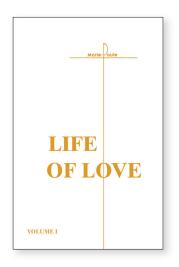
"Life of Love" is the "Gospel" of Marie-Paule Co-Redemptrix, Mother of the Kingdom and Sovereign of the Earth.

"Life of Love" is "the Way, the Truth and the Life" for our time; a message addressed to all peoples on earth; a pressing appeal to enter into the great mystery of Love being deployed today for the salvation and the regeneration of humanity.

"Life of Love" is fifteen volumes and more, written by Marie-Paule upon an order from God, and containing the narrative of the events which marked her personal life and the evolution of the Work. But it is also the account of the extraordinary graces which punctuated, shaped, the incredible undertaking that was to lead to the formation of a new celestial entity, the Divine Quinternity, as well as to the coming of the Kingdom.



# INTRODUCTION

The first volume of *Life of Love* is an autobiographical account extending from Marie-Paule's childhood until the separation with her husband, that is, from 1921 to 1958. In recounting the unprecedented sufferings she endured with love on a daily basis, Marie-Paule draws us along the path of total detachment, a path that will enable her to open the gates to the Kingdom and which must permit us to enter it in her wake. That path – the only one – is first of all



# THE PURGATIVE LIFE,

a life which, in her case, was supported by special, charismatic and prophetic graces, proper to the fulfillment of her mission as Co-Redemptrix.

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# CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENCE

Marie-Paule was born at Lac-Etchemin on September 14, 1921, from a mother whom the Lord described as a "second Saint Anne" (p. 144) and a father endowed with a heroic generosity. The eldest of ten children, Marie-Paule was blessed with an "atomic nature" (p. 281), which would enable her, during her entire life, "to bring together a number of projects and carry them on all at the same time". (p. 136) So it was that, at a very young age, she would begin devoting herself at home, at school and within the parish, anticipating the needs which her loving heart easily detected, never refusing to respond to a request for help.

She had a generally happy childhood, clouded at times by her father's bouts of overindulgence in alcohol; a childhood already marked by an intense spiritual life, a great love of Jesus and Mary, which impelled her, at the age of twelve, to offer herself up as a victim for souls. Then, there began her mystical life. She heard within her God's voice: "ONE DAY YOU WILL BE VERY GREAT, MY CHILD..." (p.. 33), and a little later, Mary's voice: "IN HONOR OF MY SEVEN SORROWS, YOU WILL GO ON THE OPERATING TABLE SEVEN TIMES." (p. 39) Marie-Paule did not understand but she would generously accept it.

When she was 14, she offered her life to God so that her father might be cured, and she fell gravely ill. Her father was informed of this sacrifce and once he recovered, so did she. Afterwards, she would fall ill again on two other occasions when he had relapses. Besides that, she was persecuted at school and at church by a priest leading a dissolute life. She maintained a heroic silence, but developed stomach problems from which she would suffer almost all her life. And the Lord told her: "ONE DAY YOU WILL BE MY MESSENGER TO THE RELIGIOUS AUTHORITIES..." (p. 55)

#### **MARRIAGE**

At the age of 20, Marie-Paule began a nursing course

which she would not be able to complete because of illness. Whereas she had firmly decided to become a nun in spite of a delicate health, a man would enter her life and pursue her with his advances until she accepted to become his wife, which she finally came to realize was God's will. Thus, she married Georges Cliche on July 1, 1944. Almost immediately, this was the starting point of a matrimonial calvary for her that would last fourteen years.

Nothing was spared her on the part of Georges and her mother-in-law: indelicate or tactless gestures, criticisms, calumnies. humiliations. Georges' selfishness, his lies, his fits of anger, his laziness, the hardships he imposed upon his family, his depraved life, his unfaithfulness. And vet, Marie-Paule told us, she did not write all she had endured because of them. She offered up everything for the salvation of her husband's soul, and in contrast, she lived a great purity, a great charity, worked unremittingly and offered him a heroic pardon.

Constantly sick and often rather critically, eating and sleeping very little, Marie-Paule nonetheless gave birth to five children whom she raised with the greatest care and atten-



Marie-Paule at the age of 17 (1938).

tion. She would work as a radio program host for a few years in order to provide for their needs. Sustained by a strong faith and an ardent love, she accepted to be a victim for the ransoming of souls, and in return, God granted her spiritual knowledge and lights with regard to all kinds of situations and concerning many people. He continuously assured her of His support, especially when she was beset by temptations to despair, and little by little, He would reveal certain mysteries of the future to her.

- "PATIENCE, MY CHILD... BE WILLING TO SUFFER... ONE DAY ALL WILL BE REVEALED..." (p. 127)
- "IF THIS WERE EVEN THE HALF OF IT, MY CHILD!... IT WILL ALL TERMINATE IN COURT." (p. 143)
- "DON'T WORRY ABOUT A THING, MY CHILD, I WILL AL-WAYS BEAR YOU UP..." (p. 144)
- "GREAT GRACES AWAIT YOU..." (p. 162)
- "I AM PREPARING YOU FOR YOUR MISSION. I HAVE ALREADY TOLD YOU THAT YOU WILL DO GREAT THINGS LATER ON.... YOU WILL BE MY INSTRUMENT." (p. 172)
- "YOU WILL DIRECT A WONDERFUL MOVEMENT, A MARVELOUS MOVEMENT..." (p. 179)
- "YOU MUST SUFFER MUCH TO BECOME SOVEREIGN OF THE

- EARTH ONE DAY." (p. 272)
- "ONE DAY YOUR LIFE WILL BE WRITTEN. YOUR LIFE WILL BE ENTITLED 'LIFE OF LOVE'." (p. 277)

## **SEPARATION**

Finally, the inevitable happened. Upon the advice of her spiritual director, Father Armand Veilleux, among others, and with the support of her father's soul, for he had passed away

two years earlier, Marie-Paule left Georges in 1958, and her heart would break when she was forced to place her children in boarding school. "ACCEPT, MY CHILD, TO DRINK THIS CHALICE TO THE DREGS. IF YOU ONLY KNEW HOW MUCH MY PRIESTS MAKE ME SUFFER!" (p. 293) All she had left was God alone.

Supported by Father Veilleux who was pressing her to reach for the summits, Marie-Paule would then devote her time to the Church (founding the Legion of Mary in several parishes) and help her brothers and sisters. Her spiritual life continued to intensify and, in February 1958, she experienced an ecstasy of Love which filled her with a happiness never previously experienced, but it also offered her a glimpse of even greater sufferings to come.

At about the same time, Father Veilleux ordered her to begin writing Life of Love. In a few words, Life of Love is a life "of purity. charity, fasting, unremitting work, honesty, the total giving of self, abandonment to God's will, acceptance of humiliations and all kinds of physical and moral sufferings as well as all detachments" (a summary of pp. 292-293). And God would confide to her: "Unfortunately, there are few who accept and submit to it." (p. 223)

The first volume of Life of Love ends with a series of prophetic revelations and with the following very important information: "YOU KNOW, MY CHILD, THAT MY BELOVED MOTHER LIVED ON EARTH AND THAT SHE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN WITHOUT DYING! I MUST TELL YOU, TODAY, THAT SHE HAS BECOME INCARNATE, AND



Marie-Paule, radio program host at the age of 29 (1950).

HER MATERNAL REGARD HAS ALIGHTED UPON YOU. IT IS YOU, MY CHILD, WHO SUFFER MY PASSION AND WHO, IN THE NAME OF MY BELOVED MOTHER, WILL GIVE CHRIST BACK TO THE WORLD." (pp. 333-334)

And the narrative of Marie-Paule's passion and mission continues in the second volume, with her entering the *ILLU-MINATIVE LIFE*.

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