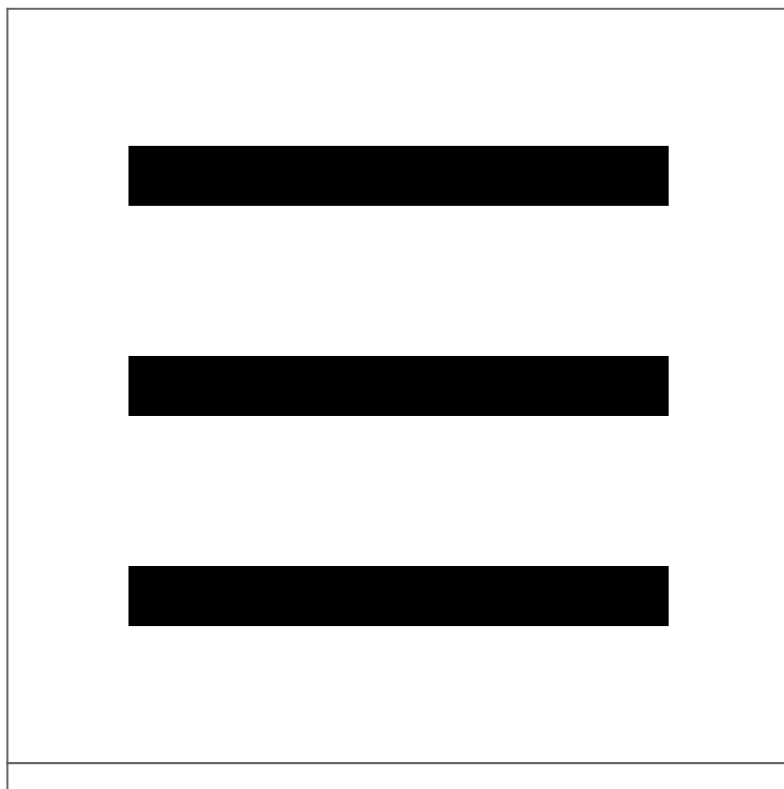


Zeichen der Zeit: Marienstatue vergiesst Blutstränen

People throng to see bleeding Marian statue

Tears of blood rolled down the statue of Mother Mary at the Carmelite Mary Immaculate (CMI) Bhavan in Marianagar, Ghaziabad. Posted on July 16, 2012, 8:44 AM



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Police was called in to control surging crowds gathering to witness a bleeding Marian statue at a Catholic center near Delhi India. Tears of blood rolled down the statue of Mary at the Carmelite Mary Immaculate (CMI) Bhavan in Marianagar, Ghaziabad, the satellite town of New Delhi, attracting

Christians and people of other faiths Saturday. About 65 catholic families that live around the chapel rushed to see the event.

"Within no time the news spread and people started coming to the chapel. Around three thousand people visited the statue by evening. Due to the rush the police had to be called in," said Brother George CMI.

Sunitha, the maid in the house, was the first to notice the event at 11:30 am when she came to clean the chapel.

"Today when I was about to clean the statue of Mother Mary, I found streams of blood flowing. I could not believe my eyes so I rubbed the blood from the statue but the flow was still there," she said.

Sunitha said that she started shivering and held the statue. "I felt Mother Mary standing in front of me," she added.

Fr. Joy Kizhakkayil, the priest in charge of the house, said he saw the maid holding the statue and praying and crying loud to Mother Mary.

Another priest who resides in the house, Fr. Biju Vadakkel said that they have informed the incident to Bishop Francis Kalist of Meerut and he has asked us to keep the statue in due reverence.

Fr. Vadakkel said that the bleeding continued for few hours.

He said that they have also taken the samples of the blood and got it tested at the St. Joseph Hospital nearby.

"The result shows that the blood group is B+ve," he added.

Another flow of blood was seen Sunday when Fr. Kizhakkayil came to the chapel to offer the holy Mass.

"Now the flow was heavy and the blood was falling on the table where the statue was kept," he said.

Visitors, who thronged to see the event, kept the rosary on the blood clotted statue and prayed continuously in the chapel.

Brother George said that Hindu families living near the chapel anticipated natural calamities due to the event.

The event took place at the personal chapel of CMI Bhavan where at present a new wing for the Christ College, Bangalore is under construction.

The statue was bought from St. Paul's Centre, New Delhi few months back.

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