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ACTRESS WAS CURED THROUGH OUR LADY OF THE ROSES

Susan Hayward's miracle

As WEARENOW in the latter days, Our Lady of the Roses has summoned men and women from different walks of life to become faithful witnesses for Heaven and bring Her message to the world.

Actress Susan Hayward was one such soul whom God had called upon back in the early 70s to give public testimony to Our Lady's cause. For She had been uniquely chosen by Heaven to be a catalyst in advancing Our Lady's urgent message to the world (see also *Directives*, No. 51, Cure and Conversion).

But Susan Hayward missed her calling and passed a good thing by because she was not willing to publicly testify to the truth that Our Lady of the Roses had completely cured her of terminal cancer.

If you'll recall, Susan Hayward was diagnosed in April of 1973 as having no less than twenty brain tumors, a fatal condition offering little hope. Hospitalized until June, her dire situation prompted her doctor, Lee Siegal, to remark: "Only immediate massive chemotherapy and radiation treatments, plus a supermiracle, could keep her from the cold embrace of the Specter of Death."

It was at this time that Our Lady had given Veronica specific directions to send the dying actress the blessed rose petals and medals from Our Lady of the Roses Shrine.

In her June 8, 1974 commentary, Veronica relates the following: "I sent, under Our Lady's direction a year ago this summer, the medals and the rose petals to the reporter. I have the letter testifying that she delivered them personally to Miss Hayward at the hospital when she was given thirty six hours to live. And it was shortly after Our Lady sent the rose petals and the medals to her—I knew about it, but I didn't know how it was to come about—that she did recover."

And indeed, Susan Hayward did recover; a "supermiracle" had transpired! For it was only weeks after Veronica had sent her the blessed medals and rose petals that Miss Hayward emerged from her death bed to resume her normal active lifestyle, even agreeing to do a TV pilot. It was being hailed as a miracle.

Be that as it may, there was also a specific condition attached by Heaven to her cure. Veronica was instructed by Our Lady to send another letter, informing Miss Hayward, a convert, that she must publicly ac-



"There is no other case like it in medical literature." Dr. Lee Slegal, Susan Hayward's physician

knowledge the source of her cure: that is, Our Lady of the Roses, Mary Help of Mothers Shrine.

Tragically, she did not obey. For when the time came for her to explain her miraculous recovery to the press, she made no mention of Bayside, but merely stated "I knew my faith in God would pull me through." Hence, the mercy and power of God was negated here, as she attributed the cure to her own faith in God. Our Lady said that it was pride that stymied her (see also Introductory booklet, p.11, available from order form).

By July 1974 her tumors had resurfaced as mysteriously as they had disappeared. And with her health deteriorating, she was eventually hospitalized in October for a lengthy

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In the early morning of Monday, October 4, Our Lady, spoke with Veronica in locution, expressing, once again, Her appreciation for the labors of Her children throughout the world. The Virgin Mary reiterated:

am very pleased with the progress of the work. It extends much farther than you can perceive."

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stay. After her release, her condition continued to deteriorate until she eventually died, clutching her crucifix, on March 14, 1975.

n a more recent note, Our Lady has again commented on the tragic fate of Susan Hayward, which only goes to confirm the role she had (and perhaps still may have) in advancing the cause of Bayside. On Saturday, Sept. 25 at 5:55 p.m., Our Lady told Veronica in locution that Miss Hayward suffered 15 years in purgatory, elaborating:

"She had to atone for her own transgressions, and plus the sin of omission. Too few prayed for her. She was idolized in life but forgotten in death. Her associations were not practicing Christians."

Hence, we see here that her culpability is demonstrated by "the sin of omission" (neglect of Christian obligation).

In other words, Miss Hayward clearly knew the score: that she was cured by Our Lady of the Roses, and she was to publicly acknowledge it.

The last line of the locution serves to remind us of the spiritual danger that exists to the faithful when they permit themselves to become unevenly yoked with worldlings and unbelievers. For it seems apparent that Miss Hayward's associations helped to nourish in her a spirit of pride and her unwillingness to confess Jesus and Mary before men.

One can only surmise the enormous good that would have come about had Susan Hayward followed through with Heaven's direction to publicly attribute her cure to Our Lady of the Roses. For had she obeyed and lived as God had willed, no doubt, she would have become a star for Heaven.

Her credibility, fame, and appeal would have undoubtedly made her instrumental in attracting countless thousands of souls to the Roses banner, especially since the widespread antagonism and prejudice against Bayside had scarcely existed at the time. With a smooth road opened up before her, she could have gone to town for Our Lady and perhaps led

an illustrious crusade for the cause of Bayside.

But as it stands, Susan Hayward spoiled the plan of Heaven by concealing the pearl of truth from the world. Like the unjust steward, she buried her talent in the ground, thus wasting it away to no effect (Matt 25).

This will also bring home for us the frequent admonition of Our Lady, that for those who receive great graces, much is expected of them (St. Luke 12:48). For even though most of us have not received stupendous physical cures, a great many in the Bayside following have received great spiritual graces far beyond what has ever been known to man (miraculous photos, conversions, etc.).

Our Lady had also told Veronica many years ago that Miss Hayward had sought counsel from "a religious,"—obviously to her own detriment. The lesson learned here is, ultimately, each individual is fully answerable before God for all of one's actions and no amount of justification nor excuses will be accepted—not even the ill-advised counsel of a priest or nun—for a willful offense, in this case, "the sin of omission."

Our Lord reaffirms this basic tenet of our Faith on March 18, 1983: "There is not one person who can follow you at the same time over the veil and stand up for you when you are being judged. For every man, woman, and child of conscionable age will be their own master towards their soul."

May the tragic mistake of Susan Hayward ever serve to stir within us the passion and conviction that as chosen disciples of Our Lady, we will never squander nor retreat from any opportunity in making known the truth of Our Lady of the Roses, Mary Help of Mothers.

"There is no average Catholic"

On Monday, Sept. 27 at 12:45 p.m., Shrine director, Michael Mangan, was discussing Susan Hayward's sentence in purgatory with Veronica on the telephone when he was prompted to ask her to ask Our Lady, "What is the average stay of a Catholic in purgatory?" The question had barely escaped his lips, when Our Lady responded:

"In the will of the Father."

Our Lady explained to Veronica: "There is no average Catholic."

Indeed, each and every soul is the unique handiwork of the Creator, ascribed with different gifts, expectations and circumstances that render one accountable to Him alone, but also make any comparisons futile.

Even so, God loves each of us as if we were the only one He created, and therefore requires that our return of love and gratitude be proportionate to this. Our Lady continued:

"Every soul is judged by their merits and demerits."

That is to say, how much we pleased or displeased God in our life. She added that if there is anything that is average, it is that "Catholics go to purgatory." The Virgin said that

when we die, we must stand before "a tribunal", the "tri" meaning 3—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

Our Lady also spoke of God's "omnipotent justice" to remind us of the all-powerful, all-knowing nature of God. Every detail of our life is laid bare before the eyes of the Eternal Father as He tallies the score upon us. Our Lady told Veronica:

"There is a constant stream of souls that appear before the tribunal."

Each soul is then judged immediately for every thought, word, and action of his life.

Veronica was then thinking to herself, "When do They have time to rest"? Our Lady immediately responded by saying:

"There is no time in Heaven. The human life and the spiritual life have nothing in common. It is beyond human comprehension."

Our Lady's catechism lesson concluded with Her telling Veronica:

"That will be all today, My child. You must rest."

Our Lady then asked Veronica to make the sign of the cross.