



LEGION OF MARY MATER ECCLESIAE SENATUS OF HOUSTON

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Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, October 7th



Our Lady of the Rosary, also known as Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, is a title of the Blessed Virgin Mary in relation to the Rosary. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, formerly known as Our Lady of Victory and Feast of the Holy Rosary, is a feast day of the Roman Catholic Church, celebrated on 7 October, the anniversary of the decisive victory of the combined fleet of the Holy League of 1571 over the Ottoman navy at the Battle of Lepanto.

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1. GOD AND MARY

Under God, the Legion is built upon devotion to Mary, "that ineffable miracle of the Most High." (Pope Pius IX) But what is the place of Mary herself in relation to God? It is that he brought her, as he did all the other children of earth, out of nothing; and though he has since then exalted her to a point of grace immense and inconceivable, nevertheless, in comparison to her Maker, she still remains as nothing. Indeed, she is — far more than any other — his creature, because he has wrought more in her than in any other of his creatures. The greater the things he does to her, the more she becomes the work of his hands. Very great things he has done to her. From all eternity, the idea of her was present to his mind along with that of the Redeemer. He associated her to the intimacies of his plans of grace, making her the true mother of his Son and of those united to that Son. He did all these things because, in the first place, he would gain from Mary herself a return greater than he would from all other pure creatures together.

In the second place, he thereby intended, in a way which our minds cannot adequately grasp, to enhance the glory which he would receive from ourselves also. Thus, the prayer and loving service, with which we recompense Mary, our mother and the helper of our salvation, can represent no loss to him who made her so. What is given to her goes none the less surely and fully to him. But there is question of more than undiminished transmission; there is question of increase. And Mary is more than a faithful messenger. She has been set by God to be a vital element in his gracious scheme, in such sort that both his glory and our grace are the greater by reason of her presence there. As it is the pleasure of the Eternal Father so to receive through Mary the homages intended for him, so too he has been graciously pleased to appoint her to be the way by which shall pass to men the various outpourings of his munificent goodness and omnipotence, beginning with the cause of them all—the Second Divine Person made man, our true life, our only salvation.

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By Fr. Victor Perez

Spiritual Director of the Houston Senatus

Yesterday we celebrated the birth of Mary and the day before the birth of the Legion of Mary. What a gift for Mary's birthday. God said, "I am going to give you a Legion, Mother" I will be found it the day before and then at the Mass to celebrate your birth they will honor you and worship me with great fervor." The Legion of Mary has grown abundantly and has helped to bring the goodness and sweetness of Mary to the world. Also, we bring her strength to disciples everywhere that they may be humble and truly seek Jesus. You see we have original sin and it is easy for us to become puffed up, to have pride, to forget the goodness of God and what Jesus did for us. Mary helps us in these latter times to stay humble and focus on God, to have faith and to dedicate ourselves to Jesus. In the present difficulties in the Church we need to especially remain in the Immaculate Heart of Mary because this is the heart of the Church. The heart of the Church is not the bishops, but it is all those people who are close to Jesus heart. And remember that the sins of people in the Church do not represent the Church which is holy and a treasure. We have to remain close to him and carry our crosses every day. We need to be close to Him in the Eucharist. John Bosco had a vision of two pillars one larger than the other. Mary was on one of them "Help of Christians" and "the Eucharist in a monstrance was on the larger column." The Church was being attacked and rough waves almost made it capsized, but as long as it was anchored to those two pillars it did not fall. Mary and the Eucharist, The Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart.

Close to the Eucharist means we are close to the beating heart of Jesus. Close to Mary means we are close to the beating heart of Mary. Close to her we are in the heart of the Church which is close to Jesus heart, because the Church is the bride of Christ we follow through Mary, through the Catholic Church. May Our Legion grow in strength and zeal and may we become more holy and ever faithful to this beautiful system given to us by the Holy Spirit.

QUARTERLY REPORTS**DISTANT COUNCILS****ALBUQUERQUE COMITIAM**

Nuestra Señora De Nuevo México

The Comitium compiled a legionary directory. OL Mother of God praesidium, OL of Fatima Catholic Church will host the 2019 Acies on March 23. Our Lady Queen of Angels gave their annual report, they have 9 members, 2 probationary with 29 auxiliaries. They promote Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, teach First Communion and Confirmation.

