## Application to join a team

Sending the leaflet «Rosary Team» does not result in affiliation or Rosary teams association.

The nominated member of the team is responsible for seeking affiliation either from the diocesan leader or from the national office in your country or, by default, from the international secretariat.

### Don't hesitate to use the address:

Your diocesan coordinating Agent	Your coordinating Agent

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# How to organize a Rosary team?

To help friends and neighbours to live the Gospel with Mary

in the fraternal climate of a small group, you are going to form a team in your area, your street, your building, your village, your school or at the place where you live.

**Once a month**, the team meets in one another's house for a prayer in common with a monthly leaflet.

**Everyday**, each one is invited to meditate on one of the mysteries of the Rosary from the calendar.

Two or three persons can begin the monthly prayer in common at one or another's house, with the possibility of inviting friendly neighbours even if they don't belong to the team and to establish a friendly atmosphere for «those who are not used to going to church».

This missionary prayer movement includes all generations from the youngest to the oldest.

## The monthly common prayer

A lit candle, the Gospels, an icon or a statue of the Virgin and flowers, all contribute to creating an atmosphere of prayer.

The aim is to listen to God's Word, to meditate in common and to hares our needs and our thanks.

A climate of trust and mutual attentiveness is created so that everyone may speak freely and clearly.

Several readers share the reading of the prayer in the monthly leaflet called **The Rosary in team**. Everyone should have already read it before the meeting.

The prayer of Father Eyquem is read by the host who receives you. Everyone prays, reading slowly, attentively taking time to pause between each sentence.

There should be at least one hymn, not necessarily the one mentioned in the leaflet.

At the end of the prayer before leaving, the date and the place of the next prayer in common meeting is set.

Fortifies by what we have received, we go back home with the mission to live the «Gospel with Mary».

### **Daily personal prayer**

Everyday, each one is invited to pray in union with other team members and to meditate on **one of the mysteries of the Rosary**. Through these important moments of Jesus life, God speaks to us today.

For this meditation, a team calendar is used.

These calendars are available from Diocesan agents or from the National secretary of your country or the International secretary.

#### How to establish a prayer team

The launching and the animation of a Rosary team is a lay activity, a new way of teaching the Gospel. Seek the aid of the Holy Spirit and welcome Mary who is the spiritual sponsor of this activity in your home.

After getting in touch with a group of people, who accepts to meet from time to time, to pray together :

- Ask your national secretary's office in your country or the International Secretariat for some examples of the leaflet called « Rosary in team ». If you wish, 5 leaflets will be sent to you for a three month trial period.
- 2. Don't hesitate to contact, without any obligation the responsible agent of your diocese or your country. His or her address being mentioned at the back of this sheet (or ask for this address from the International secretary's office). Their advice could be useful to you.
- 3. It would be preferred that you speak of your project to the priest responsible for the parish or the district. You could tell him that the «Rosary teams » are a Roman Catholic association.
- 4. After three months, the nominated member of each team will need to subscribe to the national secretary's office of your country or the international secretary's office for the required number of leaflets.