

2 August 2025

Priory of the Holy Spirit, Blackfriars, Oxford

Dear Mr Angeloni,

It is with joy that I hear of your plans to rally the Marian Confraternities and Rosary prayer groups and other pious organisations of the world once more in a Rosary Relay, to be prayed on the 7th of October 2025. The first of these 'World Rosary Days' was a beautiful act of prayer and Marian devotion offered to our Blessed Mother, as we gathered to pray for peace and for the success of the Jubilee of Hope, as asked for by our late Holy Father Pope Francis.

Now in the Jubilee Year, I hope that even more groups from around the world will come together, each in their own nations and times, but especially in the Eternal City, to pray the Holy Rosary on the occasion of the second World Rosary Day, once again to be held on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (7 October). As wars and violence against Christians continue in our world, we do well to gather the Rosary for peace, as Our Lady has asked us repeatedly to do, and it is my hope that this World Rosary Day will be a sign of hope to many in this Jubilee of Hope. For, in the words of Pope Leo XIV, "our Mother Mary always wants to walk at our side, to remain close to us, to help us with her intercession and her love." There is no better way to express this closeness of the Blessed Mother than through a Rosary Relay.

Thank you for all you do in promoting the Holy Rosary, and let us remain united in prayer. May Our Lady of the Rosary pray for us.

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