



# The Legion of Mary

a worldwide apostolate, established in 1921,  
we are currently celebrating our Centenary Year.  
Our praesidia serve the communities of  
St. Bernard, St. Mary, and St. Sebastian parishes.



## Sharing Secrets

The Legion of Mary, Our Lady of Humility, shares from The Secret of the Rosary by St. Louis Marie de Montfort. The saint writes of 50 “Roses” or secrets of the Most Holy Rosary.

### From the Fifth Rose: Confraternity

Strictly speaking, there are only a few different types of membership in the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary: one whose members agree to pray the entire Rosary of 150 Hail Marys per day. However, there are different levels of membership in the Confraternity: Daily, which obliges one to say the complete Rosary each day; Ordinary, which entails saying the complete Rosary once per week; Perpetual, which requires its members to say the entire Rosary only once per year. None of these memberships bind under pain of sin, however, one should not join if they do not if they do not intend to fulfill the obligation. So, if you forget to pray the Rosary one day, because you had family or work obligations and you genuinely forget, you will still enjoy the benefits of membership in the Confraternity, sharing the same graces and merits of your brothers and sisters. But if you willfully ignore your obligation then you lose out on those graces. NOTE BY LEGION OF MARY: To learn of all the graces and indulgences of membership, please go to <http://www.RosaryCenter.org>.

(\*This book was written before the addition of the Luminous Mysteries and also does not include the 3 introductory Hail Marys. However, they did not include those Mysteries so the obligation is still only referencing the 3 sets of Mysteries.)

### From the Sixth Rose: Mary’s Psalter

There is a correlation between the number of Hail Marys (15 decades of 10, or 150 \*) and the number of Psalms. Because of that the rosary has been called “Mary’s Psalter.” It was presented to the less educated as an alternative to praying David’s Psalms and thought to be just as fruitful. St. Louis points out that, indeed, praying the Rosary actually bestows an even greater abundance of grace as it reflects on the life of the Incarnate Word versus prophesying of His coming. The three groups of mysteries, Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious, are said to be connected to our lives in that it gives grace during our lifetime, peace at death, and glory in eternity. (\*This book was written before the institution of the Luminous Mysteries.)



## This Month’s Consecration Dates

Have you consecrated yourself to The Virgin Mary or to St. Joseph? Is it time to renew your consecration? Consecration to St. Joseph was written by Fr. Donald Calloway. (*Contact us for links to 33 videos we produced.*) The original program, True Devotion to Mary, was written by St. Louis Marie de Montfort in the 1700s, and is considered the greatest book on the Blessed Virgin Mary ever written. It has been recommended and practiced by eight Popes. The next, Totus Tuus, the papal motto of Pope St. John Paul II, means “Totally Yours” and is a collection of excerpts from scripture and this beloved Saint’s encyclicals. Finally, 33 Days to Morning Glory by Fr. Michael Gaitley, is a summary of the teachings of St. Louis Marie de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and St. Pope John Paul II. No matter which you choose to follow, your life will be greatly blessed.

Consecration to:	Start	Feast	End
The Virgin Mary	Mar. 26	Saint Louis-Marie Grignon de Montfort	Apr. 28
Saint Joseph	Mar. 30*	Solemnity of Saint Joseph	May 1
The Virgin Mary	Apr. 10	Our Lady of Fatima	May 13
The Virgin Mary	Apr. 21	Mary, Help of Christians	May 24
The Virgin Mary	Apr. 28	The Visitation	May 31

\*Fr. Calloway calls for consecration on the 33rd vs. the 34th day.

## ★ Legion of Mary Meetings ★

### VISITORS WELCOME

(held at St. Sebastian Parish, 476 Mull Ave., West Akron,  
in the McDonough Resource Library)

**Our Lady of Humility Praesidium (Adults 19+)**

Mondays at 8:35 AM

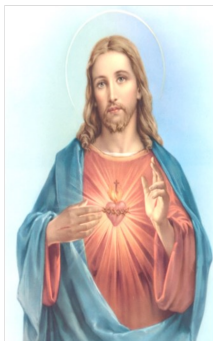
**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Praesidium (Teens 13-18)**

Thursdays at 7:00 PM (Sept.thru May)

**Virgin Most Powerful Praesidium (Adults 19+)**

Saturdays at 8:35 AM

# Legion Home Visits Offered



## SACRED HEART ENTHRONEMENT

The Legion of Mary promotes enthrone-ment of your home to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Our Savior made the request to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque and promised to bless any home where his image is exposed and honored.



## PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE HOME VISITATION PROGRAM

You are invited to receive a visit of the Our Lady of Fatima statue to your home. A member of the Legion will contact you to make arrange-ments to deliver the 30" statue to your home, and to lead Visitation prayers at her arrival.

Share the love, blessings, and graces of our Blessed Mother as you pray the Rosary with family and friends during the two week visit of the Pilgrim Virgin statue.

Sign up in the calendar binder at all 3 churches.

NOTE: Visits begin and end on Saturdays.)



## BAPTISM VISITS

We would love to stop by and welcome your little one into the Church. Gift packages include artwork for the nursery, prayer cards, a rosary, a crocheted blanket, and more.



## COMFORT CALLS

When you have experienced a loss, the Legion can visit to offer prayerful support. Ever mindful that everyone grieves in their own way, we can visit, call, or just drop off a packet of items that may bring comfort.

## FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY

Please join us after the 8 AM Mass at St. Sebastian Parish on Friday, April 1st, as we lead the Marian Titles Rosary and May 6th as we pray the Warrior's Rosary. The Marian Titles Rosary was composed by Ro Reed, President of the Praesidia and the Akron Curia. The Warrior's Rosary reminds us of its power against the devil and his minions.



Eucharistic Procession and Rosary  
 Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 3:00 PM

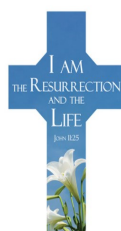
Celebrating the Centenary of the Legion of Mary

Our Lady of the Elms Chapel  
 START: 1290 W. Market St., West Akron  
remain outside of Entrance #8 at the High School

St. Sebastian Church  
 END: 476 Mull Ave., West Akron  
Benediction and a short period of Adoration will follow the procession

End the afternoon with a light lunch buffet at Zwisler Hall.

## Sacramentals of the Month



In March we are sending home St. Joseph Consecration prayer cards and, in April, a lovely cross-shaped bookmark celebrating the Resurrection. Make sure to pick one up from the basket in the narthex/entrance of the church.



## Spiritual Adoption

Make a difference in the life of an unborn child at risk of abortion. Pray the Spiritual Adoption prayer daily (cards are in the Legion basket.) The program began March 12th and will culminate with a Baby Shower on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Of course you can start praying at any time. YOUR BABY'S MILESTONES AT 4 WEEKS:  
 \*Heart is beating \*Eyes are developing\*  
 \*Arms are forming \* Measures 1/4" from head to rump



## CALLING HOURS ROSARY

If you would like a member of the Legion to lead a rosary at the conclusion of calling hours, please call us when arrangements are finalized so we can ensure someone is available.



Contact the Legion directly to make arrangements for these visits.

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