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the Encounter
takes place the
love alliance
of God with
man”

Father Molina

At the School of the Immaculate Heart
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of the Encounter with God**

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FR. RODRIGO MOLINA IS THE PRIESTLY SOUL THAT INSPIRED THE QUEENSHIP OF MARY

« Holy Mary is the Queen of nature and of Grace: she is beauty, splendor of supernatural charm, a perfect divine creation. The Holy Spirit, the Communicable God, the beautiful gift, made Her in His likeness, communicating Her, His most cherished and intimate gift: the gift of attraction, of pleasing, of liking to give and to deliver, to give herself and deliver herself, the gift of closeness, create proximity and the gift of generosity (...) That is why She is Our Lady of the Encounter. Let us cherish Her. She creates closeness between God and me. » (3-8-1995)





To the Reader



The Sacred Book is an epiphany of countless encounters between God and man. In the Creation, God inaugurates this constellation of contacts with His creature, starting by interrupting the “Walks of God” on the Garden of Eden and continuing with the subsequent alliances with Noah (Gn 9,8-17), Abraham (Gn 15.18;17.1-8), Moses (Ex 3, 6, 19 and 24) and David (2S 23,1.7) as highlights of His intimate desire to establish a pact of lasting friendship. In the fullness of times comes the encounter of the encounters of God with man: The Incarnation of the Lord. That is when God becomes man, takes on our human condition and establishes an everlasting and unbreakable covenant with Humanity. This commitment of the Incarnate Word, which is the commitment of the whole Trinity, will take its definitive dramatic and redeeming form in the Paschal Mystery.

The Incarnation is the “Summum Misterium”, great and so-

vereign mystery (LG 65). The Incarnation is not a past and distant event, but is communicated today to us through a human encounter that transmits its forever alive current nature.

Mary is that heart where the Word becomes flesh, where God encounters with man.

Father Molina implored her maternal gaze for the entire world. In the depth of that tender, compassionate and close gaze, we all have been imprisoned and written in Her Immaculate Heart. And from that Heart, placed in the very same Heart of God, destination and resting place of our existence for which we live and for what we live.

For Father Molina, Our Lady of the Encounter with God is the mediator that takes us to Her Son, and gives Him to us, makes us resemble Him, and in Him she unites us to the Trinity.



