**SATURDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

# Health of the sick

Once we wrote: Humanity is sick, infirm, prostrate in body and spirit because of its sin. Jesus did not come only to save souls. He came to redeem the whole man: body, soul, spirit. The healing of the body attests to and reveals his power or ability to heal the soul as well. The Gospel attests this truth: *“Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give. Do not take gold or silver or copper for your belts; no sack for the journey, or a second tunic, or sandals, or walking stick. The laborer deserves his keep.” (Mt 10,5-19). “He summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick - no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave from there. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." So they went off and preached repentance. They drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.” (Mk 6,7-13). “After making the crossing, they came to land at Gennesaret and tied up there. As they were leaving the boat, people immediately recognized him. They scurried about the surrounding country and began to bring in the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. Whatever villages or towns or countryside he entered, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged him that they might touch only the tassel on his cloak; and as many as touched it were healed.” (Mk 6,53-56).*

The Virgin Mary participates in a most excellent way in the ministry of Jesus, Saviour and Redeemer of every man's body, spirit and soul. What the Apostles of all times will do in healing man's body is nothing compared to what She has done, does and will do for our physical health, as well as our spiritual health. This invocation is not about the health of the soul. It is exclusively about her highest ministry with regard to the health of bodies. History bears witness that in every corner of the earth there is a Sanctuary dedicated to the Virgin Mary. The same thing happens in these sanctuaries as with Christ in the Gospel. The crowds that flocked to Him for the salvation of their bodies were numberless. Together with the salvation of the body Jesus always gave the salvation of their soul, He put every man in a real position to know the true God and to be able to convert. From the needs for the body we come to the needs for the soul. In the shrines, the same thing happens. Rows of souls come to the presence of Mary. She, the true healer of hells, first heals their body and then their soul. Sometimes she heals the body by healing the soul first. At other times she heals the body first and then the soul. No one, however, remained in his infirmity by going to this *‘probate pool’,* as the Virgin Mary was once called. By diving into it, healing either of the soul or the body or the spirit takes place with certainty. We, modern and superbly new men, we, people of the sound science of God, men evolved from pure faith, have destroyed popular piety. We shouted that it had to be purified. We forgot that it was not popular piety that needed purifying, but our hearts and our lives as ministers of the sacred and of God's holiness. We forgot that Jesus did not purify popular piety, the traditions of His time. He presented Himself in these traditions purified, worldly, holy, just, and those who came into contact with Him were healed of the ills of body first and then of spirit and soul.

Today we add that very many of Jesus' disciples became infected with the very ancient virus that is satanic, infernal, diabolic pride. This virus, which is incurable, because no medicine is effective against it, manifests itself as foolishness, ignorance, hatred against the truth, fighting against the light. To these manifestations known also in previous centuries, today a new one has been added, a very new one, indeed: the desire to elevate sin, any sin, to the pure morality of our nature and true way of being, operating, thinking. Nothing is more offence to the Lord. If nothing is more offence, everything can be a way of life for the body of Christ Jesus, which is his one, holy, Catholic, Apostolic Church. If from this infirmity of the spirit of the disciple of Jesus, infirmity with catastrophic effects for the body of Christ, for many disciples of Jesus could be turned into the body of Satan, She, the Mother of the Redemption, She, the Probatic Pool, She, Health of the Sick, does not come and heal us, performing one of the most portentous miracles, never seen before, for the body of Christ that is His Church, there will be very sad, bitter days of great darkness, because this virus will have so much power as to obscure three thirds of the Light of the Gospel. If this virus - which Satan has clothed with all his diabolical power, to which he has added all the power of his rebellious angels full of invincible hatred against the Light of Christ - has obscured, even if it is only for a short time, all stupendous work of the Virgin Mary, which cost Her the sweat of blood, what will it not do if She, the Mother of God, does not come and perform this miracle that will have to be greater than any other miracle known until now? The miracle that She must perform will have to be greater than the entire creation of heaven and earth. We believe that She alone, the Mother of God, can heal the body of Christ of this virus, and that is why we ask Her with only one desire: that She may manifest all her glory, the glory of Christ Jesus, the glory of the Father and the Holy Spirit, the glory of the Gospel of Jesus. We know with very strong conviction of faith and it draws its energy from the words of Sirach: *“You who fear the LORD, wait for his mercy, turn not away lest you fall. You who fear the LORD, trust him, and your reward will not be lost. You who fear the LORD, hope for good things, for lasting joy and mercy. Study the generations long past and understand; has anyone hoped in the LORD and been disappointed? Has anyone persevered in his fear and been forsaken? has anyone called upon him and been rebuffed? Compassionate and merciful is the LORD; he forgives sins, he saves in time of trouble.* (Sir 2,7-11). This is our faith. Health of the sick, come soon to heal the body of your Son, that is the Church. **20 October 2024**