

**ROSARY ON THE COASTS FOR LIFE AND FAITH
PRAYER PROGRAMME**

**Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun, Fatima
13, October 2019**

*Begging God for the miracle of the protection of
Life and the preservation of Faith in Northern
Ireland and all Ireland.*

Hymn: I'll Sing a Hymn to Mary

I'll sing a hymn to Mary,
The Mother of my God,
The Virgin of all virgins,
Of David's royal blood.
O teach me, holy Mary,
A loving song to frame,
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
To love and bless thy name.

O Lily of the Valley,
O Mystic Rose, what tree,
Or flower, e'en the fairest,
Is half so fair as thee?
O let me, tho' so lowly
Recite my Mother's fame.
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

PSALM 51:

**Response: A humble and contrite heart, O God,
you will not spurn.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. **Response:**
Indeed you love truth in the heart;
then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom.

O purify me, then I shall be clean;
O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow. **Response:**
A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **Response:**

HOLY ROSARY: Sorrowful Mysteries

The Agony in the Garden

Consider Our Lord Jesus crushed by the weight of
our sins until bloody sweat poured. By the Infinite
merits of this redemptive suffering we beg Thee, O
Mother to preserve Northern Ireland from abortion
and protect the life and innocence of babies and
children throughout Ireland.

Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar

Consider Our Lord Jesus scourged for our sins until
not an inch of His flesh was left intact. By the
infinite merits of this redemptive suffering we beg
Thee O Mother obtain for our island a renewed
love and respect for faith, family and marriage

The Crowning of Jesus with Thorns

Consider Our Lord Jesus mocked and crowned with
thorns so that His Sacred Head and Holy Face were
covered in blood. By the infinite merits of this
suffering we beg Thee O Mother to sanctify our
bishops, priests and religious and obtain from your
Son many priestly and religious vocations for our
island.

Jesus Carries His Cross

Consider Our Lord Jesus carrying His Cross and
despite falls persevering until He reached His
destination...Calvary. By the infinite merits of this
redemptive suffering we beg Thee O Mother to
obtain for us and for our families the Grace to

persevere in our Catholic faith every day even to
our last.

The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus

Consider Our Lord Jesus nailed to the cross for our
sins and in death opening the fount of Mercy for
us. By the infinite merits of this redemptive
suffering we beg Thee O Mother to obtain for
Ireland an enduring love and respect for the Mass
and the Holy Eucharist.

**Act of Consecration of Ireland to the Immaculate
Heart of Mary (Archbp Eamon Martin)**

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and
Refuge of Sinners, we entrust and consecrate
ourselves, our family, our home, our Dioceses and
Ireland our country to Jesus through your
Immaculate Heart. As your children, we promise to
follow your example in our lives by doing at all times
the will of God.

O Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, we renew today
the promises of our Baptism and Confirmation.
Intercede for us with the Holy Spirit that we may be
always faithful to your Divine Son, to his Mystical
Body, the Catholic Church, and to the teachings of
his Vicar on earth, our Holy Father the Pope.
Immaculate Heart of Mary, our Queen and our
Mother, we promise to uphold the sanctity of
marriage and the welfare of the family. Watch over
our minds and hearts and preserve our young
people from dangers to their faith and the many
temptations that threaten them in the world today.
We ask you, Mary our Advocate to intercede with
your divine Son. Obtain for our country the grace to
uphold the uniqueness of every human life, from the
first moment of conception to natural death.
O Blessed Mother, Our Life, Our Sweetness and Our
Hope, we wish that this Consecration be for the

greater glory of God and that it lead us safely to Jesus your Son.

A Naomh-Mhuire, a Mháthair Dé, guigh orainn na peacaigh, anois agus ar uair ár mbáis.

Amen

Hymn: Hail Queen of Heaven

Hail, Queen of Heav'n, theoccean Star,
Guide of the wand'rer here below!

Thrown on life's surge we claim thy care,

Save us from peril and from woe.

Mother of Christ, Star of the sea,

Pray for the wanderer, pray for me

O gentle, chaste, and spotless Maid,

We sinners make our prayers through thee

Remind thy Son that He has paid

The price of our iniquity.

Virgin most pure, Star of the sea,

Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

Divine Mercy Chaplet and/or "O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, Pray for Us" x3

PRAYER FOR THE CHILD IN THE WOMB (IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE)

Lord Jesus, You are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life. Help us to see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator. Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift. Guide the work of doctors, nurses and midwives. May the life of a mother and her baby in the womb be equally cherished and respected. Help those who make our laws to uphold the uniqueness and sacredness of every human life, from the moment of conception to natural death. Together with Mary, Your Mother,

in whose womb You took on our human nature, help us to choose life in every decision we take. We ask this in the joyful hope of eternal life with You, and in the communion of the Blessed Trinity. Amen

Our Lady of Knock, pray for us.

St Patrick, St Malachy, St Oliver martyrs, saints and holy souls of Ireland, pray for us.

St. Joseph. Pray for us!

St Michael, the Angel of Ireland and Holy Guardian Angels... Pray for us

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in this hour of conflict. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host thrust Satan down to hell, and with him all the wicked spirits who wander the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Solemn Blessing of Ireland (Said By priest/bishop)

If no priest is present, begin each section with

"Eternal Father always present to your people, in the Name of Jesus, we beg you to bless Ireland..."

God, Creator and Redeemer of all that exists, from the time that You sent St. Patrick to our island of Ireland, You have made Yourself known to us as the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the God of Infinite Love who is always present for His people. From that time Ireland has been and is a Christian nation. To implore Your heavenly blessings in abundance once again, We have come here today, as the present day Irish generation of the faith which our ancestors treasured, preserved and handed down to us, even at the cost of their lives. Through the intercession of the Hearts of Your Son

Jesus, the Divine Majestic King and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Ireland, to whom we consecrate ourselves and our nation today, may You bless Ireland with a renewed sanctification by the fire of the Holy Spirit. So that the faithful thronging in ever greater numbers to Your Church, will form the heavenly Jerusalem throughout our land.

R. Amen

Heavenly Father, Your very own words in referring to Yourself were "I am God not of the dead but of the living". Since every single life is created by You and is infinitely sacred and precious to You from the moment of conception to natural death, You look upon each with unfathomable love. Through the intercession of Jesus and Mary as King and Queen of all the living, in union with our ancestors of the faith who now reign with You

in heavenly glory for having imitated You in loving life, we ask Your protective blessings on all life, from conception to natural death. May all who were brought into this world by You to be the loving welcoming arms to receive these new lives be enlightened by your Spirit and set aflame with a heavenly desire to treasure every life as a sacred gift from heaven. May all those who have been allowed by You in Your infinite wisdom to occupy positions of power and authority be blessed with a deep awareness of the grave responsibility that comes with the position, that of using their positions, before Your all seeing eyes, only in ways that preserve and treasure life from conception to natural death. **R. Amen**

Finally, we ask You Lord, to remove all obstacles to the blessings You wish to bestow upon our nation and people through Ireland's first ever Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith. Through St. Peter You

constantly remind us to stay alert because our enemy “the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour”. Through St. Paul, You further warn us to be on our guard against “the principalities and powers, against the rulers of darkness in this world and against spiritual wickedness in the high places”. Such dark clouds have been hovering over and residing in our nation Lord but we know in faith that as “the Light which has come into this world, a Light that no darkness can overpower”, all it would require for the total banishment of these clouds is one word of command from You. This great blessing we ask of You for our unborn, for our elderly, for our youth, for our faith, for our Church, for our sacramental marriage and family, as we make the words of Ps 68 our own: “Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee before Him! As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax melts before the fire, let all wickedness perish before God! You have heard our plea Lord and with your response may we become once again a divinely enlightened nation of “saints and scholars” for Your greater glory and our eternal happiness.
R. Amen

May Almighty God descend upon Ireland and upon you and your families, and enrich you with His blessings and preserve you in His Grace, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Go in the peace of Christ.

R. Thanks be to God

Holy water sprinkled in all directions

Hymn: Faith of Our Fathers or Our Lady of Knock



Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
 Were still in heart and conscience free;
 And blest would be their children’s fate,
 If they, like them should die for thee:
 Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
 We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will strive
 To win all nations unto thee;
 And through the truth that comes from God
 Mankind shall then indeed be free.
 Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
 We will be true to thee till death!

Our Lady of Knock

There were people of all ages
 gathered ‘round the gable wall
 poor and humble men and women,
 little children that you called
 We are gathered here before you,
 and our hearts are just the same
 filled with joy at such a vision,
 as we praise your name

Refrain: Golden Rose, Queen of Ireland,
 all my cares and troubles cease
 as we kneel with love before you,
 Lady of Knock, my Queen of Peace

Though your message was unspoken,
 still the truth in silence lies
 as we gaze upon your vision,
 and the truth I try to find
 here I stand with John the teacher,
 and with Joseph at your side
 and I see the Lamb of God,
 on the Altar glorified Refrain

And the Lamb will conquer
 and the woman clothed in the sun
 will shine Her light on everyone
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 will shine Her light on everyone Refrain: