

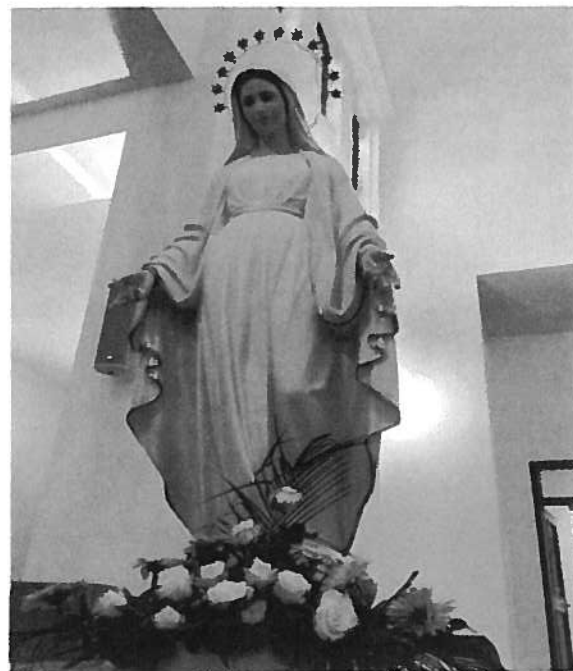
## Why Join?

# LEGION OF MARY

The Legion is an extension of the Heart and hands of Mary.

Joining the Legion of Mary as an active member will help you:

- To see Christ in others and to serve Him there.
- To become a holier person within yourself.
- To work hand in hand with Mary our mother.
- To submit yourself to the Holy Spirit.
- To do great things for God and for the salvation of souls.



## Hail Mary Full of Grace

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation in Mary's and the Church's work.

*The Legion of Mary*



Write to the Mail or send forms to the secretary, 100 St. John's Road, Dublin 1, or write to an army of the Legion.

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland in September 1921. It is a lay Catholic organization whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country.

The unit of the Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting, where prayer is intermingled with reports of work and discussion. The main apostolate of the Legion consists of activities directed towards all men and women, young and old, rich and poor as well as people from the margins of society (homeless, prostitutes, prisoners, etc.) and towards non-Catholics.

The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual. The active members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick; both in their homes and in hospitals and through collaboration in apostolic and missionary undertakings sponsored by the parish (See Reverse).

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Interested:- Contact: Purita Santillan (See bulletin) or see us at the Ministry Fair.

# Examples of Legionary Works



## Door-to-Door Evangelization

The visitation of the homes has been traditionally the work of the Legion. Through this visitation, personal contact can be made with a great many people and the Church's concern for every person and every family can be shown.



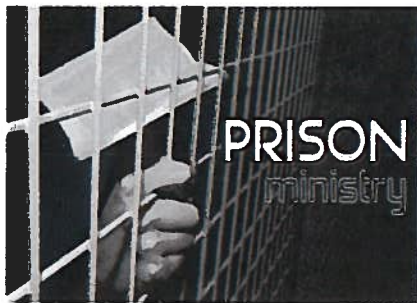
## Hospital Visitation Ministry

I was sick and you comforted me... Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these you did it to me. Legionary visitation should be used to educate the patients to a true conception of their sufferings, that they may bear them in the proper spirit.



## Religious Education Ministry

In support of the parish, Legionaries teach in regular parish religious education programs. These could include: Vacation Bible School, Confirmation Classes, Pre-Cana, Youth Retreats, etc.



## Prison Ministry

This service constitutes a special assertion of the Catholic principle that even the lowest of human beings hold in relation to us a position which is independent of their value or agreeableness to us: that in them Christ is to be seen, revered, and loved.



## Pilgrim Virgin Visitation

This apostolic work is visiting homes to encourage prayer with the family in the presence of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. The primary purpose is to aid families in responding to the requests made by the Blessed Mary during her apparitions at Fatima. The essence of her requests is threefold: Return to God; Make reparation for sins; and Pray the Rosary for Peace.

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