



Rosary under the Cross

Let us see the Map of the British Isles completely covered in Crosses indicating our resolve to penance and prayer of Reparation with Our Lady under the Cross.

Sunday October 7th 2018 – Feast of Holy Rosary

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Act of Reparation

First led by Bishop John Keenan in Westminster Cathedral on Saturday September 22nd 2018 at the Divine Mercy Day of Prayer invoking Our Lady of Walsingham's powerful intercession.

Please kneel if you are able

Individual Act of Contrition

O Lord, forgive me my sins, the sins of my youth, the sins of my age, the sins of my soul. The sins of my body, my idle sins. My serious voluntary sins, the sins I know, the sins I do not know. The sins I have concealed so long, and which are now hidden from my memory.

I am truly sorry for every sin, mortal and venial, for all the sins of my childhood up to the present hour. I know my sins have wounded your tender heart. O my Saviour, let me be freed from the bonds of evil, through the most bitter passion of my Redeemer. O my Jesus, forget and forgive what I have been. Amen.

Prayer of Repentance to God the Father

Leader 1: O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in your only begotten Son you have revealed yourself as the fount of life and unfathomable source of Divine Mercy, who in the past has always listened to the call of your people. We the peoples of the Church in the British Isles ask you to hear our call, now that we find ourselves in times that seem more overwhelming than we can resolve: namely the spread of the culture of death and the abuse within the Church and across nations.

Leader 2: Victory can be ours only through your merciful intervention, therefore we entrust ourselves, and all our country to

the endless sea of your Divine Mercy, through the intercession of Mary Mother of Divine Mercy, together with all our Saints and Martyrs. We are conscious that you await our repentance and reparation, conscious too that your desire to grant us your forgiveness and healing is so much greater than our desire to ask or receive it.

Leader 3: We plead with you, Merciful Jesus, to extend to us your healing hand to rescue us from this culture of death and loss of the truth and meaning of human sexuality, which oppresses our lands, peoples and church. We ask you to draw all, both the young and the old, to your Divine Heart as we plead with you for the conversion of peoples and nations.

Leader 4: **"If my people who bear my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my presence and turn from their wicked ways, I myself will hear from heaven and forgive their sins and restore their land."** (2 Chron. 7v14)

Leader 1: Merciful Father, we are ashamed and bowed down with the burden of our sin. In our helplessness, we recognise that our only recourse is your DIVINE MERCY poured out upon us in the saving sacrifice of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ to whom we pray in reparation.

All: Therefore, Merciful Father, we bring before you the shame and responsibility, which is ours as members of the Church for the failure of duty to protect innocent children from the horror of abuse. Such sinfulness within the Church has betrayed Christ and his Holy Church to the extent that it is hardly recognizable to some. ***"As many people were aghast at him – he was so inhumanly disfigured that he no longer looked like a man."*** Isaiah 52 v14

Bishops, priests, religious and laity to lie prostrate on the ground in silent sorrow and repentance

Leader 4: ... ***"He had no form or charm to attract us, no beauty to win our hearts; he was despised, the lowest of men, a man of sorrows, familiar with suffering, one from whom, as it were, we averted our gaze, despised, for whom we had no regard. "*** Isaiah 53 v 2,3

Leader 3: ... We acknowledge and repent of our failures to act, for the false loyalties, spirit of rebellion and sinfulness which have so infiltrated God's Holy Church and led to compromise over God's commandments, betrayal in the teaching of the true Faith and moral degeneration to enter the hearts and minds of so many within the Church.

