

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011 - MADRID, SPAIN

World Youth Day (WYD) is an international meeting of youth and young adults (aged 18 —35 years) worldwide making a spiritual journey with the Vicar of Christ (the Pope). WYD is used to make the message of Christ known to all young people. The young people engage in various activities such as religious events, cultural exchanges, youth festivals and addresses by the Holy Father.

The next WYD takes place in Madrid, Spain from 15th—21st August, 2011 and focuses on the theme: **“Planted and built up in Jesus Christ, firm in the faith”** (Colossians: 2:7)

Registration opened on April 20th, 2010 and closes on Friday 20th, August, 2010. Forms are available at the Santa Rosa Parish Office. If you require additional information, please contact the Eastern Vicariate’s representative Dr. Hilary Bernard at 735—0422 or the Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Commission at 624—0454.



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SPECIAL COLLECTION

Archdiocesan collection in support of communications will be taken up at all masses next weekend, Ascension Sunday 15th and 16th May, 2010.

Santa Rosa Finance Council

meeting will be held on **Monday 10th May at 7.00 p.m.**

Parish Services

10.00 a.m. Saturdays

- 1st Saturday Legal
- 2nd Saturday Financial
- 3rd Saturday Family Life
- 4th Saturday National Insurance

Marriage Preparation

Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m.
in the South Parish Hall

Confession

The Sacrament will be available on **Tuesdays and Fridays from 4.00 p.m. in the Church**

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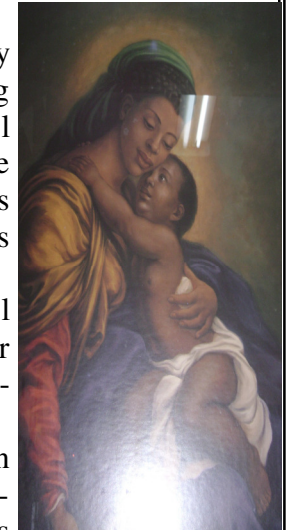
HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

We remember today our mothers both living and deceased, as well as all those who have mothered us in various ways and at various times.

For some, this day will be a time of joy, for others, a time of sadness and/or sorrow.

However this day can also be a time of healing and forgiveness and blessing as we remember and come to terms with and release past hurts and pain.

Let us use this day to forgive, bless and celebrate.



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FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATIONS

As our children continue their preparation for their first Holy Communion on Corpus Christi, they will celebrate their First Confession on Saturday 15th May from 8.30 a.m. in the church. At the same time, their parents will participate in a morning of Recollection in El Patio.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society hosts their annual Mother's Day Breakfast today (Sunday 9th May) after the 7.00 a.m. Mass in El Patio. So, mothers, come and be treated to a tasty breakfast on your special day.

MOTHERS' DAY NOVENA

of masses will be celebrated for all mothers living and deceased beginning today May 9th until May 16th .

LEGION OF MARY ACIES

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland on 7th September, 1921. It is a lay catholic organisation whose members give service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work. The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in their homes and in hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolic and missionary undertaking sponsored by the parish. Every legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary.

Acies

Acies is a Church function which is held annually for the members to renew their consecration to Mary both individually and collectively. This Latin word, Acies, meaning an army ranged in battle array, is appropriate to a ceremony in which the legionaries as a body assemble to renew their allegiance to Mary, Queen of the Legion, and from her to receive strength and blessing for yet another year's battle with the forces of evil. The Acies is the great central annual function of the Legion, so every member is required to attend. This year the Acies Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 11th May, 2010 at 6.00 p.m. at Santa Rosa Church with Msgr. Christian Pereira as celebrant. The Legion of Mary extends an invitation to all its members to attend this annual event.

Compiled from: www.legionofmary.ie & www.legionofmarytidewater.com

The Holy Rosary (part 1)

The rosary probably began as a practice by the laity to imitate the monastic Divine Office (Breviary or Liturgy of the Hours), during the course of which the monks daily prayed the 150 Psalms. The laity, many of whom could not read, substituted 50, or even 150, Ave Marias (Hail Marys) for the Psalms. This prayer, at least the first half of it, so directly biblical, seems to date from as early as the 2nd century, as ancient graffiti at Christian sites has suggested. Sometimes a cord with knots on it was used to keep an accurate count of the Aves.

The first clear historical reference to the rosary, however, is from the life of St. Dominic (died in 1221), the founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. He preached a form of the rosary in France at the time that the Albigensian heresy was devastating the Faith there. Tradition has it that the Blessed Mother herself asked for the practice as an antidote for heresy and sin.

One of Dominic's future disciples, Alain de Roche, began to establish Rosary Confraternities to promote the praying of the rosary. The form of the rosary we have today is believed to date from his time. Over the centuries the saints and popes have highly recommended the rosary, the greatest prayer in the Church after the Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. Not surprisingly, it's most active promoters have been Dominicans.

Rosary means a *crown of roses*, a spiritual bouquet given to the Blessed Mother. It is sometimes called the Dominican Rosary, to distinguish it from other rosary-like prayers (e.g. the Franciscan Rosary of the Seven Joys or Franciscan Crown, the Servite Rosary of the Seven Sorrows). It is also, in a general sense, a form of chaplet or corona (crown), of which there are many varieties in the Church. Finally, in English it has been called "Our Lady's Psalter" or "the beads." This last derives from an Old English word for prayers (bede) and to request (biddan or bid).

The rosary has been called *the* preparation for contemplation and *the* prayer of saints. While the hands and lips are occupied with the prayers, the mind meditates on the mysteries of the Incarnation and Redemption represented by the decades... In this way the heart, mind, and soul of the Christian is formed according to the Gospel examples of the Saviour and His First Disciple, His Mother.

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