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## THIS KID WILL TOUCH YOUR HEART.

*The shows we do for schools are some of the hardest, but also the most rewarding. Stories like this make it all worthwhile:*

My name is James. I'm in eighth grade. I love acting and I think I might be called to be a priest. After seeing *Tolton*, I was very moved because that helped kick off my vocation even more.

*Tolton* was a very impactful play. It made me to think about how I really wanted to give the Eucharist to others and help them – not just tell them about Christ but give them Christ as well.

Father Tolton went through some of the same struggles and temptations that I go through, like forgetting Christ and not being sure of my vocation. Even though he kept getting rejected, he kept trusting in Christ and persevering.



Jim's amazing acting made me see Father Tolton himself on stage.

It was fun to talk with him afterwards while he was still in costume. It was like seeing somebody who was close to Christ. It was beautiful because I was able to relate to him in so many ways. I could just still my fears and talk with him. I can't explain why it was so profound. It just was.

I hope that the show will continue because it helped me and a lot of other people come closer to Christ.

*Schools don't have money for shows, so we're counting on you to give kids a personal encounter with the saints. Please send whatever you can to fund shows this coming school year.*



# WHEN YOU GIVE, MIRACLES HAPPEN.

Dear Friends,

The people you love are glued to their phones – texting, watching YouTube videos, listening to podcasts and comparing themselves to others on social media. They’re bombarded with shallow and deceptive content.

What if – on the very channels they already watch daily – they could stumble upon a movie that touches a longing in their hearts for something deeper?

I want people everywhere – in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Africa, Asia – literally EVERYWHERE – to encounter God’s forgiveness in our two movies *Heart of Mercy* and *Tolton: From Slave to Priest*.

So many of you have already sacrificed so much for these productions. For this I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I am asking you to stick with us. Not only do we have to finish the films; we have to market them as well. As you know, movies are expensive to make and distribute.

Can you commit to a small gift monthly, if you haven’t done so already... say \$10 or \$25? Or a one-time gift of \$100?

With you beside me, praying and sending whatever you can, we’re going to open the door – maybe just a crack – for our loved ones to experience the miracle of Christ’s love and mercy.

God bless,

Leonardo Defilippis

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Danny, your desire for holiness inspires us.

## WHY I GIVE

*"Inspired at a young age by Disney and film in general, I was eager to get into the movie industry. However, I found the cultural collapse of Hollywood depressing. Saint Luke Productions plays a pivotal role in our need for beautiful, grace-filled role models to combat the darkness in Hollywood today. That's why I'm a monthly donor."*

*Danny Shuell, Vancouver, WA*



*"We send our sincere thanks to the donors of the film."*

## AFRICAN FRIARS TOUCHED BY YOUR GIFT

Thanks to your generosity, our movie *John of the Cross* has been brought to Africa!

We collaborated with Carmelite Father Marie Joseph Dol, OCD in Senegal to produce the French subtitled version of the film. Then we gave him the rights to use it for the formation of priests and young people across the continent, completely free of cost.

Here are a few responses from the friars:

◆ *"What I take away from the film is the YES of John of the Cross to the Lord without any looking back."*  
- Leonidas (Togo)



◆ *"What touched me the most about John of the Cross was his faith, his confidence in God, even during the darkest moments of his life. For the love of Christ, he was willing to suffer for his faith."*  
- Olivier (Senegal)

◆ *"For sure, this film on our Father Saint John of the Cross helped us and touched us. We send our sincere thanks to the donors of the film."*  
- Evariste (Congo RDC)

# IS IT LIFE THREATENING?

By Patti Defilippis

A few months ago I was agonizing at Mass over something one of my adult kids was going through. I had stepped in to solve a problem, when I wasn't asked for help. It was just too painful to watch the struggle.

I heard God speak to me – not in audible words, but in my heart. “What are you doing? I am working on this child of yours! By stepping in, you just set back my plan. Just listen, pray and stay out of the way.”

