

The Rosary devotion in the framework of the OESSH spirituality



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**A TRIBUTE TO THE CANONIZATION OF
ST. BARTOLO LONGO ON OCTOBER 19, 2025**

**AND TO THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS
DEATH (HIS BIRTH FOR HEAVEN) ON
OCTOBER 5, 2026.**

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Introduction



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Daniel Krizan, M.Sc. D.Sc. (49):

- Assoc. Prof. in Materials Science & Technology, a well-known researcher in the field of Steel Development
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In the information material related to the spirituality of our Order it is written the following:

„ It is especially recommended venerating the Mother of God as Queen of Palestine, the Patroness of our Order, through the recitation of the Holy Rosary. “



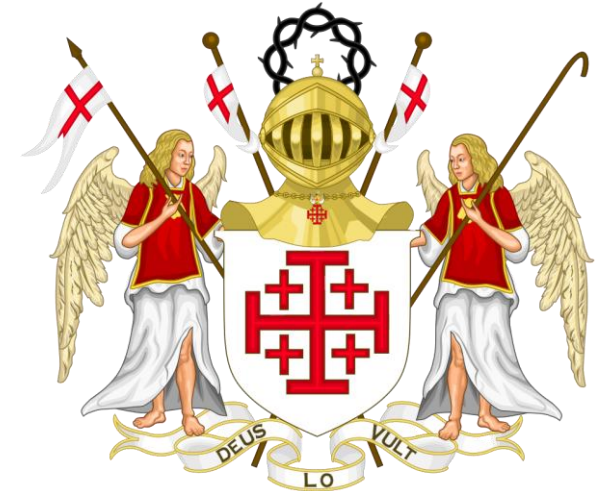
An impuls presentation to support the motivation to pray the Holy Rosary in our Order, especially for peace in the Holy Land!

Introduction



Introduction of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem:

- Latin: *Ordo Equestris Sancti Sepulcri Hierosolymitani (OESSH)*
- Papal order of chivalry with 30.000 members (practicing Catholic men and women – laity as well as clergy) in 60 lieutenancies around the world
- Sovereign: Pope Leo XIV; Grand Master: Fernando Cardinal Filoni; Grand Prior: Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem Pierbattista Cardinal Pizzaballa
- **Foundation:**
- 1099: Frankish Knight Godfrey of Bouillon (1060-1100), the first ruler of the Kingdom of Jerusalem
- 1333: a custom of knighting noble pilgrims to Jerusalem at the Holy Sepulchre, the site of the Resurrection, in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre
- **Primary mission:**
- Support of the Christian presence and the Christian minority in the Holy Land
- **Patron Saint:**
- The Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Palestine



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History of the Rosary

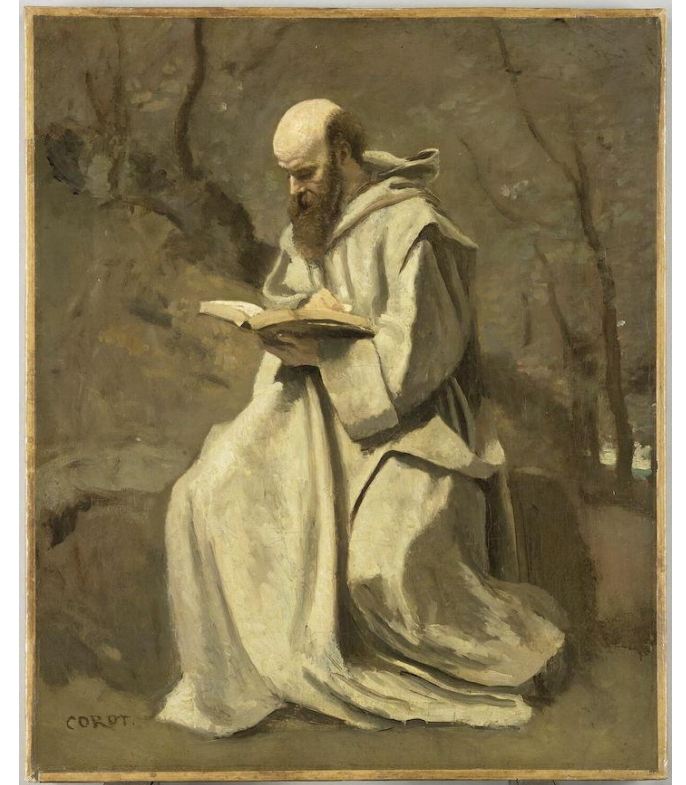


The Marian Psalter:

- From ancient times, the faithful, especially the monks, have prayed the Breviary (the Liturgy of the Hours), including the 150 psalms of the Old Testament.
- Many of the monks, however, were uneducated and illiterate → a substitution to the 150 Paternosters – Our Fathers (in Ireland in the 9th century known as „poor man´s breviary“).
- Increase of Marian devotion in the 12th century, e.g. St. Bernard of Clairvaux, O.Cis. (1090-1153) – transformation to the 150 Hail Marys.

The praying beads:

- 150 pebbles to count the 150 psalms substituted by a cord/string with the 150 praying beads.
- The big cross at the beginning/end of the cord with the praying beads (St. Rosalia, ca. 1160).
- Later the Cartusian monks separated the Hail Marys by the Our Father beads in sets of 10, known as **a decade** (Henry of Kalkar, OCart (1328-1408) in 1365) and substituted the 150 praying beads to the more comfortable 50 beads (chaplet) (Dominic of Prussia, OCart (1382-1461), who also promoted the meditation during praying the Hail Marys, supported by Adolf von Essen, OCart (1350-1439)).



[Monk in White, Seated, Reading (Moine blanc, assis, lisant) by Jean-Baptiste Camille Corot, c. 1860, Louvre, Paris]

History of the Rosary



St. Dominic and the Apparition of Our Lady of the Rosary:

- In the 13th century the Church experienced violent opposition from the heretics called the Albigensians. This sect put into question the main mystery of the Catholic Church – the Incarnation, Passion and Resurrection of the God-Man.
- St. Dominic Guzman, OP (1170-1221) was unable to win the souls back to Christ. Thus, he retreated to the Prouille Forest (near the town of Toulouse) making penance the three days long.
- The apparition of Our Lady of the Rosary (1208): „**Preach my Psalter.**“ → new way of praying the Rosary – evangelization and **meditation on the given mysteries.**

The name of the Rosary:

- *Rosarium* in Latin means a *Rose Garden*
- The Marian apparition to a Franciscan novice in 1422: Mary gave him a new Franciscan Crown seven-decade Rosary (or Seraphic Rosary) to commemorate Her seven joys and saying „adore me with the most beautiful flowers“ → **crowning Our Heavenly Mother with the roses** (the white roses for Our Fathers and the red roses – the Hail Marys).



