THE PRESENT DARK TIMES, THE DUTY CAST ON MAN, AND THE ADVENT OF SAVIOURS.

In the last issue of Parsi Pukar, we published two articles: "Whither Mankind?" and "What should we Parsis Do?" These articles were related to the ghastly event of 11th September 2001, when two World Trade Centre buildings were attacked by the terrorists followed by a chain of horrific events, day by day. In the first article we placed before you the phenomena of Time-Cycle's and the present days of the first "Kayamat" - as explained in the Zarathoshti Din. In the second article we emphasized the practical steps we Parsis are required to adopt in these dark times. They are: to cultivate the mental attitude of being always conscious of Asho Zarathushtra and to adopt His commands in your day to day life; to practise the spiritual disciplines of His Din like Sudreh Kushti, Manthra Prayers, Atash-parasti and the moral code by being honest truthful, humble, selfless, loving, obliging and avoiding all hatred, hypocrisy, envy, anger, ego. All this is meant to place you within Ahura's protective ring.

This issue contains two articles emanating from the great Religion of Lord Jesus Christ. They carry the true story of, and message from, the Blessed Virgin Marry, the immaculate Mother of Lord Jesus, given in 1917 and revealed now. The story is amazing and the Message is encouraging. You will find the message similar to the one from our Din. **The emphasis is on Prayers and adoption of the way of Life commanded by God.** The Christians are asked to do the prayers as taught in their Din. We, Parsis, are to resort to Kushti and Manthra Prayers as commanded in ours. The moral way of daily life and dealing with the humans whom we come across during our earthly life are the same in all 'Din's.

Virgin Mary is one of the channels the Divine Light of God. Ahura's 'Roshni' manifests itself in 'Yazat's, Angels, 'Firashteh's, 'Nar-Ashavan's, 'Nari-Ashavan's, Saints, Sages and Seers, as also in numerous things of our experience like water, trees, metals, fire, earth, wind, sun, moon, stars, sheep, cattle. Our 'Niyash's and 'Yasht's do invoke Ahura's Light through such divine Agencies, and infuse and spread within us and out in Nature, the Yazatic Fields of that Light.

Let us be out of our selfish, egoistic and material circuits, and enter the protective ring of Ahura, His Prophets and Their 'Din's, so that we may perhaps be able to see the Saviours 'Saoshyant's, when They arrive on the earth. The time is not far.....

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HOW THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY APPEARED IN FATIMA, A VILLAGE IN PORTUGAL, IN 1917.

IN THE PRESENT DARK AGE OF HATRED AND SELFISHNESS, PRAYER IS THE REFUGE.

This is a true story, bewildering and miraculous, but verified and confirmed by truthful eye-witnesses and researchers.

The story opens in a small and beautiful town Fatima, in Portugal.

The year was 1916. Three children, two girls and one boy, were taking sheep to an open hilly field outside the town of Fatima. The girls were Lucia dos Santos, aged nine, and Jaeinta Marta aged six. The boy was Francesco Marta, aged eight, the brother of Jacinta. Full of playful energy, they were jumping and dancing and shouting. The cool air was filled up with their innocent giggles and laughters. They and their sheep arrived at the hilly field, a hollow, named Cova da Iria.

Suddenly, the form of an youthful boy, emanating silvery light from his body, materialised, as if from thin air, before the three children. He spoke in a sweet but firm voice, "PRAY, children!" The children stared at him amazingly, but were not afraid - he was so sweet looking. They felt as if they met some fine youth, might be an angel.

They again saw the angel appearing before them after some days when they were playing at Lucia's house, and on another day again on the grazing ground. They were praying every day as told by him.

It was then 13th of May 1917. Lucia, Jacinta and Francesco were at Cova da Iria with their sheep. As was their routine, they knelt down in prayer. Suddenly a lightening like flash filled the sky. There were no clouds. The children were frightened. They drove their sheep down the slope. As they were running down, once again the flash struck in the clear sky. The children ran further down the hill and arrived at the bottom. Suddenly, within the foliage of a small oak tree, Lucia and Jacinta saw the figure of a youthful lady of dazzling beauty. She was clad in a white veil with gold border; a rosary hung down her neck. She was looking with loving eyes to Lucia and Jacinta. But Francesco did not see Her."

"I am from heaven," the Lady spoke, "Come here on the 13th of every month, for six months...... Children! you will go to heaven. But Francesco will have to say many Rosaries. Ask him to recite the Rosary right now..."

