



THE LEGION OF MARY
BULLETIN
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What is on?

5th – 7th September 48hr Rosary Bouquet
in honour of Our Lady's birthday

8th September Mass for the presentation
of the 48hr Rosary Bouquet Scroll

TBA October Congress

4th November Annual Mass and
fellowship

The ALLOCUTIO was given by Fr.
Andre Nahas, Comitium Spiritual
Director.

***Legion's Loyalty and
Obedience***

*Legion loyalty and obedience
very much visible in their
spirituality and in their own
interior movement. The*

*objectives of the Legion of Mary
is obedience and loyalty. The
members are united in the one
purpose of bringing Christ to the
world through Mary. The
Handbook tells us that the
cement of this connection is
loyalty and loyalty bears fruit in
obedience.*

*Jesus chose to obey his humble
creatures, Mary and Joseph. He
humbled himself, becoming
obedient unto death. He
acknowledged Pilate's authority
over his life, saying that it was
given him from above. Still he
obeys his Priests, even though
they be unworthy, at mass and in
administering the sacraments.
We who are other Mary's must
learn of him and obey. You
cannot really understand
obedience unless you have deep
faith. Faith is defined as belief.
Catholic faith means that we
accept all that God has revealed
simply on His authority.
The main purpose of obedience
is to unite our wills with Gods. It
takes for granted that the man in*

authority, be he bishop, parish priest, spiritual director, Monsignors, cardinal or the Holy Father, the Pope is trying to see what the Divine will is for all, for those under his name. We must believe that God gives those in charge of his guidance.

This is what we call that state of grace.

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Dear Legionaries,

I am sure that all who attended the Annual One Day Retreat will confirm that we were very blessed to have Archbishop Timothy Costelloe and Mrs Anna Krohn present absolutely wonderful talks. We are doing our best to put these talks onto our webpage for all to listen to. I would like to thank both His Grace and Anna for being with us on this occasion and bringing to life both Don Bosco and Edel Quinn.

I would also like to acknowledge those who did a wonderful job of preparing food, assisting during the Mass and helping out in any area that they were asked to assist in. I know I will forget someone but let me start. To Judy Woodward and the ladies of Glendalough Praesidium, Betty Flynn, Leo Gonslavas, the members of the Northern Districts Curia, Adolf D'Souza, Michael Soh, Mignonne Goes, Cynthia Gauci, Keith Collins and Thea Hanson and all who attended without your help and presence the day would not have been the wonderful success it was. Once again thank you and if I forgot someone I most sincerely apologise.

At our July meeting we will be electing a new treasurer. Sr Mignonne has done a wonderful job of keeping us financial for the past 6 years and we must now find a new treasurer. Please look among your members and if there is someone who may be able to take the position on let us know and we will talk with them. I thank Sr Mignonne for her dedication to this roll and ask that you keep her in your prayers.

The position of President is also due for either reappointment or for someone to take on. Once again come and talk to us if you know of someone suitable for the position.

June is the month of the Sacred Heart. I encourage you to promote the Consecration of the home within your parish. We have the pictures and the prayers of consecration in our Piety Shop. Ask your Parish Priest to promote this wonderful devotion and encourage families to give the Sacred Heart a place in their homes.

During this month and over the next few months many of our young students will be receiving Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion and many will receive the Holy Spirit and become full Catholics. I ask you to encourage these young people, as well as their parents on their journey in their faith. Let them know that you are keeping them in your prayers and perhaps give them a little gift from the Legion. These little things will remain with these children for the remainder of their lives.

I wish you all the blessing for this coming month and thank you for your dedication and hard work for Our Blessed Mother.

God bless

Rosemary

REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Albany: Our Lady of Grace **Our Lady of Grace, Albany**

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| Location & Time of Meeting: New Camfield, 154 Aberdeen Street, Albany at 1pm Thursdays. | | | |
| Name of Praesidium | Our Lady of Grace | Place of Meeting | New Camfield Office |
| Active Membership | 11 | Junior Members | Nil |
| Auxiliary Membership | 30 | Number of Officers | All filled |
| Spiritual Director | Deacon Jim Doyle | President | Sr. Anne Letter |
| Vice President | Sr. Christina Cameron | Secretary | Sr. Wilma Ward |
| Treasurer | Sr. Cirila Adams | Correspondent | Sr. Lidia Smargiassi |
| Report from | May 2017 | to | May 2018 |

Albany Parish has three new priest who are very supportive of the Legion, God's blessing to our Parish.

- Fr. Christian Saminal OSJP
- Fr. Vincent Comple OSJP
- Fr. Randolph Subiaco OSJP

Regular works: Weekly and Monthly

Visitations to the elderly, lonely and those suffering ill health. A few of our elderly have become housebound and appreciate members carrying out shopping from them. At times, they take tem some home cooking which is gratefully received. When time permits, even if it is a short visit to say 'hello'. It is much

appreciated.

