

In addition, there will be several programs this fall on Saturdays. On Saturday, October 24th there will be a Healing Mass at 11:00 am with Communal Anointing of the Sick followed by individual prayer for persons who wish after Mass. Lunch will be provided. Registration is necessary.

Finally, on Saturdays, November 14th and 21st the Ignatian Program of the Fourteen Rules for Discernment of Spirits by video with Fr. Tim Gallagher, OMV. The program each Saturday will start at 10:00 am and end about 5:00 pm. Registration is needed.

If your parish group would wish to spend a day or an evening at The House of Prayer, reserve a date; bring your own pastor or another presenter or I will do a program. Call Ken Lucia, Director, for reservations - 518-594-3253

#### FIRST SATURDAY COMMUNIONS OF REPARATION

The year 2017 will mark the 100th anniversary of Our Heavenly Mother's apparitions at Fatima during which she revealed that God wishes devotion to her Immaculate Heart to be established in the world, and that it would be the key to the salvation of souls and world peace. Today we are keenly aware that enormous numbers of souls are engaged in all manner of unspeakable sinful behavior which places the salvation of their souls in peril; and world peace remains an elusive dream.

While all of Our Lady's Fatima requests are important, two are of particular significance. Mother told us that she would return to ask for the collegial consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart; and for the Communion of Reparation on First Saturday. On December 10, 1925 she returned to ask for the Communion of Reparation; and on June 13, 1926, for the collegial consecration of Russia.

Saint John Paul II honored Mother's request for the collegial consecration of Russia on March 25, 1984. Within seven short years Divine Grace enlightened the minds, convicted the hearts, and fortified the wills of world leaders whose responses to it led to the cessation of imposed Atheism and persecution of the Church in Russia, and the onset of her conversion. To any objective observer, this was an obvious triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The core objective of the consecration was not Russia's conversion. It was a defeat of Atheism. Russia's conversion would have been the means to this end had the consecration been done when requested, and she would not have spread the errors of atheism throughout the world. It is precisely because Saint John Paul II recognized this core objective - a defeat of Atheism - that he included all the nations of the world in the conse-