



## 29 Years of Service!

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With all my heart I want to thank every principal and teacher for your continued warm welcome and faithfulness to the Rosary Apostolate! This scholastic year 2024-2025 culminated with an amazing May Celebration in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. The medals were received with so much love and enthusiasm by both staff and students! Many regions reported how staff and students were moved to tears as they received their Miraculous Medal. Many reports of answered prayers were very inspiring also for our volunteers!

Sr. Marilina Cinelli, C.P.  
President

## Principal Feedback:

### REGION: ETOBICOKE 2 ALL SAINTS, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The students learned so many valuable lessons and stories throughout the months. They also learned the importance of prayer and the blessing that brings into their daily lives. The students and staff here at All Saints look forward to praying the Rosary each month with the Rosary Apostolate volunteers. We really appreciate the kindness, dedication and passion these volunteers bring every time they visit our school.

### REGION: ETOBICOKE 2 ST. EUGENE, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The program has deepened our students' understanding of prayer and strengthened our Catholic identity. It brings a peaceful, reflective spirit to

our school and supports faith development in a meaningful way. The volunteers serve as inspiring role models of devotion and service.

### REGION: NORTH YORK 3 ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA, C.E.S. – TCDSB

It is an opportunity for the students to experience Catholicism in the school and works as an incentive for them to attend Church on the weekend. The final May Celebration was lovely. The staff and students enjoyed it. The students love learning about Mother Mary throughout the school year.

### REGION: NORTH YORK 3 BLESSED TRINITY, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The school comes together as a community of believers to pray the Rosary. The Rosary Apostolate inspire our students and youth to love God by giving them the opportunities to experience God's presence in prayer and establishing a relationship with God and Mary. We look forward to welcoming back the Rosary Apostolate this coming fall 2025. We appreciate all of their time and effort and bringing the rosary program with much gratitude.

### REGION: NORTH YORK WEST ST. JUDE, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The Rosary Apostolate program has enriched our school by fostering a deeper sense of prayer, faith and spiritual connection among students through monthly classroom visits and guided Rosary prayer. Both staff and students have shared positive feedback. Teachers appreciated the programs' support in nurturing Catholic, faith and values, while students enjoy the engaging, peaceful, and reflective nature of the Rosary sessions. Many look forward to the next year visit.

### REGION: SCARBOROUGH 2 ST. RENE GOUPIL, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The students learn the importance of prayer and meditation. They become aware that with practice, they can perform plays and assemble together to pray one after the other. The staff enjoys working with the Rosary Apostolate throughout the year and



organizes the May Celebration with them. The students enjoy the opportunity to pray monthly and to have leadership opportunities with the May Celebration. The Rosary Apostolate team are hardworking and organized.

### REGION: SCARBOROUGH 3 ST. KEVIN, C.E.S. – TCDSB

The students are more powerful. They look forward to seeing the rosary. The Rosary visitors are always on time and very thoughtful.

### REGION: SCARBOROUGH 5 ST. BARNABAS, C.E.S. – TCDSB

Faith, education, support, moral development, spiritual growth and community building. The volunteers in the Rosary Apostolate bring a prayerful and peaceful presence to Saint Barnabas. The volunteers help reinforce our Catholic values. Students tend to be more reflective and engaged in their faith after participating in the Rosary Session. We look forward to the monthly visits.

### REGION: TORONTO NORTH ST. CECILIA, C.E.S. – TCDSB

- deepened our spiritual growth and connection
- enhanced our faith
- prayer habits were built
- sense of belonging

Students look forward to the monthly visits and are always engaged in prayer. Students have grown in their faith and understanding. Volunteers are kind, patient and passionate about

sharing the faith. This program provides a peaceful and spiritual moment in our school day that students really appreciate.

#### **Loretto Abbey High School Student Program visiting ST. MONICA, C.E.S. – TCDSB**

Children have learned to pray the Rosary. This is something they don't know or practice. They have connection to our faith and the Catholic graduate expectations. I loved seeing everyone wear their miraculous medals! Thank you! The play was beautiful. The Grades 4 to 8 presentation was beautiful.

