

# Our Lady of Kibeho



“The message for the world is: love our Lady, recite the rosary and convert. We have to follow what the Church teaches us, we have to love Jesus our Lord, and the Virgin Mary because she is our mother. Whatever happens, do not let go of Jesus. Do not let go of our Lord.” - Alphonsine Mumureke

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Alphonsine Mumureke was just 16 when she experienced her first apparition of Mary in 1981. She lived in Kibeho, a small African village in Rwanda. She was cleaning one day and heard a voice say, “Child.” Alphonsine lost sight of everyone around her and a beautiful, bright woman appeared before her, standing on a cloud. The lady said she was the “Mother of the Word.”

No one believed Alphonsine, especially since she rarely prayed. But Mary appeared to her again that night, telling her to pray fervently. Her friend, Natalie, also received these apparitions. Later, another friend, Marie Claire, received visions from the Mother of the Word. The girls saw psychologists and went through many scientific tests, but all tests indicated that the girls were telling the truth.

Mary showed the girls Kibeho’s future of sadness, people turned against one another and terrible war. The girls tried to warn everyone, but the people weren’t prepared to carry out Mary’s plan. A few years later, civil war broke out, just as Mary said it would. Then, in 1994, an even worse war called the Rwandan Massacre happened.

Mary requested that, once the war was over, a chapel be built in Kibeho as a perpetual sign of peace and her visit. In 2003, Our Lady of Sorrows Church was built on the site of the first apparition and it is a popular place for pilgrimage. Many who visited were healed from their ailments, had their faith strengthened or were converted.

Cling to Mary, our heavenly Mother. She will bring you closer to her Son, Jesus.

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Alphonsine  
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Peace  
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