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MOTHERS IN ACTION HOMESCHOOLERS AND HOMEMAKERS



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MONTH OF OUR LADY'S SEVEN SORROWS

MIAHH is a resource for homeschoolers and homemakers to get together and discuss all things relevant to our families in this ever changing climate - an opportunity to find new friends with shared goals and ideas to foster our Catholic Faith.

Together, as a community, we can take action and make the family great again.

"The education of even a small child does not aim at preparing him for school, but for life. -- Maria Montessori"

REMINDERS:

* All are encouraged to submit questions to the FaceBook Group and to recommend topics for upcoming meetings.

* If you do not have access to Facebook or Instagram, contact MIAHH (contact information below) with your contact information and you will be added to the MIAHH Moms text and email chain.

* If you know of anyone that would like to join MIAHH Moms but does not have access to Facebook, send their info and they will be added to our text/email chain.

* If you're having problems finding the FaceBook or Instagram links, send us your contact info and we'll send you the link.

NOTES:

GUEST SPEAKER(S):

Roxanne Gallaher

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- * Learning Preferences
- * General Questions

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * Costume Swap - October
- * Recipe Swap - November

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Remember, the only dumb questions are the ones that don't get asked!!!



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September Devotion to Our Lady's Seven Sorrows

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows became a standard devotion in the Church around the 14th century. It was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary's Seven Sorrows would bring great signal graces. The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Mary's while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world and she felt the bitterness of His passion as only a mother can. This devotion is especially remembered during September, the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows (the feast of our Lady of Sorrows is September 15th), and during the season of Lent.

The Seven Sorrows of Mary

1. The Prophecy of Simeon
2. The Flight into Egypt
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb

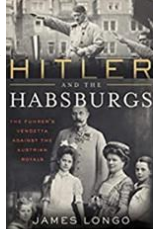
Seven Promises to Those Who Meditate on Our Lady's Seven Sorrows:

The Blessed Virgin Mary grants seven graces to the souls who honor her daily by meditating (i.e. mental prayer) on her seven sorrows (dolors). The Hail Mary is prayed seven times, once after each meditation.

1. "I will grant peace to their families."
2. "They will be enlightened about the Divine Mysteries."
3. "I will console them in their pains and I will accompany them in their work."
4. "I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does not oppose the adorable will of my Divine Son or the sanctification of their souls."
5. "I will defend them in their spiritual battles with the infernal enemy and I will protect them at every instant of their lives."
6. "I will visibly help them at the moment of their death. They will see the face of their Mother."
7. "I have obtained this grace from my divine Son, that those who propagate this devotion to my tears and dolors, will be taken directly from this earthly life to eternal happiness since all their sins will be forgiven and my Son and I will be their eternal consolation and joy."



What good books are your kids reading right now? I just finished, on Audible, *Hitler and the Habsburgs: The Fuhrer's vendetta against the Austrian Royals*



What a great read! Not just another wordy history book about the World Wars. This is a very Happy, Wonderful, Loving and Holy account of the Habsburgs, the last great Catholic Monarchy of Europe. I cried, I laughed, I was angered. A haunting reminder of what our nation will repeat if we do not bring God, Family and Country back to the center of our lives. I will be adding the paper version to our library.

So, something for you mommas, especially in Cali, who are leaping into homeschooling: I HIGHLY recommend becoming members of the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA). They will back you up in everything so long as you are in accordance with homeschool laws. You can learn so much from them and learn the tools necessary to be safe. We are no longer a home-school family, but we still maintain our membership with them. - - *Joanna & Lowell Schaper* <https://hslsda.org/legal/california>

Hello MIAHH'ers - Anyone know of a good Catholic teacher or homeschooling mom (or dad) who may want to teach 5-7 grade Language Arts and math 2x/week at a hybrid classical school in Santa Clara? The school is called Mater Ecclesiae Academy. My kids went there last year and will be again this year. It's a (very) small school (12-15 students) and so they are meeting in-person. Please let me know if you have any leads. - Avelina Accad

