priests and the faithful to come and we will have insights and inspirations as we meditate on the messages revealed in this book from our Blessed Lady. As you can see the need to have these **CENACLES** (which means "Upper Room" like at Pentecost where our Lady gathered all the apostles to pray). This Marian Movement of Priests and of the Faithful, is really our Lady's own movement.

MMP CENACLE NAME:

Apostles of the Last Times

Simple 5 Part Format –

(Please refer to the CENACLES guide book along with the To the Priests our Lady's Beloved Sons book)

- 1. Invoke the Holy Spirit: Come Holy Spirit, come by means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your well-beloved spouse (3x)*
- 2. Recitation of the 5 decades of the Holy Rosary*
- 3. Prayer for the Holy Father: 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, 1 Glory Be*
- 4. Reading and Meditation on a message from our Lady's Book*
- 5. Make an Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

Our Blessed Mother's wish is we pray for the world's bishops, priests, and deacons as they need peoples' prayers, the grace to be holy. They need our prayers and encouragements to continually deepen the relationship of Jesus and to serve the community with love. Our Lady request all the religious and the faithful to consecrate yourself to the Immaculate Heart of Mary that she throughout the years manifested at Fatima. She told Sr. Lucia that she requests all bishops, priests, deacons, the religious and all the faithful laity to this consecration to her Immaculate Heart. This is how the Church assembles itself to the secure refuge of her Immaculate Heart.

Above all, our Lady requires family cenacles. She will pour graces and promises out upon the family, she will never abandon and she shares in your sufferings and she brings consolation to families consecrated to her.