

Heart to Heart with Mother Miriam
Show Notes - 3rd Quarter 2017

July 5, 2017

- What does it mean to be made in the “image and likeness of God”? Peace begins - with a smile - Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta.
- Caller: My 22-year-old daughter lives at home with us, but occasionally spends the night with her boyfriend. Caller: I’m in RCIA, but I’m having difficulty understanding Transubstantiation.
- Caller: My priest seems to live an extravagant lifestyle; it is causing a scandal. How do I approach this? Don’t “ruin” your priest. . .
- Caller: How can I be holier?

July 6, 2017

- What does it mean for a wife to “submit” to her husband? Mother’s commentary on 2 Maccabees 6. How to live - and die - for God. Would we stand up to our government if forced to apostasize?
- Caller: How can I celebrate the Passover meal as a Catholic? www.hebrewcatholic.net. Caller: When should I have my house blessed? I’m in a house that may be possessed.
- Caller: I called about three weeks ago; a miracle just happened - and my kids are going to Mass.
- Caller: I’m living in a “domestic partnership” with the father of my two kids. How do I normalize my marriage? A priest explains: The most powerful tool the devil has.

7-7-17

- Father Peckman on Fear. The drama of the fall, and the role of fear. Even the devil is afraid - of God. The subversive power of fear.
- Caller: My husband is a truck driver; he is moving to a new city. Should I follow him - and leave my daughter behind?
- My son is struggling in school. Should I homeschool him?
- Caller: My friend is a little old lady who has fallen away from her faith; how can I get her back home? Caller: A friend of mine is buddhist. Her mom died, and she wants to know if her mom is in heaven. What should I say to her?

7-10-17

- There is no loneliness like that of being not needed. A story about a black sheep.
- Caller: My kids are talented - but they are apathetic and unmotivated. What can I do?
- Caller: The father of my child is visiting from Africa; he wants to give dodgy herbs to my child who has epilepsy.
- Caller: I am married in the Church, but my husband is losing his Catholic faith. Now, he’s trying to take the kids to Protestant services.

7-11-17 Encore of 6-20-17

7-12-17 Encore of 4-5-17

7-13-17 Encore of 2-9-17

7-14-17 Encore of 5-19-17

7-17-17 Encore of 7-21-16

July 18, 2017

- Family - the primary target of the evil one today. The critical role of the parent.
- Caller: I've been caring for my mom for 7 years now; I'm burnt out. Caller: I've been caring for my mom for 7 years now; I'm burnt out.
- Caller: I was an alcoholic addicted to drugs; my husband and daughter moved out and is living with another woman.
- Caller: I get grief about being a "stay-at-home" wife, who "doesn't work". How do I address this? Caller: I just got prohibited from taking my grandkids to Mass.

July 19, 2017

- Mother describes her Order's routine when entering another family's home. The leadership of the father over his family.
- Caller: My wife and I want a wedding in the Church, but my wife can't get an annulment; what right does the Church have to do this?
- My husband's co-worker is considering an abortion; how can I help her make the right choice?
- I'm dating a man who was once civilly married once, but not in the Church. Does he need an annulment?

July 20, 2017

- The spreading of our faith, and the transformation wrought by grace.
- Caller: I've been struggling with my vocation; I'd love to find a faithful wife.
- Caller: My child is slightly developmentally behind; "experts" recommend he go to pre-school.
- Caller: My sister is "engaged" to a formerly married man who doesn't have an annulment. They plan on shacking up.

July 21, 2017

- We have all fallen; turn to God. God's help through grace.
- My oldest son has fallen away; how can I get him back and ensure he doesn't harm my other kids?
- My ex-husband abused my son 10 years ago; my child still suffers. How can I forgive?
- Caller: I had a terrible childhood; my alcoholic dad stabbed my dog together right in front of me.

July 24, 2017

- Do good works always please God? The consequences of being an unholy parent. The first “house churches”. What’s our vocation? To make each other saints.
- Caller: My sister and I went to jail for our mother; she raised my children. How can I forgive her?
- Caller: I was married and divorced; I don’t have an annulment. Can I become a nun?
Caller: Where can I find spiritual direction for couples?
- Caller: My husband is not interested in church or being holy. My kids are beginning to question their faith.