#### **REGION: WOODBRIDGE 2 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, C.E.S. – YCDSB**

Children enjoy the program and it helps them grow in their faith. Children are very receptive to the members of the Rosary Apostolate team. Staff appreciate the extra support.

#### **REGION: WOODBRIDGE 3 ST. CLEMENT, C.E.S. – YCDSB**

Positive impact helping us grow spiritually and develop a deeper understanding of our faith. Provided a peaceful and reflective atmosphere. Students from all grades, ages, agree and are thankful as well as hope the Rosary Apostolate returns next year.

#### **REGION: MAPLE ST. DAVID, C.E.S. – YCDSB**

The Rosary Apostolate brings together the entire school population in a shared spiritual experience. It strengthens the bonds within our school community. The students love for the program is evident in their active participation and enthusiastic singing. The program is not only a spiritual practice, but a source of joy for our students.

#### **REGION: MARKHAM 1 ST. PATRICK, C.E.S. – YCDSB**

St. Patrick CES has been blessed to have the Rosary Apostolate. We love the miraculous medals and the crowning of Mary.



#### **REGION: BROOKLIN ST. LEO, C.E.S. – DCDSB**

Building the partnership with our parish and our school. The students enjoyed having our scheduled visits and love when the volunteers recognize them at church as well.

#### **REGION: AJAX ST. JUDE, C.E.S. - DCDSB**

Our students and staff are praying together, learning and developing their faith. I love guests coming into our building. We sent out an anonymous survey with teachers, they shared they appreciated classrooms learning commons. They loved age-appropriate material, warm smiles, students asked about next visit! Several classes suggested inviting parents to join.

#### **REGION: PICKERING ST. MONICA, C.E.S. – DCDSB**

The Rosary Apostolate bring a positive spirit into the building. They bring joy and hope. The children are excited when the Rosary Apostolate prays with them. Our School is better because of the Rosary Apostolate.

#### **REGION: WHITBY 1 ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST C.E.S. – DCDSB**

The program gives our students a chance to experience the power of prayer.

\* The Apostolate helped us learn the mysteries, which was great and understanding the different parts of prayer. The big Rosary was also a big help.

\* The Apostolate helped our students to build our faith, an amazing chance



to pray and sing together. A chance to stop our busy day and be at peace.

#### **REGION: WHITBY 2**

#### **ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST C.E.S. – DCDSB**

Students are active in their faith, experience their faith and prayer from others who are strong witnesses, and models of faith. Students enjoy the time, in particular the younger grades.

#### **REGION: BRAMPTON 2**

#### **ST. ANTHONY, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

The Rosary Apostolate has been a blessing to our school community. Their monthly visits have brought a peaceful and prayerful presence into our classroom. Students have developed a deeper understanding of the Rosary and strengthen their relationship with our blessed mother. Many staff and parents have expressed how appreciative they are of the program. Students have become more comfortable with prayer and look forward to the visits and have begun praying the Rosary at home. The team has been kind and considerate.

#### **REGION: BRAMPTON 5**

#### **ST. ANGELA MERCI, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

Deepen student understanding of prayer and fostered faith development. This creating enrichment for school community and helping students develop a closer relationship with Mother Mary and understanding of Catholic tradition.

#### **REGION: BRAMPTON 6**

#### **GOOD SHEPHERD, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

The Rosary Apostolate program allows our students the opportunity to pray as a group and learn about our faith and prayer from trained leaders. Our staff and students are always excited and happy to have our faith leaders in the school.

#### **REGION: MISSISSAUGA 1**

#### **CHRIST THE KING, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

Provide students the opportunity to interact with their faith on an increased level. Both staff and students have thoroughly enjoyed the program.

## **REGION: MISSISSAUGA 4**

### **ST. GERARD, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

We enjoy the connection between Parish and School and the opportunity for praying the Rosary as a community.

