Question: If Luisa was the first creature "born" in sin to possess the gift of Living in the Divine Will, and St. Joseph was purified of original sin shortly after conception, may one say that he is the first creature "conceived" in sin though not "born" in sin to receive this gift?

Answer: Consider that Jesus took Luisa from the "common stock of the natural order" in order to be, "apart from his inseparable mother," the first creature in whom to centralize his Will" and "to live in the Divine Will" and to become "the first deposit of his Sacramental lives". Indeed, he tells her that "to no other soul [nota bene: this means, not even to St. Joseph], though dear to Me, have I manifested the way to live in my Will" — a "grace never done before" and a gift "never conceded to anyone else" apart from Mary. Indeed, of these divine acts, which constitutes a new way of living in the Divine Will, all "human creatures [nota bene: this includes St. Joseph], except for My dear and inseparable Mother, knew nothing."

Furthermore, in the passages from "The Blessed Virgin Mary in the Kingdom of the Divine Will", respectively Days 24 and 25, Mary clearly reveals to Luisa that the Divine Will not only operated in but also "emerged" from Jesus and Mary, whereas only its effects ("eclipses" and "inundations" of its reflections that came from Jesus and Mary) impacted St. Joseph, not viceversa. This means that St. Joseph did not possess the gift in its source like Jesus and Mary, but enjoyed the effects derived therefrom.⁷

Bolstering this truth are the following quotations from Luisa's text:

¹ L. Piccarreta, volume 15, July 11, 1923.

² Ibid., volume 14, October 6, 1922.

³ Ibid., volume 14, July 6, 1922.

⁴ Ibid., volume 14, October 6, 1922.

⁵ Ibid., volume 14, March 24, 1911.

⁶ Ibid., volume 14, October 6, 1922.

⁷ To Luisa Mary reveals: "Child of my Heart, have pity on the tears of <u>your mother</u> and on those of my weeping sweet and dear <u>infant Jesus</u>... the Divine Fiat that made creation rejoice over the sweet baby Jesus – the earth gave homage to its Creator by becoming green and flowery underneath our steps; the sun, fixed on him, praised him with its light and heat and felt honoured to do so; the wind caressed him; the birds, as in a formation of clouds, came down around <u>us</u> and, with their trills and songs, sang the most beautiful lullabies for our dear baby Jesus to assuage his crying and help him sleep. My child, since the Divine Will was in <u>us</u> [nota bene: in Jesus and Mary], we exercised dominion over all [creation]..." (Day 24).

[&]quot;I possessed the Divine Will by grace, and even though I could not [by nature] embrace God's immensity as <u>beloved Jesus did</u> – for He is God and Man... and so enrapturing were these seas of light, love and all else the Divine Will possesses and that <u>emerged from us</u> [nota bene: from Jesus and Mary only] that Saint Joseph was eclipsed and inundated by them, wherefore he lived from the reflections of these seas..." (Day 25).

"The way the life of My Will that has been formed in you, will give itself to everyone to make itself known and to acquire its dominion. <u>Had I wanted you to be conceived without Original Sin like My heavenly Mother so that the life of My Will might reign in you, no one would have given a thought to letting it reign in them."</u>

"I removed all seeds of corruption from you. I purified your soul and your very nature so that you would neither feel anything for them, nor they for you... And even though I did not exempt you from original sin, as I did with My dear Mother, by removing from you the seed of corruption, I made another prodigy of Grace, never conceded to anyone else... My Will would not have adapted itself to take possession of you and communicate its Act to you, had it noticed a single seed of corruption."

"My daughter, since <u>I have chosen you as the first one to live in my Will</u>, I want that you too share in the sorrows My humanity received from the Divinity in My Will." ¹⁰

"My daughter, since <u>I have called you as first, to be the head of the Mission of my Will,</u> this Will of Mine must place in you the balance between you and the Creator, and therefore remove the distance which exists between the human will and the Divine Will..."

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⁸ Ibid., volume 19, June 6, 1926.

⁹ Ibid., volume 15, July 11, 1923.

¹⁰ Ibid., volume 12, March 14, 1919.

¹¹ Ibid., volume 18, February 11, 1926.