[THE ROSARY AND ST DOMINIC ACCORDING TO BLESSED ALAN DE LA ROCHE, OP – DOMINICAN SISTERS OF MALTA]

History of the Rosary



Blessed
Alan de la Roche
OP

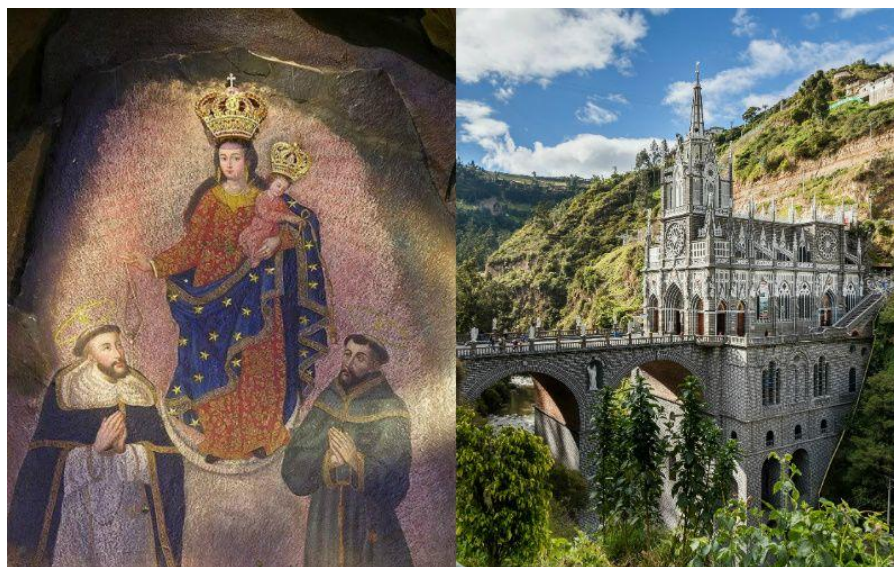


Print depicting the **mystical marriage** of Alan to the **Blessed Virgin Mary**.

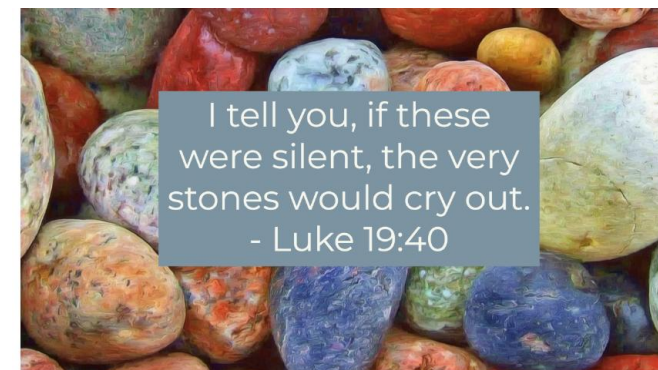
Apostle of the Rosary

The papal pious tradition and the foundation of the Rosary Confraternities:

- Blessed Alan de la Roche, OP (Alanus de Rupe, 1428-1475) re-established the Rosary devotion through the Rosary Confraternities in ~1470, which was instrumental in disseminating the Rosary throughout Europe.
- The first confraternity in Cologne, Germany, was officially approved by the Church on the day of his death—September 8, 1475, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



OESSH Austria



I tell you, if these
were silent, the very
stones would cry out.
- Luke 19:40

*Our Lady of Las Lajas (of the Rocks) gives
the Rosary to St. Dominic and St. Francis
(Miraculous Marian Apparition in
Columbia, 1754)*

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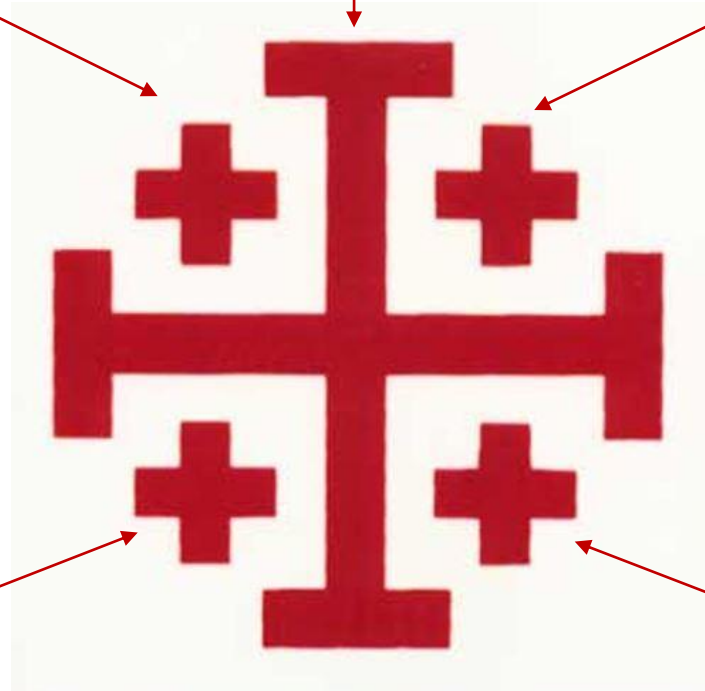
Five sets of mysteries typically prayed in the German speaking countries:

1. Joyful Mysteries

3. Sorrowful Mysteries

2. Luminous Mysteries

The Rosary is a „development“!



5. Eschatological Mysteries

4. Glorious Mysteries

[Gotteslob, Wiener Dom Verlag, Wien, Österreich, 2013, pp. 38-40.]

[Lauda Jerusalem Dominum, Gebet- und Gesangbuch der deutschsprachigen Statthaltereien im Ritterorden vom Heiligen Grab zu Jerusalem, Verlag Schnell & Schneider, Berlin, Deutschland, 2017, p.88]

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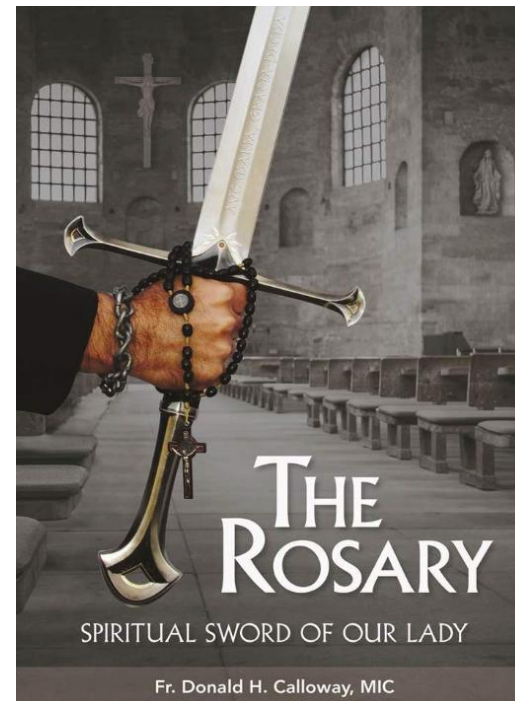
The Rosary as a Weapon



Some denominations/comparisons of the Holy Rosary:

- A sling of David defeating Goliath (Bl. James Alberione and Ven. Pope Pius XII)
- A powerful weapon (St. Josemaría Escrivá)
- A machine gun, each Hail Mary representing a bullet fired against evil (SOG Don Dolindo Ruotolo)
- The weapon of mass destruction, atomic bomb against the enemy of God (Prof. Peter Howard, Avila Institute for Spiritual Formation, USA and SOG Joseph Kentenich)
- Scourge (Pope Hadrian VI)
- A chain to bound evil (Mary to SOG Don Stefano Gobbi)
- **But the most common comparison of the Rosary is the following (e.g. St. Maximilian Kolbe):**

It is a spiritual sword of Our Lady!

