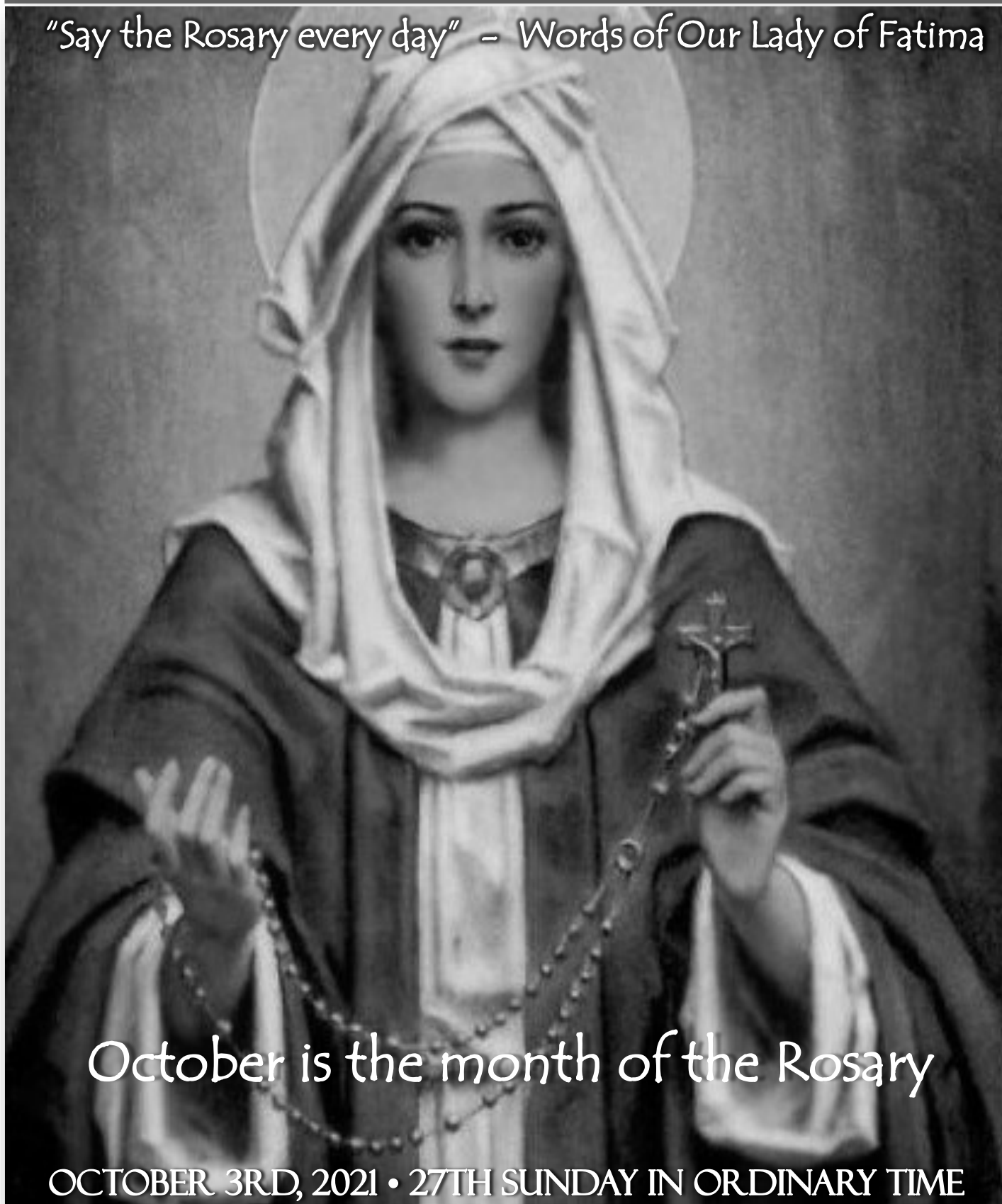




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"Say the Rosary every day" - Words of Our Lady of Fatima



October is the month of the Rosary

OCTOBER 3RD, 2021 • 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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October is the month of the Rosary; on the 7th we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary and throughout the month we renew our appreciation of this beautiful, traditional prayer in which we meditate with Mary on the mysteries of the life of Her Beloved Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ. During the month we also have many other lovely feast days that remind us of God's presence in the lives of our brothers and sisters and inspire us to trust in their intercession. As a Carmelite priest you might expect me to write about St Therese of the Child Jesus (Oct. 1st) or the great Saint Teresa of Avila (Oct. 15th), but I have chosen to write about a new "blessed" of the new millennium, **Blessed Carlo Acutis**. He was born in 1991, died in 2006 and declared "Blessed" by Pope Francis in 2020. His feast day is assigned to next Sunday, Oct. 10th.