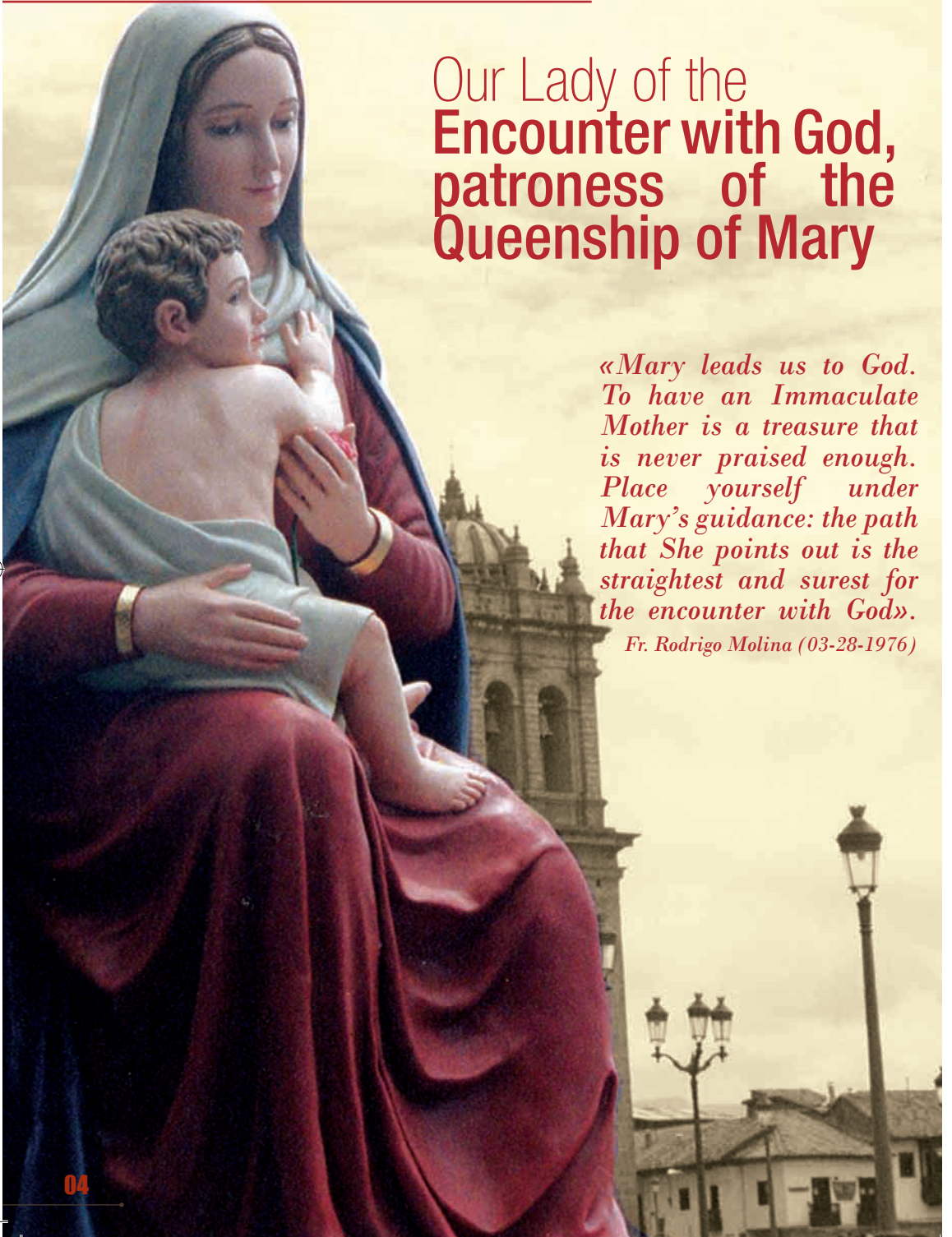


AT THE **SCHOOL** OF THE IMMACULATE **HEART**

Our Lady of the **Encounter with God,** patroness of the **Queenship of Mary**

*«Mary leads us to God.
To have an Immaculate
Mother is a treasure that
is never praised enough.
Place yourself under
Mary's guidance: the path
that She points out is the
straightest and surest for
the encounter with God».*

Fr. Rodrigo Molina (03-28-1976)





Since very early Father Molina was already preaching about Mary as the place for the Encounter with God:

«*On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh*” (Mt 2, 11). *Sin brought the demise of God. But God shines again, He again appears. And man reencounters God. This is the Adoration of the three Wise Men: the reencounter of man with God. And all of this process is made through MARY: to conceive is to bear fruit. Mary gives me God that is hers. Oh, excellent dignity! And I claim that Fruit in Mary*». (22-9-1974).

«*In the same manner that no one comes to the Eternal Father except through the Son, nobody can approach Christ, the Son, but through Mary. Let us cultivate the devotion to Mary, let us turn to Mary in order to find God. God cannot be found but through the Lady that is the door, the pathway to God to enter the world of man and the entrance of man to the realm of God*». (23-5-1981).



Original ceramic tableau of Our Lady of the Encounter in the Parish of San Andrés Apóstol in Villanueva de los Infantes

This image of Mary took a visible face when in April 1994

a Spaniard marriage in Villanueva de los Infantes, Mr. Loreto Rodríguez (r.i.p.) and Mrs. Francisca Sánchez Remiro, offered Father Molina a small figure of the Virgin Mary with the child in her arms, one that the town's priest Luis Gallego, had enthroned in his parish because he considered Holy Mary as an effective mediator in his last moments and as such he wanted to instill that belief in the parishioners. Even though it was not yet decided a name for the image, after it was discussed with the pious marriage Loreto suggested the name Encounter: Our Lady of the Encounter.



AT THE SCHOOL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART



Father Molina left Our Lady of the Encounter with God as Mother and patroness of all his apostolic works and endeavors.

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Loreto and Francisca offer Father Molina the new image. The coincidence about the name and the idea of mediation, make Priest Molina, as someone who finds the Lady and Owner of his heart, fell surrendered to his feet and accepted this generous offer.

Right away an artist paints the portrait in oil painting from the primitive ceramic following the indications suggested by Father Molina himself.

