

## **The Way of the Rose Phone Meeting, 8 am Daily**

Anyone may host a meeting. The responsibilities for the host are to greet the participants, follow the format, and occasionally remind participants to mute their phones. That which is to be spoken is preceded by \*\*

### **WELCOME**

\*\*Good morning and welcome to the 8 AM rosary circle. My name is \_\_\_\_\_). We are on day (1-54) of our novena. Today we will be praying the (joyous, sorrowful, or glorious) mysteries.

\*\*We will begin with our description for The Way of The Rose and follow this with a reading from our Lady. Would someone like to read the group description, and would someone like to find a reading for us?

### **GROUP DESCRIPTION**

*The Way of the Rose is an open hearted, inclusive community of beings dedicated to the forgotten Earth wisdom of the rosary... and to the Lady, by any name you wish to call her. We are not affiliated with the Catholic Church or any other religious institution nor do we seek to build a new one. We have no dues or fees, no buildings to maintain or capital campaigns. We pass the hat from time to time to meet our modest needs. There are no priests or levels of mastery. Instead of lineages of power, we value circles of friendship. We support one another in praying for our heart's desire.*

*Every rosary circle honors the Five Petals of the Wild Rose.*

*First Petal - WOTR circles are free.*

*Second Petal - WOTR circles are inclusive. Everyone is welcome at every meeting.*

*Third Petal - WOTR circles pray the rosary or a chaplet.*

*Fourth Petal - WOTR circles are places to pray for our heart's desire.*

*Fifth Petal - WOTR circles are leaderless.*

### **READING FROM OUR LADY**

\*\*Does someone have a reading ready to share with us? [Readings may be found on the website or in the Book].

### **PETITIONS**

\*\*It is now time to offer our petitions/thanksgivings, followed by a Hail Mary. Please note, when the group is more than 8 individuals, it is necessary to exercise consideration of time awareness in order to give everyone a chance to pray and complete the Rosary in our 90- minute allotted time frame.

After all who wish to pray their petitions and thanksgivings aloud have finished, the host may offer a prayer for the petitions of all those who have previously been part of the 8 am community, followed by a Hail Mary.

## **GROUP AGREEMENT**

\*\*It is our group agreement that everything that is prayed or spoken here is held in confidence to allow deepening and intimacy to happen. There is no commentary on what is shared or advice-giving. We simply hold space for each other's unique prayer experiences. There are no Rosary police in the Way of the Rose circles, only Rosary friends. You are encouraged to make the prayers and mysteries your own.

## **THE ROSARY**

\*\*Are there volunteers who would like to lead today's mysteries? Ask for each mystery. And the Decade for the Dead?

The volunteer for the first mystery first leads the way into the garden. Instead of a Creed, there is a silent pause for each of us to become grounded in sacred space. Each decade is announced and a reflection may follow. The writings on the website are the basis for our own comments. The leader of the 5th decade is responsible for the Hail Holy Queen though someone may assist in this.

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry poor banished children of Eve, mourning and weeping in the valley of tears. Turn then most gracious Advocate thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary, pray for us, Holy Mother of God, that we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.*

## **THE DECADE FOR THE DEAD**

\*\*It is now time for us to call in our Dead, our ancestors, saints, and beings of choice. Who would like to begin?

After the Dead have been called in, the host may call in the Dead of all those who have previously been part of the 8 am community. Then the volunteer leads the decade, and concludes with the Memorare:

*Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to thee, sought thy help, or implored thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence we fly to the O virgin of virgins, our mother. To thee do we come, before we stand sinful and sorrowful. O mother of the word incarnate despise not our petitions but hear us now and answer us.*

## **CONCLUDING THE MEETING**

\*\*It is now time for sharing, sacred chitchat, announcements and questions.