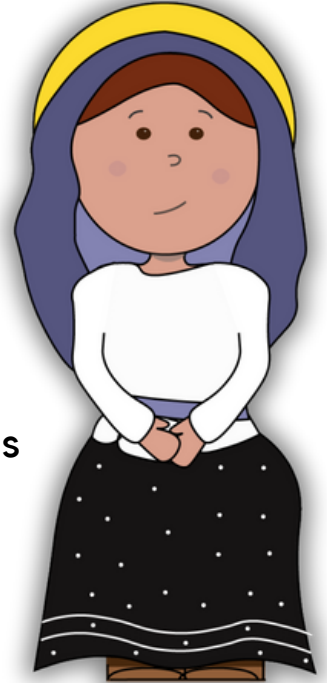


MY STORY

ST JACINTA AND ST FRANCISCO

Hi, I'm Francisco, and I'm Jacinta. We are the saints of Fatima. We also have a cousin called Lucia. She was with us when Mary appeared to us and told us to pray for the people who were suffering in World War I.

We were born in Fatima in Portugal. We liked to help our family look after sheep in the fields so one day we were doing just this when an angel appeared to us who taught us special prayers. Mary then appeared to us and asked us to pray the rosary for the people that were sad, suffering or didn't know God. Mary said she would appear to us more, and surely enough each month she appeared to us, taught us prayers and told us three secrets of important things that would happen in the future.



Mary also told us the God would perform a miracle on October 13, 1917, so that people would believe and join in the prayers we had started praying. On that day 70 000 people gathered and witnessed the Miracle of the Sun after Mary appeared to us one last time. The first secrets we kept were about the World Wars but the third secret You can be a saint too, just like us. It doesn't matter how old you are, God calls every one of us to be his hands and feet in the world. Take the time to pray for others who may be suffering, sick or sad, listen and look for signs of God's call in your life and continue to know that God loves you and wants you to thrive.

