

Sharing Secrets

In *The Secret of the Rosary* St. Louis Marie de Montfort writes of 50 "Roses" or secrets of the Most Holy Rosary. Our summaries continue...

From the Eleventh Rose: The Excellence of the Creed

The Apostles Creed, which is said on the crucifix of the Rosary, is a holy summary of Christian truths. It is a prayer of great merit because faith is the base, the foundation, and the beginning of all Christian virtues, of all eternal truths, and of all prayers that are pleasing to God. "The words "I believe in God" are sanctify the soul and put devils to rout, because these words contain the acts of the three theological virtues :faith, hope, and charity. By saying "I BELIEVE IN GOD" many saints overcame temptations, especially temptations against faith, hope and charity. Faith is the single key to the understanding of all the Mysteries of Jesus and Mary contained in the Holy Rosary. That is why we begin it by reciting the Creed with great attention and devotion— and the stronger is our faith the more meritorious will be our Rosary.

From the Twelfth Rose: The Excellence of the Our Father

The Our Father or the Lord's Prayer derives all its excellence from its Author, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It contains all our duties toward God, the acts of all the virtues, and the petitions for all our spiritual and corporal needs. Tertullian says that the Our Father is "a summary of the Gospel"; St John Chrysostom says we cannot be Our Divine Teacher's disciples unless we pray as He did and as He taught us to pray. Indeed, God the Father listens more favorably to the prayer His Son taught us than to prayers the human mind has composed. St Augustine assures us that the Our Father devoutly said takes away venial sins. Because the Rosary is made up of the Lord's Prayer and the Angelic Salutation, it is this clear and ever-flowing water that comes from the Fountain of Grace. Other prayers that people look for in books are only tiny streams that have their source in this Fountain. People who say the Lord's Prayer attentively, weighing every word, may indeed be called blessed. In it they find everything they need and everything they can desire. When we say this wonderful prayer, we captivate God's heart by addressing Him with the sweet name of Father. (to be continued)



St. Paul Parish

If you cannot find this month's **sacramental item**, we will refill the baskets at the entrances as soon as possible after you send a request.



St. Sebastian Parish



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SIGN UP ONLINE for the **VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX** and enjoy the opportunity to pray for religious and priestly vocations in the households of your parish.



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**Our next meeting is Saturday, October 17th,
10 AM in the St. Paul Parish Activity Center (PAC)**

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Our Mother's Hands

September 2026

*Founded October 22, 2022
under the patronage of
Pope Saint John Paul II.*

We need only to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, to whom she is united, to obtain the grace to be Our Mother's Hands.

We humbly provide the following services:



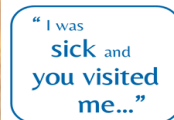
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THE DECEASED**



**PARISH
VOCATION
CRUCIFIX
PROGRAM**

At St. Sebastian Parish only:



**PILGRIM
VIRGIN
STATUE
HOME
VISITATION**

October 22, 2022 through October 21, 2023

ACTIVITY/EVENT/ SACRAMENTAL ITEM	ATTENDANCE or TOTAL *
Grieving/Comfort Packets	36
Baptism Packets	40+
Special Events	
Eucharistic Flash Mob & Procession - Downtown Akron	50+
Mother Mary's Birthday w/ Living Rosary	50+
Eucharistic Candlelight Procession - St. Paul's to Holy Ghost Ukrainian	125+
May Crowning & Marian Procession Our Lady of the Elms to St. Sebastian's	50+
9 mo. Spiritual Adoption + Baby Showers at 3 parishes	
Produced/Presented a Lenten with Mary (2x St. Mary, 1x St. Sebastian's)	80
Social Media	
Created online presence for the ministry (YouTube, Facebook)	
Eucharistic Flash Mob video generated over 50,000 views	

October 22, 2023 through December 31, 2024

ACTIVITY/EVENT/SACRAMENTAL ITEM	ATTENDANCE or TOTAL
Grieving/Comfort Packets	30
Baptism Packets	50+
Special Events	
Developed Presentation on the Four Faces of Jesus - presented at 2 sites	70
Mother Mary's Birthday w/ 35' helium filled balloon rosary	40
May Crowning & Marian Procession Our Lady of the Elms to St. Sebastian's	50+
Eucharistic Candlelight Procession St. Paul's to Holy Ghost Ukrainian	90
Organized Bambinelli Sunday	50

October 22, 2023 through December 31, 2024 (cont.)

