

The Rosary News

October 2015

Founders: Stanislaus Despres
Lowell Vickery, 1957

Dear Family

I start out this note to everyone involved in this ministry a little different this time. Benefactor, ministry partner, volunteer, board member are all titles that are bestowed upon our duties within the ministry. However that doesn't adequately describe who we are. What we desire. Or how we want to be remembered. What do we desire and what do we want to be remembered for? In the most simple way we want to be remembered for being a good and faithful follower of Jesus. We want to be welcomed into the family of God in Heaven when our time is done here on earth.

Yes, we are a family. Brothers and sisters all united in a common mission to achieve a common goal. Specifically, to put a rosary in the hands of someone who is in need of spiritual healing. Yearning for a connection to something that is stable, freeing and obtain a sense of peace not often found in this world.

Please take the time to read the letters inside this newsletter. Our brothers and sisters in foreign lands who are devoting their time to hand over the treasures that your talented hands have made will provide all the inspiration necessary to endeavor on.

One rosary ... one person ... and the world changes for the good. Your faith and prayers lead this ministry and the blessings from heaven rain down upon us. Stay steadfast and know even a seconds time invested here with Our Lady's Rosary Makers is an investment that can grow into an eternity of time in the love and fellowship of the family in heaven.

Well done my faithful brothers and sisters. But the harvest is plenty and the laborers are few. Please be sure to encourage one another and seek out others who want to participate in this edifying ministry!

God Bless

Sincerely,

Tom Kneeshaw
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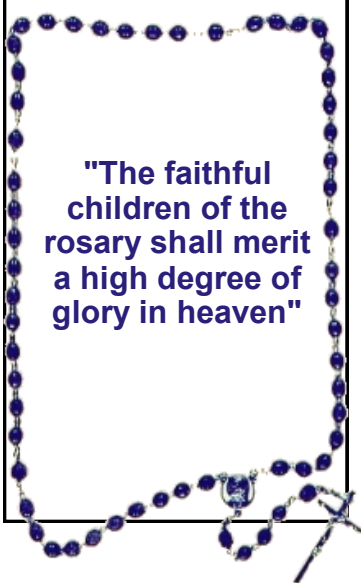
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**"The faithful
children of the
rosary shall merit
a high degree of
glory in heaven"**

FINANCIAL REPORT-2015

BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$14,408.72
DONATIONS	\$ 1,846.00
PAID OUT IN SUPPLIES:	\$ 3,421.85
ENDING BALANCE :	\$12,832.87

Dear Tom and all our dear Rosary Makers,
Loving, prayer-filled greetings from Ghana.
West Africa to al of you, beloved or our
Blessed Mother! I am not sure if I have
thanked you for the last shipment of rosaries
and religious articles that we received. But it is
worth thanking and thank you again because
we cannot thank you enough for all the beautiful
rosaries and other wonderful things that
you are sending us—fruit of your sacrifices
and labor of love.

I think it will make you happy to know where
your rosaries go. Every Sunday a certain lay-
man asks me for rosaries for his hospital
apostolate. The sick are waiting to receive one
because it brings them strength and consol-
ation in their sufferings. I give him little by little
each time, otherwise I will run out of supply for
others who come like the Reverend Sister who
asks for the prisoners as well as for the stu-
dents whom she leads to pray the rosary eve-
ryday. Aside from those who individually ap-
proach the sisters, other students groups and
lay associations also write to us to ask for
some and usually I cannot complete the quan-
tity they need. But for the children, I tell my
sisters to make sure that they know how to
pray the rosary before giving them.

One day a little girl about four years old, kept
asking one of the sisters, "Give me Jesus!
Give me Jesus! The sister thought she was
asking for a statue of Jesus. What the little girl
meant was the rosary!

Last Easter Virgil our archbishop baptized and
confirmed at the Cathedral about 100 catechu-
mens both young and adults. There were bap-
tisms in some village chapels too. Near our
place, about 70 catechumens including four or
our workers, received baptism and first com-
munion (marriage validation for some adults).

Please help us pray for this rich harvest for
God's kingdom that they will remain ever faith-
ful to their baptismal promises.

As you silently make the rosaries, you surely
must be thinking of and praying for all those
who will use them as well as for those who will
be drawn to God and the Blessed Virgin
through them. Work and Pray yours is a beau-
tiful apostolate! May our blessed Mother bless
and reward everyone and keep you growing in
Christ-likeness and Mary=likeness. We are
ever grateful to all of you!

In Jesus and Mary—Sr. Mary Bernard
Ocd

Carmelite Monastery
Tamale, Ghana, W. Africa

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Dear Tom and Rosary Makers,
I am sure you received my previous letter. I
am writing this letter to let you know that I am
transferred from Maryhill Convent Mangalane
to St. Therese Convent. I came here on 18th
May and I will continue to be here so I request
you to send the rosaries to my new address:

New Address:

Sr. M. Annunciate A.C.

St. Therese Convent

679121 Kerala, India

So please don't send the packet of rosaries to
the old address. But kindly send it to the new
address.

