



Walls of Jericho Project
May 16- 22, 2016
www.WOJMAY2016.org

This mission is in response to Pope Francis' request in this Year of Mercy and is based on Joshua 6. As the walls of Jericho came down, the Israelites were freed to pursue God's will; so we pray that our walls- that obstruct us from fully living God's will in our lives- may also come down.

The mission of the Walls of Jericho project is to gather everyone from across the country and the world to pray at the same time, asking God to pour His Mercy upon us and to forgive us for our sins and the sins of the whole world. Select an area that you desire to dedicate to God. All Pentecost week, these areas throughout the world will be in petition to God, connecting and praying, isn't that beautiful!

Explanation of Walls of Jericho

The period of time selected is from the day after Pentecost, May 16, to Trinity Sunday, May 22, 2016.

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To accomplish this mission in unity with each other, we ask each group to do two things:

1. Use the selected dates of May 16-22, 2016 to connect and pray together.
2. Use the selected opening prayer (Pope Francis' Year of Mercy Prayer) and closing prayer (Hail Holy Queen & Our Father).

Since the needs and manner of how we pray vary; we are **leaving it up to the individual or groups** to come up with the specific prayers or works (James 2:17) that they will promote in addition to those prayers listed above. A group may choose to say extra prayers, such as the

Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet or they may perform works of mercy throughout the week. The website has a list of suggestions for prayers as well as suggestions for accomplishing the works of mercy. **We strongly encourage Eucharistic Processions on the seventh day, May 22, as the Israelites carried the Ark of the Covenant, so we should process with the Word of God made Flesh.**

This allows everyone to participate either as a group or as individuals, and **allows each to participate according to their individual devotion or charism.** This will gloriously highlight the gifts, graces, talents, missions the “who God has made us to be “(“Be who God made you to be, and you will set the world on fire.” St. Catherine of Siena), how we are uniquely wonderfully made in God’s eyes. HE delights in us and this step will highlight how we are made. So we can have different groups in one parish, working in harmony with each other. Some may want to meet and pray together as they walk, or pray together in a Chapel, while others may want to work to raise money to cover the monthly utility bill for a homeless shelter.

The website was designed to contain all the information necessary for a group or individual to participate including:

- A promotional material page, which allows fliers to be easily made, edited and sent out.
- A translation bar.
- A list of prayers to be used, which can be printed right from the site.
- A frequently asked question section to help with a better understanding of this project.
- The ability to register a site to gather participants, as well as the ability for individuals to find a group near them. (This includes international access and a site for the homebound and shut-ins to also participate.)
- The alternate 7 day/7 second prayer for those who may not have the time to participate more fully or for those who have an interest in the mission, **but are not used to a formal prayer life.**





****Lastly, the 7 day/7 second prayer:**

Our Father, soften our hearts
Jesus Christ, have pity on us
Holy Spirit, convict us with compassion
Mother Mary, help us
Holy Angels and Saints, pray for us

Is a small evangelization effort in that it allows everyone to participate as well as bringing into the mind The Trinity, Mary, and the Angels and Saints, and may plant a seed of openness to God's grace, which in turn He may use to bring them into a deeper relationship. We are encouraging people to put it on their computer, mirror, or anywhere they may see it on a daily basis.

This is very important, the 7 second prayer, we can easily print it out put it on cardstock, mail it to people we know, and ask our loves ones, here, join us. Very simple, yet profound.

How wonderful it will be that for 7 days people will be **dedicating their areas to God, offering prayers and reparations.**

No posters, pictures, political agendas. Our goal is to gather for the Lord, asking for sincere forgiveness, for OUR sins. We are living in the consequences of our sins. May God tear down these spiritual walls so that we may fully live the life the Lord has willed for us.

YES to crucifix, picture of the Blessed Mother, Angels and Saints (Intercession)

The response has been overwhelmingly positive and the question arose about next year. **Yes, we will, through God's grace, be doing this next year as well, same time period, the Monday after Pentecost June 5- June 11, 2017.**

