



## Sunday Praise & Worship Community Bulletin

October 2, 2022

Tuesday	Oct. 4	6:00PM	Encounter School of Ministry – MOG School Gym
Wednesday	Oct. 5	1:30-2:30PM	Intercessory Prayer – Call Tom Singer 240-602-2698
Tuesday	Oct. 11	6:00PM	Encounter School of Ministry – MOG School Gym
Wednesday	Oct. 12	1:30-2:30PM	Intercessory Prayer – Call Tom Singer 240-602-2698
Saturday	Oct. 15	12:00NOON	Public Square Rosary Crusade – MOG School grounds
Sunday	Oct. 16	7:00PM	Affiliate Agreement Signing Ceremony – MOG School gym



### PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

On **Saturday, October 15 at 12:00 noon** a group of people will gather on Mother of God Community grounds to pray the Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima for peace in the world. This is part of the annual “Public Square Rosary Crusade” sponsored by *America Needs Fatima*. Please join Marie Campagnone **in front of the statue of Our Lady on the Mother of God School grounds** on Saturday, October 15 at 12:00 noon to pray for peace and honor Our Lady of Fatima’s request. Thank you!



### A RITE OF INITIATION for new Affiliate members will be held during our Praise & Worship Gathering on Sunday, October 16, 2022.

At the heart of the community since its beginnings is the grace of baptism in the Spirit, which gives us a living experience of the love of God the Father, the lordship of Jesus, and the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Pope Francis described this grace well when he said, “*Share with all in the Church the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, praise the Lord ceaselessly, walk together with Christians of different Churches and Christian communities in prayer and in action for those most in need.*”

What does it mean to be an Affiliate member?

It means that in a more formal way you unite yourself with your brothers and sisters in Mother of God Community. You experience the grace of belonging to a spiritual family and living in accord with its unique charism. Affiliate members do not take on the obligations and commitments of covenant membership, and do not become voting members. However, they are encouraged to grow spiritually and to participate in the life and activities of the community. They are invited to attend our annual men’s or women’s retreats. They are always welcome to attend all of our open events, including Praise & Worship, special conferences, Lord's Day suppers, social events, and Life in the Spirit seminars. Affiliate members are also offered the opportunity, if they so desire, to have a community member available as a spiritual companion, to pray with, talk to from time to time, and be a support in their walk with the Lord. All of these are means to grow in holiness and Christian maturity so that they can live out God’s plan for their lives. We began offering this option many years ago, and since then dozens of people have

been welcomed as new Affiliate members. Current covenant members who find themselves in a different place in their lives may also choose to sign the Affiliate agreement instead.

We invite you to prayerfully consider whether this is something the Lord is calling you to do. For your prayerful consideration, copies of the Affiliate Agreement are available at the Sunday Night front table. If you are interested in becoming an Affiliate member this year, please email Teri Stief at [mogc@motherofgod.org](mailto:mogc@motherofgod.org) or call the MOG office at 301-990-2081 (*not required*).

If you are already an Affiliate member, we would also like to invite you to renew your commitment to the Lord during our ceremony on Sunday, October 16. Please contact Teri Stief at [mogc@motherofgod.org](mailto:mogc@motherofgod.org) to let her know if you will be able to join us (*not required*).



## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

For those who wish to intercede and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament prior to in-person Sunday Night Praise & Worship each week, please join in **Eucharistic Adoration** in **Our Lady's Chapel** in Goshen House from **6:00 to 6:45 pm Sunday evenings**. Please feel free to join us any time during this period. Thank you!



## WEEKLY INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY

Every **Wednesday** afternoon **in Goshen House, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.** Please join us as we intercede for Community ministries and members (by name) as well as other petitions, including for all priests, especially those that have had Community associations. We pray generally and specifically using the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other prayers. A limited number of persons can participate by phone.



## HAVE YOU HEARD??

Mother of God Community is blessed to host **Perpetual Adoration in Our Lady's Chapel** in Goshen House during the church expansion project at St. John Neumann Parish. Guests and visitors may come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at all hours of the day.

The Chapel is open 24 hours a day, with restricted access between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am. Only regular adorers who have signed up for a restricted time slot will be given the overnight access code. Both regular adorers and visitors are asked to sign in when visiting our Chapel. Come and be blessed!

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