

"19 Years of Service"

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank every principal and teacher for your warm welcome and support given to members of the Rosary Apostolate! The Scholastic Year of 2014-15 truly inspired many students to holiness in imitation of the saints and culminated with a May Celebration in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes.

The Rosary Apostolate is a bridge between the Schools and the Church.

Principals have said:

All Saints CES, Unionville

I am extremely satisfied about this wonderful program and strongly feel it should be part of every Catholic school. All the volunteers are wonderful and work well with the teachers and students.

V. Quinn, principal

St. Bernadette CES, Barrie 1

The Rosary Apostolate team are an incredible group of people. The love of our Lord which they share with our students is truly amazing. The rosary is a powerful prayer in which I believe each child needs to learn. The Rosary team is crucial in having them develop their prayer skills! We value the work they do and hope they will continue this incredible tradition!

C. Keddy, Principal

St. Ursula CES, Scarborough 4

We are extremely thrilled with this program and the amazing volunteers and their leadership. They provide an opportunity for our students to embrace and understand Mary's importance and the Rosary. I. McEachen, principal

Our Lady of Hope CES, Richmond Hill

The Rosary Apostolate plays a central role in making our school a Christ-centred learning community. Our Rosary Celebration truly encapsulates the wonderful efforts of all our volunteers.

F. Nardo, vice-principal

Our Lady of Fatima CES, Brampton 1

We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful opportunity as this one. The students are very excited to have the ladies visit each month. We look forward to continuing this relationship in 2015-2016. C. Howard, principal

Our Lady of Mercy CES, Mississauga 3

The Rosary Apostolate team continues to instill a deep sense of faith and prayer in our school. We are blessed by the presence, dedication and commitment to bringing faith alive through the Rosary and lives of the saints.

D. Della Rossa, principal

John Cabot CSS, Mississauga 5

The Rosary Apostolate visitors were extraordinary role models of prayer for our students. By serving our John Cabot CSS through their ministry of presence and leadership. The Rosary Apostolate visitors were exemplars of our Catholic faith tradition. S. Clarkin, principal

C. Esvelt, chaplaincy leader

Our Lady of Guadalupe CES, North York 3

The team of Rosary Apostolate at OLG is one of the most dedicated groups of people I have encountered. They are always punctual and conduct the sessions with a great deal of passion and spirituality. Bravo! A. Parsons, principal

St. Paul CES, Palgrave

Extremely beneficial for the entire school. Students and teachers love the opportunity to deepen their Catholic faith with the help of the Rosary Apostolate team.

J. Stephenson, vice-principal

Prince of Peace CES, Scarborough 2

All volunteers come prepared and are able to meet the needs of the diverse age groups. They all are so warm and kind. Each volunteer treats both staff and students with respect and warmth. Thank you! S. DaCosta, principal

Senator O'Connor CSS, Scarborough 3

Yes, the members of the team are very faithful, timely, welcoming towards the students and quietly passionate about the value of their work. Thomas O'Brian, school Chaplain

St. Peter's CES, Woodbridge 3

What a rewarding and spiritual experience for our students. We cannot thank you enough for the wonderful work the Rosary Apostolate do for our students.

M. Senna, principal

The Rosary has become for students the bridge that leads them to God!

Students have said:

"The first time that the Rosary Apostolate came to our school I was very excited because at that time I didn't know much about the rosary, so I wanted to learn more about it! And now I learned a lot from it. My faith has grown by praying the rosary in my classroom because now I know much more about the rosary, about Jesus, Mary, and the stories that I've learned."

"I had an uncle who was very sick then when the Rosary Apostolate came I said to myself this is a great time to talk to Mary and Jesus. So then a couple of weeks after I visited him and he said he was feeling better. I was very surprised then I told him that I prayed for him, then he was very happy!"

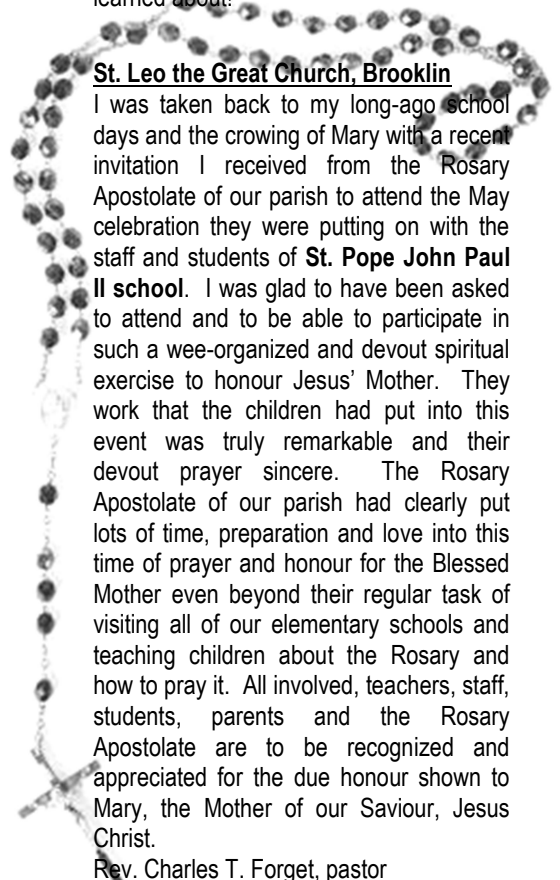
"I didn't pray a lot before because honestly, I don't like praying alone. But after the Rosary Apostolate came to our school I always pray every now and then. I could get closer to Jesus. Honestly, I liked communication with Jesus, I liked interacting with holy things and the Holy Spirit. Praying with my class is very special."