Presented "A Lenten Journey with Mary" on two evenings at St. Sebastian's	40
Prayer Service in Reparation for Blas- phemies at the Paris Olympics	60
Composed and Led Prayer Services for the 2024 Presidential Election	60

Social Media

Built ever-expanding website promoting
the lost and forgotten devotions of our
Church

(www.OurMothersHands.org)

Created online presence for the ministry
(YouTube, Facebook)

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January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Grieving/Comfort Packets	26
Baptism Packets	75
Special Events	
Expanded presentation- Meditating on the Holy Face: presented at 13 locations	625+
Mother Mary's Birthday w/ 35' helium filled balloon rosary	20
Promoted canonization of SS. Carlo & May Crowning & Marian Procession	100+
Our Lady of the Elms to St. Sebastian's	50+
Eucharistic Candlelight Procession	
St. Paul's to Holy Ghost Ukrainian	125+
Bambinelli Sunday	90
Presented "A Lenten Journey with	30
Social Media built new website	

Please see insert pages for additional information
on work completed 10/22/2022 through 12/31/2025.

The One True
Friday Night Light
Candlelight Eucharistic Procession



DATE: Friday, Oct. 30th
TIME: 6:30 PM*
START: St. Paul Catholic Church
1580 Brown St., Akron
END: Holy Ghost Ukrainian
Catholic Church
1866 Brown St., Akron

*For those unable to process, the Rosary will be prayed simultaneously at Holy Ghost Church.
In the case of inclement weather, Adoration and the Rosary will be at St. Paul Church.*

➔ FIRESTONE BLVD. ROUTE ➔

Battery-operated candles and prayer aids will be provided.

* FOLLOWING THE 5:30 pm MASS

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Sacramental and Devotional Take-Home Items

SEPTEMBER: Padre Pio Quote magnets

It was difficult to choose only four quotes from this wonderful saint! Choose one and meditate on its message regularly. Feast Day – Sept. 23rd.

OCTOBER: Pocket/Finger Rosary

Comes in a velvet pouch.

Emergency Wallet Card (Plastic)

Designed by our ministry, this 2" x 3.5" card should always be in your wallet! The card identifies you as a Catholic, has a QR code to help locate a nearby church, the Apostolic Pardon (to be prayed by a priest), and the words to the Act of Contrition.

Pick these items up in the baskets at each entrance
as well as in the rectory at St. Paul's,
and in the Narthex at St. Sebastian's.

This Year's Devotion Promotion(s) 10/22/22—10/21/23	
The Holy Face Novena (ending on Shrove Tuesday)	
Enrolled the faithful into the Brown Scapular Confraternity at St. Sebastian, St. Bernard and St. Mary parishes	100+
Led the Pro-Life Rosary after 9 AM Mass on the Anniversary of Roe v. Wade	50+
Led the Holy Face Chaplet in Veneration of the Holy Face Relic after Passion Sunday Masses	50
Enrolled the faithful into the Confraternity of the Miraculous Medal at St. Sebastian, St. Bernard, and St. Mary Parishes	400+
Sacramental Items Distributed	
Sacred Heart Badges with Prayer Cards	200+
Bottled Exorcized Holy Water	200+
Packets of Exorcized Kosher Salt	140
Distributed Handmade Rear View Rosaries	150
Distributed Holy Face Medals	150
Various Holy Cards	1000s
and much more	
Ongoing Outreach	
Facilitated the Ministry's Pilgrim Virgin Statue visits to families at St. Sebastian's adding a newly developed Welcome and Farewell prayer service booklet AND Fatima handkerchiefs	100 Families plus VSE Residents
Made visits to Nursing Home Residents in Wadsworth & Norton and distributed gift packets of holy cards, coloring pages, crayons, rosaries and more	300+
Led First Friday Rosary (various little known rosaries) after 8:00 Mass	25+ monthly
Led First Friday Chaplet after 8:00 Mass {switched beginning Jan. 2023)	35-40 monthly
Led Litanies and Novenas on Marian and the Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Days	avg. 40
Made and distributed Handmade Rosaries with how-to-pray leaflets	400+
Calling the sick on the Parish's "sick list" every other month	75+
Supported Embrace Pregnancy Clinic & Care Ctr by collecting items at	