July 25, 2017

- God loves you too much to let sin succeed. Establishing a prayer table in your home.
- Caller: I was married for 33 years, and my husband left me. I’m lost. . .
- Caller: I’m just an ordinary person in an ordinary state; how can I discern God will?
- Caller: What does your religious Order do? Caller: My friend misses Mass, but casually takes Communion when she does; how do I educate her?

July 26, 2017

- Has the smoke of satan entered the Church? “Voice of the Family”, “LifeSiteNews”. The scandal of bishops going astray.
- Caller: How can I witness the Gospel to my grandmother who is Jewish. Nobody goes to heaven simply because they are Jewish; the O.T. plan was not salvific.
- Caller: Could we prevent liturgical abuse by restricting Communion to the Precious Blood only?
- Caller: What can I do to make Reparations for my previous sins?

July 27, 2017

- The virtue of obedience in all stations of life. Obedience to parents is obedience to God.
- Caller: Can you recommend a good Quinceanera gift? Caller: How does one find a good, holy priest? Caller: I want to become Catholic, but my husband objects.
- Caller: Some Catholic charities are dodgy; can you recommend a good one?
- Why did the Jews turn on Jesus so quickly?

July 28, 2017

- Caller: I’ve lived a miserable life - I abused my wife verbally until she died. How can I be forgiven?
- What’s up with speaking in tongues?
- Caller: I’m recently divorced with 3 kids; we have joint custody. I want them to go to a Catholic school, but my husband objects.

July 31, 2017 (good Halloween re-run)

- The danger of electronic devices to children. Mother describes the rules of her Order regarding modern communication technology.

- Caller: Can you tell me more about the Novena of Surrender? Caller: I killed my T.V. recently; it's been wonderful!
- Caller: How can I get more strict with my daughter? Caller: Do you think that Halloween is okay to celebrate?
- Is it acceptable to wear a stormtrooper costume during Halloween?

08-01-17

- God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob that reached out to life to help us understand God better, Mother's story of this.
- Caller: My 18 year old daughter is going to be staying home for a year and going to a local university 18yrs, suffers anxiety. insecurities.
- Caller: My wife wants to work instead of be home with children and works at night while I work in the day time.
- Caller: How to raise a holy family in light of god's eyes.

August 2, 2017

- On Silence. Cardinal Robert Sarah on silence: "The Power of Silence". Mother Teresa on silence.
- Caller: I'm pet-sitting for a friend, whose house is "Disney-ed out". Mickey Mouse & Friends are everywhere. It's driving me nuts. . .
- Caller: My stepson won't leave home. He's 19 years old.

August 3, 2017

- Mother adds to her call from "Michelle" from Aug. 2, 2017.
- Caller Kristin: What can we do to promote Catholic "curative treatment" facilities?
- Caller: I have a broken relationship with my mother. My conversion to Catholicism hasn't helped things.

August 4, 2017

- Mother calls for an uncompromising bishop. Mother chats about her search for a new home.
- How can one join Mother's Benedictine Order? Mother lays out the vocationinquiry@motherofisraelshope.org . Caller: How can one have fun being Catholic? Catholic Family Land in Ohio.
- Caller: My 95-year-old grandma won't forgive those who wronged her; what do I say to her? Caller: Regarding charity / almsgiving - how does one discern the truly needy from the fakers and scammers?
- Caller: I'm getting married in October; can you give me any good advice?

August 7, 2017

- Mother shares about, and from, "The Novena of Surrender" by Father Dolindo Ruotolo.
- Caller: I was divorced 15 years ago, but my husband is back living with me.
- Caller: My friend is a "traditional" Catholic; he disparages the Novus Ordo and Vatican II. Am I doing something wrong?

- Caller: My Catholic friend is married to a non-religious Jew; her children are not baptized. What should I do?

August 8, 2017

- Mother describes dodging a tornado that visited Tulsa, OK. The gravity of sin - avoiding hell.
- Caller: What happens if I still harbor resentment even after I've forgiven? Does that mean I didn't forgive?
- Caller: I've just discovered that my husband was previously married in the Church; he has no annulment. I'm pregnant with his child.
- Caller: My daughter has joined an LGBTQ+ community; what can I do about it?