To “Our Lady of the Encounter” Father Molina adds “with God” and the notion of an intervention circumscribe to the moment of death is enriched with the comforting understanding of a maternal and universal intervention of all graces. Intervention is truly the main purpose of Mary as a Mother.

Rodrigo Molina



The Miraculous Medal and The Cholera Pandemic of 1832

In March 1832 a cholera pandemic broke out in Paris devastating the city. One hundred thousand people died in France and twenty thousand were victim in the capital from this terrible sickness. The treatment was unknown and it had originated in the Ganges Delta (India). The descriptions from those times are terrifying: in just a few hours the body of a healthy person was reduced to an almost skeleton state. The country was in panic.

On June 30th the Daughters of Charity received the first medals of the Virgin, minted according to the model that the Blessed Virgin Mary had shown Saint Catherine Labouré two years before. It was an explicit wish from Mary with the intent to protect and fill with grace Her sons and daughters.

The Sisters immediately started to distribute them. Miracles multiplied and the people from the town started calling them «Miracle Medals».

What the Virgin ask of Sister Catherine was a reality: «Have a Medal struck after this model. All who wear it will receive great graces. Graces will abound for persons who wear it with confidence.»

In June 1832 the first two thousand medals were distributed. For 1834 more than half a million had already been delivered. In 1835, a million. By 1839 there were more than ten million medals in several places. When Saint Catherine passed away (1876) over a billion medals had already been coined. History records -among many- the case of eight-year-old Caroline Nenain. She was the only one in her class not to wear the Miracle Medal and the only one afflicted by cholera. However, after the

sisters gave her the medal she was cured and could go back to her studies.

The Virgin healed bodies and souls then, as she keeps doing today.





MARY'S WITNESSES

Father **Rodrigo Molina**, inspired the Queenship of Mary



Father Molina was born in Pravia (Asturias, España) in October 23, 1920 from a devoutly Christian family. He had eight brothers and sisters. At age eighteen he enrolled in the Jesuit Seminary and was ordained priest in 1956. By 1966 he was stationed in Peru as secretary to the Archbishop of Cusco, Mgr. Ricardo Durand. The misery of the Quechua people wounded his soul deeply. With a faith that moves mountains, an unwavering confidence and a very strong love, and after long hours of praying, deep humility and heroic obedience, he decided to start a foundation to promote development amongst the poorest. Trusting Divine Providence, faithful to the Gospel, he will follow Jesus until he can love Him in every suffering soul.





Father Molina was a fervent son of Mary, “the Lady” as he used to call Her with devotion, respect and admiration. He was an active promoter of Her glory. Captive by Her supernatural enchantment he could not conceal that Marian Fire that consumed him, and wherever he went Our Lady of the Encounter with God was the banner to carry Christ.

He considered the Marian function in our lives as crucial, irreplaceable, essential. He wrote: *«Let us choose in our spirituality for the “Via Mariae”: is the road of effectiveness, the path to achievement. Holy Mary, place of the intervention of God in the History of Humanity. We are not going to love Her! We are not going to magnify Her! We are not going to worship Her! Holy Mary, Perennial beacon of the Good News of the Gospel! Our future has been placed by God in the hands of the Holy Mary: that says Fatima.»*

He had a great devotion to the Holy Rosary. He always prayed it in his travels. In a let-



ter he advised: *«Do not slack in the daily prayer of the Holy Rosary. The Blessed Virgin is very grateful and She is the All-powerful supplicant who wants you to be a saint. You only need to want to do it sincerely.»*

For Father Molina it was simply inconceivable a priest without a Marian image, a Month of Mary without the “flowers”, a First Saturday without a special Solemnization, to celebrate the Immaculate without the preparation novena; a Solemnity without a previous vigil, an endeavor without Her patronage. To his most ambitious apostolic undertakings he called the CISA-MA (City of Saint Mary).

As a precious legacy he left Our Lady of the Encounter with God as Mother and patroness of all his apostolic works and endeavors.



The First Angel Apparition at Fatima

THE APPARITIONS OF THE VIRGIN ARE PRECEDED BY THE ANGEL'S IN 1916

Faith is profoundly alive in the family environment of the three little shepherds. Every aspect of their lives revolves around God and His church. The children are small and they grow up in healthy homes, full of purity and good habits.

