

**Consecration of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, New Orleans, LA
May 16th and 17th, 2020**

*Please kneel if you are able to do so,
as we entrust our parish and ourselves once again to the Virgin Mary's care:*

**Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love;
you sing of the Father's mercy
and accompany us with a mother's love.**

**In this time of pandemic we come to you,
our sign of sure hope and comfort.
Today we renew the act of consecration and entrustment
carried out by those who have gone before us.**

**With the love of a Mother and Handmaid,
embrace this parish which we entrust and consecrate
once again to you, together with ourselves and our families.**

**In a special way we commend to you
those particularly in need of your maternal care.**

**Mary, Health of the Sick,
sign of health, of healing, and of divine hope for the sick,
we entrust to you all who are infected with the coronavirus.**

**Mary, Mother of Consolation,
who console with a mother's love all who turn to you,
we entrust to you all those who have lost loved ones in the pandemic.**

**Mary, Help of Christians,
who come to our rescue in every trial,
we entrust to your loving protection all caregivers.**

**Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy,
who embrace all those who call upon your help in their distress,
we entrust to you all who are suffering in any way from the pandemic.**

**Mary, Seat of Wisdom,
who were so wonderfully filled with the light of truth,
we entrust to you all who are working to find a cure to this pandemic.**

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**Mary, Mother of Good Counsel,
who gave yourself wholeheartedly to God's plan for the renewing of all things in
Christ, we entrust to you all leaders and policymakers.**

**Accept with the benevolence of a Mother
the act of consecration that we make today with confidence,
and help us to be your Son's instruments
for the healing and salvation of our country and the world.**

**Mary, Mother of the Church,
you are enthroned as queen at your Son's right hand:
we ask your intercession for the needs of our country,
that every desire for good may be blessed and strengthened,
that faith may be revived and nourished,
hope sustained and enlightened,
charity awakened and animated;
guide us, we pray, along the path of holiness.**

**Mary our Mother,
bring everyone under your protection
and entrust everyone to your beloved Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

Deacon: **Bow down for the blessing.**

**Bestow the grace of your kindness
upon your supplicant people, O Lord,
that, formed by you, their creator,
and restored by you, their sustainer,
through your constant action they may be saved.
R. Amen.**

**And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you forever.
R. Amen.**