August 9, 2017

- God is the author of life; we have no right to interfere with abortion, euthanasia, contraception, etc.
- Caller: Can a Catholic attend a Muslim wedding? He is insulted that he is asked to cover a cross tattoo, but he doesn't follow his faith. Caller: I married the wrong person, Mother - we fight and fight and fight.
- Human life begins at conception - not "birth". Caller: I'm an empty-nester; I don't get along with my husband at all. We fight all the time.
- Caller: My family drinks and gets drunk. Should I invite them to my baby's baptism?
Caller: I feel like God has abandoned me.

August 10, 2017 (great 1st block)

- Yes, demons are real. Reflections on C.S. Lewis' "The Screwtape Letters". Our lives show what we really believe.
- Caller: How do I discern my career? Barbara Nicolosi, www.actoneprogram.com
- Caller: I've stopped living with my boyfriend; we want to be chaste now. How can I get holier?
- Caller: I have three kids; my husband and I fight all the time over how to raise them.
Caller: I have endometriosis; can I take birth control pills to treat it?

August 11, 2017

- Mother tells about the conversion of her brother, David, and her gratefulness for her conversion.
- Caller: Can my wife and I have the same spiritual director?
- Caller: Why didn't you mention to Gloria yesterday to come to the Catholic Church? I don't believe in psychology either.
- Caller: I'm living in a motel with 6 grandkids. I need prayers.
- Caller: My daughter is living with her boyfriend. They know how I feel. I told my daughter not to take communion.

August 14, 2017

- Hospice: Fabulous in many cases, but watch for creeping push for euthanasia. National Catholic Bioethics Center, www.ncbcenter.org. God alone is in charge of life.
- Caller: We accepted our 93-year-old father into our house; it was an honor. Caller: How do I love my alcoholic, dysfunctional parents?
- Caller: I've been separated from my spouse for two years; my spouse says he's working on addictive behaviors, but not making progress.
- Mother reads a listener letter regarding organ donation. The threat of euthanasia. Caller: Can we be saved through Mary? Where is this in the Bible?

August 15 (rebroadcast of 8-15-16)

August 16, 2017

- The honor of holy obligations. The Feast of the Assumption. Two kinds of people: "Saints, and 'Ain'ts". The cleansing of baptism - holy ones of God. Why nuns wear black.
- Caller: I'd like to become a nun: Can I be a veterinarian as well? Caller: The dogmas of the Church - where can I find a list of these?
- Is the desire to join a religious community a "calling"? What happens if you don't respond to it?
- Caller: What happens if you forget about a mortal sin? Does a plenary indulgence take care of this?

August 17, 2017

- Why did Jesus die for horrible sinners? God is Love. Faith is a gift.
- When the woman of Revelation 12 flees to the desert, where is this place?
- Caller: I took some Protestant youth to Mass; one accidentally took Communion. What do I do now?
- Caller: What is the difference between Catholicism and other types of Christianity? Is there a personality difference between the Father and the Son? Caller: Does Baptism have a tradition in Judaism before Jesus?

August 18, 2017

- The importance of silence. Wisdom from Mother Teresa of Calcutta: Listen to God in stillness of heart. The danger of gossip. The one sin that gets one thrown out of Mother's order.
- Caller: I have a 4 month old daughter by a married man. He says he'll leave his wife for me, but it's been 7 years now. . .
- Previous caller, continued. Consequences of sin - doing the right thing, even if it's hard.

August 21 8-9-16

August 22 8-23-16

August 23, 2017

- Our new life in Christ. Fallenness inherited, and Jesus' plan of redemption for us.
- Is it "modest" to wear sleeveless outfits?

- My 20-year-old daughter is involved with a narcissistic man; should I withhold college support over this issue?

August 24 7-16-15

August 25 8-26-16

August 28, 2017

- Contemplation: A necessary step toward spiritual perfection. The necessity of silence: It's not what we say to God; rather, it's what God says to us.
- Caller: My wife left me and my kids for a gay lifestyle; we're all in shock.
- Mother to previous caller: "You must get control of your passions in every way. 8-year-old caller: I'm scared to be alone, especially after I watch the TV.

August 29, 2017

- The goal of The formula for sainthood: Supplementing your faith with Virtues.
- Caller: What do we do to prepare for the end times? Caller: My 40 year old brother and his family lives with his mom. He causes trouble.
- Previous caller, continued. The brother should pay rent and get a babysitter.
- Caller: Is baptism really necessary for salvation? What about the thief on the cross?
Caller: My son committed suicide a year ago; could he be in heaven?