Pilgrim Statues:

Two pilgrim statues continue to circulate, one of the Filipino Community and the other to the local community. Support is also given to the monthly Rosary and Benediction, daily Mass, Divine Mercy, 24 Hour Rosary and special fest days.

Legionaries also visit Glen Craig Home, Gwen Hardie Home, Clarence Estate Home and Bethel Baptist Home. Help and support with the monthly Mass at Clarence Estate and Bethel Baptist Home.

Sundays Cup of Tea:

The 7:30am and 9:30m morning teas at St. Joseph's Church and Holy Family Church are always well supported by our legionaries.

Rosary Making:

Sr. Adams is continuing to make rosaries which are then sent to the various mission fields around the world

Piety Stall:

Stalls are run at both St. Joseph's Church and Holy Family Church. To date parishioners have supported us to keep both stalls open, fulfilling a need not only to this parish but also neighboring areas. Goods are kept at a low price and even when circumstances permit, a sample is given.

Prison Visitations:

There are two legionaries and other parishioners who visit Albany Regional Prison monthly with a priest.

Other Works:

Delivering our Christmas and Easter Mass time tables to all various tourist destinations in and around the Albany CBD.

ACIES:

Our ACIES was held on 18th March. Approximately 35 people attended. A beautiful ceremony followed by an enjoyable afternoon tea.

The Annual Mass for deceased legionaries is offered every November.

Sr. Anne Letter was elected as the new President last 31st August 2017.

To Report in June

Victoria Park: Our Lady Queen of Patriarchs

SPECIALS PRAYERS

Prayers for the Sick:

For all who have been on previous lists: Sr. Teresa Tran, Joy Stoddart, Anna Nerindino, Mary Massellio, Fr. Brian Ahearn, Geoff, Judy Woodward, Eric John, Celestine Tay Fernandez, Gerard Roch, Catherina Aveli, Fr. Andre Nahhas, Br. Michael, Sr. Maria and David.

Repose of the Souls: Sr. Teresa Tran, Joy Stoddart, Anna Nerindino, Mary Massellio, Fr. Brian Ahearn, Geoff, Judy Woodward, Eric John, Celestine Tay Fernandez, Gerard Roch, Catherina Aveli, Fr. Andre Nahhas, Br. Michael, Sr. Maria and David.

Special Intentions: Myamen and Joseph Gauci

REPORTS

| June | July |
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| Victoria Park – Our lady Queen of Patriarchs | Canning Vale Ark of the Covenant Northern Districts Curia Mary Assumed into Heaven |

VISITATIONS

| June | July |
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| Fremantle Curia | Manning Our Lady of the way Willetton Our Lady of the Missions |

Report of Council to Senatus

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| Council | <i>Perth Comitium</i> |
| Officerships Vacant | <i>nil</i> |
| Meeting Place & Time | <i>Venerable Edel Quinn Centre 36 Windsor St Perth. 3rd Monday of the Month at 7pm</i> |
| Number of Praesidia attached to Comitium | 10 Senior Praesidia, Metro Area, 4 Praesidia Country Area, 4 Curiae Metro, |
| Total Number of Praesidia in Western Australia | 7 NDC, 10, EDC + 1 Junior, 7 Fremantle 9 + 2 Junior, Vietnamese 3 |
| Officerships Vacant | 6 |
| Active Members | 84 Total Western Australia 300 |
| Auxiliary Members | 431 Total Western Australia 1219 |
| Period of Report | Report December 2017– May 2018 |

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| Reports were given by | Northern District Curia. Mary Assumed into Heaven Eastern District Curia Our Lady Help of Christians Fremantle Curia: Immaculate Conception East Victoria Park: Our Lady Help of Christians Busselton: Star of the Sea Canning Vale: Ark of the Covenant Manning: Our Lady of the Way Cloverdale: Regina Coeli Thornlie: Maria Annunciata Willetton: Our Lady of the Missions |
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| Visitations were made to | Eastern Districts Curia: Our Lady Help of Christians Northern Districts Curia: Mary Assumed into Heaven Cloverdale: Regina Coeli Victoria Park: Our Lady, Queen of Patriarchs Eastern Districts Curia Busselton: Star of the Sea Willetton: Our Lady of the Missions |

Extension:

- Legionaries have gained new members by personal contact and through the weekly Parish bulletin. This approach has seen success in several Praesidia who have had new members take their promise
- Eastern Districts Curia were able to re open a praesidium in the Embellton Parish and they are having good attendances at their meetings.
- Eastern Districts is working hard to extend into new parishes. They plan on giving talks in the Gosnells Parish and to revisit reopening in Kalamunda Parish. The executive is working hard at shoring up already functioning Praesidia and expanding into new areas.

