



Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

October 7, 2020

Proposal: Perpetual Rosary throughout the School Day asking Mary's Intercession during the current crises.

- Participants: Administrators, teachers, staff and students of Archdiocesan schools.
- How: Each County's schools would take one hour during the school day. Schools within the counties would commit to saying the Rosary during their county's designated time to participate.
- There will be two options:
 - First, through Zoom. Schools could broadcast the saying of the Rosary on their Zoom platform and have an administrator, teacher or student lead a decade of the rosary during the school's designated hour. A Rosary Powerpoint prepared for the occasion will be sent to the schools. If any schools in the county want to join together this can be done through Zoom and can be coordinated by the principals of the district.
 - Second, the Powerpoint which will be sent to the schools can be used in the classroom during the schools' designated hour:
 - 8:30 – 9:30 Bucks
 - 9:30 – 10:30 Chester
 - 10:30 – 11:30 Delaware
 - 11:30 – 12:30 Montgomery
 - 12:30 – 1:30 Philadelphia North
 - 1:30 – 2:30 Philadelphia South
- School families and students participating virtually can be invited to participate using the school Zoom link.

- For those families unable to participate during the day, a “Family Rosary will be prayed in the evening at 7 PM.
 - OCE Staff members and their families will be asked to lead each decade
 - This has been coordinated with the Office of Evangelization so there is no conflict with their evening rosary and with the Office of Catechetical Formation for inclusion of the PREP families.
 - An invitation will be sent to the schools to send home to the parents to encourage them to participate. .
 - A Google Survey will be sent to the schools during the week of September 28 to list participation times to make sure all times are covered.
- It is on a Wednesday. Traditionally, the Glorious Mysteries are prayed. A PowerPoint has been prepared with reflections and intentions for each mystery:
 - **Resurrection:** We pray for the rising of our world from the sickness and death caused by the pandemic to a “new life” of peace and freedom from anxiety..
 - **Ascension:** We pray that we will “ascend” from the darkness of violence that has plagued our country to a new world of peace in the hands of our heavenly Father.
 - **Descent of the Holy Spirit:** We ask the intercession and guidance of the Holy Spirit for those who will be voting for and for those who will be entrusted with the responsibility of leading us into the future.
 - **Assumption of Mary.** Mary has always been one of our “First Responders in interceding to the Father for us. We pray for her intercession to lift up those who have faced and will face the responsibility of being First responders during these challenging times.
 - **Coronation of Mary and Queen of Heaven and Earth:** As we did back in May, we once again consecrate ourselves to Mary and place in her hands the intentions that each of us holds in our hearts.
- Students will be encouraged to bring a rosary with them to school during October.

Thank you for considering this powerful time of prayer.