This Year's Devotion Promotion(s) 10/22/23—12/31/24 (cont.)	
Vocations Crucifix	
We have developed and facilitated St. Sebastian's Vocations Crucifix Program at the request of Fr. Valencheck: <i>Designed a prayer booklet, a posterboard and stand to permanently serve as Assisted the School in setting up a Vocations Crucifix program for the classroom.</i>	10 families
Sacramental Items Distributed	
Sacred Heart Badges with Prayer Cards	100+
Delivered Prayer Shawls to Nursing Home Residents	46
Distributed Holy Face Medals	150
Various Holy Cards	1000s
and much more	
Ongoing Outreach	
Facilitated the Ministry's Pilgrim Virgin Statue visits to families of St. Sebastian families plus the Village of St. Edward, Fairlawn	60 families plus VSE Residents
Led First Friday Chaplet after 8:00 Mass (switched from rosaries beginning Jan. 2023)	35-40 monthly
Led Litanies and Novenas on Marian and the Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Days	avg. 40
Made and distributed Handmade Rosaries with how-to-pray leaflets	500+
Continuing calls to Parish's "sick list" every other month	75+
Made visits to Nursing Home Residents in Wadsworth & Norton and distributed gift packets of holy cards, coloring pages, and more	450+
Supported Embrace Pregnancy Clinic & Care Ctr by collecting items at multiple events	150
Provided Mission Rosaries and "how-to" booklets to RCIA at beginning of instruction	12
Provided Mission Rosaries and "how-to" booklets to day school after-school group	25
Gifted Faceted Bead Rosaries for RCIA - welcome at Easter Vigil	12
Donated to neighboring prayer shawl ministry - we now offer shawls to the sick of the parish	10
Promoted and prayed the Holy Face Novena (ending on Shrove Tuesday)	
Made and delivered Spiritual Support packets to nursing home residents	199
Supported Embrace Pregnancy Clinic & Care Ctr by collecting items at multiple events	

This Year's Devotion Promotion(s) 01/01/2025-12/31/2025

America Prays: Initiative introduced by the White House on 09/08/25.

We designed prayer cards (3.5" x 8.5") re-consecrating

(3.5" x 8.5") re-consecrating our Nation to Our Lady. (see incl.) and distributed them nationwide incl. to President & Mrs. Trump, other Catholic government officials, Catholic personalities, as well as delivering them to parishes within the Diocese of Cleve., as well as parishes in Michigan, Florida, Georgia, the Carolinas, and more

4000

Advent Angelus Challenge: Encouraged praying of the Angelus through bulletin posts, videos, posters, website popups, and prayer cards distributed to St. Sebastian and St. Paul parishioners

Supported Embrace Pregnancy Clinic & Care Ctr by collecting items at multiple events

Provided Mission Rosaries and "how-to" booklets to RCIA at

beginning of instruction

12

Purchased Faceted Bead Rosaries for RCIA

12

Promoted and prayed Holy Face Novena (ending on Shrove Tue.

Supported Embrace Pregnancy Clinic & Care Ctr by collecting items at multiple events

Donated to neighboring prayer shawl ministry - we now offer shawls to the sick of St. Paul Parish, in addition to St. Sebastian's.

Sacramental Items Distributed

Holy Face Medals and 3.5" x 8.5" custom designed Holy Face devotion card (incl.)

1500+

Marian Apparition Medals on chains

150

Kids & Adult Advent calendars plus Advent devotional books

200+

Exorcised Salt in Screw Top Jars

150

Assorted Saints pocket tokens and medals on chains

200+

Various Holy Cards

1000s

Lenten Calendars and Pray/Fast/Give decks of cards

200

and much more

Our ministry worked with the World Apostolate of Fatima to bring the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue to the Diocese of Cleveland, July 7th—20th, 2024

ACTIVITY/EVENT/SACRAMENTAL ITEM	ATTENDANCE/ TOTAL
9 months of preparation, 2 dozen on-site meetings, 14 sites in 14 days, 8 counties, over 1000 driving miles =	countless
Packaged and shipped Miraculous Medals to participating parishes	1300
Packaged and shipped Brown Scapulars to participating parishes	550
Designed then stamped, folded, and shipped 1700 handkerchiefs	1700
Organized procession at St. Sebastian's & at Regina Health Care Ctr.	
Composed and presented children's program on Fatima at St. Sebastian's	20
Assisted in organizing processions at all sites	
Designed promotion material for each site	

Meditating on the Holy Face of Jesus

St. Sebastian	1/6/2024	40
St. Joseph, Avon Lake	9/18/2024	30
Holy Ghost Ukrainian	3/23/2025	65
St. Ambrose	3/26/2025	85
SS. Edward & Lucy	3/28/2025	90
St. Sebastian's	4/13/2025	35
St. Jerome's	4/26/2025	35
Holy Family, Stow	4/27/2025	120
Mother of Sorrows, Peninsula	7/9/2025	75
St. Paul, Akron	9/5/2025	100+
St. Barbara, Cleveland	9/13/2025	35
Our Lady of Grace, Hinckley	10/12/2025	20
Theology on the Rocks	10/20/2025	35
St. Rita	12/3/2025	30
Queen of Heaven	3/10/2026	110