

“God so loved the world that He gave His only Son”

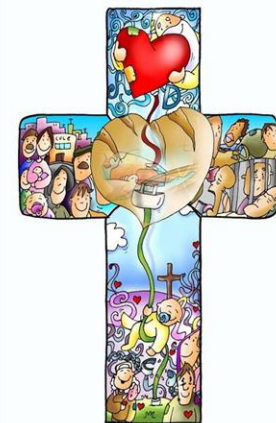


Good Friday is marked with the climax of a love which is so personal, passionate and unconditional – An insane love of God. A constant love of God that was so active and expressive from the stable of Bethlehem to the Cross of Calvary. It marked the history with such altruistic and compassionate love of God that tore down the distance between God and His creation- The reparation to the Heart of God.

On that Friday, the cross took a new meaning, it was no more a sign of shame and sin, but was soaked in the innocent blood of God who loved and gave Himself up for the people whom He loved. Cross became the sign of victory over death and sin, over every brokenness and breaches. A welcoming sign to the “paradise with God” to the one who repents and longs for a “come back”

St. Raphaela Mary describes this love as strong as death and hard as hell; but she encourages us to long for this love because she is convinced that “love conquers everything”. She knew it by her own experience of being seduced by the love of her God who loved her as the apple of His eye.

On this great day of love celebrated on the cross, let us look at our “loving journey with the Lord” who loves us to the end. Which are those areas and cross roads of our lives where we find “His footsteps” deeply imprinted? How this crucified Christ’s immense love becomes a ‘personal experience’ for me? What do we see as we closely contemplate the open side of Jesus who shed His last drops of blood and water for me? How can we identify this crucified Christ in today’s world? How can we reach out to those realities where God’s love needs to take flesh in and through us?



During this pandemic time, even when we do not understand the meaning of this suffering, we may be able to surrender and accept this opportunity to spread the altruistic love of God among our brothers and sisters Let the blood of Jesus purify and heal the world from the clutches of this mysterious suffering. God’s love may increase more and more in and through us and that we may keep Christ’s love alive and active in our world.

With Love and friendship,

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