

Family reconciliation
It is attributed to Luisa "The Holy".
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In a time when families are struggling to stay together, the testimony which follows is a message of hope.

From the beginning of his pontificate Pope Francis has emphasised the theme of mercy and underlined the importance of the family, which he calls *the first and most important school of mercy*.

The story received at our Association a few months ago, offers us a concrete example of the theme that is very dear to our Pope

Who testifies this "special healing" is the mother of one of the protagonists. With faith she attribute it to the intercession of the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta and we faithfully report it with the hope that this year becomes the special year of family reunification.

«My son, R. and his wife were separated in 2012, after a very intense argument which resulted in his wife, J. calling the police, resulting in R. being charged with assault and preventing an emergency call. With the authorities involved, the entire incident escalated, resulting in the separation. From that point, their married life was in jeopardy and I had no contact with his wife J. and my two grand children. The only contact with J. was to see her in court, which only stirred up a great deal of pain.

Over a period of time, J. filed for a divorce and we knew their family was crumbling and nothing we could say or do would make a difference in saving this marriage. Throughout this separation, R. only saw his children and wife once a week for an hour. These visitations went on for months. During this time, J.'s family was pressuring her to go on with the divorce.

In the state we live in, married couples must be separated for one year, and as the months passed on, there was no hope for a reconciliation.

My husband and I decided to attend the National Divine Will Conference in 2013. On that day, after the conference concluded, I decided to go to confession. I confessed my sins and then asked the father if I could beg Luisa to intercede to save my son's marriage. He said "Of course." From that day forward, my husband and I made a commitment to pray the "*Hours of the Passion* and to also pray the "*Virgin Mary in the Kingdom of the Divine Will*" daily. I started off my daily prayer begging Luisa to help to reconcile R. and J.'s marriage. I would sincerely petition Luisa by reciting the prayer to implore the Beatification of the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta prayer numbers one, two and three. I poured my heart out to her. I believe she heard my every plea.

On 14 September 2013, on the feast of the Exultation of the Cross, I went to confession with another priest. I explained to him in confession that my son, R. had been arrested again and we would not see him for two years because of a restraining order that had been placed on him at the request of his wife, J. I explained to the priest that all these accusations J. accused R. of were exaggerated. He asked me to notify J. that he would like to talk to her. I left confession thinking it would be very unlikely that J. would agree to meet with the priest.

I picked up the phone and called J. to see if she would agree to meet with the priest so that he could pray over her to provide healing for the effects of being married to an alcoholic, which R. was. Up until this point, J. was completely committed to going through with the divorce. She would not consider nor even talk about the possibility of a reconciliation.

J. met with the priest for three hours, primarily listening to his advice. After their meeting, R. was contacted by J. saying that she desired to reconcile. She contacted her lawyer and had all charges against R. dropped and immediately stopped the divorce process. Additionally, R. has not had any alcohol since their reconciliation. J. also conceived their third child within two months or so of their reconciliation.

I believe with all my heart that it was Luisa who interceded for J. and R. through the priest».

Sincerely,

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From the Book of Heaven Importance of the Priest

V4 – Dec. 4. 1902 - He (Jesus) said: "What is the meaning of that 'ostende te sacerdoti' ['show yourself to the priest']?" Then, becoming sweeter, He added: "My power extended everywhere, and from any place I was I could operate the most sensational miracles; yet, in almost all my miracles I wanted to be personally present. As for example, when I resurrected Lazarus, I went there, I had them remove the sepulchral stone, then I had him released, and then, with the empire of my voice I called him back to life. In resurrecting the young girl, I took her by the hand with my right hand, and I called her back to life; and in many other things which are recorded in the Gospel, and which are known to all, I wanted to be there with my presence. This teaches the way in which the priest must behave in his operating, since the future life of the Church was enclosed in mine. And these are things that pertain to you, though in general; but your specific circumstance they will find on Calvary. I, priest and victim, lifted up on the wood of the cross, wanted a priest to be present, to assist Me in that state of victim – and he was Saint John,

who represented the nascent Church. In him I saw everyone - Popes, bishops, priests and all the faithful together; and while assisting Me, He offered Me as victim for the glory of the Father and for the good outgrowth of the nascent Church. The fact that a priest assisted Me in that state of victim did not happen by chance, but everything was a profound mystery predisposed ab aeterno [from eternity] in the divine mind, intending that when I choose a soul as victim for the grave needs present in the Church, a priest must offer her to Me, assist her for Me, help her and encourage her to suffer. If these things are understood – fine, they themselves will receive the fruit of the work they offer; just like Saint John: how many goods did he not receive for having assisted Me on Mount Calvary? If then they are not understood, they do nothing but put my work amid continuous contrasts, diverting my most beautiful designs.