The Rosary, a School of Contemplation

by Fr Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange O.P. (extracts)

After Holy Mass, the Rosary is one of the most beautiful and efficacious forms of prayer, on condition of understanding it and living it.

Difficulties

It sometimes happens that its recitation becomes a matter of routine. The mind, not being really gripped by the things of God, finds itself a prey to distractions. Sometimes the prayer is said hurriedly and soullessly. Sometimes it is said for the purpose of obtaining temporal favours [which is not in itself bad, but] desired out of all relation to spiritual gain...

It is sure that to pray well, it is sufficient to think in a general way of God and of the graces for which one asks. But to make the most out of our five mysteries, we should remember that they constitute but a third of the whole Rosary, and that **they should be accompanied** nature – to be delivered from sin and to merit by meditation - which can be very simple - on the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries, which recall the whole life of Jesus and Mary, and their glory in heaven.

The Rosary is a true school of contemplation The fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary thus divided into three *** The Rosary is therefore most practical:** groups are but different aspects of the three great Mysteries of our salvation: the Incarnation, the Redemption, Eternal Life...

Thus, the Rosary is a Credo: not an abstract one, but one concretised in the life of Jesus who came down to us from the Father, and who ascended to bring us back with Himself to the Father. It is the whole of Christian dogma in all its splendour and elevation, brought to us that we may fill our minds with it, that we may relish it and nourish our souls with it.

This makes the Rosary a true school of contemplation... The Rosary well understood is, therefore, a very elevated form of prayer which makes the whole of dogma accessible to all 2.

The Rosary is also a very practical form of prayer

The Rosary recalls all Christian morality and spirituality, by presenting them from the sublime point of view of their realization in Jesus and Mary.

The Mysteries of the Rosary should be reproduced in our lives. Each of them is a lesson of virtue – particularly in the virtues of humility, trust, patience and charity.

* There are three stages in our progress towards God:

- 1. The first stage is to have knowledge of the final end, whence comes the desire of salvation and the joy to which that desire gives rise. This stage is symbolised in the joyful Mysteries, which contain the good news of the Incarnation of the Son of God who opens to us the way of salvation.
- 2. The next stage is to adopt the means often painful to Heaven. This is the stage of the sorrowful Mysteries.
- 3. The final stage is that of rest in the possession of eternal life. It is the stage of Heaven, of which the glorious Mysteries allow us to some anticipated glimpse.

- 1. It takes us from the midst of our too human interests and joys, and makes us think of those which center on the coming of the Savior.
- 2. It takes us from our meaningless fears, from the sufferings we bear so badly, and reminds us of how much Jesus has suffered for love of us, and teaches us to follow Him by bearing the cross which divine Providence has sent us to purify us.
- 3. It takes us finally from our earthly hopes and ambitions, and makes us think of the true object of Christian hope: eternal life and the graces necessary to arrive there...

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE 8AM MASSES THIS WEEK

- Sunday, October 15, 8:00am, 11:00am, 4:00pm: 20th Sunday after Pentecost Intention: For Anthony Urena † by Myrna Fuduric
- Monday, October 16, 8:00am: St. Hedwig, Widow Intention: For Deceased Parents and Grandparents † by David and Maria Cesta
- ◆ Tuesday, October 17, 8:00am: St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin Intention: For Margaret Blascak † by Gene and Janet Cook
- Wednesday, October 18, 8:00am: St. Luke the Evangelist Intention: Priest's Intention
- ♦ Thursday, October 19, 8:00am: St. Peter of Alcantara, Confessor Intention: For Carol Wozniak † by Gene and Janet Cook
- Friday, October 20, 8:00am, 6:00pm: St. John Cantius, Confessor Intention: For Yvonne "Pat" Rinda † by Gene and Janet Cook
- Saturday, October 21, 8:00am: Saturday of Our Lady Intention: For Sr. Sharon by Virginia White
- Sunday, October 22, 8:00am, 11:00am, 4:00pm: 21st Sunday after Pentecost

The 11am Mass each Sunday is offered for the parish.