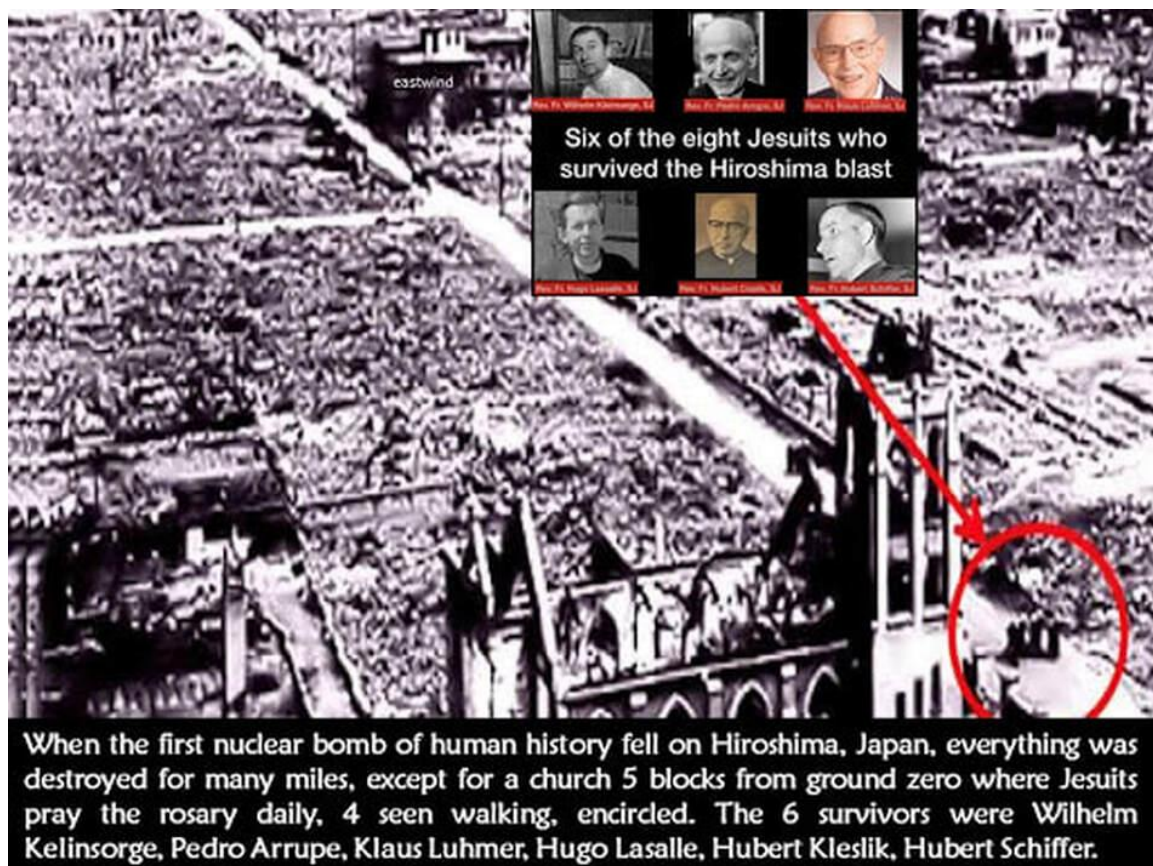


The Rosary is part of Dominican (and Franciscan) habit to be worn on the left side as the spiritual sword, which can be wielded any time if necessary

The Rosary as a Weapon



The Rosary miracles in Hiroshima and Nagasaki (1945):



The story of a "rosary miracle" in Nagasaki refers to the survival of a Franciscan friary, "Mugenzai no Sono" (Garden of the Immaculate), founded by St. Maximilian M. Kolbe, after the atomic bombing.

The spiritual sword of Our Lady is even stronger than an atomic bomb!

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St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, OFMCap (1887-1968):

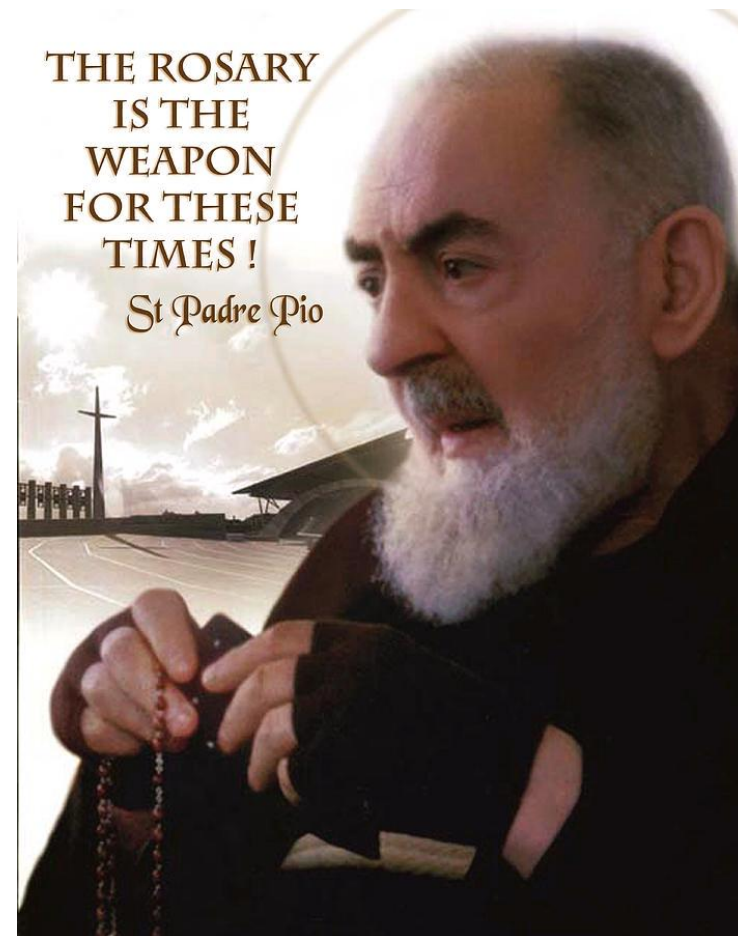
- A champion of the Rosary praying 30-40 Rosaries a day!
- He is an author of the following gems:

„I pray so many Rosaries because Our Lady constantly ask for it and She has definitely a reason for that.“

„A Christian without the Rosary is as a soldier without weapons!“



Every Christian, but even more every single Dame and Knight of the Holy Sepulchre should be equipped by this spiritual sword!!!



