



In Fatima, Portugal, 1917, three young shepherd children, Lúcia Santos, Francisco Marto, and Jacinta Marto, reported seeing visions of the Virgin Mary, referred to as the "Lady of Fatima".



The clouds parted to reveal the sun as an opaque, spinning disc, changing colors and appearing to lurch towards the earth before returning to its normal position.



These visions which occurred on the 13th of each month from May to October, included messages of prayer and thanks. The high point of these appearances was the "Miracle of the Sun", witnessed by a large crowd, where the sun appeared to dance and change colours.



## WHERE DIDITHAPPEN?

The Marian visions in Fatima, Portugal, took place in the Cova da Iria, a location near the village of Aljustrel and Fatima.

Specifically, the presence occurred at a holm oak tree in the Cova da Iria, where the Chapel of the Apparitions now stands.



## WHEN DID IT HAPPEN?

The visions of the Virgin Mary, or Our Lady of Fatima, to the three shepherd children occurred between May 13 and October 13, 1917.



The overall message from the Fatima visions is a call for prayer, particularly the Rosary, and repentance, with a focus on the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to bring about world peace and conversion.



## WHY IS FATIMA ONE OF OUR-HOUSE GROUPS?

I think Fatima is one of our house groups because the Rosary is the heart of our school due to the meaning of healing and love of the prayers included in the Rosary. This prayer was what Mary told the 3 shepherd children to repeat everyday.