August 30, 2017

- The God who gave His life for us.
- I'm a cradle Catholic, but I don't know how to pray the Rosary. What are the "mysteries"?
- Caller: My baby boy died days ago. I prayed a Novena for Surrender to God, but he died anyway.
- Caller: How can I overcome gluttony? Mother recommends "Natural Healing" by Dr Jack Soltanoff for Diverticulitis. <https://www.amazon.com/Natural-Healing-Nutrition-Program-Disease-Free/dp/0446513881>

August 31, 2017

- Nestled into Christ like a baby bird. God knows how to form His children.
- Caller: I'm going to 8th Grade at a new school, but I'm afraid. "The Reluctant Saint", St. Joseph Cupertino.
- Caller: I've been living with the mother of my kids for 8 years; I'd like to get married in the Church - but I don't think I can afford it.
- Caller: I have 5 kids. I took them out of a local charter school and put them in Catholic school, but it's expensive. Do not go to a school that uses Common Core.

September 1, 2017 (amazing conversation about lesbianism, 4th block)

- Letting Jesus take charge of your life - and avoiding getting in His way.
- Caller: Can you tell me more about the First Friday devotion?
- I just came into the Church, but my brother is an atheist; how can I open his ear to God?

- My brother committed suicide. Also, I'm a lesbian - can I be Catholic?

September 5, 2017

- Bishop Athanasius Schneider, "Twelve Steps to Surviving a Heretical Wasteland".
- Caller: Matthew 5:22 seems to say that if one calls their brother "fool", they risk hellfire; is this true? Caller: Is it okay to attend an "Imagine Dragons" concert?
- Caller: My grandma is enabling a layabout nephew; he uses her and treats her with disrespect.
- Caller: My son is very disrespectful to me; is it okay to evict him?

September 6, 2017

- God vs. Allah - what's the difference? Why do we call God "Father"? Sister Prima, Mother General of the Sisters of Charity, speaks on the intercession of Mother Teresa of Calcutta.
- Caller: My girlfriend and I are seeking annulments, but it's taking a long time. What should I do?
- Caller: I have Parkinson's disease - and I've gambled the family fortune away. I need to end my marriage.
- Caller: I have 7 kids. I'm increasingly having trouble being "open to life".

September 7, 2017 (beginning of show dated specifically)

- The Feast of the Nativity - Mother reflects upon the founding of her order. St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and "listening" to God in silence.
- My Catholic friend wants to take his kids to a gay "wedding"; is that okay? One cannot sin for a good purpose.
- I was involved in an accident where a man died; am I a murderer?

September 8, 2017 (Encore of July 21, 2017)

September 11, 2017 (Pledge drive - talks about the hurricane Irma in Florida at beginning)

- Be ready for the coming of the Lord; we know not the day or the hour. Will there be anyone in hell? More than many think. Conditions for allowing your grown kids to be living at home.
- Caller: Fr. Amorth, chief exorcist at the Vatican, says that Russia has never been consecrated to the Blessed Mother; do you agree?

September 12, 2017 (heavy pledge drive; not good for encore)

- Pledge drive - the Novena to the Surrender to the Will of God.
- Ugandan school giving opportunity
- Caller: My friend is suffering terribly; she is considering assisted suicide. What can I tell her?
- Giving your all to God.

September 13, 2017 - Compilation of "Best Of Calls" for pledge drive.

September 14, 2017 - Compilation of "Best Of Calls" for pledge drive.

September 15, 2017 - Jerry & Debbie Show / Pledge Drive (no podcast)

September 18, 2017

- Why God allows us to fall sometimes. St. Paul: "I am not ashamed of the Gospel"; it is no less than salvation.
- Caller: My husband died rather young; I'm losing hope. Abandoning our desires to God.
- Caller: I'm a stay-at-home mom. My mom has a business, but she's getting old, and her partner is not trustworthy. Should I help her out?
- I've had a difficult past; I now have a blood disorder. I live in the ghetto - and my neighbors think I'm a snitch.

September 19, 2017

- The difference between forgiveness and temporal punishment of sin.
- Caller: I live at home with dad, who is schizophrenic. How do I find my own way in life?
- Caller: My 35-year-old daughter never left home; she lays around the house and has no job.
- Caller: Is one ever too old to be a nun? What are the requirements to join your order?