- great faith-building opportunities
- enhance religion, education programming
- inclusive of all students

## **REGION: MISSISSAUGA 6**

### **ST. RAYMOND, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

This program is invaluable to our students and staff's faith formation. We are so grateful for this opportunity to take time to pray with our students in this meaningful way. Students have learned respect and reverence for prayer and have learned to turn to our mother Mary in times of need. Thank you to all staff who have come to our school to lead us in the Rosary. Staff look forward to the sacred time and we look forward to having you in our school again.



## **REGION: MISSISSAUGA 12**

### **STS. MARTHA & MARY, C.E.S. – DPCDSB**

Here are the reasons why the Rosary Apostolate was beneficial in our Catholic school, among the simple reason that we know we are the church for our children.

**Strengthen faith:** encourages your students to grow in their relationship with God and deep in their understanding of Catholic teachings through prayer with classmates and educators.

**Builds community:** united students, teachers, and families in a shared spiritual practice, fostering a sense of peace, respect and belonging.

**Encourages virtue:** promotes values like patience, kindness, and compassion by reflecting on the life of Christ and the virtues of Mary.

We have nothing but POSITIVE feedback from educators, myself, and

students - valuable, faithful and engaging. We cannot wait to begin fresh in the new year.

## **REGION: ELMVALE**

### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES, C.E.S. – SMCDSB**

The staff and students enjoy seeing the Rosary, possibly each month. They enjoy the prayers and support from these dedicated individuals.



## **REGION: ORILLIA**

### **ST. BERNARD, C.E.S. – SMCDSB**

The children have been exposed to praying the Rosary and the story of the Miraculous Medal. They have become more prayerful. The RA Visitors are a welcome addition to our Catholic Schools. The May Celebration was beautiful! Very well done!

I would like to thank all of you for the wonderful work you do in our schools for RA. The May celebration was wonderful. Thank you!

## **REGION: BARRIE 1**

### **ST. JOHN VIANNEY, C.E.S. – SMCDSB**

1. It helps students grow in their faith by teaching them how to pray the Rosary and understand its meaning.
2. It brings the school community together through shared prayer.
3. It sets a positive example of service and faith from volunteers.

Thank you for sharing your time and passion – your presence makes a meaningful impact on our students and brings faith to classrooms. We truly appreciate the volunteer's dedication in our school community.

## **REGION: BARRIE 1**

### **MONSIGNOR CLAIR, C.E.S. – SMCDSB**

1. Promoting Faith
2. Sharing of the gift of the Rosary
3. Fostering well-being by promoting a culture of spiritual, social-emotional and mental wellness.

Having the Rosary Apostolate in regularly helps to deepen, strengthen our students' spiritual life and helps us to create a safe and nurturing environment.

## **REGION: BRADFORD**

### **ST. ANGELA MERICI, C.E.S. – SMCDSB**

The children have learned to pray the Rosary and to use prayer for many things in their lives. The connection to our faith in daily practice is important. The May celebration for the whole school was lovely, especially the drama skit. We are blessed to be able to have this kind of devotion in our Catholic school. Thank you and God bless.

## **REGION: WELLAND**

### **ST. ANDREW, C.E.S. – NCDSB**

It is beautiful to see how our students pray the Rosary and work with the volunteers. I believe that it allows our children to grow in Faith and to learn the benefits of the program. Staff enjoy having the volunteers visit monthly.

**In what way has praying the Rosary every month helped me? Students said:**

### **GRADE 8**

The Rosary has helped me tremendously by making my faith and connection with God, healthier and stronger. Praying the Rosary every month makes my prayers feel heard and responded to. My belief in God is only progressed further because of the Rosary. I have gained more wisdom, and I am forever grateful. God has set a path for me, and praying the Rosary helps me see that glorious path that He has led for me.

### **GRADE 8**

It has helped me by learning a lot of new and amazing prayers. Also, I have almost memorized all the mysteries, if not memorized I have learned and understood them. Lastly, every month it gives me a boost to pray. Every Rosary time it reminds me to pray as much as possible.

