

HISTORY OF THE ROSARY IN HISTORY



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Rosary as a Spiritual Sword

Fr. Don Calloway, MIC, Vocation Director for the Marians of the Immaculate Conception and author of several books about Mary, delivers a spirited April 5, 2017 lecture (YouTube link line above) about the Rosary as a spiritual sword doing battle at critical moments in church and world history, from the pre-teen centuries of Christianity up to and including the present era.

Not a dry, carefully nuanced historical review, nor evidencing ecumenical scrupulosity, he presents a view of the beads and their associated prayers and

meditations as powerful ammunition and weapons in the age-old battle begun in the Garden of Eden and continuing as described in Revelation.

As the dynamic Dominican's remarks make abundantly clear, his talk is a kind of recruitment pitch to enlist his listeners Apr 5, 2017-- Franciscan University of Steubenville students who presumably already pray the Rosary on occasion -- to take up the beads with increased fervor and frequency because the world as at one of those moments when every Ave matters. It's a convincing argument from a convincing speaker whose point is well taken.

In the course of his observations, Fr. Calloway gallops his way through centuries of history, scattering key figures' names and dates in the annals of Rosary interventions so often and so quickly, you'll find yourself constantly "rewinding the tape" to jot them down correctly, if you're making notes. But his encyclopedic knowledge of the subject is impressive and can make watching the video worthwhile for those of us eager to learn more about it.

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