

THE VIETNAMESE EUCHARISTIC YOUTH MOVEMENT IN THE U.S.A NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITEE

MEMORANDUM

September 19th, 2017

To: Chaplains and Youth-Leaders in the National Executive Committee;

Chaplains and Youth-Leaders in Regional, League of Chapters, and Chapter Executive

Committees;

Youth-Leader Trainers; Layperson Chaplain Assistants and; Youth-Leaders

SUBJ: National Day of Prayer and the Holy Rosary Spiritual Bouquet Campaign

Peace and blessings to all in the name of Jesus in the Eucharist!

The Church is celebrating the centenary of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. It is the faith-filled historical value of the Catholic Church. Being sinking into the horrific war in 1917, our Lady of Fatima appeared to the three little kids asking them to pray the rosary and relating the message of praying the rosary to all Catholics so that peace maybe granted in the world. If you think that praying the rosary is an old style, which is applicable to older generation, the message of our Lady of Fatima proves you are wrong.

War is still happening in all parts of the world. Nuclear weapon is being used to threaten the world. Nuclear weapon is terribly powerful because its effect is massive. Regardless of its effect, the rosary surpasses the power. The rosary has the capacity of transforming evil thoughts and accordingly the nuclear weapon can be no longer used.

The message of Fatima is the message of peace. The world is in dire need of peace, peace in the heart, in family, and in the world. In celebrating the centenary of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, let us revive the message of Fatima. I invite you to actively participate in the Rosary Campaign in October. This is the great opportunity for unifying our hearts, mind, and spirit. Praying the rosary wholeheartedly with obedience and humility will increase grace and piety. Let us pray the rosary everyday so that peace can be granted in our hearts, family, and the world.

The VEYM has selected the first Sunday of October to celebrate the National Day of Prayer. The motto Prayer is one of the four mottos to help the youths to become saint. The National Day of Prayer this year is October 1st, 2017, I would like to ask each member to pray the rosary together as a way to remind ourselves that: Prayer is a necessary duty to become a saint. I eagerly ask all Executive Committees to actively participate and promote the activities that will help our members to growth closer to Jesus through prayer.

Again, I would like to remind each member and the Executive Committee of each level to live the Eucharistic Day, pray daily, and encourage each other to participate in the Holy Rosary Spiritual

Bouquet Campaign in the month of October this year. Each member needs to participate and sends the results to your Division, Charter, League of Charter, Region, and National Headquarter each week so they can be recorded and filed in our National Treasure Bouquet. The link is http://tinyurl.com/veymspiritualbouquet.

May the love and grace of Christ Jesus through the intercession of Mary bless you and your family!

In the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary,

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