



The House of Mary Shrine MAY 2013



Monday Masses Begin Again!!

Msgr. Hermann and Fr. Tim Lange will bring the Blessings of Mass to the Shrine each Monday starting May 6th.

*****Mass Schedule*****

<u>Saturdays — 9:00 AM</u>	<u>Mondays — 8:30 AM</u>
May 4 – Special Intent.	May 6 – _____
May 11 – Thomas Earl	May 13 – Thomas Varilek
May 18 – Weber/Koupal	May 20 – Joe Yaggie
May 25 – Fr. L. Sountjens	May 27 – H. Zimmermans
June 1 – Pro-Life	

Volunteers

We are setting **Thursdays** as a day volunteers could help with upkeep on the grounds, and some housekeeping indoors. **Everyone Is Welcome!!**
Call 668-9040 for more information.

Gift Shop—Volunteers Needed

We need people to work from **1:00 – 4:00 PM** on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
Call 668-9040 to Volunteer

For the Love of Roses,

Darold Adamson spends much time on his knees working with our rose bed. Check it out later as the blossoms give Glory to God!!



Ed Soukup “plugs” the yard, while Steve and Jim Neu work on reviving the lawn.

God Bless America

Pray For Religious Freedom—Join us as we sing and pray the **Patriotic Rosary every Sunday at 4:00 PM** for our Country, our Congress, and Religious Freedom.

!Fire! Our “burn pile” was overflowing, but it took a good snow before we could safely burn. Steve Schweitzer, our fireman, is the greatest!



Devotion of the Five First Saturdays

The following is an explanation of the conditions contained in Our Lady's request regarding the Communion of Reparation on the first Saturdays of the month.

1. Confess and receive Holy Communion
2. Recite the Rosary
3. "Keep Me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary"
4. With the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Why Five Saturdays?

It is sometimes asked why Our Lady asked for Communions of Reparation on five first Saturdays, instead of some other number. Our Blessed Lord answered that question when He appeared to Sr. Lucia May 29, 1930. He explained that it was because of five kinds of offenses and blasphemies against the Immaculate Heart of Mary namely: blasphemies against her Immaculate Conception, against her perpetual virginity, against the divine and spiritual maternity of Mary, blasphemies involving the rejection and dishonoring of her images, and the neglect of implanting in the hearts of children a knowledge and love of this Immaculate Mother.

GIFT SHOP OPENS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Rosary—Miracles and Facts

- "Among all the devotions approved by the Church, none has been so favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the Most Holy Rosary" (Pope Pius IX).
- "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world" (Our Lady of Fátima).
- "There is no surer means of calling down God's Blessings upon the family than the daily recitation of the Rosary" (Pope Pius XII).
- Pope John Paul II has called the Rosary his "favorite prayer," after the Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours.
- St. Louis de Montfort, "the Rosary is a priceless treasure inspired by God."

The Rosary Stops a Serial Killer—1978

At 3:00 AM on January 15, Bundy entered the Chi Omega sorority house at Florida State University and murdered two girls before heading off to search for more victims. When he entered a third girl's room with a bat for a weapon, he saw a Rosary clutched in her hand; he dropped the bat and fled. Later the girl told authorities that before she left for college she had promised her grandmother that she would pray the Rosary every night for protection, even if she fell asleep in the process. This is what she had done that night, and she was still holding the Rosary when the murderer entered her room. Bundy later confessed to over thirty murders.

Father Joseph M. Esper says in his book *With Mary to Jesus*, "Ironically, when Ted Bundy was on death row, awaiting execution for his crimes, he asked Monsignor Kerr to serve as a spiritual counselor, and the Priest took the opportunity to ask about that terrible night. Bundy explained that when he entered the girl's room, he had fully intended on murdering her; some mysterious power was preventing him."

Father Esper adds, "And not only does it (the Rosary) aid our own spiritual growth—it also undermines the kingdom of satan. The famous Vatican exorcist, Father Gabriele Amorth, testified, 'One day a colleague of mine heard the devil say during an exorcism, "Every Hail Mary is like a blow on my head. If Christians knew how powerful the Rosary was, it would be my end.'"

Pray the Rosary daily for protection and to defeat the forces of satan!

The Rosary Protects Jesuit Priests From The Atom Bomb at Hiroshima—1945

On August 6, 1945, during World War II, an atomic bomb was dropped on the town of Hiroshima, Japan. One hundred forty thousand people were killed or injured. There was a home eight blocks (about one kilometer) from where the A-Bomb went off. This home had a Church attached to it which was completely destroyed, but the home survived, and so did the eight German Jesuit Missionaries who prayed the Rosary in that house faithfully every day. These men were Missionaries to the Japanese people; they were non-military, but because Germany and Japan were allies during WWII they were permitted to live and minister within Japan during the war.

Not only did they all survive with, at most, relatively minor injuries, but they all lived well past that awful day with no radiation sickness, no loss of hearing, or any other visible long-term defects or maladies. Naturally, they were interviewed and examined numerous times (Fr. Schiffer, a survivor, said over 200 times) by scientists and health-care people about their remarkable experience and they say "we believe that we survived because we were living the message of Fatima. We lived and prayed the Rosary daily in that home."

Battle of Lepanto

In 1571 the Christian army, after intense devotion with the Rosary, succeeded in one of the greatest naval victories in the **Battle of Lepanto** against the powerful Turks. The sixty-five thousand men prayed the Rosary for three hours. Finally, after these devotions, the men were given absolution (forgiveness of their sins). The Turks had nearly three times more troops. The winds were against the Christians and the conditions were poor; but after the devotions ended, the winds, at the very start of battle, aided the Christians to a colossal victory against the Turks. This was one of the greatest naval upsets in history and from this, the Turks never fully recovered and their threat in the Mediterranean Sea ended.

Following this victory, Pope Pius V established the Feast of Our Lady of Victories on October 7th. The name was later changed to its present form—the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**.