



THE LEGION OF MARY
BULLETIN
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LEGION OF MARY
FOUNDED 7 SEPTEMBER 1921

Dates to remember

19th July Monthly

Comitium Meeting 1pm
VEQC

5th – 7th Sept Rosary

Bouquet Rosary in honour of
Our Lady's birthday

7th Sept 100th Anniversary
of the foundation of the
Legion of Mary

8th Sept Presentation of the
Rosary Scroll at 12.10 Mass
at St Mary's Cathedral TBC

11th Sept CONGRESS

15th Oct Rosary Procession
in honour of Our Lady. 7pm
at Lake Monger Wembley

6th Nov Annual Mass at St
Bernadette's Church
Glendalough

4th Dec Annual General
Reunion

Allocutio as given by Fr. Doug Harris on **ASCENSION**
The Ascension reminds us of our eternal destiny – Heaven.

You and I can enter Heaven anytime we want to.

We know Our Blessed Mother often went to Heaven to be in
God's Embrace.

She could do so because as she said to St Bernadette in 1858
– "I am the Immaculate Conception".

She never experienced the curse of Original Sin,
even from the time she was conceived in her mother's, St
Anne's, womb.

Our Blessed Mother revealed to Luisa Piccarreta, in Italy, in
the 1930's:

"... Heaven was not closed to me.

I could go there as many times as I wished.

I had free passage to ascend and descend.

The Divine Persons awaited me with so much love
to talk together with me,

to make me happier, more beautiful ..."

"They did not create me to keep me at a distance, no, no.
They wanted to enjoy me."

Our Blessed Mother describes her experience of being in
Heaven in God's embrace.

"The Kingdom formed in me light, a light which always,
rises,

a Kingdom of beauty, sanctity and power that always
grows."

"In this love is felt happiness, holiness, infinite joy."

(That level of joy is a joy which is greater than any joy that exists here on earth.)

Our Lord is always inviting us to come to Him in Heaven into His Embrace.

If we ask Our Lord to take us into Heaven in His embrace,

He will never say no.

How could He say no because He loves us Infinitely?

Our Lord said that “My Kingdom has come among you.” (Luke 11:10)

Therefore, God’s Kingdom is here.

We can enter Heaven, therefore, because Heaven is already here on earth.

We will now ask Our Lord to take us into Heaven in Our Father’s embrace.

Our Lord will not say no to our request to go to Heaven because He loves us infinitely:

“Lord, please allow each of us here to go to Heaven in Your Embrace.”

We are now in His Embrace in Heaven.

We cannot experience this, but it is a reality.

We are in Heaven, in His arms.

In Heaven we are completely fulfilled because in Heaven God gives His Love and life without end.

Therefore, in Heaven, a person no longer has any interest in the things of the flesh or the world.

All temptations which we experience here are abhorrent or distasteful (repulsive).

In Heaven we are also indifferent to criticism and to the cross.

Our Lord did say that this world on earth is not our true home.

“My Kingdom is not of this kind” He said.

Our true home is in Heaven.

We were created for Heaven, not for this world.

Our Lord always wants us to be in Heaven in His Arms.

And Our Lord wants us to stay here!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Legionaries,

It was with great sadness that on May 31st, the feast of the Visitation, I learnt that our Brother Jim Mulligan was taken into the loving arms of Mary and Jesus. Br Jim will be known to you as the happy Irishman who always had a joke and a smile. He took on the onerous task of Comitium Treasurer at a time when things were a little unsettled and did an amazing job of keeping us in the black. Br Jim is survived by his 3 sons, Maurice, James and John and daughter, Mary, grandchildren and great grandchildren. The depth of his love for them can be shown in the fact that when his youngest was a little more than 1 year old he took on the soul care of his children and brought them up. As his son John said “there was always good advise and a meal on the table every night, sometimes edible some times questionable.



Jim had great devotion to the Miraculous Medal and each year would promote the Novena to the Miraculous Medal in his parish. He was a member of the Woodvale Praesidium until it closed but ever faithful to Mary he moved to the Whitfords’ Praesidium until ill health cause him to move to the ranks of Auxiliary membership.

Jim attended many PPCs and also attended Summer School in Melbourne. His love of the Legion was so great that in his final wishes he wanted his Legion to prepare his funeral Mass and Rosary as “They would do it right”. I am sure that he is sitting near Mother Mary talking about his love of the Legion and asking for her blessings on it.

May we be united to our Brother Jim “so that – the battle of life over – our Legion may reassemble, without the loss of anyone, in the kingdom of Your love and glory. Amen. May your soul, Br Jim Mulligan, rest in peace.

Once again, I ask that you all look into your hearts and see if Mother Mary may be calling you to take on the role of either Assistant Secretary or President of your Comitium. My turn of officership comes to a conclusion at the July meeting and I will not be seeking any other role on the executive. Please come and talk to us if you know of anyone who might consider either of these roles.

Our next function will be the 48Hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady’s birthday. I ask each Legionary to personally ask at least one person to put their name on the Roster. Rosters etc will be available at the July meeting and posted to all parishes, via email, in August. We will also be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Legion of Mary over these few days and although we will not be having a huge, over the top celebration I would like to think that each praesidium would have a little celebration commencing with a Mass and perhaps a small fellowship gathering. In other words, “A Praesidium function”

As a celebration we will be holding a Congress on Saturday 11th September. More details will be available at the July meeting.

God bless and Mary protect you and all your work.
Rosemary

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Prayers for the Sick:

(For all who have been on previous lists) Agnes Pancras, Robert Bruce, Moya Bruce, Barry Napper, Guilben Cabagyo, Doug Trevor, Wayne Tye, Christyne Williams, her Granddaughter and Daughter.

Rest of the Souls Agnes John 1st Ann. Lene Mattaboni, Peter Brigvoli

Special Intentions: Arthur Gauci, Snapper Fly, Peace in the middle east, Norma Tye (B/d)



Grotto – our Lady is now in her Grotto (at VEQC) and we hope to have her Blessed around Our Lady's birthday in September. Anyone with ideas of how to decorate the Grotto please let us know them.



Children's corner

12 June 2021 —

Pius XII instituted the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the whole Church, so as to obtain by her intercession "peace among nations, ...

It commemorates the joys and sorrows of the Mother of God, her virtues and perfections, her love for God and her Divine Son and her compassionate love for mankind.

O Mary, gentle and humble of heart, remember us when we are in sin. You know that all men sin. Give us, by means of your Immaculate Heart, spiritual health. and may we be converted by means of the flame of your heart. Amen

Immaculate Heart of Mary

compassion
for others

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perfections

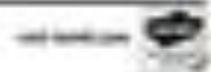
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God

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her son

sorrow

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joy



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