

8. MEMBERSHIP - Responsible for assisting in the recruitment and welcoming of new members.

9. PUBLICITY - Communicates and promotes the Society and its meetings, activities and events through various channels.

10. FUNERAL SERVICE - At the wake of a deceased member or their family: presents a rose; leads recitation of a decade of the Rosary and attends, if able, the Funeral Mass of deceased members; a Mass card will also be bought for the deceased.

11. SUNSHINE - Comforts and brings spiritual support in times of need for the mourning, the lonely, and the sick through cards, Rosary Bouquets, etc.

12. WELCOMING/GREETING - Meet & greet all members. Assist in directing members to sign-in, take handouts and get coffee.

13. ALTAR LINENS - Volunteers wash and iron the altar linens. The committee chairperson arranges replacements of linens as needed with funds provided by the Society.

14. SPIRITUAL OUTREACH - Upon request of the Religious Education Department, we teach and promote the holy Rosary to CCD students. We say the holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at Spring Oak Assisted Living and lead the praying of one decade of the holy Rosary on the 1st Sunday of each month.

15. PRAYER CHAIN – Responsible for arranging and initiating communications to members regarding prayer requests.

16. RETREATS - Arrange and organize spiritual retreats for members. Daily retreats are usually held in the fall and weekend retreats are usually held in the spring.

*Working on God's altar magnifies our prayers. We invite the ladies of our Parish to help with this work.*



## Who We Are

The Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary is an international association of the Catholic faithful established to “praise and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to secure her patronage by the recitation of the Rosary.”

In our parish, the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary was established under the name of Rosary Altar Society of St. Pius X.



*Caring for the Lord's House*

## Contact Us

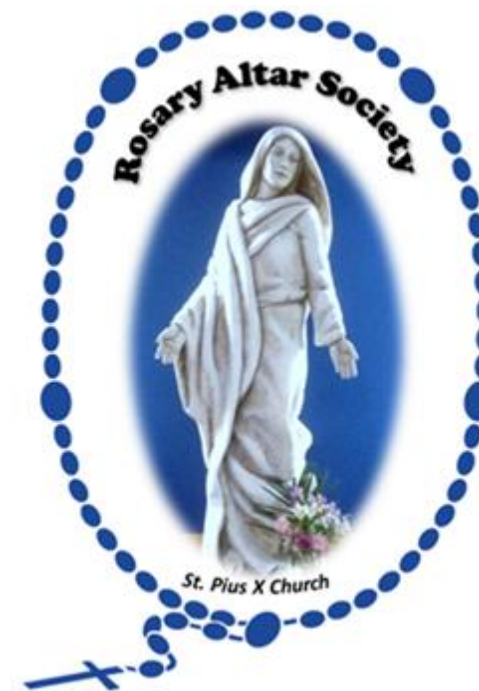
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# The Rosary Altar Society

of  
The Church of St. Pius the Tenth  
Forked River, NJ

## The Rosary Altar Society

is officially known as the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary.

The Confraternity was proposed by Alan de la Roche, a



Dominican Friar, in 1470. Thousands of members pray the Holy Rosary weekly and include each other in their intentions. There are many spiritual benefits to membership in the society. Enrolled members also participate in all the prayers and good works performed by the Dominican Order.

## Mission Statement

The main mission of this society is:

- To honor our Blessed Mother and to promote devotion to the Rosary and regular reception of the Holy Eucharist in corporate communion on the first Saturday of each month.
- To encourage a spirit of friendliness and cooperation among its members.
- To provide ways and means of raising money for projects initiated by the Society and to assist in major Parish activities.

**As Mary lovingly tended the Holy Family's home in Nazareth**, members of our group also regularly undertake the cleaning and decoration of the altar and sanctuary as well as the laundering of the altar linens.

The money we raise through various fundraisers throughout the year often goes to purchase things for the parish that

benefits every parishioner, either directly or indirectly.

We are a group of women who support one another in time of need. We all have one thing in common and that is our love for our Blessed Mother and our Church and a willing heart to assist when and where we are needed.

***All women of our Parish are welcomed to join our Rosary Altar Society. Annual dues are \$5.00, payable in September. Being a member is such a special way to honor our Blessed Mother.***

**Fall and spring meetings** are held the first Thursday of each month, after Benediction, at 7:15 p.m. in the Meeting Room off the Narthex. **Winter meetings** take place after the 8 a.m. mass on the first Saturday of the month in the Parish Hall. Check the Weekly Bulletins for actual dates.

## Examples of Spiritual Events supported by the Altar Rosary Society:

- \*Nursing Home Visits with Rosary and Divine Mercy Recitation
- \*Special Intentions Prayed at Monthly Meetings
- \*Flowers for the Church, Chapel and Blessed Mother Statue
- \*Hosting Spiritual Events for the CCD students and the Parish
- \*May Crowning
- \*Samaritans' Gift Baskets
- \*Host Spiritual Retreats and Pilgrimages
- \*Baby item donations to Birthright
- \*Rosary Recitation after 8:00 a.m. daily Mass
- \*Miraculous Medal Novena recited on Saturdays
- \*Five First Saturdays Devotion

## Committees – Standing committees consist of the following:

1. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Responsible for providing a short presentation dealing with a spiritual topic at the general monthly meetings.

2. HOSPITALITY – Oversees refreshments provided for each meeting. Asks for 2 volunteers to bring snacks to each meeting. Chairperson sets up coffee/ tea, plates and napkins.

3. SANCTUARY & ALTAR CLEANING - Every Friday after the 8 a.m. Mass, two or three Rosarians dust, swifter and vacuum the Altar, the Priests' sacristy and the working sacristy. Each group is responsible for either the first, second, third or fourth Friday of each month. Substitutes are used to help as needed for fifth Fridays. This takes approximately ½ hour. Before Easter and Christmas, we also polish the brass, altar furniture and doors near the altar.

4. CHURCH CLEANERS – This committee works in conjunction with the Sanctuary & Altar cleaning committee. Members do light cleaning of the church weekly.

5. TELEPHONE - Call a list of members to remind them of meetings, projects, etc.

6. E-MAIL – Maintains the email addresses of members in order to notify them of upcoming meetings, projects, and announcements as directed by the president of the society.

7. PROGRAMS - Arranges for speakers and events.



***May Crowning 2017***