All: Merciful Father, we bring to you all the sorrow, hurt, pain, violence, abuse, shame, helplessness, condemnation, blame, and judgement of the unspeakable crimes of sexual abuse towards children and other abuse of the young and vulnerable committed by cardinals, bishops, priests, religious and laity. We also witness to the rage of the victims of such abuse, the abject denial and often token guilt of the perpetrators, the shame of the Church and the world for not having protected innocent and defenceless children and, in some cases, for having sought to hide these problems. The hurt and suffering of each child victim cries out before your throne for justice and mercy. This cry has erupted in our midst, spilling out in fury and fermenting resentment. On the lips of many it has become a condemnation of your Holy Church and a demand for retribution and punishment. Our Holy Father the Pope, Cardinals, Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Religious, Consecrated laity and lay faithful bear the heavy weight of this sin and shame and, like the Prodigal Son, we cry out:

All x 3(slowly) **Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you; we no longer deserve to be called your children.**
(cf. Luke 15, 18)

Leader 1: Merciful Father, we bring those religious leaders and clergy who were appointed by you as heralds of the truth for these suffering victims, but remained in silence. Their shame, neglect, incompetence and impotence weigh heavily upon us and upon all whom you have called to pastor your Church. **O Lord have Mercy.**

Sung Kyrie eleison! Christe eleison! Kyrie eleison! –Short silence

All: Merciful Father we abhor the horror of these sins. In humility, we place the perpetrators before your judgment and commend them to your mercy and the criminal courts of our lands. Pour out your strength upon our Bishops and enable them by your grace to do all that is necessary to ensure that children in our care are protected.

Sung Kyrie eleison! Christe eleison! Kyrie eleison! –Short silence

Leader 2: Merciful Father, we wish to offer you the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for all these sins.

All: Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Leader 3: Merciful Father we pray for all victims of sexual abuse & abuse of all kinds and in this moment ask you Merciful Father to ask Our Lady as Mother of Divine Mercy to come to their aid and care.

All: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Leader 1: Merciful Father we confess all these sins of members of our church & country & commend them to your infinite MERCY and pray that you pour out on our land an abundant spirit of penance, self-sacrifice and willingness to make constant reparation to your Sacred Heart of Love.

All: We repent of the widespread spirit of rebellion so prevalent today, and implore your Mercy Lord to rid members of the Church and our Lands of this impure and unholy spirit, which along with the spirit of pride, is an obstacle in our path and the root of all mortal sins. Merciful Father we pray that Your bride the Church may be truly rid of all these terrible wounds and disfigurements which human sin has inflicted within it and that the day will come when the Church on earth will shine before you once again, renewed, purified and vibrant.

We pray for a renewal of the practice of the Sacrament of Confession among members of the Church.

Sung Kyrie eleison! Christe eleison! Kyrie eleison! –Short silence

All: *“Yet ours were the sufferings he was bearing, ours the sorrows he was carrying, while we thought of him as someone being punished and struck with affliction by God; whereas he was being wounded for our rebellions, crushed because of our guilt;*

the punishment reconciling us fell on him, and we have been healed by his bruises. We had all gone astray like sheep, each taking his own way, and Yahweh brought the acts of rebellion of all of us to bear on him. Ill treated and afflicted, he never opened his mouth, like a lamb led to the slaughter-house, like a sheep dumb before its shearers he never opened his mouth.” Isaiah 54:4-7 ...

**Prayer of Confession for the sins of the Nation
from the Prophet Daniel (adapted from Daniel 9v18-19)**

All: Lord we have sinned against you, we have done wrong, we have acted wickedly; we have betrayed your commandments and your ordinances and turned away from them. Integrity, Lord, is yours; ours the look of shame we wear today, we, the members of the Catholic Church in the British Isles because of the weight of sin which we carry. Listen to us, O God; open your eyes and look on our plight, and on the Catholic Church in the British Isles, which bears your name. We do not rely on our own good works but on your great mercy, as we commend our humble plea to you. Listen, Lord! Lord, forgive! Hear, Lord, and act! For your own sake, O God, do not delay, because we bear your name, we who are your Catholic Church in the British Isles, we who are your people. Amen.

Leader 1: God our Father, all powerfully merciful, forgiving and gentle, we implore Your Mercy, intervention and healing. We unite ourselves with Your Mercy as we make our solemn confession of sin and join our sufferings with Jesus on the Cross, placing them in the treasury of the Church, for the salvation of every soul through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn: Who can Sound the depths of Sorrow in the Father Heart of God.

