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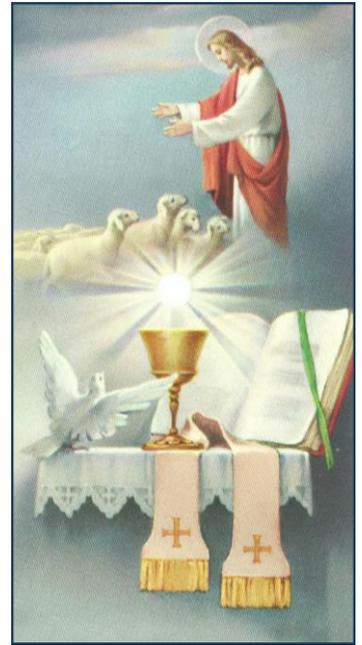
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GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST!

Dear Apostles and Benefactors of the Living Rosary,

The most Holy Eucharist contains in Itself the entire plan of God. The immense Glory rendered to the Father by the Word Incarnate, has brought God and His creation nearer to each other. It fills up the depths of its misery with the Grace of God, Grace abundant and rich. The Sacrifice of the Son of Man becomes the basis and cause of the supernatural order, both in Heaven and on earth. By our incorporation with the Incarnation of the Word in the act of His Sacrifice, we put on the dignity of Christ Himself.

We must approach Jesus in Holy Communion in a spirit of sacrifice. Matter is not lacking, for each day brings us crosses, great and small, that we may be united with His sufferings on Calvary. Holy Communion not only unites us to Christ but also to His followers who, wherever they may be, share in His Banquet. When Christ lives in us, all will be of the same mind and will prove it by their mutual love. The charity here, more than anywhere else in the world, is the bond of perfection. Union is the fruit of love. We must remember with profound gratitude that God has called us from the highways and hedge-rows of heathendom to the shelter of Holy Mother the Church. The lowliest task offered for the salvation of souls can help priests and missionaries in their labor and obtain the Grace of a true conversion for those entrusted to them. If we ourselves receive Holy Communion with true piety, living from day to day on the strength It brings us, it will not escape the notice of those with whom and for whom we work and live. Tenderly, yet insistently, Christ extends to us this invitation, ***“Come to Me, all you that labor and are burdened; I will give you rest.”***



We are often weary on our journey. Cares, struggles, temptations and failures leave their mark upon us. We are crushed under the weight of our faults and sins, burdened with passions and evil desires. We long for Christ's refreshing Grace, but feel ourselves unworthy. We think rarely of Him, are so distracted in our prayers, so proud and selfish! Our thoughts are set on the things of this earth; yet He continues to call us. It is not those who are in health that have need of a physician; it is those who are sick. Jesus alone can cure, cleanse and bind up our wounds. ***“Come to us, O Jesus, and transform us into Thyself! Live in us and make us apostles of Thy Love. Teach us to be submissive to Thy adorable Will. We are ready to sacrifice all we are and have for Thy Love and Glory.”***

United with all the members of the Living Rosary, and bound in love and duty to serve your spiritual needs, you may rest assured that each and every day you are remembered in my Sacred Masses and daily duties that all souls may be sanctified, God be glorified and we may be the instruments of His mission in the world to redeem mankind.

I impart to all of you, my priestly blessing:

✠ ***In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

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