

## DID YOU KNOW BY DEACON AL

### **CONCLUSION OF THE HISTORY OF THE ROSARY**

The Luminous Mysteries focus on the public life of Jesus, spanning from his baptism in the Jordan River, up to his death. They are called the mysteries of Light because Jesus is the light of the world. The rosary is a beautiful prayer centered in Christ, we pray to the Son, in the company of his Mother. With Mary, we contemplate the face of Christ and the mysteries of his life he shared with her. Even in the words Hail Mary, it is Christ who is the ultimate object. As we pray the rosary, a clear focus on the life of Christ emerges as the mysteries of the rosary unfold. With our fingers, we pass from one decade to the other, making the journey with Jesus as he is conceived and born, as he teaches and heals, as he gives himself to us in bread and wine, and as he suffers, dies, and rises to heaven. He is glorified both in his death on the cross, and in the resurrection. The mysteries of the rosary are stories of the many journeys of Christ for the salvation of mankind.