Movie Review: *Fátima* is a 2020 faith-based drama film starring Joaquim de Almeida, Goran Visnjic, Harvey Keitel, Sônia Braga, Stephanie Gil, and Lúcia Moniz. The film, based on the 1917 Our Lady of Fátima events, features the original song "Gratia Plena" ("Full of Grace"), performed by Andrea Bocelli. The film tells the story of a 10-year-old shepherd, Lúcia dos Santos, and her two young cousins, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, who reported having received apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Fátima, Portugal, circa 1917. Their revelations inspire believers but anger officials of both the Catholic Church and the secular government, who try to force them to recant their story. As word of their prophecy spreads, tens of thousands of religious pilgrims flock to the site to witness what became known as the Miracle of the Sun.



Rita's Jumbo Chocolate Chip Cookies

Make these giant homemade chocolate chip cookies to celebrate the new school year.

Ingredients

- 2 sticks butter, softened to room temp
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon of vanilla
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 cup cake flour (or use 1/2 cup all purpose flour)
- 1 teaspoon of baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup toasted chopped pecans (optional)



Directions: Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine all the dry ingredients in one bowl and set aside. In an electric mixer, or vigorously by hand, cream the butter and the sugars. Beat the eggs in another bowl and gradually add them to the creamed mixture. Add vanilla. Gradually add the creamed mixture to the dry ingredients, slowly incorporate the two. Drop by large scoops on to a cookie sheet lined with parchment paper.*

Bake 8 to 10 minutes. Remove the parchment paper from the baking sheet (remember, the cookies are on the paper), and gently slide the parchment paper on to the kitchen counter to cool. Repeat with a new sheet of parchment paper.

*We use a large spring type ice cream scoop to measure out the cookie dough. Parchment paper can be found in the paper section of your grocery store. It comes on a roll just like wax paper. You will love using it and will never want to be without it. If the kitchen is cool, I like to measure out the cookie dough on sheets of parchment paper in preparation for baking. The glops of raw cookie dough can be individually frozen and stored in a container to be baked at another time. Allow more time for baking due to thawing of the dough.— *cookie recipe submitted by Missy Dunham!*



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In 1815 Pope Pius VII approved another series of
Prayers in Honor of the Seven Sorrows for Daily Meditation

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, as now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

1. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in the affection of your tender heart at the prophecy of the holy and aged Simeon. Dear Mother, by your heart so afflicted, obtain for me the virtue of humility and the gift of the Holy fear of God. *Hail Mary...*
2. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in the anguish of your most affectionate heart during the flight into Egypt and your sojourn there. Dear Mother, by your heart so troubled, obtain for me the virtue of generosity, especially toward the poor, and the gift of piety. *Hail Mary...*
3. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in those anxieties which tried your troubled heart at the loss of your dear Jesus. Dear Mother, by your heart so full of anguish, obtain for me the virtue of chastity and the gift of knowledge. *Hail Mary...*

4. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in the consternation of your heart at meeting Jesus as he carried His Cross. Dear Mother, by your heart so troubled, obtain for me the virtue of patience and the gift of fortitude. *Hail Mary...*
5. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in the martyrdom which your generous heart endured in standing near Jesus in His agony. Dear Mother, by your afflicted heart obtain for me the virtue of temperance and the gift of counsel. *Hail Mary...*
6. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, in the wounding of your compassionate heart, when the side of Jesus was struck by the lance before His Body was removed from the Cross. Dear Mother, by your heart thus transfixed, obtain for me the virtue of fraternal charity and the gift of understanding. *Hail Mary...*
7. I grieve for you, O Mary most sorrowful, for the pangs that wrenched your most loving heart at the burial of Jesus. Dear Mother, by your heart sunk in the bitterness of desolation, obtain for me the virtue of diligence and gift of wisdom. *Hail Mary...*



Let Us Pray:

Let intercession be made for us, we beseech You, O Lord Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death, before the throne of Your mercy, by the Blessed Virgin Mary, Your Mother, whose most holy soul was pierced by a sword of sorrow in the hour of Your bitter Passion. Through You, O Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns world without end. Amen

