



# THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RALEIGH CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

## THE FLAME

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### Rosie Mancino: A Treasure

By Maria Muratore, Director of Charismatic Services



Sometimes in our lives we find a treasure, we strike gold in unexpected places. That's what happened when a lovely lady by the name of Rosemarie Mancino entered my life. She's a sweetheart and ends all our conversations with "I'll be praying for you." I feel so blessed and supported in my own ministry and enjoy our weekly visits. She's a lady who quietly blesses so many hearts and encourages others to go farther and deeper in their own prayer lives. Her dearest friends know her simply as "Rosie". She's a beautiful woman of faith who never ceases to inspire. Although she's 80+ years old, she's still one of the youngest people I know. Her unflinching faith and determination to minister to others is truly amazing. She loves talking about past victories in the Charismatic Renewal at its infancy and all her experiences and trials. She's very open and frank about who she is and her beliefs. Somehow, she's managed to be both a firecracker and a humble soul all at the same time. She's on fire for

the Lord and very devoted to the Blessed Mother. She evangelizes to everyone she meets and isn't shy giving even a priest some sage advice. Her ministries today have been totally spirit-led. When she was first made aware of our Lady of Good Success and Mother Marianna of Ecuador, she knew she was being called to lead a weekly intercessory prayer group from her home. Mother Marianna was a nun who experienced Marian apparitions in 1593 instructing her and her order to pray and intercede specifically for the future generation of the 20th century. It's an amazing devotion with a unique history of our Lady's unwavering assistance to all those who seek her help. For more details and information about this devotion you can visit [Ourladyofgoodsuccess.com](http://Ourladyofgoodsuccess.com).

Rosie, with the heart of a true evangelist, distributes sacramentals, rosaries, prayer cards and brochures to promote Jesus, Mother Mary and the catholic faith. This ministry has blessed so many people whether they are extremely devout or are still searching. Mini miracles have blessed those touched by her ministries. Recently, Rosie offered me some rosaries (regular and rose scented rosary beads) and prayer cards to distribute at an event where I was invited to speak and give my testimony. Debra Rony and Bernadette Divito accompanied me and gave their testimonies also. Later that day, I received an email: *"It was a pleasure meeting you all today. Thank you also for the information and gifts you shared. I also wanted to thank you for the Roses rosary you gave me. When I got home, I opened the wrapper to see if I could smell them. I know this may sound strange but 7 years ago I was prescribed a nasal spray for a serious sinus infection and lost my sense of smell. Imagine my joy when the beautiful floral fragrance greeted me!*

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*and I have been smelling them all day! God is great! Blessings and Peace."* Donna Q.

Fr. Alar recently came to Raleigh, NC to speak at the Ignited by Truth Conference. Rosie again gave me quite a few brochures and items to distribute at our Charismatic Renewal ministry table. When Fr. Alar came up to our table, he commented to Win and Andy Wallace. that he said he *"was very happy to see we had brochures from Marians of the Immaculate Conception on the table."* A young man, Danny Nelson., with Special Needs attended with his whole family. He had been going through a difficult time lately with Covid isolation, masks and anxiety. He had been going through a difficult time lately with Covid—isolation, masks and anxiety. Months later, an intercessory prayer team minister, Mary Trombetta, saw him at the Miracle League. She was impressed to see him wearing a set of rosary beads around his neck throughout the game. She asked him and his mom about it later. His mother said that *"he was given the rosary beads at the party in December and never took them off. The rosary beads give him comfort. He feels safe and protected while wearing them, it's a blessing."* These are just a few blessings we've witnessed recently.

Rosie has been an inspiration to so many throughout the years and in various locations. Rosemarie Mazzi grew up in Yonkers, NY. She says she didn't like church as a child because she thought it was too boring. Later, she fell in love and married Joe Mancino, a young man who immigrated from Italy and became a plumber by trade. The lovebirds have just celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary. As a young married mother of two girls and a son, Rosie made a commitment to herself and God to bring up her kids Catholic. The family moved to Sunrise, FL

where they lived for the next 14 years. They joined St. Bernardo church and All Saints church. Rosie found a deeper faith and joy in ministry. She was involved with Religious Education and the United Mother's Family Center Mission-to feed and clothe the poor. She also helped with the newsletter. She led collections and clothing drives to send to Haiti and Jamaica. Rosie has always had a charitable heart for the poor whether close to home or far away. The Mancino family eventually moved and made their home in Cary, NC and have remained these past 35 years.