Lucia told Francesco. He complied and prayed the Rosary. Lo! he also could see the Lady, although he could not hear Her voice.

The Lady then told them about some recently deceased villagers of Fatima and how they were, after death. "You will suffer much during the coming months...." the Lady said and then glided towards the East and disappeared.

The children decided not to tell this to anybody, but the youngest Jacinta could not contain herself. She spoke out to her parents the same evening that they had seen "Virgin Mary". That was surprising because the Lady in the white had not told them that she was Virgin Mary.

The news spread like wild fire. The village was stunned. The priest of Fatima called the children and pressurised them to say that they were speaking a lie. But they stuck to their story. How could they forget the loving eyes and the sweet voice of the Lady? Many people mocked the children, but there were some who believed them whole heartedly and treated them as saints.

June 13, arrived. It was the feast day of St. Anthony, the patron saint of Fatima. The villagers celebrated the occasion every 13th June. The parents of the three children thought that they would surely prefer to come to the feast rather than go to Cova. But that was not to be. They, with about fifty devoted villagers, reached the spot. They kneeled in prayer before the oak tree. Suddenly Lucia pointed to the sky. The White Lady was

gliding down towards the oak tree. The three saw Her but the other people could not see Her; however, several signs appeared to indicate that something extraordinary was happening. One Reverend V. Datruz, a Spanish priest, who thoroughly researched on the Fatima miracles described these signs. He wrote that although the day was hot and bright, as the holy figure arrived "the sun was dimmed in an exceptional manner." This continued throughout the time She was on the tree. The branches seemed bent as if some invisible thing was resting on them. Those who were near the children heard Lucia talking to the Lady, and when She spoke to Lucia, they heard, "an indistinct whispering or the loud humming of a bee, the sound of the Lady's answer, alternating regularly with the girl's voice." Rev. Da Cruz writes that when the dialogue was over, a loud report like the explosion of a rocket was heard and Lucia cried, "There she is going away." People saw "a beautiful white cloud which they could follow with their eyes for quite a while as it moved in the direction of the east. Further, at the Lady's departure, the upper branches of the tree, without losing the curved shape of a parasol, leaned towards the East, as if in going away the Lady's dress had trailed over them." The branches took quite some hours to resume their normal position, Rev. Dacruz wrote.

During this holy meeting, the Lady delivered to Lucia the first of several "secrets."

Then arrived 13th July 1917. The children arrived at Cova. This time four to five thousand people were present. The events happened similarly as on 13th June. The sun was dimmed, the Lady's indistinct whispers or humming of bees was heard. Many spectators saw a white orb of light on the tree where the Lady stood, and her departure was similar as on 13th June.

In this holy meeting the Lady told the children to pray everyday, so that the then world war I might end. Lucia pleaded to the Lady to perform a miracle, so that the people might believe. The Lady said that she would, and set 13th October- as the date for the miracle. She told some more secrets to Lucia. Lucia pleaded to the Lady to cure some infirm people of Fatima. The Lady said that She would help **but they should pray.**

A miracle happening three times! Fatima village became the centre of religious and political storm. Those were the decades of marching Godlessness and materialism in the west. The Portugal had overthrown its king in 1910 and set up a republican form of Government which was openly hostile to Religion. They feared that Fatima events would renew the wave of "religious sentimentalism". Faith was insanity, and Religion, a superstition in those days of so called "rational thinking", and "scientific progress." The three children were questioned and questioned even with threats of death to compel them to say they were lying. But the children did not budge. How can they deny what they have seen with their own eyes? The dialogues with the Lady had infused tremendous courage in them. Lucia was harshly asked to tell to the officials the secrets revealed by the Lady and Lucia refused sternly. 13th August was approaching. The exasperated state officials got the children abducted on 11th August and removed them to the nearyby city, Ourem.

13th August arrived. People knew that the children were forcibly removed from Fatima; yet on that day thousands of the faithful came to Cova at the holy spot with the hope that the Lady might come and give some signs of her presence. And surely, She did. A loud report was heard, the lightening flashed, the sun dimmed, kaleidoscopic colours appeared around; a white cloud appeared by the oak tree, stayed for an instant and then receded away.

The children were extremely distressed at not being able to be present to meet the Lady. The officials, dejected at the children's truthful stubornness, returned them to Fatima.