"I started to become closer to God and talk to Him through the rosary. I've come to love being Catholic even more because there are so many inspirational saints we learned about!"

St. Leo the Great Church, Brooklyn

I was taken back to my long-ago school days and the crowing of Mary with a recent invitation I received from the Rosary Apostolate of our parish to attend the May celebration they were putting on with the staff and students of **St. Pope John Paul II school**. I was glad to have been asked to attend and to be able to participate in such a well-organized and devout spiritual exercise to honour Jesus' Mother. They work that the children had put into this event was truly remarkable and their devout prayer sincere. The Rosary Apostolate of our parish had clearly put lots of time, preparation and love into this time of prayer and honour for the Blessed Mother even beyond their regular task of visiting all of our elementary schools and teaching children about the Rosary and how to pray it. All involved, teachers, staff, students, parents and the Rosary Apostolate are to be recognized and appreciated for the due honour shown to Mary, the Mother of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Rev. Charles T. Forget, pastor



Peterborough Diocese

St. Paul's CES, Peterborough 1

Our volunteers do a great service for our school. Students and staff look forward to their monthly visits.

Bernadette Maloney, principal

St. Alphonsus CES, Peterborough 4

Yes, it is a wonderful program to have in our schools. Wonderful, dedicated volunteers. Ryan Brooks, principal

St. Mary CES, Lindsay, Peterborough 8

The four volunteers come very well prepared for each visit and are accommodating in their flexibility depending on school events. The volunteers demonstrate very 'safe' practices while visiting the classrooms. Anthony Higgins, principal

St. Joseph CES, Douro, Peterborough 9

Yes – they are prompt and cautious. They are professional and kind. Wonderful resources. Diane Mather, principal

St. Mary CES, Huntsville

We are very satisfied with our Rosary team. They arrive on time and the students enjoy their time with them. They are all very caring, devoted individuals.

C. Vancleave, principal

Archdiocese

of Ottawa

Mc Master CES, Ottawa

Yes, very satisfied. Every month the team is here, on time and ready to engage with our students. Our students really enjoy and learn from the team. The time spent with students is important and invaluable.

Thank you and God bless your work!

Mrs. Jennifer Grant, Principal

St. Elizabeth CES, Ottawa

We are very satisfied with the service which the volunteers have offered. All of the children in our school have learned to say the Hail Mary prayer. The students and teachers benefited and were always enlightened by the lessons led by the volunteers in our classrooms. The teaching style of Lucie and Anna are particularly effective with the children and might be used as models.

Donna Palmer-Dodds, Principal

St. Jerome CES, Ottawa

All of our volunteers are excellent with our students, have developed a great rapport with our students, and lead the Rosary in such a way as to encourage great respect for the prayer and act of praying.

Steve McGarrity, Principal



The Rosary Apostolate program at St. Martin CES in Ennismore following their May Celebration in the Gym, the students released into the sky a giant rosary made of helium balloons offering their prayers for peace in the world.

Diocese of Hamilton

St. Bernadette CES, Oakville 1

We are so grateful for our volunteers! They truly are part of our school community and are valued by all. Our volunteers do an amazing job engaging our students in praying the rosary and reflecting on the topics being discussed. We really appreciate having our volunteers here and look forward to continued participation. S. Guzzo, principal
V. Chininea, vice-principal

St. John Paul II CES, Oakville 1

Excellent experience for staff, students and administration. Students gaining more knowledge of Mary, Mother of God and the power of prayer and reflection. Enhances the spirituality of our school climate.

T. Ceelen, principal

K. Carter, vice-principal

St. John CES, Oakville 2

They are terrific models of our faith in action. They are so calm and patient with our students. It has been wonderful to see the relationship of volunteers and students grow. Thank you. E. Gurowka, principal

St. Vincent CES, Oakville 2

It is a wonderful opportunity to build community around our faith using many volunteers who are parents at the school.

K. Cascone-Brown, principal

St. Anne CES, Burlington

The volunteers are on-time, follow their schedules for classroom visits and deliver their knowledge effectively in each classroom. We hope that our volunteers feel welcomed and appreciated!!

Nancy Dinolfo, principal

Brian Melanson, vice-principal

Diocese of London

St. Joseph CES, Clinton (Huron-1)

They (Rosary team) are incredible. They have a huge impact on our students' faith formation. We hope that they can offer this beautiful service for many years to come. T. Boreham, principal

St. Columban CES, (Huron-1)

Yes, these leaders are outstanding!

John McCarroll, principal

Diocese of

St. Catherine's

St. Andrew CES, Welland

I am very pleased with the continued number of growing volunteers. They demonstrate kindness, patience and dedication to the students. The impact this society has on our community is outstanding. The students know the rosary well and what it means. These volunteers have established a great relationship with the students based on trust and faith through God and Mary.

C. Bianco, principal

Diocese of McKenzie Fort

Smith

Weledah CES, Yellowknife

The rosary Apostolate Team is a very positive and well-organized team of ladies who share their gift of the Rosary with our students in a very nurturing and welcoming manner. They are always on time for their sessions, and prepare a very meaningful celebration at the end of the program for our students. Our students are very comfortable with the Rosary because of their work here at our school, and they feel secure in asking questions during their learning. G. Simon, principal