

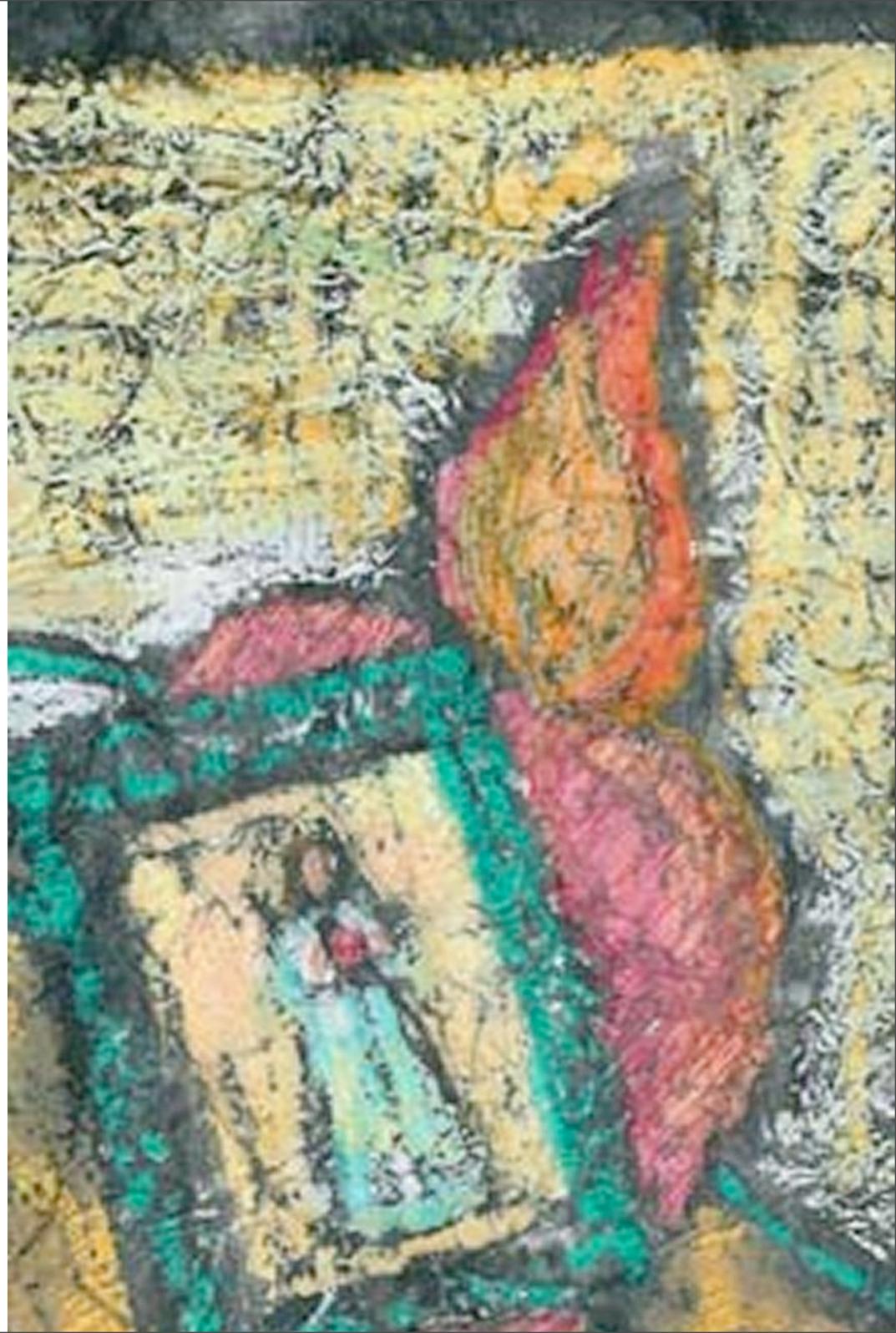


The Green Scapular

the Blessed Virgin appears to Sr.
Justine Bisqueyburu, DC

Series of Apparitions

- On January 28, 1840, in Paris, France, the Blessed Virgin appeared to Justine Bisqueyburu DC, a Seminary Sister of the Daughters of Charity, while she was at prayer in the convent chapel at Rue du Bac.
- This began a series of visits which culminated in a special gift of Mary: the Green Scapular.



The Scapular

- Mary held in her right hand her heart surrounded by flames, and in her left, a type of scapular. The scapular consisted of a single small piece of green cloth suspended from a cord of the same color.
- On one side of the piece of cloth was a picture of the Blessed Virgin as she had shown herself in the apparitions. On the other was a heart inflamed "with rays more brilliant than the sun and clearer than crystal."