September 20, 2017

- Mother recounts a call regarding All Hallows Eve. A caller's sister thought that the way she celebrated Halloween was too much. Mother talks about the "Martyrdom of Love"
- Caller Cesar: I just got promoted. I was employed after you gave me advice 2 years ago.
- Caller Maria: Am I insensitive when I tell people, "We have to die before we go to Heaven?"
- Caller Fred: If a wife is withholding intimacy, is that grounds for separation?

September 21, 2017

- Mother mentions the Rosary as a weapons. She tells the story of Blessed Bertolo Longo and mentions an article on catholicmom.com. <https://catholicmom.com/2015/10/08/the-miracles-and-the-power-of-the-rosary-in-our-fight-against-evil/>
- Caller Lucas: I'm an Alcoholic. I have been kicked out of the house by my wife. What can I do?
- Caller Terese: Can you explain more about Our Lady of Sorrows. Caller Chris: I just broke up with my girlfriend over the raising of our children.
- Caller Pablito: I grew up with bad communications skills. What do I do? Caller: What can I tell Jehovah's Witnesses when they come to my door?

September 22, 2017

- The Friday sacrifice has not been abolished. We might not give up meat, but we should have some form of penance on Friday. Mother discusses the practice of Ember Days. These are days of fasting at the beginning of each season.
- Caller Paul: After 2000 years, why haven't the Jewish people accepted Jesus?

- Caller Nancy: I went to RCIA thanks to Immaculate Heart Radio, but they are not on board with the Church's sexual teachings.
- Caller Walter: I am very emotional because of my past. How can I be in the world.

September 25th, 2017

- Mother gives some advice on how to prioritize our life.
- Caller: My husband wants to send our children to public school because my husband doubts my ability.
- Caller: Should I let my daughter's disrespectful boyfriend to come over to our house?
- Caller: I need guidance on getting back to the church and getting married in the church.
- Caller: My wife left me for her ex-boyfriend. How can I best fight for her?

September 26, 2017

- If we have no problems, then we don't grow. If we don't have suffering then we don't grow. The way of religious life is the way of the Cross. The way of *marriage* is the way of the Cross. We have the unspeakable privilege of joining in our Lord's sufferings.
- Caller: I can't get to Mass on Sundays because I am overweight. I feel bad about missing Mass, but when I confess it, my priest says not to worry about it.
- Caller: Can I attend my niece's civil ceremony? Caller: My niece has been practicing her faith, but is now marrying a Jewish man.
- Caller: Should I believe my doctors? I have prayed Novenas but I am not yet cured.

September 27, 2017 (Producer Notes: Mother mentioned that the program will replay at 7 pm in 4th segment, probably not good for encore)

- Mother recounts the first time she read the Bible all the way through.
- Caller: Before we married my husband smoked marijuana and drank on the weekends. He has lost some jobs because of drug use.
- Caller: My wife is sending romantic texts and making calls to someone. She says that it is because I work too much.
- Caller: My child's godparent is ending her marriage to marry another man. What can I do?

September 28, 2017

- God does not call the worthy, He calls sinners to repentance.
- Mother recounts when she gave her life to Christ. It was like jumping off a cliff. "I knew the One who knew me the most, loved me the best."
- Caller: I struggled with pornography, but immersing myself in the Word of God pulled me out of it.
- Caller: How can I forgive myself? My priest said that I don't need to go to confession because I was going to be baptized. Caller: The Eucharist healed me from porn addiction.

September 29, 2017

- Cherubim and the highest order of angels.
- Mother talks about Angels, Archangels and Guardian Angels.

- Caller: How can I address my son's relationship with his girlfriend properly?
- Caller: Are people who give up their children for adoption under any persecution?
- Caller: How can I defend Mary's virginity?
- Caller: Is it ok to take certain meds for anxiety as a Catholic?

October 2, 2017 (Encore of August 10, 2017)

October 3, 2017

- Mankind has created all kinds of religions and practices to get to God, but we cannot get to God through our own power.
- Caller: What does the church say about women teaching in church? Caller: My mother is enabling my brother, and they have been evicted. What can I do?
- Caller: Why do you believe in Jesus Christ?
- Caller: I have a hard time staying away from mortal sin. Mother recommends "33 Days to Morning Glory" by Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC