

## WHAT IS A "VICTIM SOUL"

A "Victim Soul" and a "Victim Soul of Charity", is the same. If you sign up to become one, you are handing your whole life into the loving hands of the Most Holy Trinity, likened to your consecrating your life to God. You surrender your life and your will to comply with the *Holy Will* of Almighty God, for your life on earth.

Normally, you can expect suffering to take place. Since the Lord calls it "Charity", what greater gift can a person give than suffering for the conversion of sinners. This is the greatest form of Charity. Our sacrifices, our sufferings, our prayers, for the conversion of sinners is the highest call of mercy, just as Jesus offered Himself as a "Victim Soul" on the Cross of Salvation! He suffered for our salvation, our conversion to God. So we have a means to do the same by following in the footsteps of our Savior Jesus.

We cannot say definitively, what form or what type of sufferings you can expect. You are a wonderfully unique person and your intimate relationship with Jesus is your own. If you attend Mass daily, pray the Rosary or Chaplet of Divine Mercy daily; you may not experience any sufferings at all.

Yet what is a gift to God, if it does not come from your loving heart, your sufferings? If you love Jesus, you will want to serve Him with all your love. Your sufferings for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, or for the conversion of sinners is what our Loving Savior is asking for, because more souls are being sent to Hell than in any other time in history. Prayers and sacrifices are what we should all strive to offer our Merciful Father for the salvation of sinners.

In the Enchiridion Indulgentiarum, aka: The Raccolta (A Manual of Indulgences), we find the following:

### **The Heroic Act of Charity (#593).**

This Act falls under the "Faithful Departed" chapter and it reads as follows:

A) The faithful who make the Heroic Act in favor of the souls detained in Purgatory, may gain: A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the dead:

1. On any day that they receive Holy Communion, if they have made their confession and visited some church or public oratory and prayed for the intentions of the Sovereign Pontiff;
2. On any Monday of the year, or if some impediment arises, on the following Sunday, if they attend Mass in supplication for the faithful departed and moreover fulfill the usual conditions.

B. Priests, who make the aforesaid Heroic Act, may enjoy the indult of a personal privilege altar every day of the year. (S. C. Ind., Sept. 30, 1852 and Nov. 20, 1854; S. P. Ap., Jan. 26, 1932).