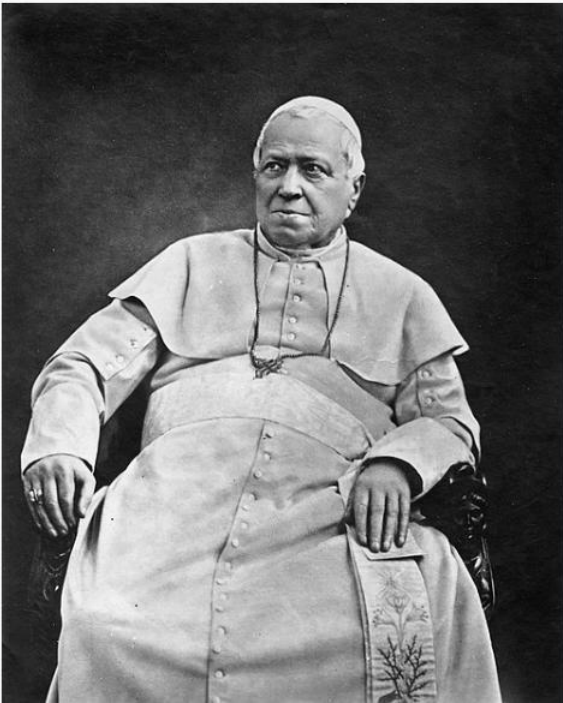
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Pope Blessed

Pius IX

Bishop of Rome



(1792-1878)

"Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will
conquer the world."

***Pope Blessed Pius IX, who re-organized our Order
in 1847***

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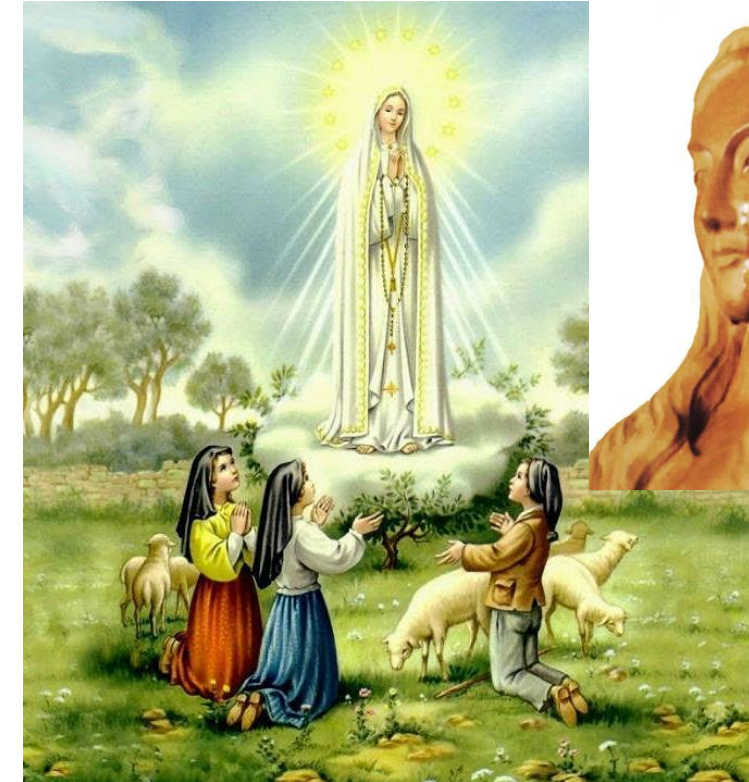
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Marian Rosary Apparitions



List of selected Marian Apparitions to encourage us to pray the Rosary:

- 1858: Lourdes, France → Our Lady prayed the Rosary with St. Bernadette
- **1917: Fatima, Portugal → Our Lady of the Rosary or Our Lady of Fatima**
- 1973: Akita, Japan → Our Lady of Akita
- 1990: Litmanova, Slovakia → Immaculate Purity (a papal nihil obstat in 2025)
- Since 1981: Medjugorje, Bosnia and Herzegovina → Our Lady, Queen of Peace (a papal nihil obstat in 2024)
- **1981-1989: Kibeho, Rwanda → Our Lady of Sorrows of Kibeho → Her appeal for rosary prayer, sincere repentance and conversion of hearts had not been sufficiently followed, which ended up in the Rwanda genocide in 1994, where more than 1 million people were slaughtered in the civil war**



"Pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war."

First apparition of Our Lady of Fatima – Sunday, May 13, 1917

Our Lady of Fatima (1917) and the weeping statue of Our Lady of Akita (1973) urging to pray the Rosary and to return to the Christian values to cease possible future calamities

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Notable Rosary Victories



List of the selected rosary victories worldwide:

- 1213 – the Siege of Muret, France: 1.500 Catholics with St. Dominic against 30.000 Albigensians
- 1565 – the Great Siege of Malta and the famous de Valette Sword of the King St. John engraved with the Rosary: 8.000 Catholics against 40.000 soldiers of the Ottoman Empire
- **October 7, 1571 – the naval Battle of Lepanto** (Greece), 70.000 soldiers of the Holy League against 100.000 men of the Ottoman Empire, establishment of **the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**
- 1964 – Brasil, the communistic president Goulart fled the country after 600.000 men rosary rally in Sao Paolo
- 1986 – the Philippines Rosary revolution led by Cardinal Jaime Sin
- 2014 – Nigeria, the Jihadists of Boko Haram expelled by the rosary prayer initiated after the apparition of Our Lord to the local bishop Oliver Dashe Doeme, DD



St. Pope Pius V has a vision announcing the victory of Lepanto. Painting by Lazzaro Baldi 1673, Pavia, Italy



Filipina nuns pray the Rosary during the EDSA demonstrations that peacefully toppled the Ferdinand Marcos dictatorship, 1986

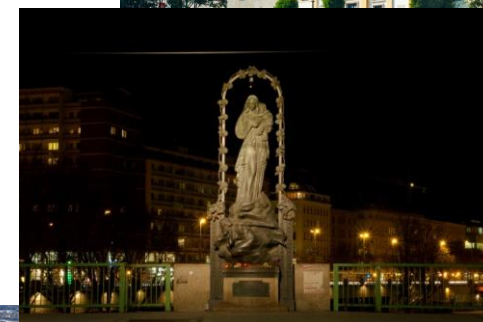
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The miraculous Rosary victories in the land of Mary – Austria!