CARLSBAD CURIA – La Milagrosa

The Comitium with the correspondent, Sr. Lee Ann, visited the South Curia. The Curia had a picnic, but had to move indoors as the temperature rose to 101

NORTH CURIA – Nuestra Senora del Valle – Mora, New Mexico. They had an outdoor function August 25 in Mora. Also a Day of Recollection on September 8th, in Raton. Sr. Deborah is the new correspondent

SOUTH CURIA La Conquistadora reported an outdoor function August 25. They attend the Comitium meetings.

TYLER COMITIAM**Immaculate Conception**

The comitium is busy preparing for their annual State Fair Information Booth. All members participate.

Our Lady of Ransom gave their annual report. They visited and prayed with 279 Catholics, 295 non-Catholics and gave out 300 rosaries, two Bibles, 100 Miraculous Medals and 100 pieces of literature. Our lady of Ransom praesidium and St. Peter the Apostle praesidium will be celebrating our Blessed Mother Birthday on September 8th after evening Mass with a pot luck Supper afterwards.

FORT WORTH KOREAN CURIA**Mother of God**

Active works include - Visits to indifferent believers, hospitals, homebound, the Newly Baptized, auxiliary members, lead the Rosary at Wakes and Funerals, promote reconciliation, assist with Sunday school. Goals: Recruit new reservists for church and pray for sick people in our church.

RIO GRANDE VALLEY COMITIAM

The Comitium is having an election for a Secretary at their September meeting. The President reported that many of the comitium members participated in the 33 Day Total Consecration by St. Louis Marie De Montfort There were two consecration dates scheduled, the first, August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary with Mass at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Brownsville, TX. About 200 made their Consecration. The Second was August 22nd Queen ship of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the San Juan Basilica, San Juan, TX.

There were many Priests and Deacons from parishes throughout the Valley assisting at Mass. They had over 1,000 people. Fr. Hugh Gillespie was the Celebrant at both Masses.

HOUSTON LOCAL COUNCILS**KOREAN CURIA****Mother of Fatima**

Active Works include visit nursing homes, Home bound, hospital, advised to inactive Catholic members to encourage reconciliation, PVS home visitations, recruit Active and Auxiliaries Members, Evangelize atheists and invite to the Sacraments, joined in a litany for the dead and visited funeral homes. Junior high Praesidium Members help Food Bank. Help the Homeless People, give the Miraculous Medal to Nonbelievers and Parishioners. College Station Parish Works include, advised inactive Catholic member to encourage reconciliation and attending Mass, visit the new comers/students both believers and nonbelievers from Korea. Recruit active members. Highlights for the Year - Junior Praesidium's Retreat held on August 31

LOCAL ATTACHED PRAESIDIA**OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART PRAESIDIUM****Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston**

Regular Assigned Apostolic Works include Sunday Morning Apostolate to the homeless and marginalized at Fatima House, Visitation of the Homebound usually to bring Holy Communion 60 + visits, Pilgrim Virgin Statue visitation, Enthronement of the Sacred Heart,

St. Dominic Nursing Home, with St. Christopher legion, Prison visit monthly - Communion Service, Liaison with university of St. Thomas Praesidium.

Other Assigned Works Door to Door - Occasionally assisted Our Lady of Fatima Praesidium, St. Mary Church, League City and/or St. Luke. Members staffed a Legion a Mary table at Cafe Catholica. Many sacramentals and literature were distributed. We have two probationary members currently attending our meeting as a result and Strawberry Festival. Extension: St. Luke the Evangelist. During Christmas and Easter, we take Church bulletins with the Mass schedules to the hotels downtown. Two members are Senatus Correspondents and are preparing to give a Correspondent workshop at the Fatima House. Functions: Attended the Acies, May Crowning. We have scheduled a November Mass for deceased legionaries. Lourdes, France response to plea for Legionaries to assist in Lourdes Apostolate: Spiritual Director, Fr- Anthony Ekanem and five Legionaries. We did crowd contact outside of the sanctuary and staffed the reception room in the Legion House, meeting legionaries from around the world. Also, participated in carrying the Legion banner and Vexillum in the processions.