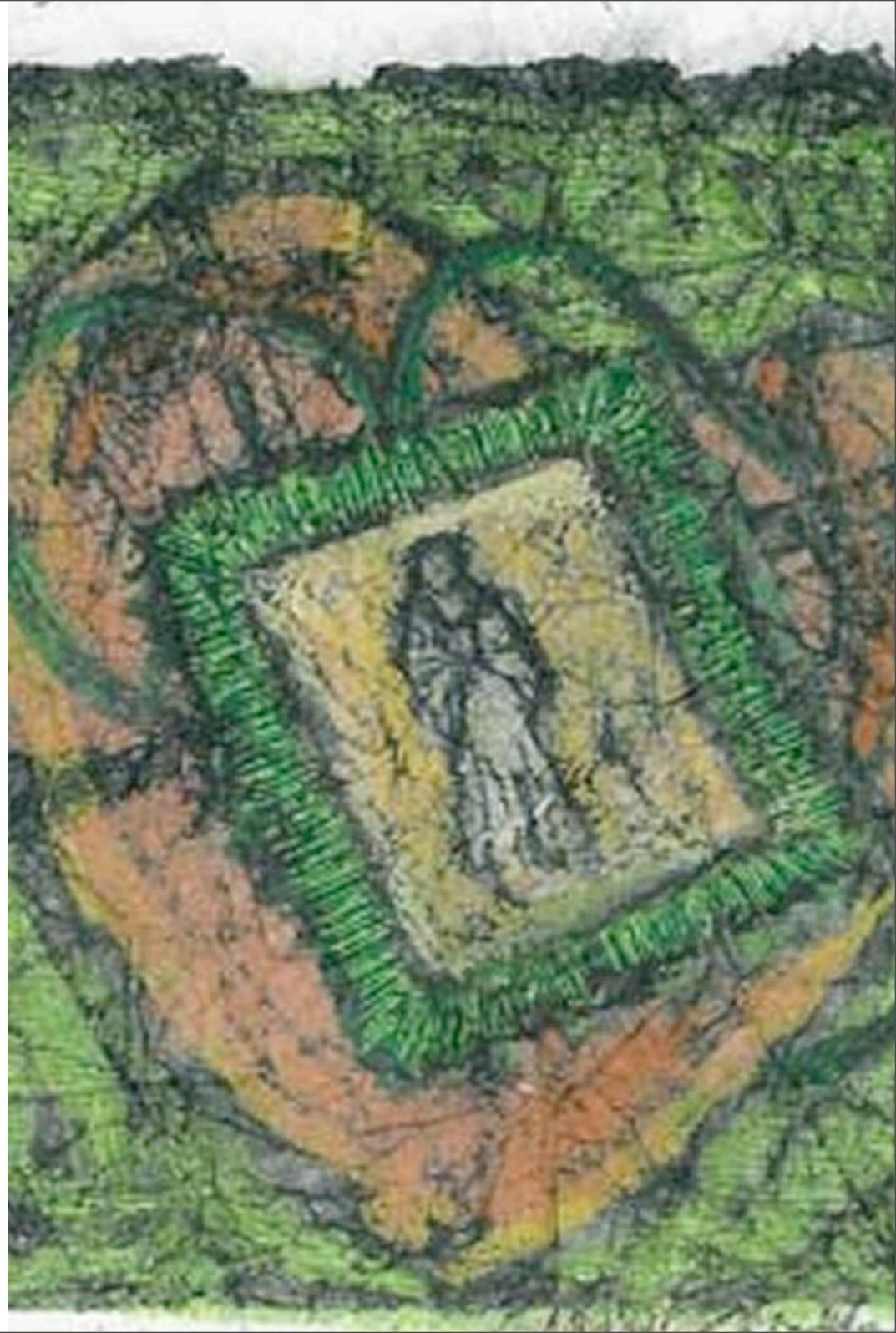
The Scapular

- Our Lady's heart, pierced with a sword, was surrounded by an oval inscription surmounted by a cross.
- The inscription read,
"Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death."



For the conversion of souls

- At the same time, an interior voice revealed to Sr. Justine the meaning of the vision and that the scapular should be shared with the world as an instrument in the conversion of souls.
- By this means, God would bring to Himself, through the intercession of Blessed Mother Mary, those who had lost their faith or had been separated from the Church.



Devotional Use

- The Green Scapular should be blessed by a priest and worn or carried by the person wishing to benefit by it.
- To help another person in need of grace, the Green Scapular may be placed secretly inside his clothing, home or possessions, and the giver should say the prayer instead.
- Pray, at least daily: "Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death."



