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And Rosary Makers Newsletter  
Companion to "Our Lady's Communicator"*



**Rosary Makers Annual Spring Gathering**

**Saturday May 31, Shrine of Gratitude 3100 Weston Rd. Toronto**

**Guest Speakers** are all travelling distances to speak to us that day, and will share their words with us upon their arrival.

**Fr. John Aruldas** - Sri Lankan priest at Marylake near King City,  
**Dante Peralta** -who brings rosaries to Africa, and  
**Rita Peng** - Site Chaplain at Collins Bay (Kingston) Institution.

The day will begin at 10 o'clock with group updates and important information. The 2014 Our Lady's Communicator will be available.

**Everyone is asked to contribute to a buffet lunch.**

The day will end at 3 pm with Holy Mass of the day. Weather permitting Fr. Aruldas will say Mass outside at the Shrine of Gratitude

If you have not already done so, please let Marilynne know if you and your group will join us or not.

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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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**My Mother's Rosary**

Your beads I found, dear mother mine,  
in the cushion of the chair,  
you must have been just saying them  
the last time you sat there,  
the beads are old and shiny now  
the cross shines lovely to,  
how happy were the beads of love  
with each caress from you.  
Your life was like a rosary, Ma,  
each day lived like a prayer,  
the sorrow and the glorious,  
and the joyful we all shared,  
so as we travel on through life,  
send God's blessings down to guide us,  
we'll be faithful to our rosary  
as a family chain that binds us. Amen



**God Bless Canada  
God Bless the World**



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## ROSARY MAKING GROUP UPDATES

### Our Lady of Madhu Rosary Makers



In union with Mother Mary I submit the activities of Rosary making during the year 2013.

At the request by the Lordship Bishop Joseph Ponniah, Bishop of Batticaloa Sri Lanka we sent 2910 Rosaries to him. To Bro. Thobias attached to the Kandy Diocese, working in Matale throughout the estate plantations, we sent 2350 Rosaries to distribute to the Estate School children and to the parishes. In the meantime we received a request from Rev. Fr. Jude Samantha Fernando, Administration Secretary of Cardinal office, 1000 Rosaries was delivered by Bro. Thobias. We sent 350 Rosaries to Rev. Sr. Mary Anne, Superior of Selastian Sisters at Negombo. A request of rosary making supplies was made by Rev. Fr. Don Ernest Kithsiri Thirimanne, Parish Priest of The Church of Our Lady of Fatima, Battaramulla. 1000 Rosary making supplies were sent to him.

A kind request was made by John Biafore, to send the Rosaries to Africa and Philippines and 1000 Rosaries were given to him.

**Future Plan:** To comply with the requests from the Cardinal of Sri Lankas office for more rosaries.

One of the main devotions which His Eminence Malcom Cardinal Ranjith, wants to propagate is the daily family rosary. We have commenced to make more rosaries and to prepare the shipment by mid-year of 2014.

John Biafore introduced us to Mr. Kinsley Labrooy, a leader of a prayer group in Mississauga, who is interested in learning the rosary making techniques to join us in rosary making.

Humbly submitted by Emmanuel Deva, February 23rd 2014.

### Our Lady of Peace Rosary Guild

Some of us Rosary-makers/Third Order Franciscans & novices got together and we put together 70 kits - for Grade 5 students of Msgr. Paul Baxter School in Barrhaven, who are making Rosaries for the Grade 6 students going on to Junior High. One of the Franciscans took apart an umbrella, as we just use umbrella ribs as cord-tools - people throw out umbrellas all the time, so we have a cheap supply-source for cord-tools, haha. Then on Thursday most of us took part in the March for Life in Ottawa, and apparently there were 30,000 marchers! The weather was beautiful, there was just enough wind to keep us comfortable and, along the route, there was only a small group of pro-abortion/pro-choice people screaming and heckling as we peacefully walked by, praying the Rosary and singing. Even some MP's came to the microphones set up on Parliament Hill and declared they were pro-life, which was very encouraging. This was just after Justin Trudeau declared that any pro-life MP's were not welcome in the Liberal party!

Jane Tremblay



Our Lady of Kibeho,  
Kibeho, Rwanda

## ROSARY MAKING GROUP UPDATES

### **Our Lady of the Prairies Rosary Makers Guild**

Here's a bit of information as you requested, we have 14 members from different locations throughout Alberta. Our members mostly make cord rosaries with 3 members making chain rosaries. Everyone makes rosaries at home but we try and get together a couple times a year. As of December 31st/2012 we had 5,381 rosaries on hand. We made 10,043 rosaries in 2013, distributed 333 locally, and mailed out 10,203, mostly to Johnny Biafore at Mission Canada. So far this year we mailed out 3660 rosaries, again to Johnny in March. At present we have on hand 2,100 rosaries.

That's about it, for now. Have a great day.

