Daily Prayer in preparation of
the Centennial of the Apparition of the Infant Jesus and His Virgin Mother
to the Venerable Servant of God Lucia dos Santos
8 October to 10 December 2025

O Virgin Mother of God and my dearest Mother, Our Lady of Fatima and of the Most Holy Rosary, I gaze upon your Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart pierced with so many thorns by the ingratitude and grievous sins of your children. I am deeply and forever sorry for how my sins have offended your Divine Son and you, His Sinless Mother. With a humble and contrite heart, I wish to make reparation for the offenses – great and small – given to your Heart by the sins of your children.

In your maternal love, you have taught me, through your daughter, the Venerable Servant of God Lucia dos Santos, the way to make reparation for sins by the First Saturdays Devotion. On the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of your apparition, together with the Infant Jesus, to the Venerable Servant of God, on December 10, 1925, I pledge to observe the First Saturday of the month in heartfelt reparation for sins by the sacramental confession of my sins, by the worthy reception of Holy Communion, by the recitation of five decades of the Holy Rosary, and by keeping company with you for fifteen minutes while mediating on the mysteries of the Rosary. Please intercede for me that my practice of the First Saturdays Devotion may redound to the salvation of many souls and to peace in the world.

Help me also to bring your message of the First Saturdays Devotion of Reparation to others. In obedience to your maternal counsel, may the Church throughout the world offer to you this loving act of humble and contrite hearts in sincere reparation for sins committed.

I give my heart completely to your Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart and, with you, I rest my heart forever in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. With all my heart, I offer this prayer in Him Who alone is my salvation. Amen.

Raymond Leo Cardinal BURKE
8 September 2025
Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary