



Knights of Columbus

Iowa State Council

Memorandum

To: Iowa District Deputies

Cc: Jerry Suther, Regional Marian Prayer Program Coordinator (Western Iowa)
Charles Vaske, Regional Marian Prayer Program Coordinator (Eastern Iowa)
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From: Kenneth Bauer, Marian Prayer Program Coordinator

Date: March 11, 2008

Re: Marian Prayer Program Update

District Deputies:

I have been receiving positive reports about several well-attended prayer services for the Marian Prayer Program, Our Lady of Charity. This is fantastic. To those districts that have already hosted the program, thank you for your efforts. To those districts that have yet to host the program, you can look forward to a popular program that, with advance planning and coordination, will be well attended.

However, our successes, have led to shortages of the prayer booklets which impacts the success of future prayer services. On the east side of the state alone, having started with 1000 booklets, we are now down to approximately 300. As a reminder, these booklets cannot be kept by participants. They need to stay with the icon for the benefit of future participants. The prayer cards may be given to participants as a keepsake.

To those DDs that have hosted the program, I'd ask that you contact your councils and have someone return to the church for any booklets left behind. Should any booklets be found, please send them to me at the address below.

For DDs who have not yet hosted the program, please relay this information to your councils. Perhaps make an announcement following the prayer service for participants to leave the booklets. Station a knight at the exits to collect the booklets and hand out the keepsake prayer cards. Have knights walk through the church to collect any booklets left behind. Ensure that the icon, all booklets and leftover prayer cards are kept together until the kit is handed off to the next scheduled district.

East side districts may call me, while West side districts may call Jerry Suther, for additional prayer booklets or prayer cards. Spanish language booklets / cards are also available.

Thank you for your help.

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