DONATIONS**Ending 08/01/2018**

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DISTANT COUNCILS

Beaumont Curia, San Antonio Comitium

HOUSTON COUNCILS

Nuestra Senora Reina y Madre Spanish Comitium,
South West Curia, North East Curia, Northern Curia,
Bay Area Curia

HOUSTON PRAESIDIA

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Our Lady of Resurrection,
Mary Queen of Angels, Mary Queen of All Nations

ATTENDANCE

There was a total of 43 attendees present, 6 guests, 6 Senatus Officers in attendance and new Spiritual Director Fr. Victor Perez.

Groups with 100%, Senatus Officers, Southwest Curia, Mary Queen of All Nations Praesidium, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Praesidium

VISITATIONS

New Orleans Regia visited by Sr. Sharon and Sr. Rose
El Paso Curia by Sr. Lydia and Sr. Lucilla
Mary Queen of all Hearts by Sr. Sharon and Sr. Rose
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart by Sr. Lydia and Br. Jerry
Mother Most Merciful by Sr. Lydia and Sr. Sharon
Mary Spouse of Joseph by Br. Theron and Sr. Barbara
Bay Area Curia by Br. Jerry and Sr. Lydia
Dallas Comitium by Br. Holly and Sr. Charlene
Southern Comitium by Sr. Barbara and Br. Theron

EXTENSION

Victoria, TX by Sr. Lucilla and Sr. Lydia to assist Sr. Resendez setting up a Legion Praesidium in Ganado, Texas.

Ministry Fair Saturday October 20th 8:30AM to 4 PM, to recruit new members. Bay City Curia to provide Handbooks and materials, per Dcn. Lu Tran, SD.

Lubbock, TX by Br. Holly, Sr. Charlene, Sr. Lydia: Friday October 26th through November 2nd at St. Philip Benizi and St. Anthony of Padua Churches to assist Pastor Fr. John Smith with PPC and establish 2 new Praesidia.

Laredo, TX by Br. Theron and Sr. Barbara. There are established praesidia in Laredo and it was suggested that a Curia be formed.

OTHER BUSINESS

AGR Saturday, December 1st, 2018 at the Fatima House, we will need two host praesidia.

Acies March 23rd, 2019 – Location to be announced.

2019 PPC's OL of Pilar Church, Corpus Christi
Apr 26-May 3rd, 2019. St. Rose of Lima Church, Miami Shores (Miami Regia)
Feb 16-28th 2019. Laredo PPC (no date set)

Chicago Congress July 2019, Fr. Hugh Gillespie and Fr. Francis Peffley, Deacon Cody Miller

Next Senatus Meeting: Sunday, October 14th, 2018 at 3PM Fatima House

Reports for October 2018 Meeting

Host: Mother Most Merciful

Praesidia Annual Report: Mother Most Merciful

Distant Praesidia:

Local Councils: North East Curia, Northern Curia, Southern Comitium, South West Curia, Vietnamese Curia
Distant Councils: Arlington Vietnamese Curia, Austin Comitium, Dallas Comitium, Gallup Comitium, Corpus Christi Curia

CAUSES

Servant of God Frank Duff- Venerable Edel Quin
Servant of God Alfie Lambe

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ALL NIGHT VIGIL**October 5th****Holy Family Church****1510 5th St.****Missouri City, TX 77489****Saints of the Day for October**

1. Saint Remigius, 2. The Holy Guardian Angels, 3. Saint Gerard
4. Saint Francis of Assisi, 5. Saint Placid, 6. Saint Bruno, 7. Saint Mark
8. Saint Bridget of Sweden, 9. Saint Dionysius. Saint Louis Bertrand
10. Saint Francis Borgia, 11. Saint Tarachus, 12. Saint Wilfrid
13. Saint Edward the Confessor, 14. Saint Callistus, 15. Saint Teresa
16. Saint Gall, 17. Saint Hedwige. Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque
18. Saint Luke, 19. Saint Peter of Alcantara, 20. Saint John Cantius
21. Saint Ursula, 22. Saint Mello. Saint Hilarion, 23. Saint Theodoret
24. Saint Magloire, 25. Saints Crispin and Crispinian, 26. Saint Evaristus
27. Saint Frumentius, 28. Saints Simon and Jude, 29. Saint Narcissus
30. Saint Marcellus, 31. Saint Quintin

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