Through both the joys and trials of life, she has always kept her faith. She's been in ministry with Ann Franzel who's a Prayer Group leader and past Charismatic Renewal Director, assisted in numerous Life in the Spirit Seminars, experienced Curcio, and has enjoyed singing in the choir. Rosie has always been an Intercessory prayer team member. She served as the Former President of Birth Choice and Cary regional director. She's also been involved in outreach for young mothers and joined the food bank volunteers. She currently has a deep devotion to Our Lady of Good Success and leads a small intercessory prayer group weekly from her home. She has an ongoing ministry to spread devotional materials-Marian, Divine Mercy, rosaries, brochures and prayer cards. Her brother Deacon Nick Mazzi has a healing ministry, Servants of God in New York. Her sister Juliet Way has an Equestrian Ministry for special needs children and adults in New Hampshire. As an Intercessor, Rosie is a champion and an advocate to everyone she has ever prayed for or ministered to. Her kindness, generosity and faith are a bright light. We are all so blessed that Rosie has not hidden her light under a basket but has brought it out for the whole world to see.

**“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they set it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. “ Matthew 5:14-16**





## Magnificat

By Maria Jones

Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women, began on October 7, 1981 in New Orleans, Louisiana with what started as a prayer meal for 200 Catholic women. It has become an International Ministry spread across the world with chapters currently located in the U.S., Canada, the Caribbean, Malta, Poland, and Africa. Its primary purpose is to inspire spiritual growth in holiness for women and to evangelize them to the fullness of faith. On December 8, 1965 the Second Vatican Council delivered the following message to women.

“But the hour is coming, in fact has come, when the vocation of woman is being achieved in its fullness, the hour in which woman acquires in the world an influence, an effect, and a power never hitherto achieved. That is why, at this moment when [the human race](#) is undergoing so deep a transformation, women impregnated with the spirit of the Gospel can do much to aid mankind in not falling...”

The late Archbishop Fulton Sheen stated that “woman is the measure of the level of our civilization”. The moral level of any society is formed by women. Woman’s influence is powerful – for good or for evil. When a woman’s heart is captured by the Lord, she brings many to Him. We have seen that the transformation of a woman in Christ has had an effect in families, parishes, and the workplace.

Pope John Paul II in his *Apostolic Letter On The Dignity and Vocation of Women* states that “many times in the Old Testament, in order to intervene in the history of his people, God addressed himself to women”. He continues to address Himself to women today, but unfortunately the world has effectively evangelized women more than the Word of God. Therefore, it is imperative that women become impregnated with the spirit of the Gospel so that they “can do much to aid mankind in not falling.”

Magnificat takes its inspiration from the Visitation in Chapter 1 of Luke’s gospel. After the Annunciation Mary goes in haste to visit her cousin, Elizabeth, who was also with child. The scripture tells us that [at the moment](#) Mary’s greeting reached Elizabeth’s ears, the child in her womb leaped for joy and Elizabeth was also filled with the Holy Spirit. The child in her womb was John the Baptist. It is then that Mary sang her Magnificat. “*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my savior...The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.*”

What does Magnificat do in response to Vatican II’s 1965 message to women? We evangelize and encourage Catholic women to grow in holiness through opening more fully to the power and the gifts of the Holy Spirit and to help women who may be struggling with faith or who have lost touch with the Church. We seek to minister to Catholic women by sponsoring Magnificat Prayer Meals throughout



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the year, and providing other opportunities for spiritual growth, such as retreats, Bible Studies, Life in the Spirit seminars, and Intercessory Prayer Groups. The essential function of Magnificat is the Magnificat Meal and takes place at least four times a year. The prayer meal consists of a shared meal, fellowship, praise, the personal testimony of one woman (or occasionally a priest) whose life has been dramatically impacted by God's grace, and intercessory prayer.

