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Radio Maria was born as a parish radio in 1983 in the diocese of Milan, Italy. Its purpose was to keep parishioners informed and to help them through prayer, the daily Mass and the Rosary. Radio Maria began broadcasting from its first English-speaking station on May 25, 2000 in Alexandria, LA

## ‘Mary, Cause of Our Joy,’ journeys with us during Lent and into Easter season

In the middle of the Lenten season, when most of us are trying to fast and do penance, we are asked to give alms to Radio Maria to support Our Lady’s mission of evangelization during the annual Spring Mariathon. Through the grace of Our Lady, you responded to her call joyfully and generously!

How happy you must have made Our Lady and her Son, the Risen Lord!

Our Lady’s mission is to bring her Son—The Word—to her children. That is why in the Litany of Loreto, one of her titles is “Cause of our Joy.” Jesus IS our joy. It is Mary who brings HIM and the joy of His Gospel to us through Radio Maria.

“Mary, Cause of our Joy,” does not work without us to carry out Her mission. We are HER FAMILY, and just as she does not visit us without bringing Her Son to us, so she cannot visit the homes of Radio Maria listeners without our help. For that reason we are

so very grateful to you for your prayers, volunteering efforts, and your financial contributions to keep this Mission of Our Lady going and growing—not only in the US but throughout the world.

A listener from Germany recently wrote, “Radio Maria has become an important partner which strengthens me daily on the journey of faith. I am learning to rediscover my faith as you help me to know, live, and SHARE it. Thank you, Radio Maria -- you are a wonderful tool of the New Evangelization!”



# Listeners pledge, donate more than \$127,000 during annual Spring Mariathon!

Mariathons at Radio Maria are always “fast and furious,” but this year’s annual Spring Mariathon (March 18-22) was especially busy.

At the end of the five-day Mariathon, the initial goal of \$125,000 was exceeded by more than \$2,000!

“It was very encouraging this time, because the phone lines were consistently busy,” said Father Robert Young, director of Radio Maria.

The most successful hour was on Friday (March 21) when more than \$11,000 was pledged or donated during the noon hour.

“Poor Frank (Hare, technical director) was running back and forth between the volunteers taking the calls and the on-air studio, trying to keep up with the calls coming in,” he said. “It was crazy! -- but definitely a ‘good crazy.’”

In addition to more callers, there was an increase in the number of

“Apostles” who called in. Apostles are those who pledge or donate a gift of \$1,000 or more.

“I want to thank all of the listeners who called in and made a pledge or donation,” he said. “Everyone was so generous!”

“I also want to thank all of the volunteers who spent as much as 15 hours a day during the Mariathon, answering phones and inputting

data on the computers,” said Father Robert. “I know Our Lady will richly reward all of you who gave so unselfishly of your time.”

Father Robert said he is encouraged by the support Radio Maria receives from its listeners, and all of the money generated from the Mariathon goes to operating the 10 towers located throughout the United States.



*Diane Ardoin (volunteer coordinator) inputs data while Melba Birdsall answers phones during the Mariathon held March 18-22.*

## News from WULM in Springfield, Ohio



*Volunteers and listeners at WULM in Springfield, Ohio gather for an Open House at St. Bernard's parish.*



*Mary Pyper and John Wright meet with listeners and volunteers to discuss Radio Maria business.*



**March 2, 2014**  
**Message to Mirjana**

Dear Children, I am coming to you as a mother and I desire that in me, as in a mother, you may find your abode, consolation and rest. Therefore, my children, apostles of my love, pray.

Pray with humble devotion, obedience and complete trust in the Heavenly Father. Trust as I have trusted when it was said to me that I will bring the blessing of the promise. May out of your hearts, from your lips, always come forth: 'May Your will be done!'

Therefore, trust and pray so that I can intercede for you before the Lord, for Him to give you the heavenly blessing and fill you with the Holy Spirit. Then you will be able to help all those who do not know the Lord - you, apostles of my love, will help them to call Him 'Father' with complete trust.

Pray for your shepherds and place your trust in their blessed hands. Thank you.

**March 25, 2014**  
**Message to Marija**

"Dear children! I am calling you anew: begin the battle against sin as in the first days, go to confession and decide for holiness. The love of God will begin to flow through you into the world, peace will begin to rule in your hearts and God's blessing will fill you. I am with you and intercede for all of you before my Son Jesus. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Note: These messages are not yet recognized by the Catholic Church as having a supernatural origin.

## Comments from Listeners

"I was very touched by our conversation and so happy to hear about your request to help Radio Maria grow internationally. Here is my "testimony" for Radio Maria US, thanks be to God!:

"As I first listened to Radio Maria, I was busy like Martha and did not really appreciate it. I was not listening. Then I started to be more like Mary and just took time; I started to listen, take notes, ponder and share.

Now today I love listening to Radio Maria. It has become an important partner which is daily strengthening me on the journey of faith. Thanks to the variety of programs, I am learning to rediscover my faith, as I come to know, live and share it more. Thank you, Radio Maria! You are a wonderful tool of the New

Evangelization." Blessings from Frankfurt, Germany -- Anne Marie

"I love your Radio Station! Enclosed are proceeds from a fundraiser we held for you." -- Esther

"Surely Our Lady is very proud of your tireless work for Radio Maria. The results are thrilling! The program variety seems endless, and each possesses boundless spiritual and inspirational values. God has truly blessed us when He called you to Radio Maria. Thank you for all you do." -- Edwina (Texas)

"I love Radio Maria, especially Carmelite Conversations and Fr. Duane! I was inspired to start building a small shrine in my home for the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts." -- Gabriel (Louisiana)

Program of  
the Month:



## Forming Faithful Families

**Hosted by James &  
Kathleen Littleton**

Airs Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. EDST/  
8:30 a.m. CDST

Forming Faithful Families is a faithful and trustworthy weekly radio program in service to the New Evangelization consisting of reflections and anecdotes pertaining to our Catholic Faith, Scripture, Sacraments, Eucharist, the Blessed Virgin Mary, prayer, Awe of life, marriage, family, parenting, openness to life, creating a Catholic culture, joy, healing, mercy, forgiveness, trust, hope, The Cross, the Resurrection, and Providence. Tune in every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. EDST / 8:30 a.m. CDST with James and Kathleen Littleton

# Special Programming during Holy Week, Easter, and Divine Mercy Sunday

**CHRISM MASS:** 11 a.m. (CST), April 15, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, retired Archbishop John Favalora presiding.

**HOLY WEEK:**

**Holy Thursday:** 6 p.m. (CST) Mass of the Lord's Supper, St. Luke the Evangelist Church in Beavercreek, Ohio

**Good Friday:** 6 p.m. (CST) Passion of the Lord, St. Boniface Church in Piqua, Ohio.

**Holy Saturday** -- 8 p.m. (CST) St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Alexandria, La.

**Easter Sunday** -- 11 a.m. (CST) St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Alexandria, La.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** 10 a.m. (CST) April 27, Canonization Mass with Pope Francis presiding in St. Peter's Square in Rome

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** 2-4 p.m. (CST), April 27, LIVE from Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Lafayette, La. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will begin at 2 p.m. (CST) and the Holy Mass will be celebrated at 3 p.m. (CST).



## Help Support Radio Maria

Radio Maria is 100% listener supported. It is through your prayers and donations that Radio Maria is able to bring orthodox Catholic programming to the world, day in and day out. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to help keep Our Lady's radio on the air.



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