Magna Mater Austriae as the Patroness of Austria in the Pilgrimage Basilica in Mariazell, Styria



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The Siege of Vienna (September 12, 1683):



The triumphal standard of the Polish hero was planted in the heart of Christendom, assuring it that with the Most Holy Virgin, it will always be victorious
John Sobieski after the liberation of Vienna, by Jan Matejko – Vatican Museums

„I came, I saw, God conquered!“



*St. Stanislaus Papczynski, MIC
(1631-1701)*



*Bl. Marco D'Aviano, OFM Cap
(1631-1699)*



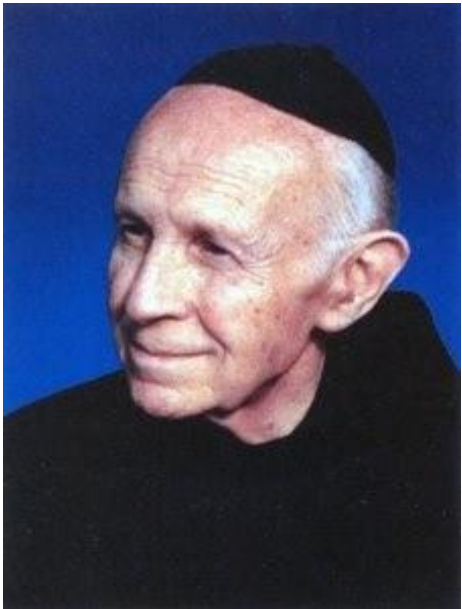
*Archbishop Gyorgy Szelepcsényi
(1595-1685)*

- **Archbishop Szelepcsényi as a forgotten hero of the Siege:** born in Slovakia as Juraj Pohronec Slepiciansky, a primate and vice-king of Hungary, main negotiator with the Polish king Sobieski, celebrating the Holy mass in Bratislava-Petrzalka, disseminating more than 100.000 medals of Mary to the soldiers, spending 400.000 guildens to Vienna, a title „the Savior of Vienna“, buried in Mariazell.
- The victory based on the rosary prayer → Bl. Pope Innocent XI. established the feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary to be celebrated on September 12.

Notable Rosary Victories



Russian expulsion from Austria (1947-1955):



SOG Petrus (Otto) Pavlicek, OFM
(1902-1982)



The yearly processions in the name of Mary at the Vienna Ring Road with 500.000 participants including Austrian top-politicians (Sept. 1950-1955)

- February 2, 1946: by a pilgrimage to Mariazell Fr. Pavlicek had a following locution „**Do, as I say, and there will be peace**“, remembering him **the message of Fatima**.
- February, 1947: foundation of **the Crusade of Reparation of the Holy Rosary for Peace in the World** (Rosenkranzsühnekreuzzug - RSK), where our Grand Prior H.E. **Archbishop Dr. Franz Lackner**, OFM patronages this prayer initiative, having recently more than 250.000 members worldwide: <https://www.rsk-ma.at/>

Beten für den Frieden - Der "Rosenkranz-Sühnekreuzzug" (RSK)

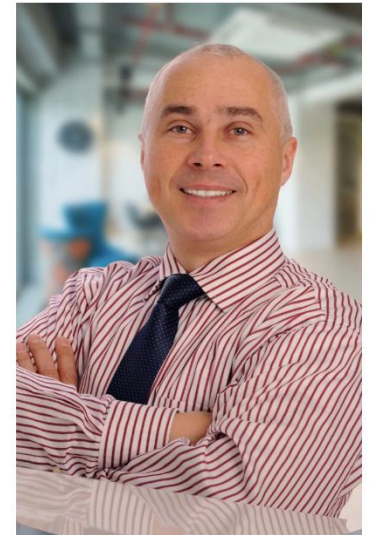
- May 15, 1955: the Austrian state treaty signed, Russians by surprise peacefully left Austria contrary to Hungary (1956) and Czechoslovakia (1968).
- **The Rosary prayer generates „a spiritual infrasound“ forcing an unwanted visit to leave, the more participants - the larger effect → increasing the volume by the rosary prayer in a group (e.g. in the family) → it has an exponential effect** [a quote from St. Maximilian M. Kolbe, OFMConv (1894-1941), calculated by Prof. Daniel Krizan and confirmed by Prof. Scott Hahn, both the OESSH].

Notable Rosary Victories



Rosary prayer initiative „Austria prays“ by Louis-Pierre Laroche :

WARUM:	Wir vertrauen der Gottesmutter unsere Gesellschaft und die ganze Welt an!
WANN:	Jeden Mittwoch Abend
WER:	Schließen Sie sich einer Gruppe in Ihrer Nähe an oder gründen Sie eine eigene!
WIE:	Wir beten den Rosenkranz und singen Marienlieder. Dauer ca. 30 Minuten.
WO:	In der Öffentlichkeit, bereits an über 250 Orten in Österreich und mehr als 4800 Orten weltweit.



*Louis-Pierre Laroche
(1972)*

- Every Wednesday 6 P.M. – 250 places in Austria and 4.800 places worldwide:

<https://oesterreich-betet.at/>

Initiative ÖSTERREICH BETET | Ave Maria ora pro nobis!

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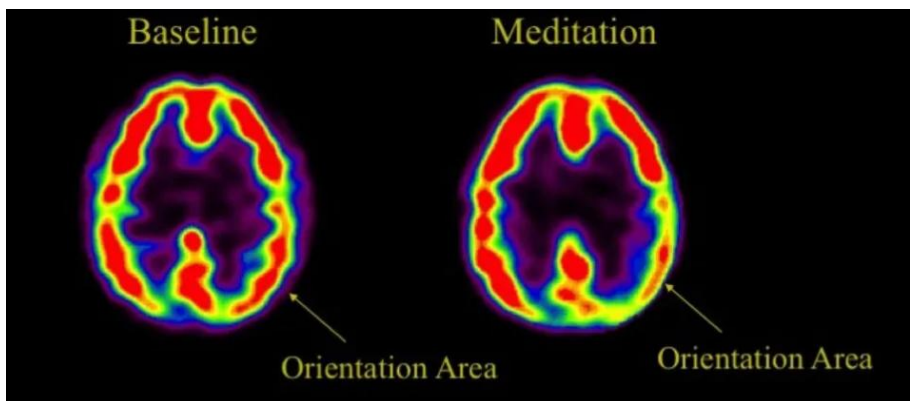
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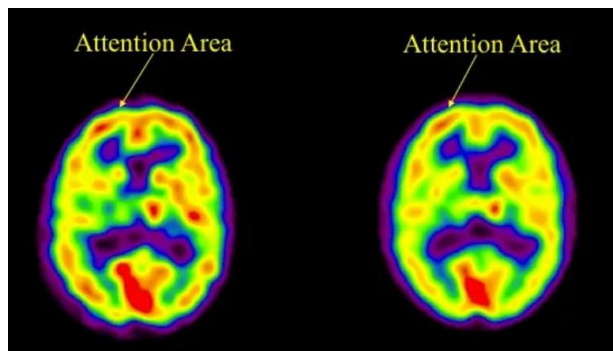


Research on Christian Meditation:

Franciscan nun:



Atheist:



- SPECT (Single-Photon Emission Computer Tomography) imaging by Prof. Andrew B. Newberg, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA, 2014:
 - An increased activity in the verbal center (verbal prayer) and prefrontal cortex (communicating with God), less activity in the right parietal lobe (a person is less focused on themselves and more focused on God).
 - An atheist – no change.
- A national (Germany) and international (Poland, Spain and Italy) research in the Journal of Religion and Health, 2025:
 - The rosary prayer increases well-being of a person through the three channels: cognitive (mind focus), emotional (calming effect) and spiritual channel (connection with the divine).
- **The Rosary prayer is a meditation technique within our Christian tradition, which should be practiced. The eastern, so-called mindfulness meditation techniques, which slowly but successfully penetrate into our culture, should be avoided and can even be harmful for everybody, especially for a Christian (connecting to „a space energy“ etc.)! On the contrary, the Rosary is a meaningful meditation – increasing our well-being, being filled with the Holy Spirit and helping our heavenly Mother to accomplish God´s Will.**

