

Rosary Blanket of Prayer

“Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there; if you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky” (St. John Vianney)

We are sponsoring a Rosary Blanket of Prayer and in response to our Holy Father, we are urging each chapter to take one day of the month for concentrated prayer, fasting, Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, etc. Of course we are called to pray daily, but this day should be especially designated. It can be done individually and collectively, as possible. Please encourage all who are in Magnificat and any others who care to join us to take part in this concerted effort. The intentions are for a New Pentecost, the Church, Magnificat, the sanctity of life, marriage, family and world peace.

The feast of the Holy Rosary, October 7th was established by Pope Pius V in 1572 to commemorate the great victory won by the Christian Crusaders at the sea battle of Lepanto. It was to thank Him for His protection in delivering Christendom from the strong attack of anti-Christian forces and to implore God’s mercy on the Church. The Rosary was recited throughout Europe and the decisive victory was attributed to Our Lady’s intercession the power of which was manifested at Lepanto.

Today a new and perhaps greater battle ensues. A new crusade -- a crusade of prayer -- is needed to retake the ground that the enemy has taken and to war against those forces of evil in our midst.

Magnificat began on the feast of the Holy Rosary—not by accident but by Divine appointment for a purpose. We must take up the charge and respond to the call.

To view the day of the month that your chapter is assigned to pray, please click on next link in the Treasury of Prayers listing entitled Rosary Blanket of Prayer Schedule.