

The ceremony of the Rosary handout

7th october 2021

The ceremony of the Rosary handout was established to unite us with Mary so that the Church can always enjoy her protection. On the 7th of October (or another day agreed with the Spiritual Assistant) the Group meets for a catechesis and for the Rosary ceremony. The rosaries are blessed and the commitment to the recitation of the Rosary is renewed.

Song

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his[a]; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians (Col 3, 12-17)

Brothers and sisters:

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one Body. And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Meditations from the writings of St. Padre Pio

I must add a further word to what has already been said, namely, to suggest the suitable means for the attainment of Christian perfection. The apostle suggests two most powerful means, which are the constant study of God's law and the performance of all our actions for his glory.

As regards the first means, he writes to the Colossians: «Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God».

This apostle's doctrine is clear and does not need any comment. If the Christian is full of God's law which warns and teaches him to despise the world and its allurements, wealth and honours and all that prevents him from loving God, he will never fail no matter what adversities may befall him; he will endure everything steadfastly and perseveringly; he will readily forgive offences and give thanks to God for all things. [...]



As regards the other means of doing everything for God's glory, let us listen to the apostle's teaching: «Whatever you do, he says, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him».

By the faithful use of this simple means we do not merely Leep far from any sin, but feel the continual urge to aim con Mantly at perfection.

Short pause

BLESSING OF ROSARIES

We have come to the blessing of the rosary crowns that will accompany our pastoral journey. We renew our fidelity to Mary and our commitment in praying the Holy Rosary.

We bless you, Father, because you have called us to meditate on the Birth, Death and Resurrection of your Son, to meditate on earthly life, waiting to contemplate him in eternity.

Hail Mary, Blessed be Jesus Your beloved Son

We bless you, our Brother and Lord Jesus Christ, you've chosen Mary your mother to show your face of peace and mercy to the world.

Hail Mary, Blessed be Jesus Your beloved Son

We bless you, Holy Spirit, through Saint Pio of Pietrelcina You give us the Holy Rosary to meditate on your great works for men and for our salvation.

Hail Mary, Blessed be Jesus Your beloved Son

All: O Virgin Mary, accept our good intentions to pray the Holy Rosary every day to remember your love with which you accompanied the life of your Son Jesus Christ and then to share His glory in heaven.

Saint Pio of Pietrelcina obtain for us from the Lord the holy perseverance in our purpose to pray the Holy Rosary daily, for our needs, for the Church and for the whole world.

Oh Lord, let the strength of Your spirit and Your Holy Blessing descend upon these holy wishes. You who live and reign for ever and ever

Amen

Song to Our Lady