



*Association of Rosary Guilds
and Rosary Makers Newsletter
Companion to "Our Lady's Communicator"*



"You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel"

Prayer to the Immaculate Conception

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, did prepare a worthy dwelling place for your Son, we beseech you that, as by the foreseen death of this, Your Son, You did preserve Her from all stain, so to You would permit us, purified through her intercession, to com unto You. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen



Saturday December 8, 2012
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Our Annual General Meeting
10am -2 pm at the

John Bead Corp. Warehouse ,
20 Bertrand Ave. Scarborough,
Everyone is invited to contribute
to the Potluck Lunch.

Guilds are encouraged to bring supplies
and share their rosary making talents and
their activities of the past year.

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The Blessed Virgin Mary
has promised;
"Whoever shall faithfully serve me
by the recitation of the Rosary,
shall receive signal graces."

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**God
Bless
Canada**



OUR LADY OF MADHU ROSARY MAKERS



Our Lady of Madhu Rosary Makers

Our Lady of Madhu Rosary Makers founded on September 8th 2011. This group functions under the Legion of Mary, Our lady of Madhu Praesidium. First project of the group is to make 4000 Rosaries to be sent to Sri Lanka for the Bishops. We have just finished 4000 Rosaries are ready to be shipped by the end of this month.

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WITH GRATITUDE

Dear Mr. John Biafore, Thank you very sincerely for your e-mail. I have started the distribution of rosaries you sent. All like it very much. Fr. Micheal and Fr. Joseph are from this retreat house. They are preaching retreat here and occasionally they go out to preach retreat. I am glad to hear that you are organizing a rosary making group in Toronto. I wish you every success. For the past 20 years I was sending rosaries to the various part of India. Garabandal group from New York was helping me in a large scale. But that group is no more functioning. So I had to reduce the distribution. Still I continue the distribution of rosaries, especially in this area and also to our missionaries in North India and Africa. Of course, people who come for retreat here, come directly to me and get rosaries from me. Whenever you are able to send me rosaries either through people who come to the retreat house or through mail you are most welcome and I will make the best use of it. Thanking you and assuring you of my prayers
Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. George Kammattil V.C.

PRAYERS AND CHRISTMAS



The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior, for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. "From this day all generations will call me Blessed" for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is His name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm. He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has come to the help of His servant Israel for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our ancestors, to Abraham and His children forever, Amen.

Prayer to the Immaculate Conception

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, and mistress of the world, who forsakes no one, and despises no one, look upon me, O Lady with an eye of pity, and entreat for me of your beloved Son the forgiveness of all my sins; that, as I now celebrate, with devout affection, your Holy and Immaculate Conception, so, therefore, I may receive the prize of eternal blessedness, by the grade of Him who you, in virginity, did bring forth, Jesus Christ our Lord: who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, in perfect Trinity, God,



1 Corinthians 13 – A Christmas Version

If I decorate my house perfectly with plaid bows, strands of twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I am just another decorator.. If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozen of Christmas Cookies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table at meal time, but do not show love to my family, I am just another cook. If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing homes and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing. If I trim the spruce with shimmering angels and crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties and sing in the choir's cantata, but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the husband. Love is kind, though harried and tired. Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens. Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way. Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things, Love never fails. Video games will break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust, but giving the gift of love will endure.

Author Unknown, this piece was found on the internet in 2004

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Dear Friends of the Rosary,
Hope you will receive these wonderful photos of Sister
Laurenzia, a Salesian Kenya Sister which I met in Rome at
our VIDES meetings from Oct 31-Nov 4, 2012. She had
asked me to bring rosaries for the children and students they
serve. Of course they could have taken more but that's all
I could bring. You should have seen her face and the face of
the young man who had accompanied her at this meeting
when they saw all these colorful rosaries. I would have loved
to see the face of the children receiving it. Sr. Laurenzia must
be around 26 years old. The first time I saw her was 4 years
ago when she participated to our VIDES meeting as a young
woman and now she was there as a young sister.
What marvels the Lord does! – Sr. Jeanine

Dearest Sr. Jeanine, how are you? Hope you arrived safely
back to Canada. We had a very safe travel back to Kenya.
We were so tired though. We took a good rest after the long
journey. Today I went to school and immediately broke the
news that I brought the rosaries from our friends in Canada.
Thank you. They were so happy to receive them and I believe
this will make them more and more devoted to our lady.
I could see their eagerness to pray today using the rosaries.
Grazie! Please pass our thanks to those friends who gave them
to you to deliver to us. Thanks. Attached see the photos. I had
to reduce them for easier uploading. Be blessed and be sure of
our prayers. Tell those friends that the children offered special
prayers for them and they will continue to do so.
In prayers, Sr. Laurenzia FMA



