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THE ROSARY

Since the thirteenth century when St. Dominic promulgated devotion to the Rosary to combat the Albigensian heresy, it has become a most efficacious form of prayer and the most popular of Catholic devotions.

To the fervent recitation of the Rosary has been attributed the victory of the Christian forces over the Turks in the Battle of Lepanto in 1571. In gratitude for this victory Pope St. Pius V instituted the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary (October 7).

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS: Consult your hall bulletin board or ask your rector or chaplain about October Devotions -- recitation of the Rosary with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament -- in your hall.

NEED A ROSARY? There is an abundant supply of good, strong rosaries in the office of the University Chaplain, Room 116 Dillon. They are yours for the asking.

Popes through the ages have written encyclicals and urged devotion to the Rosary. Pope Leo XIII, known especially for his encyclical Rerum Novarum on the condition of labor, wrote no less than twelve encyclicals on the Rosary. It was he who set aside October as the Month of the Most Holy Rosary and added the title "Queen of the Most Holy Rosary" to the Litany of Loretto.

Mary herself has given powerful sanction to this devotion. At Lourdes she recited the Rosary with Bernadette, and at Fatima she urged the recitation of the Rosary to save the world from the evils of Communism through the conversion of Russia.

Recitation of the Rosary has kept alive the Faith for years, for decades, in missionary lands and persecuted countries when the ministration of priests has been cut off. It was the sole consolation and source of hope to many on the battlefield and in concentration camps during World War II.

Do we need further incentive for deepening our devotion to the Rosary?

Juniors-Seniors

Your mission continues tonight and tomorrow night. The many who began the mission last night are to be commended for cooperating with God's grace; the many who failed to show should take heed of their neglect of God's grace. Even the All-merciful God ceases to bestow His gifts of grace on those who flagrantly reject them.

K of C Meeting

In the Walsh Hall Council Chambers tonight after the mission. New officers will be installed.