Magnificat Clayton, NC Chapter is the first chapter of Magnificat in North Carolina and in the Diocese of Raleigh. The journey to establishing this Magnificat Chapter started when I heard about the Magnificat Ministry at a NC Catholic Charismatic Conference. Little did I know that the Holy Spirit was planting a seed in my heart to begin a Chapter in NC. In late 2014, while in prayer, the Lord spoke to my heart that he wanted me to work in women's ministry. I said yes Lord but what do you want me to do? Magnificat is what I heard. After contacting the Central office and inquiring about the process, the discernment process began. In 2015 I attended the Magnificat Leadership Conference in Washington, DC. At this conference, I met Cecilia Soporowska who would become the Assistant Coordinator. Through many prayers, perseverance, and dedication we became a licensed Chapter on July 1, 2020.

On July 24, 2021 we held our first Magnificat Meal at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Apex, NC. The day was beautiful and blessed. The music ministry was anointed and our speaker, Maria Boylan touched us all with her amazing testimony on forgiveness and how God works in our lives in every circumstance. Our second Meal was held on the Feast of St. Joseph, March 19, 2022 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Clayton, NC. We were blessed by the

courageous testimony given by Donna, Schroyer, who by the Grace of God survived several attempts on her life while still in her mother's womb and how God worked healing and restoration in her and her biological mother's lives. Donna is now an advocate for the unborn and the culture of life.

We are so grateful that we can serve the Lord through Magnificat to evangelize to women in our Diocese, and like Mary, proclaim the greatness of the Lord. We look forward to our next meal which will be an afternoon tea on May 14, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Apex. Fr. Tom Duggan, Parochial Vicar at St. Ann Catholic Church in Clayton and our Spiritual Advisor will give his testimony about his journey to the priesthood. Tickets are \$23 per person if you pay online or \$22 per person if you pay by mail. To register, please visit our webpage at:

<https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/chapter-states-n-o/nc-clayton/>

Please reserve your ticket by May 7, 2022, as no tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, please call Peggy Morgan (919) 243-2636 or email us at [Magnificatclaytonnc@gmail.com](mailto:Magnificatclaytonnc@gmail.com)

To find out more about Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, please go to

[Magnificat Ministry \(magnificat-ministry.net\)](https://magnificat-ministry.net)

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## **Upcoming Events**

### **Registration Now Open!**

**May 14, 2022:**

#### **Magnificat Meal Mother Mary Morning Star Chapter of Magnificat, a Ministry to**

**Catholic Women** cordially invites you to a Magnificat Meal on Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Apex. Please save the date to join us for fellowship, an afternoon tea, and praise and worship led by our Music Ministry. Prayer Teams will be available for personal prayer. Invite your daughters, sisters, moms, aunts, cousins, and girlfriends! More information will be coming soon! If you have any questions, please email us at [MagnificatClaytonNC@gmail.com](mailto:MagnificatClaytonNC@gmail.com).

#### **Living In The Power Of The Holy Spirit Workshop**

**St. Mary Magdalene Church**

**May 21, 2022**

**8:00 AM to 4:30 PM**

Want to bring a spark to your Christian faith? Want to have scripture leap off the page with new meaning? Want to experience a new intimacy in your relationship with JESUS?

**Registration Open:** *See our registration page for more details...*

### **Registration Link:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4baaaf23a64-living>

### **Coming Soon!**

**September 2nd and 3rd, 2022**

**Catholic Charismatic Services Annual Fall Conference**

**Guest Speaker Fr. Jim Blount**

**\* *Registration and details to be announced***

### **About Fr. Jim Blount...**

Fr. James Blount is an internationally known Exorcist Priest of the Society of Our Lady of the Trinity (SOLT) – Georgia Mission. A very gifted spiritual director and confessor, Fr. Blount is a powerful instrument of the Holy Spirit as evidenced by so many stories of miracles, healings, and conversions. He speaks of living a life in relationship with each of the Persons of the Holy Trinity. His teachings depict his deep love for the Eucharist. His intimate relationship, love, and devotion to Jesus and Mary draws many souls to also fall in love with them. His humble boldness and untiring drive to minister to the lost and ill are particularly noteworthy.