From that moment, I made a new resolution. When my child is doing something I don't agree with or which causes me to fear, I ask myself the question, “Is it life threatening?” If it's not (it's almost always not) I do my best



With our grandkids on our 40th Anniversary, 3 more on the way!



**LISTEN, PRAY AND  
STAY OUT OF THE WAY.**



to listen, pray and stay out of the way.

Thank you, Lord, for always working in my children's lives. Help me to trust!



**YOU'VE  
REACHED  
20,000  
STUDENTS  
IN 70+  
SCHOOLS!**

*Thank you for being so generous enough to come to our parish and perform for us students. The Tolton play impacted me in a way I cannot fully describe in words, but it reminded me to fly to Mary's protection when tempted by Satan and to pray as Tolton did when discouraged by Satan. I will forever keep this message in my heart, and I hope that future productions of this play will impact even more lives.*

# I CAME HERE WITH HOPE IN MY HEART

By Jacqueline Cyr



As a Catholic with a passion for the cinema, I didn't want to compromise my integrity in pursuit of my artistic endeavors. That's why I attended film school at John Paul the Great Catholic University.

One month before graduation, I discovered the marketing coordinator position at Saint Luke Productions. It felt like the perfect fit.

I came here with hope in my heart – hope to learn, grow, and make a difference in the world.

So many of my peers have lost their faith, swayed by our culture's biggest lies. The emptiness I see in their eyes drives me to share these inspiring stories of hope, healing and courage with them – and with your children and grandchildren.

Marketing is really evangelization. Through social media, advertising, interviews, and every form of media possible, I'm bringing the Faith to people who never would have encountered Jesus.

Thank you. Your generosity is making it possible for me to do powerful things for God. I can't wait to share with you the exciting new projects we'll accomplish together.

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## THREE LIES ABOUT GOD'S MERCY. AND THE TRUTH.



### LIE #1:

What I've done is so bad that God won't forgive me.

### THE TRUTH:

No matter what you've done, God is waiting for you. He loves you. Give up your attachment to being especially and uniquely bad, (you're not) and hand it over to God. He'll wipe the guilt away!

### LIE #2:

I'm just going to do it again, so there's no point in confessing the same thing over and over.

### THE TRUTH:

Every time you confess it, you get a little stronger, by admitting your weakness. Don't give up.

### LIE #3:

I'm a good person. My little faults and missteps don't matter.

### THE TRUTH:

You are not willing to look at those little sins, because you don't want to give them up. These seemingly unimportant acts are where you need to focus to really grow closer to God. Make a start! Open yourself up to God's Divine Mercy and Grace!

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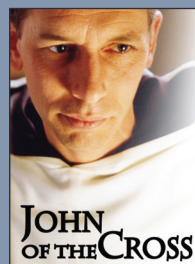
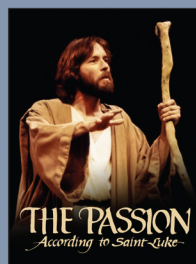
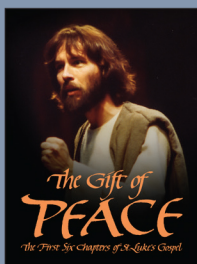
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- 2. SELECT A DATE FOR YOUR SHOW.** We are currently booking spring and fall 2024.
- 3. SELECT A VENUE.** Our productions are designed to fit almost any space. These include churches, parish halls, school auditoriums & more.



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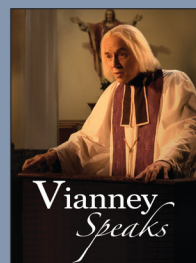
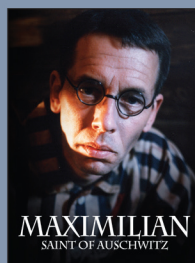
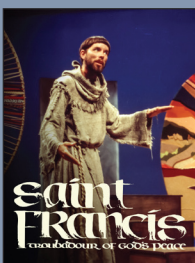
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