

Apostolate of the Green Scapular

Bringing Conversion To The World,
One Soul At A Time

HEALING YOUR HOME OR WORKPLACE OF GHOSTS

On occasion, the Apostolate receives emails regarding "ghosts" and what to do about getting rid of them from a home. We have read information on this issue and have some logical explanations about what ghosts are and what they are not. Understanding ghosts is paramount to your not being fearful of them or how to handle their interference with your life. We also wish to offer you, an Apostolate Member, information on how to rid your life of him or her.

Ghosts at one time lived on this earth as a human being. He or she died and for whatever reason, they either did not or were not invited to "Enter the Light". This supernatural and merciful experience of dying, then taken away from the body and into a supernatural and all encompassing light of love, then being sent back into their body has been retold on the BIO Channel's successful show, "I Survived, Beyond and Back". To hear stories from normal, everyday people who through the grace of God were able to return to their human body after dying then retelling their story for this BIO Channel story is amazing and gives great evidence that there absolutely is life after death and Jesus is the Lord.

So what if someone who had died is not able to enter into the light? What if he or she committed suicide and because of this grave action, "murdering him or herself" merits a life of restlessness and wondering on this earth as a form of purgatory is true? Can we, as members of the Body of Christ, help those who are without peace? The answer is, "Yes". We can do something, but we need to be fully aware and fully discerned about who we are attempting to help, because dealing with demons is different than dealing with ghosts.

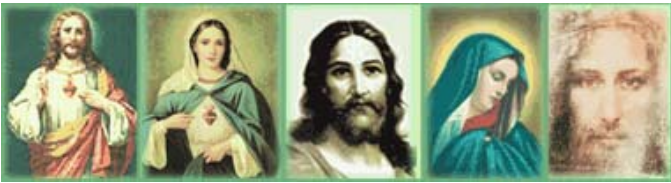
Discerning Ghosts from Demons

First, you must discern if the spirit in your home is a ghost or a demon. A ghost normally is not deviant or intentionally attempting to frighten anyone, but is seeking help. He or she might appear grayish in color, but always with human features or a human form. Demons, however, appear black in color and can morph into distorted shapes, they look like a black shadow. Demons travel quickly, remember they were once angels with angelic powers. They are now demons with demonic evil powers. If you should experience a "sulphur" smell (a smell like rotten eggs), then grab your blessed Holy Water and rebuke the demonic spirit. You may have both forms demons and ghosts in your home, if you are living in an older home. Know that when people are attempting to "contact their dead loved ones" they will normally conduct séances, use a Ojai board, etc. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DO ANY OF THIS, because you will in fact attract and conjure up more demonic spirits that will harm you and/or your family (please refer to Ancestral Bondage Healing). Do not open your life to more evil, cursing yourself and your family for three to four generations. Remember, Scripture advises us to never contact the dead and to speak with them because evil spirits can pose as our dead loved ones.

Assisting Ghosts to Eternal Life

Ghosts normally visit living relatives in search of a living family member to help them transition from this world to the eternal life in heaven or purgatory. Some ghosts haunt a building where he or she died. His/her intention is not deviant or intended to frighten; but simply looking for someone who can help them get out of their current "ghostly" state of existence. The answer is WE MUST REPENT AND PRAY FOR HIM OR HER. For those who have committed suicide, he/she remains a ghost and greatly troubled because he or she sinned against the Lord's law, God alone is the author of life or death and we cannot kill ourselves.

To assist a ghostly spirit to pass into eternal life, you should gather your family together for the intention of praying an entire Rosary, all four Mysteries. You will need to make certain that each person has a holy and blessed Crucifix or medal around their neck. If possible, everyone should go to Confession, and receive Holy Communion thus being in a State of Grace. Next, invite family and friends to your home where the ghost is



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appearing and prepare to recite the Holy Rosary. What you need to do is seek the mercy of Jesus for the wondering soul. You want to ask Jesus to have mercy for him or her and to pray for forgiveness for him or her for committing the sins he or she committed on earth while they lived. You should begin with a repentance prayer which we have provided below. You do not need to use ours but can recite a similar one.

Prayer of Repentance

Heavenly Lord, Jesus of Mercy, we turn to You, to Your love of all humanity. Please forgive us for our sins, the sins we have committed and the sins of our ancestors. Please forgive any family member who committed grave sins against You Jesus, and died unrepentant because of their pride and anger, and did not seek your mercy. Today we gather together to ask You, sweet Jesus, to hear our prayers as we seek Your mercy for any restless spirit that is haunting my home (or business). Please hear our prayers and forgive each living or dead family member in all generations or allow us to act as proxy for a restless spirit who has no one else to pray for him or her. We turn to your love Jesus, because You taught us to: ***“Ask and it shall be given you, Seek and you shall find, Knock and it shall be opened unto you.”*** (St. Matthew 7:7). So today, we ask, seek and knock for your holy mercy. And we turn to Your Holy Mother, Mary, as we recite her Holy Rosary in repentance of our sins and the sins of our family members who have died, from the beginning of time. Hear us, oh Lord and have mercy, allow your precious Blood to cover and heal each family member in all generations, at this moment, back to the very beginning of time. We praise you Jesus, we praise your love and mercy all the rest of our days. Amen.

Before you begin you should have one leader amongst your group, such as the man of the house or woman of the house. The leader/spokesperson should invite the ghost to come and listen to the story of our Savior's life and death and what He did for the mercy of the whole world, but you command in the name of Jesus Christ that he or she is not permitted to speak or disturb the meeting in anyway. You can say, ***“In the name of Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, we invite the ghostly spirit here in this home (building) to come quietly and listen to the story of our salvation by Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God. You can listen to our prayers because we want you to understand that Jesus died on the cross for your sins and our sins. We command in the name of Jesus, you are not to speak and disturb this prayer meeting in anyway and if you see a brilliant light coming down from heaven, you should enter into this light so you can go to Heaven to meet Jesus of Nazareth, your Savior who loves you!”***

Next, recite the Act of Contrition and with Holy Water, sprinkle it around you and say these words, ***“In the Name of Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, in the Name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, I baptize you ghostly spirit in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through the authority of Holy Church. Amen.”***

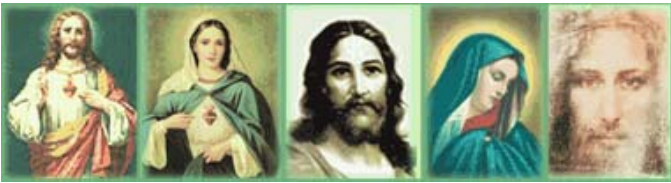
Recite the Act of Contrition, the Holy Rosary and then the Closing Prayer below.

Act of Contrition: Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offending Thee, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell. But most of all, my God, because I have offended You, who art all good and deserving of all of my love. And I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance and to amend my life. Amen.

Recite all four Mysteries of the Holy Rosary, then conclude with the following prayer.

Closing Prayer

We thank you Holy Lord for hearing the prayers of your sinful children gathered here. Please accept our love and thanksgiving for freeing any deceased family member or ghostly spirit who has been wondering upon this



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earth searching for peace and healing for his/her sinfulness while living on earth. We thank you Jesus for showing us you are the Way, the Truth and the Life. Through baptism with water, and the Holy Spirit our sins are forgiven and You always extend Your mercy upon us as we pray forgiveness of our sins and those of our ancestors. Thank you Jesus, thank you for loving us, your sinful children. We love you and praise you. Amen. You may wish to follow-up with a Mass. You can schedule this Mass before or after you have held the prayer meeting for Healing of Ghosts. The following guidance is offered for your consideration.

Have a Mass offered for the sins of the ghost that is haunting you. As an example, if you know that your uncle committed suicide and you are living in his old home, then have the Mass offered for the Uncle. Attend that Mass and offer Jesus' Body and Blood for the sins of that uncle especially if you know he committed suicide.

The requirement is to repent for the sins of your uncle, acting in his place. True repentance of sins is what the Lord seeks from everyone. If someone has already died, but you believe is haunting you or other family members, you will need to stand in "intercession" to the Lord for that ghostly soul.

If not sure that the ghost is a family member, possibly your home was built on the grounds of an old battle or war (in the U.S. this might mean the Civil War, or Indian wars, etc.), then offer the Mass for anyone who may have died there during that particular battle. Ask Jesus to heal your home and cleanse your home from any past human or demonic spirit that is haunting you and your family. If your home was built on an old cemetery or Indian burial grounds, you will need to contact us directly after you have conducted comprehensive re-search on the historical site.

If you believe you are being haunted by a demonic entity, you must immediately have a holy Mass offered for the healing of your house! You must act quickly and schedule a Mass for the removal of any demonic spirit present. If you feel that the demonic entity has not departed after your first Mass, have another Mass scheduled. It is important that you repeat the process until the demonic activity stops. Normally, three Masses would be required. If, however, the activity continues; then you will need to have a House Exorcism. This will require a volunteer to go through the house with you from room to room. Normally this will take six-hours a day for about four days. We can help you rid your home of demonic activity, but request that you read the information we have provided called, House Exorcism and you should consider making a donation to the Apostolate.

In a House Exorcism, you can expect demonic spirits attached to any books, movies, old music albums or cd's. Others have linked the books, computer games or dvd's centered around witches or wizards, to such activities. Movies, computer games, movies that promote magic are to be avoided as well. Musical artists and groups that sing of service to the devil may also be the cause. Rid your home of any questionable items that stand in opposition to God's grace and holiness, then follow-up with a final Mass. If all of the above does not seem to rid your home of the activity, seek a Catholic Priest right away. He'll know what to do.

We offer this final reminder. God Almighty is the Creator of all life. He made the Angels first, then humans. God Almighty is still the Creator and we are all the created. God is in control and we must depend on His love and His mercy for us, for our lives. Have peace and work on healing your family. Remember, witchcraft, magic, Ouija boards, tarot cards, palm reading, divining spirits, future tellers and the like are absolutely and completely forbidden. They violate God's First Commandment, seeking other gods other than the One, True, Holy God! Pornography, computer pornography and the like are also forbidden and considered a mortal sin against Chastity. We invite you to learn more about your Catholic faith by reading Sacred Scriptures and visiting our Catechism web page. God bless you and please let us know if more is needed in your particular situation.