The Holy Land



The composition of place:



St. Ignatius of Loyola, SJ
(1491-1556)
by Sir Pieter Paul Rubens



The Church of the Holy
Sepulchre, Jerusalem

- The rosary should not be a vain and meaningless repetitive prayer, which was condemned by Jesus (Matthew 6:7) in the sense of mindless, empty babbling to try to manipulate God.
- Instead, it's a prayer (the way Jesus prayed in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-56)) that focuses on **meditating on the mysteries of Christ's life**: *joyful mysteries (Incarnation)*, *luminous mysteries (Ministry)*, *sorrowful mysteries (Passion)* and *glorious mysteries (Resurrection)*. The repetition serves as a structure for focusing on these mysteries, **fostering a deeper understanding and relationship with Christ through Mary**.
- St. Ignatius in 1523 undertook a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to come closer to the life of Christ. In his „Spiritual exercises“ **the composition of place (*compositio loci*)** is a technique involving the imagination to mentally recreate the scene from the life of Christ, fostering a more profound connection with the divine.
- In our spirituality, the pilgrimages to the Holy Land increase the personal sanctification. This leads to a larger authenticity of a rosary prayer to increase sanctity of a person that prays. **Furthermore, the rosary can be a tool for all of us to foster a spiritual journey to our beloved Holy Land on the every day basis, even more in times like these, where the pilgrimages to the Holy Land are not possible → the „portable Holy Land“!**

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Our Lady, Queen of Palestine



Our patroness as an original beautiful humble Jewish woman:



Our Lady, Queen of Palestine, the patroness of the OESSH granted by St. Pope John Paul II on January 21, 1994



Reconstruction of the appearance of Mary based on the Shroud of Turin and artificial intelligence (AI), Artist Atila Soares da Costa Filho and graphic designer Ray Downing (January 19, 2024)



... Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who fully co-operated with God ´s plan of our redemption in the Holy Land is waiting to be asked for Her intercession and dissemination of graces coming from the redemption work of Her most beloved son, Jesus Christ, through the Holy Rosary for peace in this cradle of Christianity.

Our Lady, Queen of Palestine



The author's proposal of a three channel model of the spiritual impact of the Holy Rosary:



An increase of own sanctity by the three theological virtues (faith, hope and charity) as the request for the gifts at the beginning of the Rosary (3x Hail Mary prior to the mysteries)

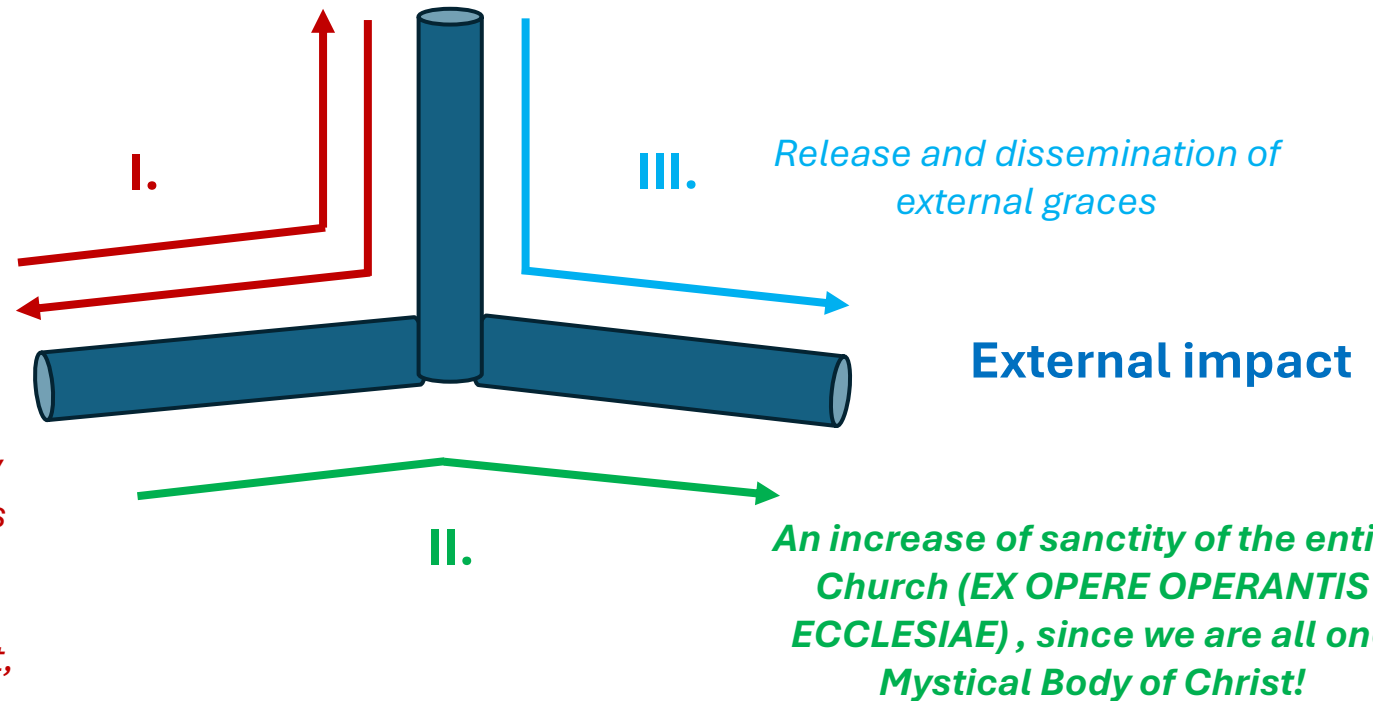
Internal impact

An increase of own sanctity by an increase of our virtues through the fruits of the Rosary attached to each mystery [St. L.M. De Monfort, SMM (1673-1716)]

GOD - the Holy Trinity

Mary, our Heavenly Mother

Hail Mary, full of grace...



Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
apparitions to St. Catherine
Labouré, DC (1806 – 1876) in Paris
(1830)

Our Lady, Queen of Palestine



The 15 promises of the Virgin Mary to Blessed Alan De la Roche, OP and plenary indulgences for those who pray the Rosary:

- 1 Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary, shall receive signal graces.
- 2 I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the rosary.
- 3 The rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.
- 4 It will cause virtue and good works to flourish..Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.
- 5 The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the rosary shall not perish.
- 6 Whoever shall recite the rosary devoutly, shall never be conquered by misfortune.
- 7 Whoever shall have a true devotion for the rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
- 8 Those who are faithful to recite the rosary shall have, during their life and at their death, the light of God.
- 9 I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the rosary.
- 10 The faithful children of the rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.
- 11 You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the rosary.
- 12 All those who propagate the holy rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
- 13 All the advocates of the rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
- 14 All who recite the rosary are my sons, and brothers of my only son Jesus Christ.
- 15 Devotion of my rosary is a great sign of predestination.

Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, pray for us



Indulgences for Praying the Rosary

A plenary indulgence is granted for reciting **five decades of the Rosary in a Catholic church or in a family group, religious community or pious association.** (A partial indulgence is granted in other circumstances.) **The five decades must be recited continuously.** The vocal recitation must be accompanied by pious meditation on the mysteries. In public recitation, the mysteries must be announced in the manner customary in the place; for private recitation, however, it suffices if the vocal recitation is accompanied by meditation on the mysteries.

[Prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary in Indulgetiarum Doctrina by St. Pope Paul VI. (1968) revised by St. Pope John Paul II in Manual of Indulgences (1999, translated in English 2005)]

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St. Bartolo Longo



The Rosary Knight of the OESSH canonized October 19, 2025:



St. Bartolo Longo, TOSD, KGCHS
(1841-1926)



- A lawyer by profession, abandoned the Catholicism of His youth during His studies at the University of Naples in Italy. He was involved in the nationalistic movement, anti-papal demonstrations and being eventually ordained a priest of spiritualism → experiencing deep depression and anxiety.
- Large conversion, becoming a Third Order Dominican as „Br. Rosario“ (October 7, 1871), becoming the „**Apostle of the Rosary**“.
- Converting the entire Valley of Pompeii to the Catholicism via His profound Rosary devotion, a founder of the Pontifical Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii, many orphanages, schools, catholic communities etc.
- Pope Pius XI, a Grand Master of the OESSH, granted him the title Knight of Grand Cross in 1925 → a **Knight of the Holy Sepulchre with His spiritual weapon – the Holy Rosary!**



Absolute role model for our Order – an example of both God ´s love via the Mary and Rosary devotion and love of the neighbor through his charitable works in the Valley of Pompeii!

St. Bartolo Longo



Mary signs in the Magnificat: „My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord...He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly!“



This is the way how the Rosary (and God) works
– promoting humility!



**Pray with the utmost humility (see e.g. the Supplica)
and the largest possible state of grace (regular
attendance of the sacrament of confession)!**



*„ The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.“
(Matthew 21, 42)*

*Exaltation of the Painting of Our Lady of the Rosary in Pompeii
acquired by St. Bartolo Longo in 1876 from the unworthy drawing
being carried on a wagon of manure to the miraculous painting
with a Marian apparition (1884) and thousands of healings with
more than 3 million pilgrims a year coming to Pompeii*

Outline

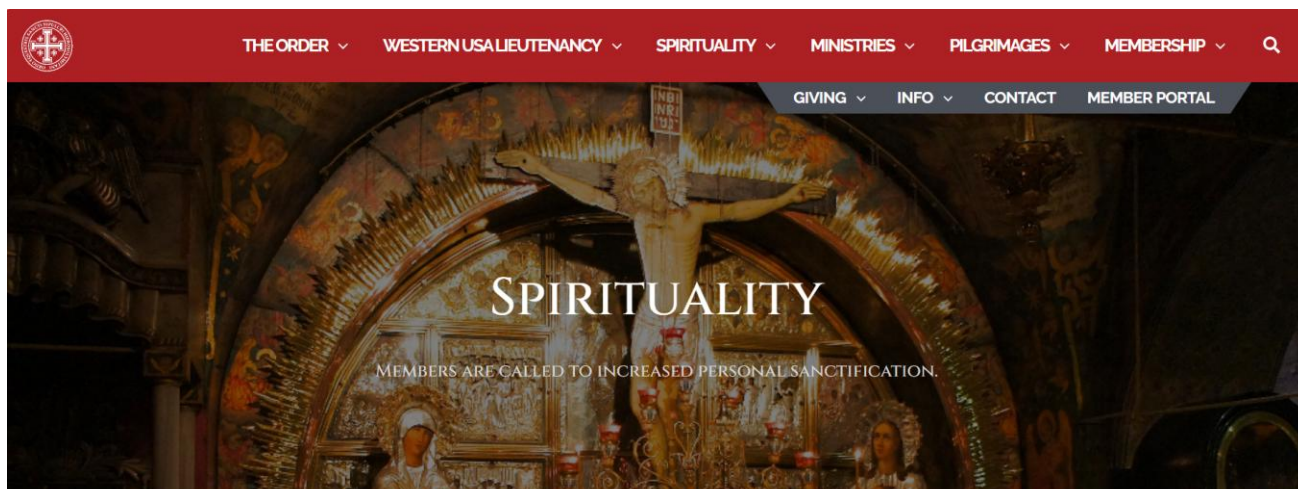


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Some rosary activities in the OESSH:



FIRST MONDAY ROSARY

The Western Lieutenancy reserves the first Monday of every month as a day of fasting and gathering together in the evening to pray the Rosary. The Area Councillor will arrange for members in the Section to meet at a member's home or at one of the parishes in the Diocese to pray the Rosary. If unable to join one of these groups, members are encouraged to nonetheless pray the Rosary at home. Contact your Area Councillor for locations and times.

THURSDAY EVENING ROSARY

We warmly invite you to join our weekly Zoom Prayer Meeting every Thursday night from 7:00-7:30 PM Pacific to pray the Holy Rosary for peace in the Holy Land. This is an open invitation to all members of the Order, regardless of where you are, along with any of your friends and family. This Thursday night Rosary has been going strong every week for over 4-years. It's a moment for us all to pause, reflect, and pray together for the Christians in the Holy Land and for all our personal intentions.



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Praying the Rosary illuminates the mysteries of the life of Christ, to be witnessed in everyday life. #OESSH

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On July 18, 2025, H.E. Pierbattista Cardinal Pizzaballa, OFM, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem and our Grand Prior, led a Rosary prayer with children at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Gaza, following a terrible strike on the local church (left). Our Grand Master, H.E. Cardinal Fernando Filoni praying the Rosary with the representatives of the OESSH on October 23, 2025, in Vatican (right).

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The Fatima message for the OESSH:



"Pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the Holy Land and the end of the war."

- **To obtain** and afterwards **to attain** peace in the Holy land – **generate an instant spiritual infrasound** by a daily Rosary prayer – at least one decade a day for peace in the Holy Land → 5-8 min a day given to Our Lady, Queen of Palestine.
- Imagine 30.000 members praying everyday one decade: $30.000 \text{ decades daily} / 5 = 6.000 \text{ full Rosaries a day} \times 365 \text{ days} = 2.190.000 \text{ full Rosaries a year for peace in the Holy Land!}$

How to achieve this: the preparation of a booklet to promote the daily praying of the Holy Rosary for peace in the Holy Land, intended for the entire Order, in English.