In my last letter I wrote about my brother Fred-
dy's death. Please continue to keep him in
your prayers. One of our former Provincial Su-
periors Sr. M. Theresina A.C. passed away
during the first week of May. She was 91+.
She had a heart attack and died early in the
morning when she was dressing up to come
for mass. Please keep her in your prayers.
Remember me to Jesus. May prayers are with
you to help you to continue this noble work of
spreading devotion to the rosary. With my
love, thanks and His assurance of my prayer
for you and yours.

Yours gratefully,

M. Annunciate, Kerala, India

From The Mission Fields

Dear Mr. Despres,

Thank you so much for the rosaries. They will be put to good use.

May God bless you and all of the Rosary Makers. You will be in my prayers.

IN the Heart of Our Blessed Mother,

Gayle Ostrander

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My Dear Mr. Thomas Kneeshaw,

On behalf of Mother Imelda. I am writing these few lines to acknowledge the receipt of rosaries, scapulars, the cross, the beautiful pictures of Our Lady and the pictures of Our Lady of Czeckoslovakia, which we got on 10th of January 2015. The rosaries are beautiful and all our friends have thanked you from the bottom of their hearts. May the Good God ad His holy Mother bless and reward you for your generosity.

I am fully aware of your sacrifices, hard work to prepare these beautiful, colorful and strong rosaries. By your good work, many people in the world are honoring Our Blessed Mother. People are very much appreciated and taken up with your beautiful rosaries. Many more people are coming to ask for rosaries. Our sincere thanks to each and everyone of you and we promise our humble prayers for the success of your holy work. Please convey my sincere thanks to all the rosary makers. May Our Lady help you and grant you all your needs of soul and body.

How are you and all at home two. Hope you are keeping well. May the Good God Bless you and all your family members. As for me I am not keeping well. Please pray for my health and for all my intentions. Moreover, please pray that I may prepare well for my last days. Thank you and may God bless you.

Yours sincerely,

Sr. M. Isabel Veluthedali

(for Mother Imelda)

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Dear Loving Mr. Thomas M. Kneeshaw,

Greetings and love from Fr. Bastian C.R. (Congregation of the Rosarians) in the name of Jesus Mary and Joseph. Your gifts of Rosaries was a great surprise to me and the children.

Thank you so much for your love and concern towards us. Sorry for I did not reply immediately. I was in Bangalore, taking classes for the philosophy students about two weeks.

Please understand me. How are your family members? Convey my regards to all of them.

My Easter wishes to everyone. Thank you so much for your sending us gifts. As I received I started to think of you, spending in collecting these articles for us. More than that I think of those who do willingly give for us (mission).

Surely the good God who sees all these happening on this earth surely will reward you. I say this not because you are helping us but the work you doing for God and Mary, the love and passion you have for God, Mary and mission. I liked the rosaries so much with lot of colors.

Thank you so much dear for all that you are to me and to us the community and the children who come here every now and then, I know how much you do a hard work. I really wonder about the love you have for the children, not only children but also me especially. I can feel personally this. Thank you so much. I understand you. Thank you so much.

I thank you for you are enabling me to do my ministry. I am happy about all the articles you are sending. I am using all of our articles to take it to the children and whosoever comes here to our Ashram, Classes, recollection and retreat. Thank you so much for you are making me to involve in spiritual matters and more and more. Once again I thank you so much for your love and concern towards us. I do pray for all that

From the Mission fields

You are doing and undertaking, your family members and all those who are supporting you in my Holy Masses and prayers and sacrifices we do. In this lantern season, let us unite ourselves with the passion of our Lord that we may be able to enjoy the Easter with full meaning. Thanking you.

Yours in Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
Rev. Fr. Bastian C.R.

Fatimagiri Ashram, Vadakkankulam
Tirunelveli Dist-627-116

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Dear Mr. Tom Kneeshaw,

Now let me wish you all a very Happy Christmas and bright New Year. May the Infant King grant all your intentions and all your works and for your good health. Hope this finds you all in good health and may the good God and Blessed Mother Mary bless your works.

It took 2 weeks to get your rosaries, now four years back I got transferred to Kerala. I am sorry that I did not inform and not give you my new address. But I wrote you two months ago. Hope you received it. Dear brother, if you can please send some rosaries to this address. I have many requests. They all very much devoted to our Blessed Mother Mary and praying the rosary daily. I thank you very much for the rosaries you are sending to us. I am praying for all of you for the good works you are doing for the whole world. May the Good Lord reward you.

Yours in the Lord,
Sr. Antoinette
St. Brydgets Convent
Kerala

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Greetings

of Joy and Peace in Christ Our Lord

Dear Thomas M Kneeshaw,

I am Fr. Nettem Rajesh Kumar working as a coordinating secretary to Bishop, Diocese of Gundur, Andhra Pradesh, India. First of all, let me express my heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful rosaries that you sent me last month. They are very good, people receding rosary. They are growing in faith because of your rosaries. They pray for you daily by holding your rosaries.

Rev. Dr. Gali Bali, Bishop of Guntur, asked me about rosaries as well as about you.