Carlo was a typical young boy of the new millennium; he loved football (soccer), video games and had a sweet tooth especially for Italian ice-cream – gelato. He grew up in a well-off Italian family that was not particularly religious. His mother revealed that she had been to Mass only about 3 or 4 times in her life. Carlo, however, went to Mass regularly with other family members and developed a great love for the Eucharist. At the age of 11, he created a website that traced the history of all the known Eucharistic miracles which has been shown throughout the world. He wondered why the sports stadiums were so full and the Churches were so empty. He would say **"they have to see; they have to understand"**.

His mother was so surprised by her son's faith that she took a course in theology and experienced a deep conversion. Carlo thought about the possibility of becoming a priest but back at school he felt very sick and he was diagnosed with a deadly form of leukemia; he died shortly afterwards. At his funeral many were surprised at the great number of the city's poor people who attended and spoke highly of his generosity and kindness. One of these was a homeless man, whom Carlo met many times on his way to Church, for whom he saved up and bought a sleeping bag.

Carlo used to say to his young friends **"be an original not a photocopy"**, encouraging them to be free of the slavery to the latest fads and fashions that so often lead to unhappiness. He was truly a witness to his classmates and to the poor and a genuine evangelizer to his own mother. On the stained-glass window of the Church of San Giuseppe, in Molfetta, Italy, depicting the 15-year-old in his trademark sneakers and backpack are the words **"holiness is closer than we think"**. God is always at work among His people in every age and inviting us to goodness and truth.

~ **Fr David Costello, O.C.D.**





Arizona Rosary Celebration
Saturday
October 16, 2021
10:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
St. Augustine Cathedral
 192 S. Stone Ave.
 Tucson, AZ 85701
 AZRosary.net
 Invite your family & friends!

Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for Us

“Save the Date” for the Arizona Rosary Celebration

The Arizona Rosary Celebration will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021, honoring our Blessed Mother Mary under her title, Our Lady of Sorrows. The location for the celebration is St. Augustine Cathedral, 192 South Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701. The celebration begins at 10:00 am and ends at 12:15 pm. The Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger will preside. The guest speaker for this year’s event is Reverend Wilfred “Willie” Raymond, C.S.C., president of Holy Cross Family Ministries. Come celebrate our 11th year in the Diocese of Tucson and 46th year of the Arizona Rosary Celebration tradition. Attend the Arizona Celebration at the St. Augustine Cathedral or watch it through live stream on that same day. For more information, contact www.AZrosary.net

Saturday, October 2nd

- 8:00am** Imelda Evans/Improved Health
- 5:30pm** Hada Reyes/Happy Birthday

Sunday, October 3rd

- 6:30am** Santa Cruz Parishioners
- 8:00am** Maria Teresa Gonzalez/R.I.P.
- 10:00am** Special Int./Michael & Ana Abeyta & Family
- 12:00pm** Casimiro & Josephine Bonillas & Deceased Family Members/R.I.P.
- 6:00pm** Special Prayers/Blanca Camacho

Florence Schroeder/R.I.P.
 Ignacio & Hilda Vega & Walter Vega/R.I.P.


Alexis Padilla/Happy Birthday
 Fernando Pina/R.I.P.

Jacob Vegas/R.I.P.
 Lucy Granillo/R.I.P.

In Thanksgiving to Our Virgin Mary/Int. Khoi Tran
 Maria Teresa Gonzalez/R.I.P.

Florence Schroeder/R.I.P.
 Jacob Vegas/R.I.P.

3rd Domingo de cada Mes
Capilla de Guadalupe
8:00 am
Misa Carmelitana




Celebrante Padre Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D.

Parish Collection September 26th, 2021

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HOLY HOUR
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Religious Education

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Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger
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 Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)
Confession: Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

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