Moe and Loretta

**Daphne Lee and her group** are still holding their own making the rosaries using the mission beads to give out at the hospital to the new born babies and their mothers. We are also sending rosaries to the mission in Canada out

### **The Circles of Rosary**

Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Cristo Rei Parish and St. Dominic Parish and all the schools under these parishes in Mississauga. Introducing and teaching the rosary in classes once a month JK to Grade 8 - Instilling peaceful hearts and minds to the schools, families and parishes, -Volunteers from the parents of the students, parish community volunteers.

Cora Bryce. Volunteers are most welcome

“So keep watch over yourselves and over all the flock, of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son.

Acts 20:28

### **St. Clements Rosary Makers**

These wonderful workers under the direction of Dorothy D'Souza, since 2005/06, have just completed visits to all fifteen Catholic Elementary School in Cambridge, Ont., making mission rosaries with the First Communion Children.

The rosary makers, averaging 10 plus members also have contributed greatly to the Mission Canada Rosary Makers plea for mission rosaries for countries overseas. As well as visiting schools they remain regulars at one of the retirement facilities in the area. They assist the residents in stringing the beads, with the guild members making the knots.

In 2013 the group made and donated just over 6000 mission rosaries.

Dorothy D'Souza

### **St. Thomas the Apostle Rosary Guild**

Our first session of Rosary making was held ten years ago on January 13th, 2004. Today we had our first Rosary Making session at our Parish celebrating our tenth anniversary. We started with five members and today we are a group of 18 members.

I can speak for our members when I say that they enjoy making rosaries for the Missions. Right now, we have no rosaries, since we take a break for Christmas/ New Years. We also take a summer break in July and August. For the past few years, we have had a Christmas Pot Luck, during which we have games and lots of Multicultural foods.

Rosemarie Ling

P.U.S.H. - pray until something happens

A.S.A.P. - always say a prayer

F.R.O.G. - fully rely on God

J.O.Y. - Jesus, Others, You

D.O.G. - depend on God

B.I.G. - believe in God

## ROSARY MAKING GROUP UPDATES

### The Sri Lankan Rosary Mission

Our group came into existence on the 15th of March 2014. This group of Sri Lankan Catholics meet regularly in prayer and service. The desire to do something more was great. While doing some research we came across the Mission Canada Rosary Makers. In an effort to share our love and devotion of the Holy Rosary. Several members of our friends and families have begun gathering to make Mission Rosaries. The rosaries will be shipped to our homeland to be distributed to those who are in need of rosaries but are not able to secure them on their own. With the help of other groups in the area we will be shipping 6000 rosaries, some in June, the remainder in December.

Kingsley LaBrooy



### Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary Makers Guild - Canadian Rosary Brigade

This year we have been to three secondary schools and will be visiting two elementary schools by the end of May. St. Benedict's C.S.S. in Cambridge and St. Mary's C.S.S. Kitchener have invited us in every school semester since September 2011. We will be returning to St. Luke C.E.S. leading this years grades 2,4,6, and 8 in mid May. Our March Break goal of 1000 rosaries for Sri Lanka was reached by April 1st. We are preparing, making and collecting 1000 rosaries each for India and the Philippines.

Several students have taken rosary making as their community service projects. A brother and sister team have made over 200 mission and 50 military rosaries thus far.

We will be following the diocesan financial advisors suggestion to officially join our home parish of St. Agnes and make rosaries under their registered charity number. Which means that we continue as usual and if someone donates funds towards purchasing supplies for our rosary making apostolate, they will be able to receive an income tax receipt from our parish.

The guild looks forward to our upcoming visit to one new school in Waterloo and one in Cambridge.

We are grateful to the students and staff of these schools for their help in making over 1500 rosaries for military persons. The rosaries will be sent or taken to the best source for distribution as soon as possible.

We are grateful to Susan Kleisath for her work in reworking our website please visit us at [www.canadianrosarybrigade.ca](http://www.canadianrosarybrigade.ca)

We wish to thank Hermie Schuster for her dedication to our apostolate over the past three years.

Thank You Hermie for you kindness.

Marilynne Feeney

Nicole F.



Vladimir S.



## MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS



### Prayer to Mary Undoer of Knots

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love, Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of a child in need, Mother whose hands never cease to serve your beloved children because they are moved by the divine love and immense mercy that exists in your heart, cast your compassionate eyes upon me and see the snarl of knots that exist in my life. You know very well how desperate I am, my pain, and how I am bound by these knots. Mary, Mother to whom God entrusted the undoing of the knots in the lives of his children, I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life. No one, not even the Evil One himself, can take it away from your precious care. In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone. Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power with Your Son and My Liberator, Jesus, take into your hands today this knot. *[Mention your request here]* I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once for all. You are my hope. O my Lady, you are the only consolation God gives me, the fortification of my feeble strength, the enrichment of my destitution, and with Christ, the freedom from my chains. Hear my plea. Keep me, guide me, and protect me, oh safe refuge! Mary Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

### But what are these knots?

They are the problems and struggles we face for which we do not see any solution ... knots of discord in your family, lack of understanding between parents and children, disrespect, violence, the knots of deep hurts between husband and wife, the absence of peace and joy at home. There are also the knots of anguish and despair of separated couples, the dissolution of the family, the knots of a drug addict son or daughter, sick or separated from home or God, knots of alcoholism, the practice of abortion, depression, unemployment, fear, solitude... Ah, the knots of our life! How they suffocate the soul, beat us down and betray the heart's joy and separate us from God.

