



The Marian Messenger

Bi-monthly newsletter of the Sodality of Our Lady

Mary, Our Mother, Teach Us To Shine Your Quiet Light On Our Pathway to Jesus

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Prefect's Perspective

Dear Friends,

As my term as Prefect winds down, I would like to take this opportunity to share a few parting words with you. These past two years have been an amazing time for me. Little did I know what joy, blessings, and challenges this role would bring to me. I have enjoyed getting to know each of you so much better. You are a remarkable group of followers of Jesus through Mary. Every time I asked for your assistance, it was given in a heartbeat. To my fellow officers and committee chairs, your dedication and fidelity to your roles allowed our team to be one of the most collegial and effective groups I have ever been a part of.

To JoEllen, as you take over the leadership, just as I have looked to past Prefects for advice, know that I am here for *you*. May God give you and your term abundant blessings.

As our Sodality celebrates 65 years, I consider it an honor and a privilege to have served as a Prefect in this chapter of our history. May we continue to thrive for the *next* 65 years.

St. Hugh of Grenoble, pray for us. Mary, Mother of our hearts, pray for us.

In Christ,
Laurie

Therefore, from the day we heard this, we do not cease praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding to live in a manner worthy of the Lord, so as to be fully pleasing, in every good work bearing fruit and growing in the knowledge of God, strengthened with every power, in accord with his glorious might, for all endurance and patience, with joy giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:9-14

The Quiet Way of Holiness with Mary, Our Mother

The way of Mary is one of faith and quiet confidence in the Lord. The Scriptures tell of little of Mary's daily life, which remains largely hidden. But they do relate how she acted in "crisis" situations: when she was asked to be the Mother of God at the Annunciation; when the couple ran out of wine at the Wedding at Cana; when she stood at the foot of the Cross.

In every moment of crisis, she did not run away, but stood her ground, placing every confidence in God. Bewildered by Gabriel's announcement that she was chosen to be the Mother of God, she did not hesitate to consent, entrusting herself to God's providential will for her. Quick to discern the young couple's predicament at the wedding feast, she immediately approached her Son, certain of a favorable reply. Pierced by anguish as she stood beneath the Cross, at her Son's behest she embraced the apostle John and the disciples of all time and places as her own dear children.

It is the great privilege of sodalists to walk this Marian way with Mary, showing forth the same faith and quiet confidence of the Mother of God. In imitation of Mary, their lives remain hidden in Christ, always ready to respond to the promptings and demands of divine grace. Assisted by Mary, they embrace their vocation to be bearers of Christ to the world, bringing the needs of their neighbors to his attention through prayer, and standing close in solidarity with all who suffer.

I give thanks to God for all of you, the members of the Sodality of Our Lady of St. Hugh of Grenoble parish, who walk the quiet way of holiness with Mary. May you always know the consolation of her maternal care, and may she strengthen you in every need.

Father Walter

From the Archives of Kathy Labukus

...found in her mother's files. At one time her mother was Prefect of the Sodality.

I'm a fifty cent piece
And I can well agree
When folks say I'm not nearly worth
What I once used to be;
But let me tell you this,
Here's something that I know,
If you will just invest in me
Then I can grow and grow.

Oh, I won't make a million,
But I'm sure you will see
That I can be of a little help
To Our Lady's Sodality.

Bible Trivia Scores a Hit

The St. Hugh of Grenoble Sodality hosted the March meeting of the Sodality Union of the Archdiocese of Washington. For its special event, the SU Junior Sodality held a Bible Trivia game for all of its participating parishes.

Although St. Hugh did not have a team participating this year, we were very proud to have our Junior Sodalist, Christine Bailey, serve as the lector for the 9am Mass, and as an aide to the Master of Ceremonies for the Bible Trivia contest.

The entire day's events were well received and parishes, including ours, are already planning to enter next year's Bible Trivia competition. Thanks to everyone who helped or participated in the events.

Calendar of Events

- May 6 Sodality Mass & Mtg. @ 8am
Elections & Newsletter
- May 13 May Procession after 11am Mass
- May 18 Luau
- May 22 EC mtg. @7pm in Rectory
- May 24 Confirmation @ 4pm
- June 2 8th Grade Graduation
- June 3 Mass @ 8am No meeting
- June 5 EOY Mass @ 5pm & Banquet
Installation of Officers & New
Members
- June 10 First Holy Communion for
Non-second graders
- July 1 Sodality Mass @ 8am
- Aug 5 Sodality Mass @ 8am
- Aug 22 Queenship of Mary
Eucharistic Adoration @ 7pm
- Sept 2 Sodality Mass & mtg @ 8am
Newsletter



Celebration of our 65th Year of Service will begin with the Feast of the Queenship of Mary, Aug. 22nd. Look for the brochure with all events this summer. --Thank you Suzanne for this print by Gaddi from the Nat'l Gallery of Art.

Anyway

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered;
 Forgive them anyway.
 If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;
 Be kind anyway.
 If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;
 Succeed anyway.
 If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
 Be honest and frank anyway.
 What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;
 Build anyway.
 If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
 Be happy anyway.
 The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
 Do good anyway.
 Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;
 Give the world the best you've got anyway.
 You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;
 It was never between you and them anyway.

--Mother Teresa

**April, May
June, July & August Birthdays**

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| April 7 | Mary Ann Tretler | April 14 | Cindy Perry |
| April 20 | Blanche Rumbold | April 28 | Henrietta Stattel |
| June 6 | Kathy Labukas | June 11 | Mame Ellis |
| June 24 | Suzanne Lomax | June 30 | Peggy Hool |
| July 10 | Tom Lonsbury | July 16 | Beatrice Baning |
| July 20 | Mary Ellen McGovern | July 30 | Ellen Hanyok |
| Aug. 2 | JoAnn McCarthy | Aug. 6 | Guillermo Olivos |
| Aug. 9 | Marlene Vikor | | |

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Many Thanks to...

- our outgoing Executive Council for their generous service
- our future Executive Council: Prefect--JoEllen Sarff, Vice-Prefect--Beth Osborne, Recording Secretary--Suzanne Lomax, Corresponding Secretary--Veronica Penick, and Treasurer--Candy Culhane for accepting their positions with enthusiasm
- our Sodalists, living and dead, whose legacy of faith in action continues to inspire us to live our journey "to Jesus through Mary" with love and joy

Have a great summer!

Reminder...

Our lector for May 6: Cindy Perry.

Gift bearers: Mame Ellis and Bridget McDermott.

Flowers for the BVM: Martha Loutsch.

Our lector for June 3: Rita Radich

Gift bearers: Marguerite Kincius and Cathy Holcombe

Flowers for the BVM: Marguerite and Cathy.

Our lector for July 1:

Gift bearers:

Flowers for the BVM:

Our lector for August 5: Mary Wade

Gift bearers:

Flowers for the BVM: Marlene Vikor

PRAYER CORNER

Let us remember our fellow Sodalists and parishioners and their family members in our prayers...

- Gloria Wilson
- Peggy Compton and her son, Bobby
- Marlene Vikor and her father, Robert Riley Williams
- All those intentions written in the Sodality Prayer Book