

Our Lady's Fifteen Promises for all who pray the Rosary devoutly were revealed by Our Blessed Mother to Saint Dominic and Blessed Alan de la Roche in the Thirteenth Century. These are known as a "private revelation" and as such are a pious tradition of the Catholic Church. Patrick J. Hayes, Archbishop of NY (1919-1938) gave his Imprimatur to the English translation.

1. To all those who shall pray my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and great graces.

These are special and unique Graces to help sanctify us in our state in life. St. Louis de Montfort states emphatically that the best and fastest way to union with Our Lord is via Our Lady. [See ["True Devotion to Mary" by St. Louis de Montfort, chapter 4.](#)]

2. Those who shall persevere in the recitation of my Rosary will receive some special grace.

Our Lady is our Advocate and the channel of all God's Grace to us. Our Lady is simply highlighting that She will watch over us who pray the Rosary. [See ["Lumen Gentium" of Vatican II, chapter VIII - #62](#) and ["True Devotion to Mary" by St. Louis de Montfort, chapter 4.](#)]



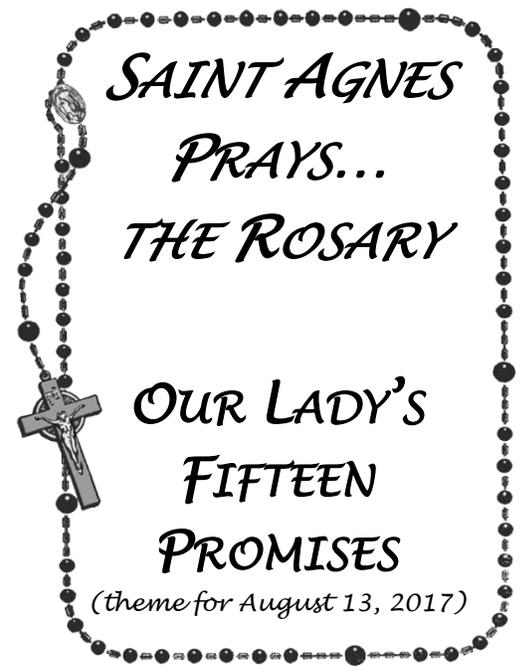
3. The Rosary will be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin and dispel heresy.

This promise, along with the next, is simply the reminder on how fervent prayer will help us all grow in holiness by avoiding sin, especially a prayer with the excellence of the Rosary. An increase in holiness necessarily requires a reduction in sin, vice and doctrinal errors (heresies). If only the modernists could be convinced to pray the Rosary! [See [Lumen Gentium, chapter V, The Call to Holiness #42.](#)]

St. Louis de Montfort states, "Mary alone crushed all heresies, as we are told by the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit (Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary)..." [See ["True Devotion to Mary" by St. Louis de Montfort, Chapter 4, #167.](#)]

4. The rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies. It will draw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire of eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.

This promise, along with the previous one, is the promise of help to live in virtue. Becoming holy is not only avoiding sin, but also growing in virtue. [See [Lumen Gentium, chapter V, The Call to Holiness #42.](#)]



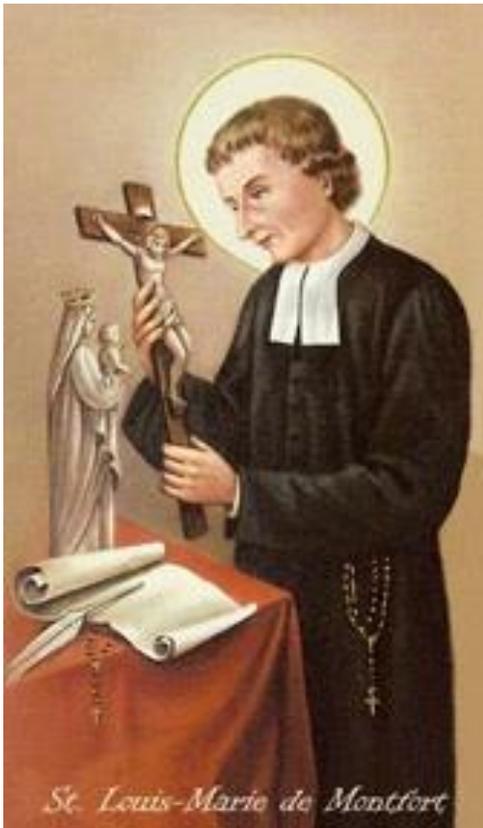
5. Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary will not perish.

Since Our Lady is our Mother and Advocate, She always assists those who call on Her implicitly by praying the Rosary. The Church reminds us of this in the Memorare prayer, "...never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession, was left unaided..."

6. Whoever recites my Rosary devoutly reflecting on the mysteries, shall never be overwhelmed by misfortune. He will not experience the anger of God nor will he perish by an unprovided death. The sinner will be converted; the just will persevere in grace and merit eternal life.

This promise highlights the magnitude of Graces that the Rosary brings to whomever prays it. One will draw down God's Mercy rather than His Justice and will have a final chance to repent (see promise #7). One will not be conquered by misfortune means that Our Lady will obtain for the person sufficient Graces to handle said misfortune (i.e. carry the Crosses allowed by God) without falling into despair. As Sacred Scripture tells us, "For my yoke is sweet and my burden light." [Matthew 11:30](#)

7. Those truly devoted to my Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.



This promise highlights the benefits of obtaining the most possible Graces at the hour of death via the Sacraments of Confession, Eucharist, and Extreme Unction (Anointing of the Sick). Being properly disposed while receiving these Sacraments near death ensures one's salvation (although perhaps with a detour through Purgatory) since a final repentance is possible.

8. Those who are faithful to recite my Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces and will share in the merits of the blessed.

Our Lady highlights the great quantity of Graces obtained through praying the Rosary, which assist us during life and at the moment of death. The merits of the Saints are the gift of God's rewards to those persons who responded to His Grace that they obtained during life, and so Our Lady indicates that She will provide a share of that to us at death. With this promise and #7 above, Our Lady is providing the means for the person to have a very holy death.

9. I will deliver promptly from purgatory souls devoted to my Rosary.

Should one require Purgatorial cleansing after death, Our Lady will make a special effort to obtain our release from Purgatory through Her intercession as Advocate.

10. True children of my Rosary will enjoy great glory in heaven.

This promise is a logical consequence of promises #3 and #4 since anyone who truly lives a holier life on earth will obtain a higher place in Heaven. The closer one is to God while living on earth, the closer that person is to Him also in Heaven. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states "Spiritual progress tends toward ever more union with Christ." ([Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraph 2014](#))

11. What you shall ask through my Rosary you shall obtain.

This promise emphasizes Our Lady's role as our Advocate and Mediatrix of all Graces. Of course, all requests are subject to God's Most Perfect Will. God will always grant our request if it is beneficial for our soul, and Our Lady will only intercede for us when our request is good for our salvation. (See [Lumen Gentium chapter VIII - Our Lady #62](#))

12. To those who propagate my Rosary I promise aid in all their necessities.

If one promotes the praying of the Rosary, Our Lady emphasizes Her Maternal care for us by obtaining many Graces (i.e. spiritual necessities) and also material necessities (neither excess nor luxury), all subject to the Will of God of course.

13. I have obtained from my Son that all the members of the Rosary Confraternity shall have as their intercessors, in life and in death, the entire celestial court.

Since Our Lady is our Advocate, She brings us additional assistance during our life and at our death from all the saints in Heaven, the Communion of Saints. (See: [Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraphs 954 through 959.](#))

14. Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.

Since the Rosary is a most excellent prayer focused on Jesus and His Life and activities in salvation history, it brings us closer to Our Lord and Our Lady. Doctrinally, Our Lady is our Mother and Jesus is our Eldest Brother, besides being our God. ([Lumen Gentium chapter VIII - Our Lady #62](#))

15. Devotion to my Rosary is a special sign of predestination.

Predestination in this context means that, by the sign which is present to a person from the action of devoutly praying the Rosary, God has pre-ordained your salvation. Absolute certainty of salvation can only be truly known if God reveals it to a person because, although we are given sufficient Grace during life, our salvation depends upon our response to said Grace. (See [Summa Theologica of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Question 23](#) for a detailed theological explanation). Said another way, if God has guaranteed a person's salvation but has not revealed it to Him, God would want that person to pray the Rosary because of all the benefits and Graces obtained. Therefore the person gets a hint by devotion to the Rosary. This is not to say that praying the Rosary guarantees salvation - by no means. In looking at promises #3 and #4 above, praying the Rosary helps one to live a holy life, which is itself a great sign that a soul is on the road to salvation. (See [Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs 381, 488, 600, 2782.](#)) In fact, St. Louis de Montfort says even more strongly that "an infallible and unmistakable sign by which we can distinguish a heretic, a man of false doctrine, an enemy of God, from one of God's true friends is that the hardened sinner and heretic show nothing but contempt and indifference to Our Lady..." [[True Devotion to Mary by Saint Louis de Montfort, #30](#)]



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Explanations and Doctrinal Associations:

Our Lady's Warriors:

<https://www.ourladyswarriors.org/prayer/15promise.htm>

Our Mother Queen of Peace.org:

<http://www.ourmotherqueenofpeace.org/pdf/march-april%2009.pdf>

Doctrinal Sites:

Catechism of the Catholic Church, Simplified; [CatholiCity](#)

Full text: <http://www.catholicity.com/catechism>

Lumen Gentium of Vatican II

Summary:

http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19641121_lumen-gentium_en.html

The New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE);

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Full Text: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/books-of-the-bible/index.cfm>

The Summa Theologica of St. Thomas Aquinas

Full text: http://www.documentacatholicaomnia.eu/03d/1225-1274,_Thomas_Aquinas,_Summa_Theologiae_%5B1%5D,_EN.pdf

Treatise on True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin, St. Louis de Montfort;

[Eternal Word Television Network \(EWTN\)](#)

Full text: <https://www.ewtn.com/library/Montfort/TRUEDEVO.HTM>

True Devotion to Mary by St. Louis de Montfort

Additional Information:

Fifteen Promises of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

<http://www.ewtn.com/v/experts/showmessage.asp?number=438582>

Introduction: <https://forums.catholic.com/showthread.php?t=508330>

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