### How this devotion started?

To show us the mission granted to the Virgin Mary by Her Son, an artist Johann Melchior Georg Schmittner painted Mary Undoer of Knots with great grace. Since 1700, his painting has been venerated in the Church of St. Peter in Perlack, Augsburg, Germany. It was originally inspired by a meditation of Saint Irenaeus (Bishop of Lyon and martyred in 202) based on the parallel made by Saint Paul between Adam and Christ. Saint Irenaeus, in turn, made a comparison between Eve and Mary, saying: "Eve, by her disobedience, tied the knot of disgrace for the human race; whereas Mary, by her obedience, undid it".

For additional information visit; [www.theholyroary.org](http://www.theholyroary.org) or [www.maryundoerofknots.com](http://www.maryundoerofknots.com)

**Pope Francis on Mary, the Untier of Knots;** Dear Brothers and Sisters, This event of the Year of Faith is devoted to Mary, the Mother of Christ and the Mother of the Church, our Mother. The statue of Our Lady which has come from Fatima helps us to feel her presence in our midst. It is a fact: Mary always brings us to Jesus. She is a woman of faith, a true believer. But we can ask: What was Mary's faith like?

- ◇ The first aspect of her faith is this: Mary's faith unties the knot of sin.
- ◇ A second aspect is that Mary's faith gave human flesh to Jesus.
- ◇ The third aspect is Mary's faith as a journey

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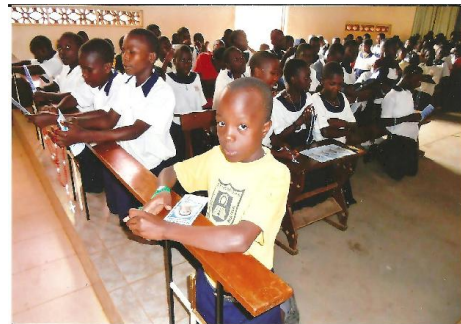
St. Anthony Mitalmaia Buwama, Uganda March 9, 2014

Dear Rosary Makers;

May the Good Lord bless you and for the noble work you are doing for the universal church in particular and for the entire world in general.

Thank you very much for the Rosaries and Prayer Cards you sent us through Irena W.! We are using these rosaries and prayer cards to pray for ourselves for you and for the conversion of the world. We are very grateful for your work. The patients, the school children and medical staff formed groups for reciting Our Lady Mary's Rosary I have sent some of the photos of St. Teresa Primary School Mitala Maria, Uganda reciting the rosary. I wish you a fruitful Lenten Season

Sr. M. Regina Nakachisu.



Good day John, I had already distributed all the rosaries and in view of restriction here in Nigeria, photos are not allowed so as not to exploit their culture however, I have secured 2 of photos included below for your kind viewing.  
God bless Dante Peralta

Dante, I attended Mass at Our Lady of Presentation, Abule Egba – Agege, Lagos State last Sunday. A suburb community with over 1,200 worshipers mostly local traders and artisans. In the pictures is I am presenting the rosaries to the Parish Priest who will in turn distribute them to the needy. Thanks, for your contribution to the work of God. May the Good Lord and our Mother Mary Bless you abundantly. Amen

Regards, Moses Okonkwo



STUDENT HELPING STUDENTS



Young Catholic Students of Lagos Archdiocese during their annual Convention on 27th April, 2014 at St. Gregory's College, Obalende, Lagos are holding rosaries made by members of Mission Canada Rosary Makers here in the Toronto and area. Dante Peralta was able to get the rosaries to Sr. Theresa Elijah SHCJ who brought them to the students.

*Into your strong and gentle hands O Lord  
I commend my future and my fears.  
In your keeping I know that I am safe and that  
all will be well, there is no need to be afraid.*



These students pictured in the Chapel of St. Mary's C. S. School, Kitchener, are holding the Mission and Military Rosaries they and their fellow students teachers and other staff members made over the past three days. Over 15 classes of students joined in making Mission Rosaries for themselves, and the people in Nigeria, Sri Lanka and India. As well as Military Rosaries for Soldiers April 2014.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary Makers Guild of Waterloo, Ontario

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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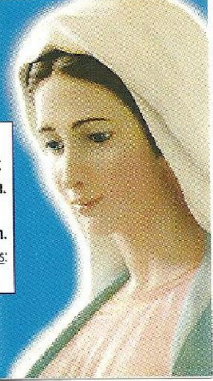
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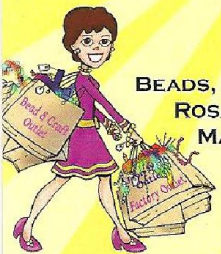


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