

# LITURGY OF THE KINGDOM

TRIDUUM - SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2017

## Marie-Paule's Life of Love

### FIRST READING

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Reader: *A reading taken from the spiritual heritage of humanity.*  
Assembly: *From all time, Heaven has prepared the coming of the Kingdom.*  
Reader: *Today a passage from the preface written for "Life of Love"  
by Raoul Auclair who has become Saint Raoul Marie in the Church of John.*  
*It is written:*

The mystical witness *Life of Love* reveals to us is something quite new: a supreme experience in sanctification under the most adverse conditions; an experience that would make itself felt in the minutest details, and sometimes amid the crassest, of an existence that was commonplace in its unfolding, but extraordinary in its destination...

What anguish was born of this command to tell all and to hide nothing. What repugnance had to be overcome in order to be able to speak of things frequently so horrible especially when this touches one so closely and spatters one with mud! And what saint can any longer pass through the world without befouling his garments?...

But this aspect of the holiness of our times which Marie-Paule exemplifies and of which she provides the salutary lesson is not the essential element of *Life of Love*. I have already mentioned it: we are dealing here with a mystery. A corner of the curtain is at this time lifted. It will only be fully drawn in the final hour of total realization.

Now, in the end that the realization may stand forth in total clarity, it will be necessary at this time that the entire route be illumined. All that was a sign along the whole route, all the visions and predictions, those jets of light whose flash only deepened the darkness of the night of obedience and self-abandonment, – yes, all of this, and that of a sudden – will compel recognition of its meaning and its necessity.

Reader: *This was a passage from the preface to "Life of Love".*

Assembly: *Thanks be to God.*