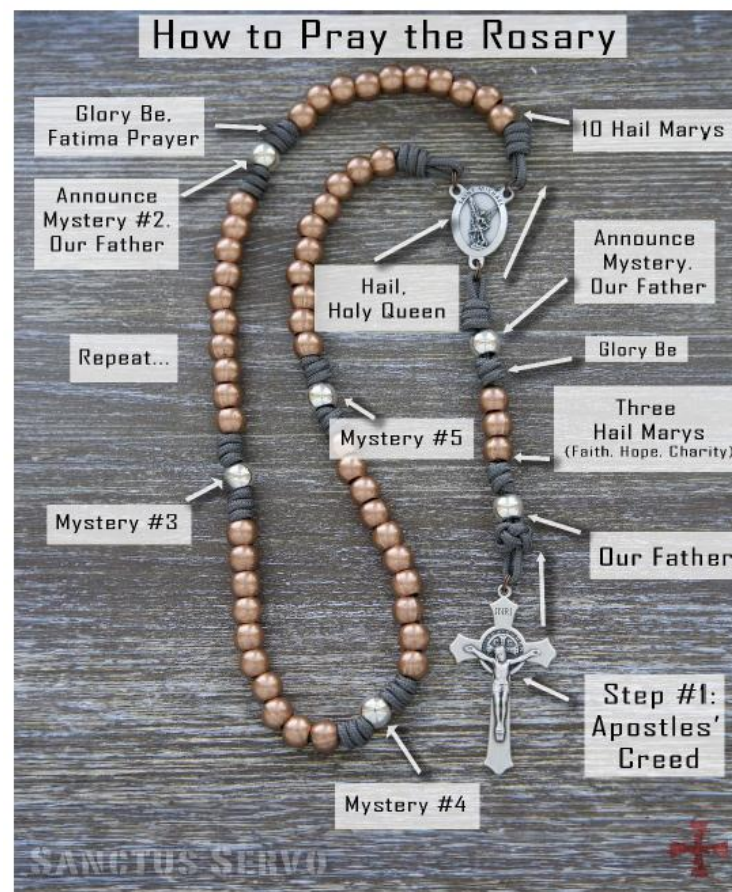
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The Rosary brochure to foster the Ignatian meditation during the Rosary prayer for peace in the Holy Land: (in preparation)

The Holy Rosary for the Holy Land

Daniel Krizan



The Annunciation



The Annunciation by Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, 1655-1660 (Source: Wikipedia)



Church of Annunciation – Nazareth (Source: Wikipedia)

Clause after the name of Jesus in English:

Who was conceived in you by the Holy Spirit

Clause after the name of Jesus in German:

Den du, o Jungfrau, vom Heiligen Geist empfangen hast

The scripture for meditation:

In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you."

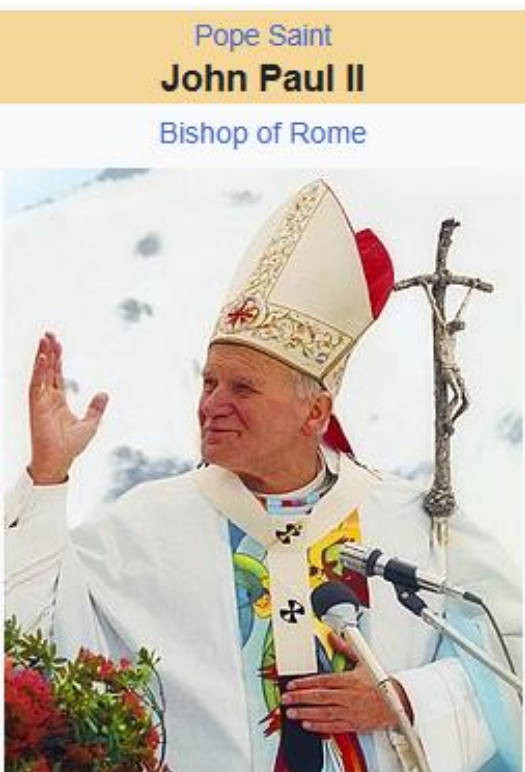
(Luke 1:26-28)

FRUIT OF THE MYSTERY: **HUMILITY**

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The Messages of St. Pope John Paul II:



(1920-2005)

- Apostolic letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, paragraph 6, in 2002:

„**The Rosary** has many times been proposed by mine predecessors and myself as a **prayer for peace**.... Consequently, one cannot recite the Rosary without feeling caught up in a **clear commitment to advancing peace, especially in the land of Jesus, still so sorely afflicted and so close to the heart of every Christian.**“

- to the OESSH Consulta in 2003:

“Be promoters of love and peace, drawing inspiration in your lives and works from the Gospel and above all from the mystery of Christ’s Passion and Resurrection. **Let Mary, the Mother of all the faithful, who was always ready to comply with God’s will, be your model. Invoke Her daily with the beautiful and traditional Rosary, which helps us to contemplate Christ through the eyes of His holy Mother. As it was for your venerated brother, Blessed Bartolo Longo, this will be a source of spiritual growth for you.**”

[F. Filoni: Das Haus wurde vom Duft des Öls erfüllt (Für eine Spiritualität des Ordens vom Heiligen Grab), fe-medienvverlags GmbH, Kisslegg, Germany, 2021, pp. 78-79.]

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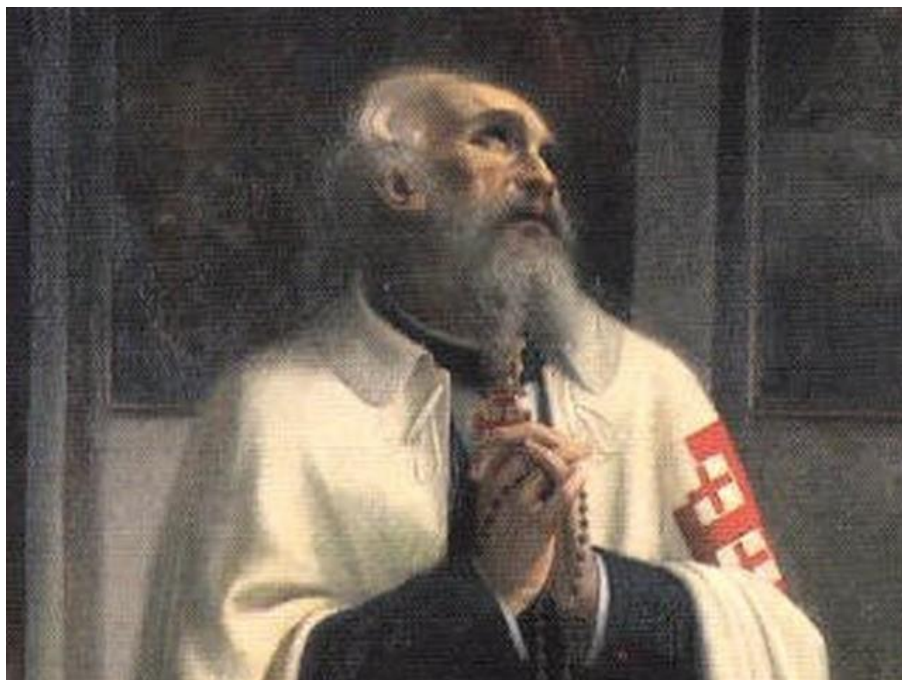


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St. JPII, St. Bartolo Longo and Our Lady, Queen of Palestine pray for us and for peace in the Holy Land through spreading the Fatima message, Marian and Rosary devotion in our Order. Amen.