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Reflection About the ROSARY

Next week starts the month of October, also referred to as the month of the Rosary, let us reflect about and pray the Rosary.

In the booklet “The Rosary for Children” by Sister Karen Cavanaugh, we are reminded of these realities. The Rosary is a special way of praying to God that honors Mary, the Mother of Jesus. As we recite the prayers of the Rosary, we think about certain stories in the lives of Jesus and Mary.

These stories are called “mysteries”: a mystery is a story about God and God’s life in another person. We use Rosary beads to help us keep count of the prayers and the mysteries.

The complete Rosary consists of 20 decades. There are four sets of mysteries and five stories in each set: The Joyful Mysteries, The Luminous Mysteries, The Sorrowful Mysteries, and The Glorious Mysteries.

When we use the Rosary beads, we pray five decades and one set of mysteries at a time.

When we are finished praying the Rosary, we realize that we have relived the life of Jesus. Jesus comes alive again in our minds and our hearts as we say the Rosary. We are reminded again that Jesus will be with us in the joyful times of our lives and in the times that are sorrowful.

We recall, too, the promise of Jesus to us if we are faithful to him in our lives. He has promised that he will bring us to a glorious time where we, too, will be welcomed to God’s presence—heaven—forever.

During this month of October I ask our LFS parents (and other parishioners) to say the Rosary as a family as often as you can—daily, if possible. If it is not possible to pray the rosary as a family, remind each other to pray it whenever or where ever you can. As Sr. Jean Louise’s bulletin board outside the LFS library says, there are many “Places to Pray the ROSARY”: “in my home, in the church, in the car, in the park, with a friend, with my parents, while running, while walking.”

LFS students lead the Rosary at the Friday morning Mass. Let us go one more step, to teach our children (not just by word, but also by example) how to meditate on the events in the life of Jesus and Mary and bring our prayers to Jesus through Mary and the Rosary.

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+++ No School Monday Sept. 29th

+++The Little Flower Parish Annual Fall Supper will be held on Sunday, Oct. 5th from 4:00 – 7:00 PM