

# **Pope Francis entrusts world to our Lady of Fatima**

On Sunday October 13, at the end of Mass, Pope Francis entrusted the world to our Lady of Fatima with a special prayer in front of thousands of pilgrims at St. Peter's Square. The statue was brought for a 24-hour stay in Rome from the Fatima shrine.

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Pope Francis' prayer of consecration  
to the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

‘Holy Mary Virgin of Fatima,

with renewed gratitude for your  
maternal presence

we join our voice to that of all the  
generations

who call you blessed.

We celebrate in you the works of  
God,

who never tires of looking down with  
mercy

upon humanity, afflicted with the  
wound of sin,

to heal it and save it.

Accept with the benevolence of a  
Mother

the act of consecration that we perform today with confidence,

before this image of you that is so dear to us.

We are certain that each of us is precious in your eyes

and that nothing of all that lives in our hearts is unknown to you.

We let ourselves be touched by your most sweet regard

and we welcome the consoling caress of your smile.

Hold our life in your arms:

bless and strengthen every desire for good;

revive and nourish faith;

sustain and enlighten hope;

awaken and animate charity;

guide all of us along the path of holiness.

Teach us your own preferential love for the little and the poor, for the excluded and the suffering, for sinners and the downhearted: bring everyone under your protection and entrust everyone to your beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus.

Amen."