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## **300 Pilgrimages for Mary – Goal Reached!**

SAN DIEGO, CA, May 27 – Modern Catholic Pilgrim is thrilled to announce we reached our goal in the *300 Pilgrimages for Mary* project. People from coast to coast of the United States and beyond walked for Mary to churches, shrines, and places of immense natural beauty. Some made pilgrimage in their backyards; others walked miles. One pilgrim did his own two day, forty mile pilgrimage for Mary in Clearwater, FL. All offered prayers and intentions, especially for the end of the pandemic, to Our Blessed Mother.

One pilgrim wrote in a reflection that “this was one of the most meaningful prayer experiences I’ve had in the two months of quarantine.” Others shared the thrill of hearing the “Salve Regina” ring out at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Chicago right as they began the fifth Glorious Mystery of the Rosary: the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Pilgrims respected social distancing regulations in their respective locations, often posting pictures at their pilgrimage sites with bandanas or masks wrapped around their faces. It is a terrific example of how faith, science, and civic duty come together.

Some of those many pictures and a map of the completed pilgrimages are found at [www.moderncatholicpilgrim.com/300-pilgrimages-for-mary](http://www.moderncatholicpilgrim.com/300-pilgrimages-for-mary).

The USCCB asked that the faithful put their trust in Mary in her month of May to combat the pandemic. We at Modern Catholic Pilgrim are humbled to have played our part to inspire hundreds of people to demonstrate their trust in Mary by walking for her across the country and world. We still have pilgrims signing up, but the goal of 300 has been met. Pilgrims ranging from 1 year old to 87 years old walked for Mary in

- 6 countries across 4 continents (USA, Canada, Mexico, Australia, Scotland, and Japan)
- 34 states in the U.S.
- 80+ cities

Recognizing the overwhelmingly positive response from those who took part, MCP is excited to make the *Pilgrimages for Mary* an annual event for the month of May. Through Mary, we come to Christ more fully.