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HOLY MASS:

Holy Days as Announced

CONFESSION:

Friday (additional) 5:30pm-5:50pm

Sunday: 7:15am-7:50am; 10:15am-

BLESSING OF SACRAMENTALS:

Following Mass on the 4th Sunday

of every month or by request

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE:

Monday - Saturday: 8:00am

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Saturday (additional) 8:40am-

10:50am & 3:30pm-3:50pm

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4:00pm

7:50am

9:00am

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BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Fridays: 8:40 am Sunday: 8:00am, 11:00am & First Fridays: 6:40 pm Fridays additionally: 6:00pm

During Lent: Stations of the Cross First Saturdays: 8:40 am Benediction follows Mass on the

1st Sunday of every month

ADDITIONAL DEVOTIONS:

- Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesdays following Mass
- Perpetual Novena to the Divine Infant of Prague: Thursdays following Mass
- Exposition, Litany of Loreto, Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary: 1st Saturdays following Mass

WELCOME VISITORS AND **NEW PARISHIONERS!**

Interested in becoming a parishioner?

Registration cards are located at the church entrances. Return your card to the church office.

Not a Catholic and interested in becoming one? Please let Father know.

Is someone you know sick or in need of the Sacraments? Please call Fr. Fongemie to arrange a visit.

Please see back of bulletin for this week's Mass Schedule and Intentions

First Fridays from 9-10 am

OCTOBER 15, 2023 ~ 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

COLLECTIONS

Text GIVE to 330-886-4204 to make secure online payments. You may also use the QR code at the right or visit https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/qhrvienna.

- Offertory October 1: \$6,924.14
- Building and Maintenance October1: \$895
- Offertory October 8: \$8,339.88
- Building and Maintenance October 8: \$816

Thank you for your support!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

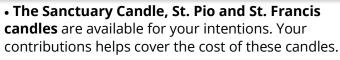
- Next week's second collection will be the combined collection for World Mission Sunday and includes the Catholic Home Missions, Black & Indian Missions, and Pontifical Missions Society.
- Fr. Houck will be away, covering for an absent priest in Canada October 14-27.
- All Saints' Party will be held on Sunday, October 29, after the 11am Mass. Children 12 years old and under are encouraged to dress-up and join us for games, food and fun! Sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of the Church.
- A novena of Masses for the Dead will be said from November 2-10th. Envelopes are available at the entrances for your intentions. Please return your envelopes with stipend by Sunday, October 29.
- Cabbage Roll Sale: Order sheets are at the entrances. The cost is \$25 per dozen. Pick up day is Friday, October 27 between 2 and 4:30pm. Please place your order by next Sunday, October 22. If you have any questions, please call the church office.
- Youth Group: If you are between 13 and 19 years old, join us on the third Friday of every month, beginning at the 6pm Mass followed by a talk by Fr. Houck, food, and games. For more information, email Fr. Houck. This month, Fr. Fongemie will be leading the youth group in Fr. Houck's absence.
- 400 Club: The winner of the October drawing for \$100 is Edward Fabian. Congratulations, Edward! 400 Club tickets are available for purchase. For more information about the 400 Club and the dinner on December 9, please call the office.

Vote NO

Issue 1

Nov. 7

- On November 7th, please vote "NO" on Issue 1, a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution that would enshrine and expand abortion.
- Interest has been expressed for a post-partum meal train. If you are interested in helping coordinate these, please contact the parish office.



- The QHR Homeschool Social Group meets on First Fridays in the Hall after 8am Mass. For more information call Sara Perts at 614-706-3107.
- Altar Server practice takes place after 8 am Mass on First Fridays.
- We will be conducting a head-count today and at every Mass in October. Your attendance, as always, is appreciated!
- Saint Joseph's Men's Group meets for the purpose of building fellowship, prayer and service to our church and parishioners. Our next meeting will be Monday, November 6 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.
- Rummage and Antique Sale and Bake Sale: at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Vienna beginning Thursday, Oct 19 from 4-6pm (\$5 admission for this pre -sale). Free admission Friday, Oct 20 from 9-3pm. Oct 21 half-off sale from 9-12pm.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please pray for the sick, our deceased parishioners, and those who are not able to receive the sacraments.