On 19th August 1917, the Lady gave a surprise visit to the - children when they were~ with their sheep at some other place, near the village Valinhos. She again urged them to pray for the sinners.

Now come 13th September. About thirty thousand people had gathered at Cova. The Lady did give a visit, this time a swift one, but with further miracles. The sun dimmed to such an extent that stars could be seen, although it was noon. An orb of white light appeared and settled on the tree. One Monsignor John Quareman, the Vice-General of Leiria had come there incognito. He later testified, "To my surprise, I saw clearly and distinctly a globe of light advancing from east to west, gliding slowly and majestically through the air." It stayed for a few moments and disappeared. The Lady's message to the children was the same: more

prayers were needed to end the war; and She would show a miracle on 13th October. But here on 13th September one further miracle did take place. **A rain of white petals showered down around the place, and disintegrated before reaching the ground.** One Antonio Robelo Martins, a Government official photographed the raining petals and published the picture in a small book, "Fatima, Esperance du Mond."

The great day of the promised miracle, 13th October 1917, arrived. **Seventy thousand men, women and children were awaiting,** many since early hours. The place was immersed in an intense field of prayers. Groups of people were singing "Hail Mary." Many Religious and state officials were also present. Even the military troops were brought in case the mob turned violent. Government thought that the promised miracle would not take place and the children would be exposed.

Lucia, Jacinta and Francesco arrived at about noon. They knelt down in prayers. It was raining. Slowly the rain was reduced to a drizzle. The Lady had arrived. Addressing Lucia, She now revealed herself as the Lady of Rosary, and asked that a chapel be built here. She showed a series of visions to the children and then spread her arms. Beams of Light poured out from Her. Lucia cried: Look at the sun. The sun, was till the moment hidden beneath a cloud. As everyone was looking up, the cloud shifted and huge silver disc was seen floating in the sky. Although the light was intense, it did not blind the eyes. As D. Scott Rogo writes in his book: "Miracles", the disc began to gyrate by turning on itself throwing off coloured flames in all directions simultaneously. The Cova was bathed in a fantasy of coloured shadows. The disc stopped and repeated its gyrations twice; the entire aeriel ballet lasted for about twelve minutes. Then it began to plunge towards the earth in a zig-zag motion. The heat caused by its descent was so intense that the crowd began to panic. It seemed as if the world were coming to an end. But before crashing to earth, the disc suddenly stopped and returned to the sky by retracing its path." The crowd then felt reassured and there was an outburst of joy.

70,000 people have seen the miracle of the Lady of Fatima. Many researchers have delved into the facts of the matter. There is no doubt that all this did happen in the Godless, materialistic and extremely selfish and hatred-packed 20th century!

But what were those secrets the Blessed Virgin Mary gave to the three children? They were four. One was personal to the three children. On 13th June the divine Mother had told them that Francesco and Jacinta would die and join her in heaven. That did happen. Both died of Influenza- Francesco in 1919 and Jacinta in 1920.

The other three messages were for the simmering mass of humanity on this our earth. The first was a vision of hell. The second was the prediction of the world war II. If the humans did not stop becoming Godless, the war would come. Its coming would be preceded by a mysterious light in the sky. This did happen. On 25th January 1938 aurora borealis was seen to emanate an unprecedented and mysterious light. This was reported in the newspapers all over the world. In Her message the divine Mother had also called upon the world to pray for Russia, a country that would "spread her errors" throughout the world. The historians point out that on 13th may 1917, the very day of the Holy Mother's first appearance to the three blessed children, a bloody raid, sponsored by Lenin was carried out on a Moscow Church! Verily! The humans were on their way to Satanic ruin!

[Note: The main source of the facts and materials set out in this article is the book: "Miracles", "A Parascientific Inquiry Into Wondrous Phenomena" by D. Scott Rogo, (Contemporary Books Inc., Chicago - 1983). This is a wonderful book on Christian miracles, like Stigmata, Levitation, Divine Images, Manifestations of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Miraculous Healings and several others. The author has written more than twenty books on para normal and psychic phenomena. All my fellow Parsis, and particularly those who exhaust themselves in trying to understand Zarathoshti Din through the narrow channels of three dimensions should read the Book!]

Now what about the third part of the Mother's message? It was kept secret.... till now. **Lucia is still alive** In the month of November 2001, a writing was flashed on TZML inter-net by Gustad Forbes, the Khsnoomic astrologer. He got it from his faithful Christian friends. The heading is: **Lucia Reveals the Third Secret of Fatima.** It is reproduced on pages 8 to 10 here. You can well read it as a continuation of this article.

