



What is A Living Rosary?

According to Maura McKeegan, “the devotion appears to have begun in France in 1826, when Venerable Pauline-Marie Jaricot formed the Living Rosary Association. She was inspired to pull together a group of 15 persons who would each be responsible for praying one decade of the Rosary each day, so that the full 15-decade Rosary would be prayed each day by the group. (At that time there were three mysteries of the Rosary, multiplied by the 5 decades.)

Over a century later, during the Nazi occupation of Poland, a young layman named Jan Tyranowski formed prayer groups of 15 men in this parish, representing the 15 mysteries of the Rosary. One of the group’s leaders was the young Karol Wojtyla—the young St. John Paul II (who would later introduce the Luminous Mysteries in his pontificate.) Tyranowski met with the men in prayer and guided them in spiritual direction. He called it the Living Rosary prayer group. Wojtyla, the future pope, remained devoted to the Living Rosary prayer group and brought this model into his own parishes after he became a priest.”

During the month of May - the Month of Our Lady, St. Catherine’s Montessori Community would like to form a Living Rosary prayer group to give honor to Our Lady and to ask her intercession for our community members as well as the whole world. This Living Rosary will begin on May 16 and end on May 31. We invite you to sign-up for one or more decade (s) of the Rosary at the slot(s) under this message and pray the decade once a day at a convenient time for you.

May God bless you and may Our Lady intercede for you and your family before the throne of our Heavenly Father.

The twenty Mysteries of the Rosary

JOYFUL MYSTERIES

The First mystery: THE ANNUNCIATION

The second mystery: THE VISITATION

The third mystery: THE NATIVITY

The fourth mystery: THE PRESENTATION AT THE TEMPLE

The fifth mystery: FINDING JESUS AT THE TEMPLE

SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

The First mystery: THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

The second mystery: THE SCOURGING AT THE PILAR

The third mystery: THE CROWNING WITH THORNS

The fourth mystery: THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS

The fifth mystery: EXECUTION OF JESUS

LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

The First mystery: THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

The second mystery: THE WEDDING AT CANA

The third mystery: THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM AND THE CALL TO
CONVERSION

The fourth mystery: THE TRANSFIGURATION

The fifth mystery: THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST

GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

The First mystery: THE RESURRECTION

The second mystery: THE ASCENSION

The third mystery: THE DESCENDING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The fourth mystery: THE ASSUMPTION

The fifth mystery: THE CROWNING OF MARY AS QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND EARTH