Bishop is very happy regarding rosaries as well as your service towards Mother Mary. I on behalf of Rev.Dr. Gali Bali personally thank you for all the rosaries that you have sent to us. People are very happy. I distributed all the rosaries to people. But the saddest thing is, rosaries are not sufficient. People often ask me for rosaries. That's why I again pen this few words. If it is possible, please send some more rosaries and some big rosaries for bishop. Yours in Christ Our

Lord Fr. Nettem Rajesh Kumar My Address
Fr. Nettem Rajesh Kumar, Bishop's House, Chandramoulinagar, Guntur-522007
Andhra Pradesh, India Phone: 9963884689

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My dear Tom,

I did receive your packet of Rosary. Thanks a lot for the same. Much of it I gave to our Parish Priest who was happy to give away to the needy Parishioners. This is a very active church. People are far better than the previous place in every way and so they will make use of it even better. If or when I don't need them I will let you know about it O.K ?? May our good Lord bless you and all your co-workers as He knows best.

Thanking you once again,

M. Sudha.A.C.

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Dear Sir Tom Kneeshaw, Greetings of peace!

I have just received the beautiful rosaries and scapulars given by the rosary makers; they will be distributed to children living in the shanties and from the mountains who would attend chetechetical classes. Some will be given to those who are in prison. They will be very happy to receive these rosaries and scapulars made by loving hands who would like to spread the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for your generosity. May the Blessed Virgin Mary always protect and bless all of you in your wonderful ministry.

In Jesus and Mary,

Br. Anthony S.P. Dameg, FLP
Formation Coordinator

4 Pontifical Mission Societies-Philippines

From the Mission fields

Here are two pictures from Fr. Geoffrey Inira's new Rosary Walk at the shrine he is in charge of in Nairobi, Kenya. We send rosaries to Father each year and he has visited Mr. Tom Kneeshaw here in Michigan last year also. To learn more visit the website:
<http://www.sacredheartshrinekaren.com>



From the Mission fields

Thanks for the gifts of the rosary, the people who pray at the Brothers place where i am, received them with enthusiastic and thirsty ,it is an opportunity to get such good rosaries as a gift from rosary makers,they are very grateful to you and to those who make them more will be distributed at those who pray with me at our lady of peace .Your Fr.Matovu Caesar See Pictures
Fr. Matovu Caesar sent to us to share with everyone!



From the Mission fields

Dear Rosary Makers,
On behalf of the residents of the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans, we wish to thank you very much for your kind donation of 42 rosaries. We sincerely appreciate your continued support of our Home and its residents.

Donations to the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans are tax deductible in the manner and to the extent provided under section 170 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Quality of life for our residents is enhanced greatly by donations such as this. Once again, thank you for remembering the residents at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

Our Veterans Thank You!

Sara Dunne

Administrator

Deanna Reames

Volunteer Coordinator

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We wanted to share with you that one of our devoted and long-time rosary makers, Rose Myers has made 10,630 rosaries so far for Our Lady's Rosary Makers! Congratulations Rose on your accomplishment, and as you continue to make rosaries for those in need around the world. Your reward will be great in Heaven!



**We wish to recognize
our new rosary makers:**

Ron Neihoff

**We wish to recognize
Our new scapular maker:
Gayle Neihoff**

Welcome!!!!

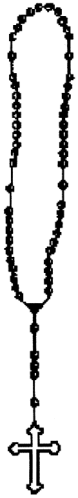


Please remember if a loved one has passed away and you would like to remember them in a special way, consider a donation in their memory to Our Lady's Rosary Makers. We will include your loved one in our next newsletter, remembering them as we pray our rosaries. All donations are tax deductible.

You may send your remembrance donation to:

Mr. Michael Despres
Treasurer
Our Lady's Rosary Makers
4983 Brownstone Dr. N.E.
Rockford, MI 49341





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Month of October

A Reflection on Mary

Just as Joseph, the son of Jacob, found favor in the eye of Pharaoh and was made second only to him in all the land of Egypt, so did Mary find favor in the eyes of the Lord and was made second only to him in all creation. The people of Egypt obeyed Joseph's every request and their land was blessed but too many people in the world will not even recognize Mary, much less obey her requests and we are plagued with sin, war, and threats of annihilation. Leaders from every walk of life sign treaties and seek peace in every part of the world while ignoring all the while the only plan that will every work, "Our Lady's peace plan from Heaven." Prayer, Penance and Consecration. Pray the Rosary every day. Do Penance, offer your every thought, word and deed in reparation for sin, all sin and reform your lives. Consecrate your lives to Her immaculate heart and wear Our Lady's scapular as a sign of your consecration. We must if we want peace, reform, do penance and pray unceasingly, especially the Rosary, every day. Since the early 1800's Our Lady has been coming repeatedly and always with Her Rosary. Time is running out if we are to avert punishment of untold proportions. Can't we read scripture, will we never learn? God is not mocked. You and I as children of Mary, thank God are obeying Our Lady. We're not only praying our Rosary, but making them so others may pray all over the world. We must do more, make as many Rosaries as possible and pray as many as we can. Our Lady said, "When enough people pray, Russia will be converted and there will be peace." May God grant you His peace!