

# ANNUAL REPORT

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS** 

Annual Report to the Regia Our Lady of Sorrows Praesidium Ss. Cyril & Methodius Slovak 09.01.2014 – 09.01.2015

Our Lady of Sorrows Praesidium meets on Monday at 7:00PM in room 116 at Ss Cyril & Methodius Slovak Catholic Church. Deacon Gerald Smigell is our Spiritual Director.

#### **Praesidium Officers and Members**

All officers fulfill their responsibilities and attend the Regia meetings except in case of emergency. This past year we recruited a new active member. Currently, we have 11 active members and the Deacon. We have Auxiliaries: 247 Auxiliary Jr: 11 Adjutorians: 15 Praetorians: 0

PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
Nicholas Crédi	Joanne Swatowski	Joyce Conroy	Mary Kessler

#### Works of the Praesidium

- We have been visiting the homebound and patients at the nursing homes and hospitals, distributing Holy Communion, prayer cards, (saying) rosaries, medals. As members of the Bereavement Ministry, we lead the Rosary at wakes and assist at funeral masses.
- We also lead the Rosary each Tuesday at Ss Cyril & Methodius, Wednesday at Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church, and every Sunday evening at St. Anastasia Church.
- We lead the Rosary weekly at Heartland Rehabilitation Center and once a month at Sunrise Nursing Home in Troy.
- As a sidewalk ministry, Rosary's are being said outside of abortion clinics on 8 Mile and 17 Mile on a weekly basis. With the help of the Blessed Virgin Mother, babies are saved and more of her lost children are returning to the Church.
- Maintain and update the Legion of Mary website, www,legionofmarymichigan.org. Created printable forms, flyers and prayers.
- Assist driving parishioners to and from Sunday Holy Mass.
- During the Slovak Festival at Ss Cyril & Methodius, we have two members work for 3 days at a ministry table handing out literature, and Holy Cards. A Legion of Mary recruitment ad was placed in the Slovak Festival ad book. We recruited several new Auxiliaries.

### **Communication to Auxiliaries**

We continue to call Auxiliaries yearly. We have included all their requests and prayers at the weekly meetings. Letters are sent to all members in the Spring and Fall providing updates on Legion activities.

### **New Auxiliaries**

After the three months of the probationary period, they are called and we follow up with a letter containing a membership card and enrollment form for the Maria Legionis Magazine. All active members subscribe to the Maria Legionis Magazine.

## Regia Activities

- Rosary Rally
- Active members attended the Annual Reunion in December.
- CYO Rainbow Conference
- Members attended the Acies in March
- Spring Luncheon
- Annual Silent Retreat in July.
- At the Dream Cruise, members worked for a total of 5.0 hours handing out literature.

Each year brings new challenges, and by the graces from on High we have prospered and become a dedicated work force for Our Lady. Deacon Gereald Smigell, our spiritual director, has kept us focused and inspired. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve our Lady of Sorrows.