

Spiritual Reflection – March 2014



Rooted in the good

“Strive for the crown prepared for you, insofar as you stand firm in good works. Be not like a rod that is shaken in the wind, but like a rock on which the Lord can build, can magnify His kingdom!”

“(Mary Frances of the Cross Amalia Streitel, Letters to Father John Francis Jordan 1883-1885, 75[52], 5)

During my reading of Mother Frances’ letters, I noticed that the word “evangelization” is not used with the same meaning that we give to this word today. No specific reference is made regarding teaching, explaining and proclaiming God’s Word, or the tenets of the Church. Instead, Mother Frances was always focused on the need for personal conversion, humility, poverty, and making ourselves more selfless in order to make room for God in our lives.

These attitudes allow us to be the instruments of God more effectively than our words, actions or ministries in which we are engaged. During this Lenten season, we pray for the gift of conversion/transformation so that we can make room for the Trinity within us.

Let’s continue to pray for those who are suffering within our world and for those who have asked for our prayers of intercession to Mother Frances.

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