Living Rosary History Presentation

This Living Rosary is not a new devotion. It was started in 1940 during WWII, in Krakow, Poland. As the Nazis were arresting the Salesian Priests, these priests asked Catholic layman, Jan Tyranowski, to gather groups of 15 youth to pray the 15 decades (which are now 20). These groups were called Living Rosary Circles, who prayed for their freedom and families and were able to pray this 1 decade no matter where they fled to.

From this 1st group of 15 youth, 10 became priests. One of these priests' name was Fr. Karol Wojtyla, who is now our beloved St. Pope John Paul the II. This Living Rosary was a part of his path to the priesthood. He also promoted this Rosary his entire life.

It started here in the United States in Mitchell, South Dakota by Fr. Andrew also from Krakow, Poland. He asked his parishioners to continue spreading the devotion. As it's grown more people have been asked to help spread it around the world. This is how we have become involved.

This Living Rosary embraces the hearts of thousands of families and individuals through the meditation on one decade daily, unifying their intentions with the Roman Catholic hierarchy, religious, parishes and pro-life endeavors. The devotion shows how the mysteries of Christ's life can be transformed into our daily lives, allowing the experience to live and love as Christ asks of us. Meditating with Jesus and Mary through these mysteries help us discover the messages her son intends for our daily growth.

When we give our lives to Jesus and Mary, and invite them in, we will experience a deepening of faith, hope, and love that will flourish in our hearts. Please join us in Praying the Gospel and Changing the World!!!

LIVING ROSARY MEMBERS.

Each person who joins will be assigned to specific decades and mysteries of the rosary which will be for 20 months, and with the completion of the 20 months you will start over from the beginning, that's why it's called "The Living Rosary". The Rosary decade begins on the 1st day of each month. You will pray one (1) decade of the Rosary for the period of one (1) Month and on the 1st day of the following month, you will go on to the following decade. You do not have to meet anyone, you pray individually anytime of the day or night at your own convenience.

While praying and meditating on your assigned decade each day of every month Our Blessed Mother Mary is leading you slowly to Her Son Jesus.

Remember: When it is your turn to pray the First Decade of each Mystery of the Rosary, you will also have to say the prayers that begin the Rosary: The Apostles Creed, The Our Father, The three (3) Hail Mary's, and The Glory Be to the Father. Likewise, when it is your turn to pray the Fifth Decade of each Mystery of the Rosary, you will have to say the ending prayer: Hail, Holy Queen.

If, however, you forget to pray your decade of the Rosary on a day, please pray it twice the following day. This way you will have completed the Rosary which was not completed the day before.

Please include with your prayer intentions: For Our Holy Father, all Bishops, Priests, Religious, Vocations, the Pro-Life endeavors, the spiritual and temporal needs of your parish, and the heartfelt intentions of those who are praying this "Living Rosary".

Thank you for your commitment to Our Lord and Our Lady.

THE JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Annunciation - Humility

Mary received with deep humility the news of the Angel Gabriel that she was to be the Mother of the Son of God. Grant that I may always accept the will of God with humility like Mary.

The Visitation - Love of Neighbor

Mary showed true charity in visiting Elizabeth and remaining with her for three months before the birth of John the Baptist. Grant me the grace to support and love my neighbor like Mary.

The Birth of Jesus - Poverty

Mary lovingly accepted the poverty of the stable, although she was to give birth to our God and Redeemer. Grant me the grace to endure poverty like the Holy Family when I long for richer things.

The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple - Obedience

Mary and Joseph observed the law of God in presenting the Child Jesus in the temple. Help me to grow in the virtue of obedience.

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple - Joy in Finding Jesus

Mary was filled with sorrow at the loss of Jesus, her Son, and overwhelmed with joy in finding Him in the temple surrounded by the teachers. Obtain for me the joy of staying close to Jesus.

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Baptism of Jesus - Openness to the Holy Spirit

Jesus, at Your Baptism, You remained open to the Holy Spirit and were filled with the power of God to begin Your public ministry. Through my Baptism and Confirmation, may I remain ever open to the Spirit of God in my life.

The Wedding Feast at Cana - To Jesus Through Mary

Mary, you know my needs and the needs of all your spiritual children so well. When life is hard and I face a difficult situation, please pray to Jesus on my behalf. Help me to follow your counsel by doing whatever He tells me.

The Proclamation of the Kingdom - Repentance and Trust in God

Lord Jesus, You came as the Light into the world, proclaiming the Good News. With great boldness and power, You dispelled the darkness of sin, death, and the Evil One in the world. Help me to repent of my own sin and to trust more in You.

The Transfiguration - Desire for Holiness

Lord Jesus, You revealed Your glory to encourage the disciples to fix their eyes upon the hope of glory when faced with trials. Help me, Lord, to fix my eyes upon You in the glory of Heaven. Fill me with the desire to become a saint.

The Institution of the Holy Eucharist - Adoration

Lord Jesus, as I am nourished by your Body and Blood in Holy Communion, help me to be transformed more and more into Your image. And may I spend time adoring Your Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERY

The Agony in the Garden - Sorrow for Sin

Jesus, You suffered a bitter agony in the Garden of Gethsemane because of our sins. Lead me to prayer in my time of need and grant me true contrition for my sins.

The Scourging at the Pillar - Purity

Jesus, You remained pure of heart even when Your flesh was torn and scourged by those who hated You. Help me to grow in the virtue of purity even when I suffer.

The Crowning with Thorns - Courage

Jesus, You patiently endured the pain from the crown of sharp thorns that was forced upon Your head. Grant me the strength to have moral courage to follow You.

The Carrying of the Cross - Patience

Jesus, You willingly carried Your Cross for love of Your Father and all people. Grant me the forbearance and patience to carry my cross in difficult moments.

The Crucifixion - Perseverance

Jesus, You bravely endured torture on the Cross and gave up Your life for the salvation of all humankind. Grant me peace of mind, body, and spirit, and the grace of perseverance in Adversity.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERY

The Resurrection of Jesus - Faith

Jesus, You rose from the dead in triumph and remained for forty days with Your disciples, instructing them and encouraging them. Grant me the desire to always have faith in You, my Risen Lord.

The Ascension of Jesus - Hope

Jesus, You instilled in the disciples the virtue of hope in life everlasting and commanded them to carry Your Gospel throughout the world. As You sit at the Father's right hand in heaven, grant me the grace to grow in the virtue of hope and inspire me to lead others to You.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit - Love for God

Jesus, Your disciples received the Holy Spirit to foster their love for You. Grant that I may show my love for You by proclaiming the Good News of salvation.

The Assumption of Mary - Grace of a Happy Death

Mary, you were assumed body and soul into heaven by the power of God and united with your Divine Son, Jesus. Obtain eternal happiness with Him for me.

The Coronation of Mary - Trust in Mary's Intercession

Mary, you humbled yourself before God and you were crowned Queen of Heaven. Bless me with the love of the Holy Trinity and intercede for me in Heaven.