CHRISTMAS CREED AND THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

A Christmas Creed

I believe in Jesus Christ and in the beauty of the gospel begun in Bethlehem. I believe in the one whose spirit glorified a little town; and whose spirit still brings music to persons all over the world, in towns both large and small. I believe in the one for whom the crowded inn could find no room, and I confess that my heart still sometimes wants to exclude Christ from my life today. I believe in the one who the rulers of the earth ignored and the proud could never understand; whose life was among common people, whose welcome came from persons of hungry hearts. I believe in the one who proclaimed the love of God to be invincible: I believe in the one whose cradle was a mother's arms, whose modest home in Nazareth had love for its only wealth, who looked at persons and made them see what God's love saw in them, who by love brought sinners back to purity, and lifted human weakness up to meet the strength of God. I confess my ever-lasting need of God: The need of forgiveness for our selfishness and greed, the need of new life for empty souls, the need of love for hearts grown cold. I believe in God who gives us the best of himself. I believe in Jesus, the son of the living God, born in Bethlehem this night, for me and for the world.



It is said that from 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: The surface meaning, plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality that the children could remember.

- The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.
- Two turtledoves were the Old and New Testaments.
- Three French hens stood for faith, hope and charity, or the gifts of the Magi.
- The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
- The five golden rings recalled the five precious Wounds of the Crucified Christ, the five obligatory Sacraments (Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and Extreme Unction) and the first five books of the Old Testament.
- The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.
- Seven swans a-swimming represented the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit or the Seven Sacraments.
- The eight maids' a-milking were the eight beatitudes.
- The nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit;
- The ten lords a-leaping were the Ten Commandments.
- The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples.
- The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in The Apostles' Creed.



Attributed to Ann Ball

SASKATCHEWAN CLASS OF ANGELS

Hello, I teach Religion to a wonderful group of 24 students in Saskatchewan. The students are energetic, conscientious and dedicated. They are the oldest in our school and act as leaders and role models to our younger students including a school virtue program called K4J (Kids 4 Jesus). The class is involved in the community with Meals on Wheels to the elderly and are involved in our Parish as Altar Servers, Choir Members and Youth Group Members. We studied the Rosary and led the Rosary Devotions this October and I thought it would be a good class project to make rosaries for the missions this year. I think it would help further their Faith Development as well. We have had some students come from the Philippines including one that is in our class and I think it would be very meaningful to send the rosaries to the Philippines if possible. I believe this class would do a good job with the rosaries and it would be something they would always remember.

Thank you so much for your help and support in getting this started in our class room!
Blessings, N. K. and her class of angels



Christmas Novena to Obtain Favors

Hail and Blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

It is piously believed that whoever recites the above prayer fifteen times a day from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30th) until Christmas will obtain what is asked.



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception centers on the belief that Jesus' mother, the Virgin Mary, conceived without sin. Pope Pius IX issued an apostolic constitution, known as the *Ineffabilis Deus*, on December 8, 1854.

THANKS AND PRAYERS

Uganda Martyrs
Secondary School,
Kayunga, Uganda



Life is Beauty, by Mother Teresa

Life is an opportunity, benefit from it. **Life** is beauty, admire it. **Life** is bliss, taste it.
Life is a dream, realize it. **Life** is a challenge, meet it.. **Life** is a duty, complete it.
Life is a game, play it. **Life** is a promise, fulfill it. **Life** is sorrow, overcome it.
Life is a song, sing it. **Life** is a struggle, accept it. **Life** is a tragedy, confront it.

Heaven's Grocery Store

I was walking down life's highway a long time ago. One day I saw a sign that read "Heaven's Grocery Store". As I got a little closer, the door came open wide, and when I came to myself, I was standing inside. I saw a host of Angels that were standing everywhere, On handed me a basket and said "My Child, Shop with Care". Everything a Christian needed was in that grocery store. And all that you could not carry, you could come back next day for more. First, I got some PATIENCE; LOVE was in the same row. Further down was UNDERSTANDING, you need that where ever you go. I got a box or two of WISDOM, a bag or two of FAITH. I just couldn't miss the HOLY GHOST for He as all over the place. I stopped to get some STRENGTH and COURAGE, to help me run this race. By this time my basket was getting full, but I remembered I needed some GRACE. I didn't forget SALVATION. SALVATION-for that was free! So, I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me! Then, I started up to the counter to pay my grocery bill, for I thought I had everything to do my MASTERS WILL. As I went up the aisle, I saw PRAYER. And I just had to put that in, for I knew when I stepped outside, I would run right into sin. PEACE and JOY were plentiful; they were on the last shelf. SONG and PRAISES were hanging near, so I just helped myself. Then I said to the Angel, "How much do I owe?" He just smiled and said "Just take them wherever you go" again, I smiled at him and said. "How much do I really owe?" He smiled and said "MY CHILD, JESUS PAID YOUR BILL A LONG, LONG TIME AGO" Author Unknown

The Rosary Makers Prayer

Dearest Mother, to you we pray, bless the Rosaries we make today, with loving hands we add each bead., then with trust in you we further plead, bless the ones who in foreign lands, reach for them with outstretched hands and pray like we, that God hears our call, for a World United and Peace for All!

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FOR WORLD PEACE

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