

**Rosary For Life** Fr. Joseph Mary Wolfe, MFVA

On Oct 7, 1571, all of Christian Europe was threatened by a naval invasion at Lepanto. The greatly outnumbered Christian fleet engaged the enemy in battle. Pope St. Pius X called for prayers, in particular the Rosary, and the Christian fleet, aided by favorable winds won a miraculous victory for the protection of Christianity in the West. In thanksgiving, Pope St. Pius X, instituted the *Feast of Our Lady of Victory*, later changed to the *Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary* which we celebrate every October 7th. In our own day, no less than then, the Christian West is threatened . . . Threatened by the growing culture of death which seeks to destroy the Christian heritage of our country. Today we offer this Holy Rosary and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary for our Nation. We pray that Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory may win the victory over the culture of death and bring an end to abortion in our land - that we may once more be “One Nation, Under God, With Liberty and Justice For All.”

**Apostles Creed**

**Our Father** - We remember that God is the Father of all, and He loves each one, born and unborn, with a Father’s love.

**Hail Marys** - For the unborn - For all pregnant women - For all those victimized by abortion  
**Glory Be** - We pray with confidence in God’s almighty power to overcome all evil.

**1st Mystery - *The Annunciation*** - The Conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary, by the power of the Holy Spirit. We remember in this mystery those children in the womb, just conceived to three months in development. Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory, protect and intercede for these defenseless ones as you so cared for and loved the tiny Jesus within you.

**2nd Mystery - *The Visitation*** - The 6-month unborn John leaps in the womb of Elizabeth at the presence of the unborn Jesus in the womb of Mary. We remember in this mystery those children in the womb, three to six months in development. Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory, help all mothers to rejoice in their unborn children as you rejoiced in your Magnificat that God had done great things for you.

**3rd Mystery - *The Birth of Jesus*** - The newly-born Child Jesus is revered and adored by Mary, Joseph and the Shepherds. We remember in this mystery those children six to nine months in development. Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory, shield these children close to birth from the Evil One’s works in our land, especially from partial-birth abortion. May all these precious infants, like Jesus, be born under your care and love, protected by Joseph.

**4th Mystery - *The Presentation in the Temple*** - The forty day old Jesus fulfills the Law of God and Mary is told she will share in His suffering. We remember in this mystery all newborn children. Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory, pray that infanticide and the direction toward infanticide in our nation may be crushed by your heel and as you brought the Infant Jesus to the Temple, so bring these infants quickly to Baptism in the Church.

**5th Mystery - *The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple*** - The 12 year old Jesus teaches the doctors and is busy with His Father’s work. We remember in this mystery all children. Our Lady of the Rosary, Our Lady of Victory, intercede for our country that all abuse and neglect of children may cease, that all may recognize in the childhood of your Son, the dignity of every child.