### **GRADE 8**

In a completely honest way, the



Rosary has taught me to know more deeply and in depth about the Bible and scriptures. It's actually, phenomenal how much I've learned from the Rosary, and I appreciate all the knowledge and intelligence I got from it.

#### GRADE 6

When I pray the Rosary, I feel like I become closer to God. Praying the Rosary inspires me to pray more often. I feel more safe to be honest, like He sent an angel to protect me or at least I hope.

#### GRADE 6

Rosary has helped me by allowing me to speak to God and feel more connected to Him. I feel like my relationship has grown more with Him.

#### GRADE 5

It helped me be more friendly with people, friends, and family members. It has also helped me be a better person by doing my work and my current tasks. It really helped me when I have feelings like being happy, sad, nervous, scared, mood, excited, silly and serious.

#### GRADE 6

It helped me by encouraging having more confidence and helping more people. It helped me by learning different prayers, and it is helping me to pray every night and every morning.

#### GRADE 6

The Rosary has given me courage not to give up when I am in tough times, it has given me all the power. I need to stay strong and to not give up. It teaches me more about Jesus and Mary and I pray when I need help, it has given me so much strength in order to commit to what is best and what's not good and it has shown me how much God, Jesus and Mary are loving people and forgive for everything that's happened in hard times. Thanks for everything.

#### GRADE 4

The Rosary helps me in so many ways. First it feels healing after we finish, but what makes me so grateful is that the people who come take hours out of their day to just pray with some kids, they make no money they pray for us and guide us and that gives me prosperity to help someone else or just do something for others even helping with someone's homework. It makes praying the Rosary so healing for me to get closer to God, Mary and Jesus and connect me with them and heal my sins. I appreciate them so much.

#### GRADE 8

It just helped me understand how much Jesus' life was similar and yet so different from mine. Jesus was human too with parents, siblings, a house and emotions. He went to school, was into different things, helped His parents, He was so different. He was the Word of God incarnate living amongst mere humans. He loved, healed, prayed for and helped us. With the Rosary, I look at Jesus, and either mourn at what Jesus went through or overjoyed by His victorious. Praying the Rosary every month has helped me live, focussing on what Jesus has done for me. Praying the Rosary has brought me closer to Jesus Christ. And I will forever be thankful.

#### GRADE 8

Praying the Rosary every month has helped me become more patient and encourage me to make time for God. Praying the Rosary every month has helped me in a way that keeps me calm and mindful of both my words and actions. The short recaps of the mysteries after every 10 Hail Marys are also a good reminder of how much Jesus sacrificed for me. It reminds me to try and keep humble, and never act out in spite. I feel that the Rosary



keeps me in check and is the reason to be honest. In addition, praying the Rosary every month gives me the opportunity to pray for others, my loved ones and myself. To talk with Jesus and ask help with any challenges I may be going through.

#### GRADE 7

Praying the Rosary every month has helped me build a closer relationship with God. It helped me grow in faith and helped me to be more open minded. Praying the Rosary has been one of the main contributing factors that help me feel more motivated. The Rosary teaches me all the miracles and sacrifices God has done for us. The Rosary has guided me to be what God wanted me to be. Praying the Rosary every month is like a time where you and God check in on each other. Praying the Rosary has many benefits.

#### GRADE 7

Praying the Rosary every month has helped me calm down. It helped me stay calm and difficult situations. When I pray the Rosary, it's always quiet, calm and peaceful.

#### GRADE 7

The Rosary had a huge impact on how I think. It has brought a lot of positivity into my life starting with how I feel about myself. I used to be very negative about myself and things around me but now I'm more focussed and relaxed.

#### GRADE 7

Praying the Rosary every month has helped me to talk to God. It has had an impact on me because I like to pray now but before I did not like praying. So now I try to pray every night before going to bed and I like when we get a moment of silence from the world so we can pray to God, Jesus, Mary for world, peace, and for our loved ones.

#### GRADE 7

The Rosary has really helped me to trust in God and not always feel like I'm doing everything on my own. It also has helped me get through a hard time when I lost an important family member this year in September.