

# **ROSARY VICTORIES**

## **1815 - The Battle of New Orleans, America**

The Triumph at New Orleans is the first of the military victories through the Rosary to take place on American soil. During the Revolutionary War, Andrew Jackson led a small army to victory despite being greatly out numbered. What did he have to thank for this victory?

### **The Rosary.**

During the battle many of the soldiers' families gathered and prayed the Rosary. They were confident the power of the Rosary would bring victory despite the overwhelming odds and their faith was rewarded.

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## **1945 - Hiroshima, Japan**

A priest and seven others survived the nuclear bomb that was dropped on Japan and had devastating effects during the Second World War. Even though they lived near ground zero, much to scientist's amazement, these survivors were free from all harm caused by radiation even years later.

What was different about this group of people compared to other nearby victims?

**Devotion to the Rosary.** They prayed the Rosary together daily.

"When the atomic bomb destroyed Hiroshima in 1945, eight men living near the blinding centre of the nuclear flash miraculously survived the searing hurricane of blast and gamma rays, while everyone within a mile radius perished and other residing further afield continue to die from the lethal effects of radiation.

For over thirty years, some two hundred scientists have examined these eight men, trying in vain to determine what could have preserved them from incineration. One of the survivors, Fr. H. Shiffner, S.J. gave this dramatic answer: 'In that house, we were living the [message of Fatima.](#)' ([Fatima: The Great Sign by Francis Johnston](#))

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## **1955 - Austria**

Facing the threat of Communist take over, the Austrian people prayed the Rosary to overcome what seemed like the inevitable. Everyday for 7 years, many Austrians prayed the Rosary. Then without cause, the Communists withdrew.



[Fatima: The Great Sign by Francis Johnston](#) also recounts this military victory through the Rosary. Johnston sites many examples: Austria (1955), Brazil (1966), Chile and Portugal (1975). While no nation on earth seems able to stem the global advance of Communism (which our Lady had foretold with unerring accuracy in 1917), nevertheless, in those countries where people prayed the Rosary and headed the Fatima message, the Communist, even at the last moment, mysteriously halted and routed.

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Both Brazil in 1966 and Portugal in 1975 were spared Communist rule and are considered major military victories through the Rosary. In 1961 the stage was set to take over Brazil...But guess who thwarted this Communist takeover? The women of Brazil with their rosaries!

In Sao Paulo, 600,000 women praying the rosary in one of the most moving demonstrations in Brazilian history, sounded death knell of the Communist revolution. These women with rosaries in their hands or around their necks, issued a 1300 word proclamation:

"This nation which God has given us, immense and marvelous as it is, is in extreme danger. We have allowed men of limitless ambition, without Christian faith or scruples to bring our people misery, destroying our economy, disturbing our social peace, to create hate and despair. They have infiltrated our nation, our government, our armed forces and even our churches... Mother of God, preserve us from the fate of suffering of the martyred women of Cuba, Poland, Hungary and other enslaved nations!" -Excerpts taken from **"The Power of the Rosary"**, pp. 31-32

Years later in 1957, the last remaining Fatima seer, Sister Lucia, again stressed the importance of the Rosary in a private interview with a confidante, Fr. Augustin Fuentes [\[see interview here\]](#). She told him the Devil was prepared to engage in a decisive battle against the Holy Virgin, and that God was giving two last remedies to the world – the Holy Rosary and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. She said: "In these latter times in which we live, the Most Holy Virgin has given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary. She has given this efficacy to such an extent that **there is no problem**, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families, of the families of the world or of the religious communities, or even of the life of peoples and nations, **that cannot be solved by the Rosary.**

**"There is no problem I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary. With the Holy Rosary we will save ourselves. We will sanctify ourselves. We will console Our Lord and obtain the salvation of many souls."**