On an occasion, Lucia recounts that the three children were in the field of Cabeço with their flock of sheep:

«We saw a light whiter than snow, in the form of a young man, transparent. On reaching us, he said:

-Do not be afraid. I am the Angel of Peace. Pray with me. And kneeling on the ground, he bowed down until his forehead touched the earth. Led by a supernatural impulse, we did the same, and repeated the words which we heard him say:

-My God, I believe, I adore, I hope, and I love You! I ask pardon of You for those who do not

believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love You!

Having repeated these words three times, he rose and said: -Pray thus. The Hearts of Jesus and Mary are attentive to the voice of your supplications.»

This was the first time the Angel appeared to the shepherds.

What does this apparition and the prayer to the Angel teach us?

- It teaches us to pray. *Praying is conversing with God. It is to have a dialogue with Jesus, with the Virgin Mary... to tell Him our situation and needs with trust. To be able to be better it is necessary to pray, for with our prayers we can reach any Grace from God.*

- It teaches us to have faith. *Faith is believing in God and in everything that He has revealed relying in His authority. To have faith is to live following*



the doctrine taught to us by Our Lord.

- It teaches us to worship. To worship is to recognize Him as the Creator and Savior, Lord and Master of everything there is. It is to praise, to exalt, and to accept our condition as creatures that are nothing without God.

- It teaches us to wait. In hope we aspire to the Kingdom of Heaven and to the eternal life as our happiness. Placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own

strengths but on the help of the graces of the Holy Spirit.

- It teaches us to love. To love God above all things and to love others because they are sons of God and our brothers and sisters.

The Angel teaches to young children. In this way we also must teach to children to pray since they are young, to know the things that relate to God, teach them the catechism, and surround them with a healthy and religious environment as the one the little shepherds lived in.



BE HERS AS **SHE IS OF GOD**

The Consecration to **Our Lady** of the **Encounter** with God

«To consecrate oneself to Holy Mary is a voluntary confirmation of the baptismal promises, an act of trust and a willingness of reparation for our sins. It is not the mere recitation of a formula, nor to feel a great relief just by saying it.»



Father Molina used to teach: *«Through the consecration I come to be deed, possession and property of the Holy Mary, in the same way a child is deed, possession and property of his mother. By announcing my Marian CONSECRATION I remove all obstacles that oppose to Her carrying out in me all Her might, which She can fulfill on behalf of God, to conceive me as She conceived my mind: Christ; and Her making me her possession automatically, Her property as whole as a child is possession and whole property of his mother, so She can do in me His will, in my soul and my body; in my life and my death, in my eternity.»*





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Consecration Formula to Our Lady of the Encounter with God

O Blessed Mother of God and tender Mother of Mine!

To Thee I turn, Virgin of Immaculate Heart, Our Lady who leads us to the Encounter with God. Thou art both Mighty Lady and Mother of the small, forgotten and miserable. I confess Thou maternal Intercessor of all the graces. Co-Redemptrix in the pain of compassion, compassionate Mother of Thy helpless children. To Thee God wanted to entrust the entire economy of Mercy, where Thou enter, Thou obtain the grace of conversion and of the sanctification.

Animated with this confidence in such a Kind Mother, acknowledging myself a sinner, full of misery and in need of the grace and mercy that Thou possess, I kneel at Thy feet, I renew and confirm today in Thy hands the promises of my Baptism; I renounce forever Satan, his pomp and evil works and,

I freely consecrate myself to Thee, Our Lady of the Encounter with God, I consecrate myself to Thy Immaculate Heart, so that Thou be my loving Mother: life, delight and hope, heart of my heart. Yes, Mother, make me Thy son as Thou wish, shape me according to Thine Immaculate Heart. I proclaim Thou my Owner, my Queen and Lady, my Teacher and Counselor. You will be irrevocably the one who leads me to the blissful Encounter with the God of my life.

Mother, make me persevere in this holy love that Thou have inspired me with today. I need to lose and abandon myself with confidence in Thou, unconditionally and irrevocably. And may everything I do in Thou, Mary, with Thou, from Thou, for Thou and for eternal praise of the Holy Trinity. One and Triune God Whom I adore and love, I believe in His Love, and I hope in His Mercy to sing with Thou, oh Mary! - forever - the praises of his Glory. Amen.





THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST

Corpus Christi: the Bread of the Mother

IN EVERY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION, THE VIRGIN CAN ALSO REPEAT JESUS, IN ALL TRUTH, IN THE HOST AND THE CHALICE: "YOU ARE MY SON; TODAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU." (SAL 2,7)

In the Eucharist, together with the Soul and the Divinity, the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ are present. Formed from the «intact Virgin» as St. Thomas Aquinas says, the Flesh of Jesus is the maternal flesh of Mary, the Blood of Jesus is the maternal blood of Mary. Therefore, it will never be possible to separate Jesus from Mary. For this reason, at every Holy Mass we pray" «Ave, verum corpus natum ex Maria Virgine»: Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary!

After the Ascension of Our Lord, Mary adored sacramented Jesus with the most alive and perfect faith. As us, She adored what she couldn't see, that is the very essence and perfection of faith. She remained in the presence of Her Son with modesty and retreat, with the most pious and profound external respect.

While carrying Jesus on Her bosom, Mary went to the living tabernacle of the Eucharist, the first procession of the Corpus. May She convey to us Her faith in the sacred mystery of the Body and Blood of Her Divine Son, so He becomes the true center of our lives.



There is a profound analogy between the Fiat which Mary said in reply to the Angel, and the Amen which we say when receiving the Body of the Lord. Mary was asked to believe that the One whom she conceived "through the Holy Spirit" was "the Son of God" (cf. Lc 1, 30.35). In continuity with the Virgin's faith, in the Eucharistic mystery we are asked to believe that the same Jesus, son of God and Son of Mary, becomes present in his full humanity and divinity under the signs of the bread and wine.

The feast of Corpus Christi is meant for us to have a special reminder of Eucharistic Jesus. On this day He wants to come out of the churches and walk our streets, blessing his faithful. That same Jesus that is present in the tabernacle is Son of Mary.





Collaborator of the **Holy Trinity**

D From all eternity, God had destined Mary for the Mother of his only begotten Son. That is why Mary intercedes directly in the incarnation of the Son of God and in the Redemption of humankind. She is the most perfect creature that came from the hands of God and the favorite of the Holy Trinity.

Holy Mary is the firstborn daughter of the Father, the perfect Mother of the Son and the loving Wife of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray with Saint Maximilian Kolbe:

“I adore You, O our heavenly Father, because You placed in the most pure womb of Mary-Your only-begotten Son.

I adore You, O son of God, because You condescended to enter the womb of Mary and became truly her actual Son.

I adore You, O Holy Spirit, because You deigned to form in her immaculate womb the Body of the Son of God.

I adore You, O most Holy Trinity, O one God in the Holy Trinity, for having ennobled the



Immaculate in such a divine way...”

For Saint Bernard Her prayers and requests are as powerful with God that He accepts them as commands before Her Divine Majesty, he never resists Her, because She is humble and conformed to His Will.

In the same way God wanted to reveal himself to us through Mary, He also wants that only through Her we can arrive to the Holy Trinity. Saint John Paul II taught: «She guides all who turn to Her to the encounter with God the Trinity: Father, con and Holy Spirit.»

(Audience 03-21-2001).



WITH THE EYES, HANDS AND **HEART** OF **MARY**

Queenship of Mary in action



1. Puer1. Puerto Rico: we visited a poor neighborhood to bring food and the presence of Mary. **2.** Dominican Republic: we visited with the Virgin an elderly man whose house had burned in a fire, we helped him spiritually and materially. **3.** Cali, Colombia: procession with the pilgrim Virgin to bless the city and all its dwellers. **4.** Cusco, Peru: launching of the Lumen Reginae bulletin at the “Hermana Josefina Serrano” Hospital. **5.** Venezuela: procession of the Virgin, on May 13th, in the house of some missionary, to pray for all of those affected by the COVID19. **6.** Dominican Republic: visit to the juvenile correction facility on the day of Mary Help of Christians to bring ice creams and the love of the Mother of Heaven. **7.** Santo Domingo: we visited a poor neighborhood to bring food and the presence of Mary. **8.** On May 13th we had “An Unforgettable Day”, transmitted by NSE Tv., Radio and YouTube: Holy Masses, Holy Hour and the prayer of the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. **9.** Arequipa, Peru: procession with Our Lady to bring blessings to the entire population.

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