ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
ALL ARE WELCOME

September 3, 2019

Greetings from St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Community,

I am excited to share with you a series of events honoring and reflecting on Mary, Our Lady of Fatima. This very unique community faith event will be held in Grand Rapids, and is open to all members of our community, near and far, October 4-7, 2019.

On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of Fatima, I met Sr. Ângela de Fátima Coelho, M.D., the individual who was called by Pope Benedict XVI to become Postulator for the Cause of Canonization of the two youngest children who encountered our Blessed Mother at Fatima. Her words were very moving and I asked her to visit Grand Rapids—and she is coming!! Sister is the Catholic Church's first female Postulator. She successfully led the process to canonize Jacinta, Francisco, and is now serving, at Pope Francis' request, as Vice-Postulator for the Cause of Canonization of Sister Lucia.

Sr. Angela de Fátima Coelho is a medical doctor, a graduate in medicine from the University of Porto in 1995, and a teacher in its Faculty of Medicine. In 1995, she joined the Religious Congregation of The Alliance of Holy Mary. This year, on the 13th of each month through October, Sister is addressing the pilgrims at the Marian Shrine of Fatima. The assembly of pilgrims in May was approximately 300,000 people!

Sr. Coelho's Grand Rapids visit will include:

- **Friday, Oct. 4th**
  - 8:30 – 10:15 AM at St. Anthony of Padua—Rosary, Mass, and talk to students
  - 12:00 noon – 1:00 PM at Mercy Health St. Mary's Lacks Center, Talk on Faith & Medicine

- **Saturday, Oct. 5th** – 8:30-11:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. Andrew
  - See enclosed flyer. (Diocesan Publications is willing to put this flyer in your church bulletin free of charge. Please email Lisa, parishoffice@saparish.com, if you would like this flyer in your bulletin.)

- **Sunday, Oct. 6th** – 4:30 – 6:30 PM at St. Anthony of Padua—Rosary and talk.

- **Monday, Oct. 7th** – 10:00AM – 1:00 PM at Aquinas College—Rosary, Mass and talk.

I am inviting you and your parish to any and all of the events. I am hoping you would be willing to put the following in your upcoming bulletins.

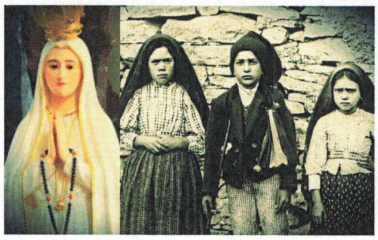
Sister Angela de Fatima Coelho the postulator for the cause for canonization of Sts. Jacinta and Francisco Marto, the shepherd children who received apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Fatima will speak following 8:30 a.m. Rosary and 9 a.m. Mass, Saturday, October 5, 2019 -- Cathedral of Saint Andrew, The Most Reverend Bishop Walkowiak Presiding. Contact: celebratingfatimagr@gmail.com for seating.

Please visit St. Anthony of Padua Church website at www.saparish.com for a complete schedule and more information on Sister Angela's visit. All are Welcome!

Peace,

Fr. Mark

- Sister at St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rapids, Michigan
  - Self-introduction at 4:30 p.m. mass by Sister Angela
  - Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at 4:30 p.m. mass.
- Sunday, October 6, 2019
  - St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan
    - Sister self-introduction at all masses
      - 7:30, 9:00, 11:30 a.m.
        - Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at all Sunday masses
    - 4:30 p.m. Rosary, led by Kevin Matthews
    - 5:00-6:00 pm Sister Angela presentation
- Monday, October 7, 2019
  - Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, (www.Aquinas.edu)
    - 10:00 a.m. Rosary
      - Held outside at new Fatima Statue
    - 10:30 a.m. Mass
      - Celebrated in Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel
        - 2nd anniversary of dedication
          - Limited seating
    - 11:45 a.m.-1:00 Lunch/lecture by Sister Angela
      - Wege Ballroom
      - Free tickets required
        - Contact Aquinas College



Sister Angela Visit

Date: October 2-8, 2019

PUBLIC EVENTS

- Friday, October 4, 2019
  - Sister with school children at St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rapids, Michigan (www.saparish.com)
    - 8:30 a.m. Praying the Rosary in Church
    - 9:00 a.m. mass, Fr. Przybysz, presiding
    - 9:45-10:15 a.m. Presentation to children by Sister Angela
  - Sister at Mercy St. Mary's, Grand Rapids, Michigan
    - 12:30-1:30 p.m. Faith & Medicine by Sister Angela
      - 5th floor Lacks Cancer Center
- Saturday, October 5, 2019
  - Sister at The Cathedral of St. Andrew, Grand Rapids, Michigan
    - 8:30 a.m. Rosary, led by Kevin Matthews
    - 9:00 a.m. Mass, Bishop Walkowiak, presiding & preaching
    - 10:00-11:00 a.m. Presentation by Sister Angela

Join us to welcome Sister Angela de Fatima Coelho

Saturday, October 5, 2019

The Cathedral of Saint Andrew

301 Sheldon Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

8:30 a.m. Rosary - led by Kevin Matthews

9 a.m. Mass - The Most Reverend Bishop Walkowiak Presiding

10 a.m. Sister Angela speaks

Sister Angela was the postulator for the cause for canonization of Sts. Jacinta and Francisco Marto, the two shepherd children who received apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Fatima in Portugal. Sister Angela is also a physician.

Saints Jacinta and Francisco Marto, Fatima Portugal

General seating available.

For reserved seating ticket requests, contact: celebratingfatimagr@gmail.com

Limit 6 reserved seats per request. All seats on a first come, first served basis.
This event is free and open to the public. There will be light refreshments following the Mass.