Dr. John Damiani †, Joseph Sustersic †, Don Spencer †, Bill and Mary Ann Cameron, Bill Rossi, Kathy Lutsek, Barb Sarko, Mike Vesco, Leonard Nethers, Eugenia Sanders, Daniel Corrado, Janice Reardon, Louise Glassburner, Paula Conti, and the church's prayer list.

If you are home-bound, please let Fr. Fongemie know how you are doing. If your absence is a prolonged one or if your illness is serious, he will try to visit.

CANDLES FOR THIS WEEK

These candles are available weekly for your intentions. The Sanctuary Lamp is \$10. Others are \$4 each

- **Sanctuary:** For the repose of the soul of Mr. Ammie Maravelli † by the Maravelli's
- **St. Pio**: For Bryce, Camila, Isabela by Grammy and Grandpa
- St. Francis: Personal Intention by Karen
- Blessed Mother: Josephine Patterson and Virginia White
- Holy Innocents: Barbara Sarko

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings: Tuesdays 6:30pm in large classroom

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families and the sick and through collaboration in every apostolic and missionary undertaking sponsored by the parish.

MASS PROPERS

INTROIT: All that You have done to us, O Lord, You have done in true judgment; because we have sinned against You, and we have not obeyed your commandments; but give glory to Your name, and deal with us according to the multitude of Your mercy. Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

COLLECT: O Lord, we beseech You, graciously grant Your faithful forgiveness and peace, that they may be cleansed of all sin and serve You with minds free from care.

LESSON: (Eph 5:15-21) Brethren: See to it that you walk with care: not as unwise but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not become foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, for in that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father. Be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.

GRADUAL: The eyes of all look hopefully to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. Alleluia, alleluia. My heart is steadfast, O God; my heart is steadfast; I will sing and chant praise to You, my glory. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: (John 4:46-53) At that time, there was a certain royal official whose son was lying sick at Capharnaum. When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and besought Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. Jesus therefore said to him, Unless you see signs and wonders, you do not believe. The royal official said to Him, Sir, come down before my child dies. Jesus said to him, Go your way, your son lives. The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and departed. But even as he was now going down, his servants met him and brought word saying that his son lived. He asked of them therefore the hour in which he had got better. And they told him, Yesterday, at the seventh hour, the fever left him. The father knew then that it was at that very hour in which Jesus had said to him, Your son

lives. And he himself believed, and his whole household.

OFFERTORY: By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered you, O Sion.

SECRET: May these sacramental rites, O Lord, we beseech You, be our heavenly medicine and expel evil from our hearts.

COMMUNION: Remember Your word to Your servant, O Lord, since You have given me hope. This is my comfort in my affliction.

POST COMMUNION: That we may be made worthy, O Lord, of Your sacred gifts, make us, we beseech You, ever obedient to Your commandments.



Music for today's 11:00 am Mass

- Processional Hymn: Heart of Mary, Blue Book, #168
- Kyrie and Gloria: Missa Orbis Factor, XI Blue Book, pp25-27
- Credo: Credo I, Blue Book, p 32-34
- Offertory: O Sacrum Convivium

- Sanctus, Agnus Dei, and Ite Missa Est: Missa Orbis Factor, XI Blue Book, pp27-28
- Communion: Panis Angelicus
- Recessional: Immaculate Mary, Blue Book, #171

PRAYER TO OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

O Virgin Mary, grant that the recitation of thy Rosary may be for me each day, in the midst of my manifold duties, a bond of unity in my actions, a tribute of filial piety, a sweet refreshment, an encouragement to walk joyfully along the path of duty. Grant, above all, O Virgin Mary, that the study of thy fifteen mysteries may form in my soul, little by little, a luminous atmosphere, pure, strengthening, and fragrant, which may penetrate my understanding, my will, my heart, my memory, my imagination, my whole being. So shall I acquire the habit of praying while I work, without the aid of formal prayers, by interior acts of admiration and of supplication, or by aspirations of love. I ask this of thee, O Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, through Saint Dominic, thy son of predilection, the renowned preacher of thy mysteries, and the faithful imitator of thy virtues. Amen.