

## The Deacon's Corner...

### The Promises of Mary

Many of us, me included, may not have been aware that Mary Most Holy had made fifteen promises to those who pray the Rosary. I would like to share them with you:

1. Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary shall receive signal graces
2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the rosary.
3. The rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, decrease sin and defeat heresy.
4. It will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift to the desire of eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means!
5. The soul that recommends itself to me by the recitation of the rosary shall not perish.
6. Whoever shall recite the rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its sacred mysteries, shall never be conquered by misfortune: if he be a sinner, he shall not perish by an unprovided death; if he be just, he shall remain in the grace of God. He shall become worthy of eternal life.
7. Whoever shall have a true devotion to the rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who are faithful to the recitation of the rosary shall have, during their life and at death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces. At the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of saints in paradise
9. I shall deliver those in purgatory those who have been devoted to the rosary.
10. The faithful children of the rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.
11. You shall obtain all you ask of me by recitation of the rosary.
12. All those who propagate the Holy Rosary shall be aided by in their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
14. All who recite the rosary are my sons, and brothers of My son, Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion to My rosary is a great sign of predestination.

These promises should be incentive enough to pick up your rosary every day and pray the Mysteries, namely the JOYFUL on Mondays and Saturdays; the SORROWFUL on Tuesdays and Fridays; the GLORIOUS on Wednesdays and Sundays; and the LUMINOUS on Thursdays.

Pray the rosary at home or with your family, or at Church before or after Mass, or join a group to pray together.

NOTE: As you read these promises, please know that all the male words are meant to include all females; more specifically to be women, daughters, sisters of Mary and her Son Jesus.

May the blessing of God surround us...Deacon Loris