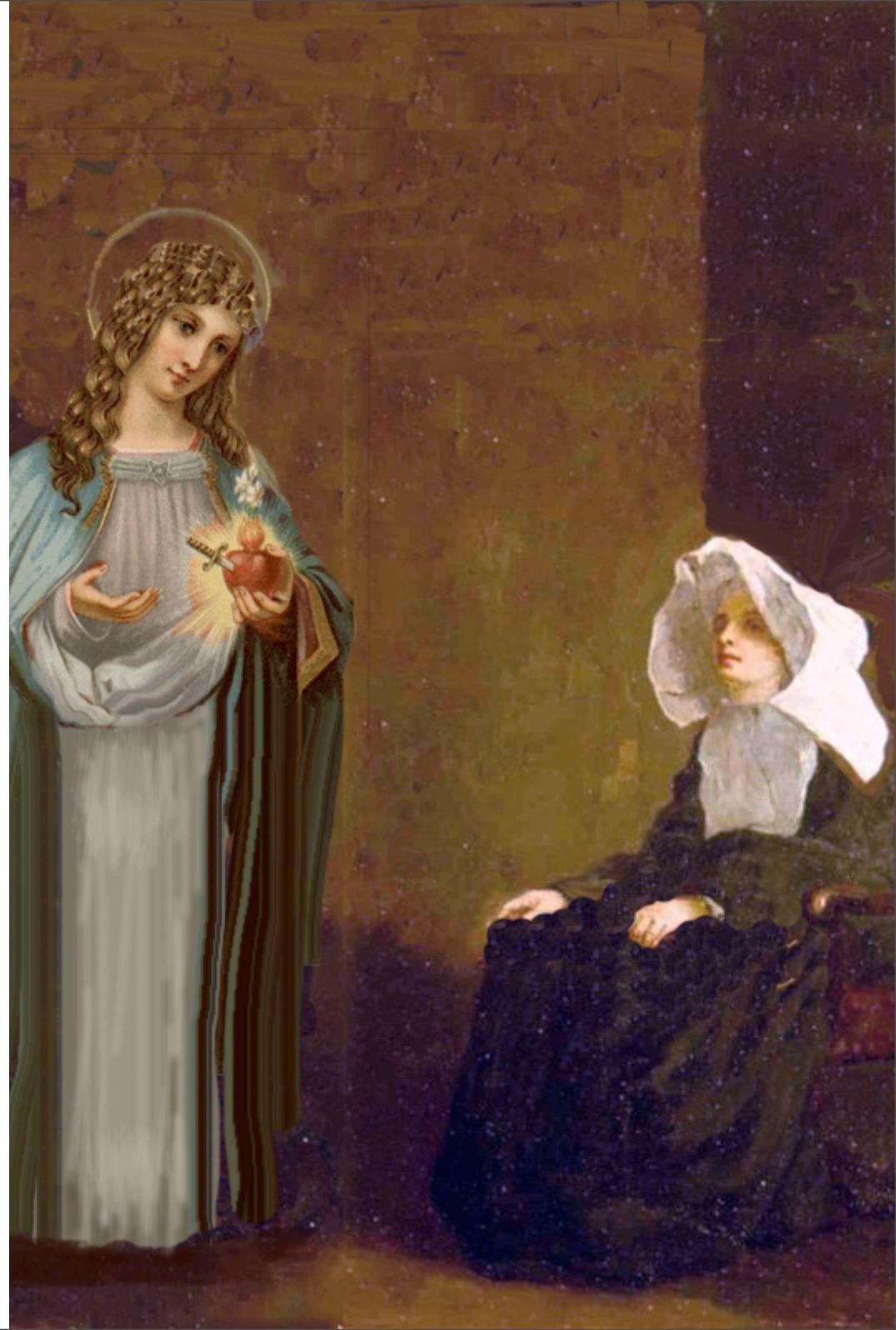
Promises

- Conversion of those who do not have the faith
- Reconciliation to the Church for those who have lost/strayed from the faith
- Assurance of a happy death
- Strengthening of the faith for those already in the Church
- Protection from Satan for those who wear or promote the scapular



