



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Office of the Cardinal

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Men and women throughout history have found in the Rosary a veritable source of strength, hope and encouragement in the spiritual life. We cannot forget its association with the Battle of Lepanto and the Church's celebration of Our Lady of the Rosary every October 7, which calls to mind Mary's intercessory help for us, her children, in the battle against evil. Through the recitation of the Rosary, we walk in prayerful meditation with Mary, the *Theotokos*, and are drawn into the mysteries of Christ's Pasch and Resurrection, through which we gain all graces.

Through Mary, the promise of God in the *protoevangelium* (Genesis 3:15) is fulfilled. Thus, she is always at our side in our battle against evil. Pope Francis, in his homily on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 2012 reiterated this point when he reminds us that "Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the rosary."

In the light of the above, I am very pleased to wholeheartedly endorse *Power in My Hands*, a beautiful and captivating film which powerfully reminds us of the Blessed Virgin's ever-present maternal help in the midst of so much spiritual turmoil in our culture today. I have no doubt that *Power in My Hands* will be a great tool of evangelization and I commend the Rosary Evangelization Apostolate for undertaking the timely task of producing this film.

Commending you to the favors and intercessions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mediatrix of all graces, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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