

# Fátima vs. the Conspiracy Theories

The 1917 apparitions of the Virgin Mary to three children at Fátima (ending in October of that year with the greatest historical public miracle before 70,000 observers) offer us without doubt a formidable example of Our Lady's loving intervention, to warn the world of coming threats, and offer powerful remedies to avoid wars and achieve peace.

But the proper *interpretation* of Fátima is of the utmost importance.

For some decades, the Canadian priest, Fr. Nicholas Gruner, the "Fátima priest," and the Fátima Center that he founded, have been claiming that the ills that the world and, especially, the Church are now suffering could be avoided if only the consecration of Russia by the pope and the bishops of the world, requested by Our Lady in a vision to Sr. Lucia on December 10, 1925, had been done correctly. By "correctly," Gruner means mentioning Russia by name ... (Whole article on The Catholic Thing: <http://www.thecatholicthing.org/2015/02/28/fatima-vs-conspiracy-theories>)