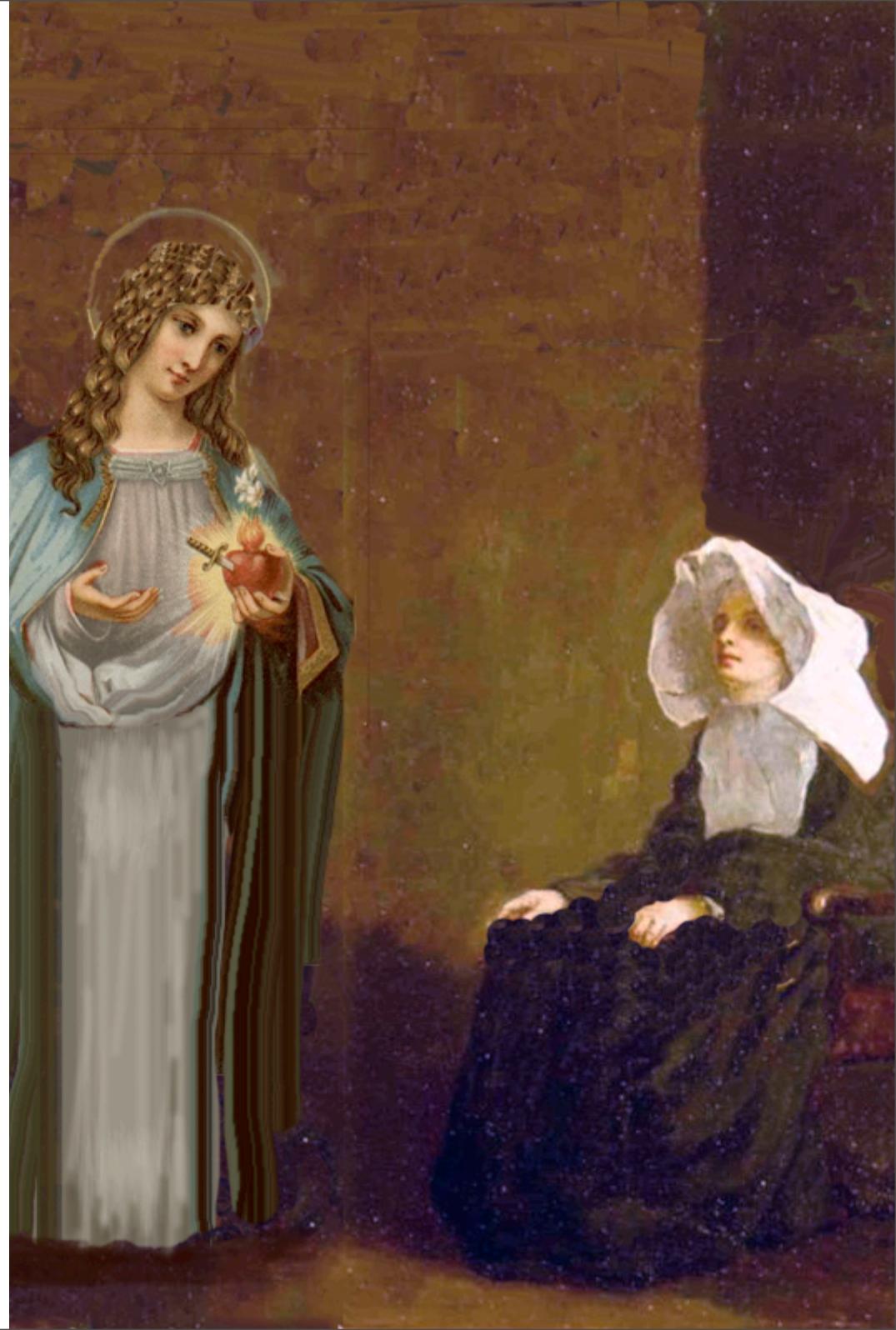
Brief Biography of Sr. Justine

- Born 11 November 1817 at Mauleon; little is known about her childhood, but that she was raised by an aunt and uncle.
- Entered the Seminary of the Daughters of Charity on 27 November 1839, the ninth anniversary of the apparition to Catherine Labouré.
- After nine months in the Seminary, she was sent to Blangy to teach school. It was at Blangy that she had the most important apparitions and prepared to make her Holy Vows.



Brief Biography of Sr. Justine (cont'd)

- In 1841, during the Crimean War, Justine cared for the sick and wounded on the battlefields in Constantinople. In 1858, she helped open a military hospital at Rennes. Next she went to another military hospital in Algiers where she remained for nine years until 1867 when she went to serve with the Pontifical Army for one year. In 1868, she was made sister servant (age 51) at the Hôtel-Dieu of Carcassone where she remained for 35 years until her death on 23 September, 1903.



Brief Biography of Sr. Justine (cont'd)

- Her companions remember her as not only having a strong devotion to Mary, but for being a faithful and humble servant of the poor.
- She did not bring attention to herself. Justine kept it a secret that she was the one who had received the Green Scapular.

