

# What do they say about the Legion of Mary?

“You are a movement of lay people who propose to make faith the aspiration of your life up to the achievement of personal sanctity.”

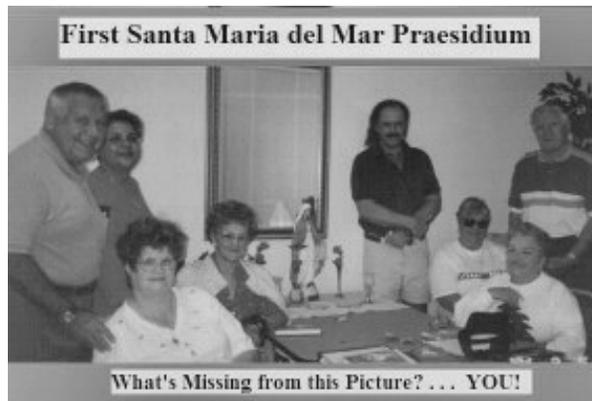
—*Pope John Paul III*

“I say you have anticipated the Vatican Council — the future of the Church” —*Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*

“Its name speaks for itself.” —*Pope Pius XI*

“Indeed the spirit of the Legion of Mary, while properly drawing fruitful nourishment from the strong interior life of its members, from their discipline, their dedication to the salvation of their neighbor, their unflinching loyalty to the church, nevertheless is distinguished and characterized by an adamant confidence in the action of the Blessed Virgin — recognizing in her the model, the guide, the joy, and the support of its members....” —*Pope Paul VI*

“(L)ay Christians are entrusted by God with the apostate by virtue of their Baptism and Confirmation; they have the right and duty, individually or grouped in associations, to work to so that they divine message of salvation may be known and accepted by all men throughout the earth. —*Catechism of the Catholic Church #900* (CF Canon 225 reproduced inside)



Find out more about the Legion of Mary in your parish. Visit a meeting as a guest — no obligation — 90-day free trial!

**“The Legion of Mary reflects the true face of the Catholic Church”**  
—*Pope John XXIII*

Your parish group has been named after a title of the Blessed Mother

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It meets on \_\_\_\_\_

At \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

Invitation extended by:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

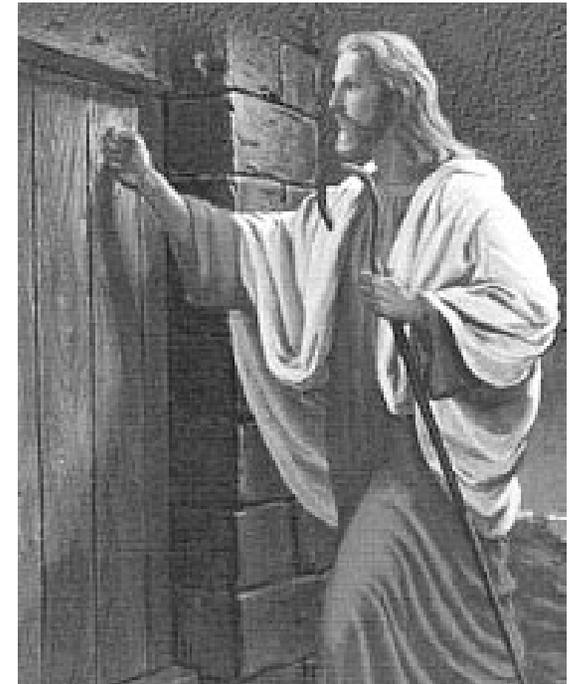
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*Behold, I stand at the door and knock . . . .*



**Christ has no hands but your hands to do His Work today.  
He has no feet but your feet to lead men in his way.  
He has no tongue but your tongue to tell men how He died.  
He has not help but your help to bring men to His side.**

## *Do you want to . . . . .*

- Learn more about your faith?
- Enrich your prayer life?
- Develop close Catholic friendships
- Grow closer to Jesus and His Blessed Mother?

**Then come as a guest to a Legion of Mary meeting to learn how Christians just like you are accomplishing these goals.**

## *What is it?*

The Legion of Mary is the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church with approximately 10 million active members. The Legion is in almost every country in the world. The Legion has been approved by the past eight popes, and was endorsed by the Second Vatican Council. The main purpose of the Legion of Mary is to give glory to God through the development of its members in spirituality and life skills.

## *How does it work?*

Members meet once a week for prayer, planning and discussion in a family setting. Then during the week they do a substantial assigned apostolic task (usually about two hours) with a partner.

The next meeting they report on the results. The Legion is in essence an extension of the heart and hands of the pastor to meet the spiritual needs of the community.

*The Legion of Mary will help you . . .*

**...To see Christ in others and to serve him as His mother would.**

**...To develop a closer relationship with Christ and His Mother.**

**...To live and work hand-in-hand with Mary, our mother.**

**...To submit yourself to the Holy Spirit as an instrument of his work.**

**...And, with the help of that Holy Spirit and His spouse to do great things for the glory of God and for the salvation of souls.**

*"Come and see" what the Legion is all about.*

## *What types of work does it do?*

The Legion of Mary is at the service of the pastor to do any type of spiritual work of mercy. Works the Legion is doing in our area include, visitation of the sick or aged, religious education, visiting parents of newly baptized, crowd contact, door-to-door evangelization, and many other types of apostolic works the parish priest wants accomplished. There are sure to be some to your liking.

## *Who can belong?*

The Legion of Mary is open to all practical Catholics who are animated by the desire to participate in the Church's work as evangelization as directed by Canon Law:

*"Since lay people, like all Christ's faithful, are deputed by baptism and confirmation, they are BOUND BY THE GENERAL OBLIGATION, and they have the right, whether as individuals or in associations, to strive so that the divine message of salvation may be known and accepted by all people throughout the world." (Can. 225)*