Suffering: Karma and Grace

From the depths of my despair, i call to you Oh Lord! Hear my cry Oh Lord, listen to my cry for help.

If you kept a record of our sins
Who could escape being condemned?
But you forgive us,
so that we stand in awe of you.
I wait eagerly for the Lord's help
And in His word i trust

Psalm 130

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Cast thy burden on the Lord and he shall sustain thee.

Psalm 55

The will of God will never lead you, where the grace of God cannot keep you.

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THE LAST SECRET FROM THE LADY OF FATIMA, NOW REVEALED..

[Note: Kindly read this after, and in continuation of, the previous article.]

The Church has given permission to reveal to the people the last part of the message. The Blessed Virgin appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917; this is a proven fact. One of these children is still alive; her name is Lucia; she is a Cloister nun and lives in an European monastery. Lucia disclosed the message for the first time to Pope Pious XII whom, after reading it, he sealed it and stored away without making it public.

Later John XXIII read it and, in the same manner as his predecessor, he kept it out of the public eye because he knew that once revealed, it will bring desperation and panic to human kind.

Now the time has come, and permission has been granted from Pope John Paul II to reveal it to the children of God, in order not to create panic but to make people aware of this important message so everybody can be prepared.

The Virgin told Lucia: "Go my child and tell the world what will come to pass during the years 1950-2001. Men are not practicing the Commandments that our Father has given us. Evil is governing the world and is harvesting hate and resentment all over. Men will fabricate mortal weapons that will destroy the world in minutes, half of the human race will be destroyed, the war will begin against Rome, and there will be conflicts amongst religious orders.

God will allow all natural phenomenon's like smoke, hail, cold, water, fire, floods, earthquakes, winds, inclement weather will slowly better the planet. These things will come to pass before the year 2002.

"Those who won't believe, this is the time" your beloved mother tells you- "those lacking charity towards others and those who do not love thy neighbour like my beloved Son has loved you, all cannot survive. They will wish to have died, millions are unimaginable, they will come, and there is no doubt. Our Lord God will punish severely those who do not believe in him, those who despite him and those who did not have time for him".

"I call upon all of you to come to my son Jesus Christ, God helps the world but all of those who do not show fidelity and loyalty will be destroyed".

Father Agustin, who lives in Fatima, said that Pope Paul VI gave him permission to visit sister Lucia who is a Claus nun (she does not leave the monastery nor is allowed to receive any visitors). Father Agustin said that she received him greatly overwhelmed and told him:

"Father, our lady is very sad because nobody is interested in her prophecy of 1917, though the righteous are walking through a narrow path, the evil ones are walking through an ample road that is leading them straight to their destruction, believe me father, the punishment will come very soon." "Many souls will be lost, many nations will disappear from the earth. But, in the middle of all these, if men reflect, pray and practice good deeds, the world can be saved. On of all these, if men persist with its evil, the world will be lost forever.

"The time has come for all to pass on the message of our Blessed Lady to their families, friends, and to the entire world. Start praying, to make penitence and sacrifices. We are at the last minute of the last day and the catastrophes are near. Due to this, many that were far from the church will return to the open arms of the Catholic Church. England, Russia, China, Jews and Protestants. All will return believing and worshipping God our creator, in his beloved Son and in our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary". WHAT AWAITS US???

"Everywhere there will be "Peace Talks", but punishment will come. A MAN IN A VERY IMPORTANT POSITION WILL BE ASSASSINATED AND THIS WILL PROVOKE THE WAR. A POWERFUL ARMY WILL

DOMINATE ALL THROUGH EUROPE AND THE NUCLEAR WAR WILL COMMENCE.

"This war will destroy everything, darkness will fall over us for 72 hours (three days) and the one third of humanity that survives this obscurity and sacrifice, will commence to live a new era, they will be good people.

"In a very cold night, 10 minutes before midnight, A GREAT QUAKE will shake the earth for 8 hours. This will be the third signal that God is who governs the earth. The righteous and those who propagate the faith and the message of the Lady of Fatima SHOULD NOT FEAR, DO NOT BE AFRAID. WHAT TO DO???