Events during the past six months

- Our AGR was held on the 9th December. Legionaries were asked to join the executive for a high tea and singalong. Guests were asked to bring along a non perishable

Christmas food items to help St Vincent de Paul with their Christmas hampers. It took 2 Legionaries in their cars to transport the gifts to St Vincent de Paul Cloverdale who were very grateful for them.

- **Annual Rosary Procession for Our Lady of Fatima: we held this on the 2nd February and although the attendance was about 350 we were pleased with the crowd. Fr Don Kettle, administrator of St Mary's Cathedral, attended and encouraged 4 of his assistant priests to join us.**
- **Annual One Day Retreat:** His Grace Rev Archbishop of Perth, Timothy Costelloe opened our Retreat with a wonderful talk on St John Don Bosco, founder of the Salesian Order and Patron St of Youth. Much of what Don Bosco said and believed can be taken on by the Legion. Many were disappointed when His Grace had to finish his talk and would have loved for him to talk for longer but his commitments did not permit it.

Our second speaker was Anna Krohn. Anna gave us a talk on the Feminine Genius of Edel Quinn and a shorter version of the talk she gave at the 2018 Summer School. All were totally engaged in what both speakers had to say and were very pleased with the day.

Once again Our Blessed Mother tested us with the weather with storms predicted. Our attendance was about 100 -125 which was down because of the forecast but those who attended said that the day had been very spiritually uplifting and informative.

- **ACIES:** All Councils have held their ACIES and all reported a good turnout of numbers. Comitium held their ACIES at the Willetton parish of Sts John and Paul. Fr Greg Carroll was the celebrant and he gave us a wonderful talk on Our Blessed Mother and encouraged us to try and attend Mass on Monday 21st May to celebrate the new optional Memorial Mary, Mother of the Church. Our ceremony was followed by wonderful fellowship in the Parish Centre.

Coming Events for the next six months

- **48 Hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday 5th Sept – 8th Sept. We will be sending out the information on this and hope that Senatus will be able to advertise it through the monthly meeting and the bulletin.**
- **We will be holding a Congress on the 13th October 2018 with the theme of The Legion and the Youth**
- **Annual Mass 3rd November which we will hold at St Joachim's Victoria Park**
- **AGR will be held on the 8th December and take the form of a High Tea and Sing-a-long.**

Other Relevant Information

- Srs Liz d’Lello, Moya Bruce, Lee, Mignonne Goes and Rosemary Bennett attended the Senatus Sumer School all found it to be an inspiring weekend. We thank Sr Sue Hyde for her wonderful welcome and all that she did to make the school a great success
- Our Rosary making continues with many parishes asking for Rosaries to give at Special Masses, Mother’s Day, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. To date we think we have made in excess of 16,000 Rosaries for distribution. We have calls from schools for supplies to make Rosaries at Staff retreats and for children who are making their Sacraments to make. Slowly but surely we are spreading the good news of the Rosary.
- Fr David Watt calls on us for Scapulars into which we stitch the Miraculous Medal and for the MM and Scapular Medal on chain. He distributes these to those who visit his chapel in Malaga.
- We also continue with our work with the Aboriginal Chaplaincy supplying Rosaries and Miraculous Medals for them to distribute in the hospitals and outreach centres.
- We continue to hold our monthly Seniors Concert afternoon tea on the 3rd Sunday of the month. This continues to be very popular with those who attend.
- Our Rosary making workshop on the 2nd Saturday of the month is slowly dwindling in numbers but many of the ladies and gentlemen who attended are now making their rosaries at home and only come in to pick up supplies. Sr Mignoone and Sr Lena continue to faithfully come each month.
- Sr Cynthia Gucci has been working very hard with keeping our webpage up to date and ensuring Legionaries have spiritual items at their fingertip through our facebook page. Legion of Mary Western Australia.
The Legion was greatly saddened by the death of 2 wonderful Legionaries, Sr Lorna Langley and Rev Sr Maureen Willans. Both had been the backbone of their Praesidia and are very much missed by us all. We were very fortunate to be able to sit with Sr Maureen’s body following her Mass and pray the Rosary and Prayers of the Legion. This enable the Sisters of St Joseph to mingle with those who had attended the funeral before Sr was laid to rest with her mother and father. Sr’s Praesidium were asked by the parish priest to host the wake.
- **The members of Comitium sincerely thank to all members of the Senatus for their encouragement and warm friendship and we are very appreciative of the encouragement given by the Executive of the Senatus. We particularly thank Michael Palma for his encouragement and monthly letters that make us feel very much attached to the Legionaries of Victoria**

May God Bless and keep you safe.