

Eucharistic Miracle—Rome, Italy—1995

Since 1971, an Italian Marian visionary, Marisa Rossi, has purportedly been receiving locutions and signs from Our Blessed Mother asking for humanity to change its ways and return to God - particularly in the Eucharist. These apparitions changed in character in the mid-90's when Marisa took part in an inexplicable Eucharistic event on September 14, 1995 - the feast of the Exultation of the Cross. After praying in the chapel, Marisa, who is wheelchair-bound, stood and kissed the crucifix which Don Claudio Gatti had removed from the altar in preparation for a procession. Marisa said she saw a Host emerge from the side of the corpus on the cross and fall into her hand. Many around her noticed the Host which had not been there moments before. Another apparently inexplicable Eucharistic event occurred in April of 1996 when Marisa was photographed as a Host suddenly appears in her outstretched hands during a purported apparition of the Blessed Virgin.

On February 6, 1997, before Fr. Claudio's biblical catechesis, Our Lady gave Marisa a blood-stained Holy Host. The apparition took place in her bedroom because of her bad health. This miracle was only seen by a few people who were in the bedroom, including Fr. Claudio. The host was consumed immediately by Marisa. (The event was recorded on a video tape).

Three days after the miracle Our Lady said: "My beloved sons, thank you for your presence here. The great Eucharistic miracle happened again and on last Thursday you saw My Son Jesus' blood on the Holy Host. This is a demonstration for all men and above all, for priests, that My Son Jesus is just inside the little Host, with His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. As usual, I invite you to enjoy not only this event, but every day and forever because every day Jesus, the Eucharist, goes into the hearts of those people who want Him, in a gentle and silent manner, if those hearts are in a state of grace. For this reason the Mother is frequently saying 'Live in a state of grace and receive My Son Jesus in a state of grace...!' "

In 1995, the Ecclesiastical authority in Rome instituted a Commission of Enquiry. Currently more than 300 public apparitions have taken place, but no official statement has been yet emitted. Since 1971 Marisa Rossi has been assisted by Fr. Don Claudio, a Catholic priest who is her spiritual director.