"Bow your heads, kneel down and ask God for forgiveness. Because only what is good and is not under the power of evil will survive the catastrophe. In order for you to prepare and remain alive I will give you the following signs:

"ANGUISH AND IN A SHORT PERIOD THE EARTHQUAKE WILL COMMENCE... THE EARTH WILL SHAKE.... The shake will be so violent that will move the earth 23 degrees and it will return it to its normal position. Then total and absolute darkness will cover the entire planet... All evil spirits will be mingling around and free, doing harm to all those souls that did not want to listen to this message and those who did not want to repent. To the faithful souls, remember to light the blessed candles, prepare a sacred alter with a crucifix in order to communicate with GOD and implore for his infinite mercy.... All will be dark, IN THE SKY A GREAT MYSTIC CROSS will appear to remind us the price that his beloved Son had to pay for our redemption...

"In the house the only thing that can give light will be the HOLY CANDLES... Once light nothing will put them off until the three days of darkness are over. Also, you should have Holy water that should be sprinkled abundantly on windows and doors. The Lord will protect the property of the chosen ones...Kneel down before the powerful cross of my beloved Son, pray the Rosary and after each Hail Mary you must pray the following:

"Oh God forgive us our sins, preserve us from the fire of hell, take all souls to heaven, specially those who are in more need of Thy mercy. Blessed Virgin Mary protect us, we love you, save us and save the world". Pray 5 Creeds and the Rosary which is the secret to my Immaculate Heart.

"All those who believe in my words go and take the message to everyone. DO NOT FEAR. FEAR NOTHING DURING THE LORD'S GREAT DAY. Talk to all the souls now that there is time, those who keep quiet will be responsible for all those souls who will perish in ignorance. All those who pray humbly the rosary will have the protection of heaven and those who are bound to die I will help them die in peace and they will be holy when they enter the other world.

"I wish all my children to attend mass every first Friday and every first Saturday of each month, to confess and receive Holy Communion and in doing so, save the world from its TOTAL DESTRUCTION.

.... WHEN the earth shakes no more, those who still not believe in our Lord will perish in a horrible way. The wind will bring gas and it will disperse it everywhere, then the sun will rise. May be you will survive this catastrophe. Do not forget that God's punishment is holy and once it has started you should not look outside, under no circumstance, God Does not want any of his Children to see when he punishes the sinners...

"All this encompasses with the writings of the Holy Scriptures.... Read on the New Testament: Lucas 21-5:21, 12:19, 20:20, 29:33 Letters of St. Paul 3-8-14 Isaias 40, 1:5:9

"You must understand that God allows all this to happen. The Pope and Bishops are now awaiting another message that speaks about repentance and prayer. Remember that Gods words are not a threat, but good news....

"Please reproduce these pages and send them to all you know so we all can have the opportunity to repent and be saved. We do not know if those receiving this message believe or not in God, but think that if you are receiving this message is for a reason!! May be the Creator is giving us the chance to be saved no matter what religion or creed. If you don't believe in this message at least send it to others, it cost you nothing. To all those receiving it, they can have the opportunity to-judge for themselves. Remember, we can avoid a

great deal if we practice the Commandments that our Father God left us. There are 10 simple things, that if we all put in practice we can obtain God's pardon."

Jesus in you I trust."

[The above is not to induct panic but to be ready and prepared when the Kyamat strikes finally. Most of the predictions of the Holy Mother come very near to those of our Din. We can be like a cork, floating unharmed, in the most stormy waters of the sea. The protective ring of the Tarikat's of your Din can make you such a cork. Cast out all greed for the material simmering within us and let us be a storehouse of devotion and love and a power station of Ahura's Yazatic Light. As the T. V. advertisements tell us even at midnight: "Start Now!"

Say: "Asho Zarathushtra! In you I trust". But mere saying wont do....

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The time for the calamities is stated, in the message, to be before 2001. That year is almost over. But the world events show clearly that the stage is already set. The chain of events appear to be irreversible. Every nation is pretending to be holier - than - thou. But all of them have gone astray from the Commands of God proclaimed in all Religions. The reaction HAS to set in, and is showing itself in horrific ways. The world is on the top of a volcano. Let us, the Parsis, be cautioned by the Holy Mother's message and transform it to the Zarathustrian way of life Pray... Pray Manthra....

Here is an interesting fact for you: the Holy Koran contains more references to Virgin Mary than do the Gospels. There is a Surah of Mary (XIX). She is called "Sayadatnaa Maryam". So is Jesus called in Koran as "Sayadnaa Isa". There is also one Surah XVII "Children of Israel".]

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