



The Brown Scapular of the Blessed Mother for Children

Mary, the Mother of Jesus is the most beautiful of all mothers. She lives in heaven and prays for us all the time.

She wants her children to think about God's love and protect her children from harm, especially the harm of committing sin, which hurts her heart and the heart of her son, Jesus.

"the Rosary and ...
the Scapular are
inseparable"

Where did the Brown Scapular come from?

*The **Brown Scapular** story began with a boy called Simon Stock. When Simon was 12 years old, he decided to give his whole life to the service of God. He was called Simon Stock because he spent a lot of time in the stock of an oak tree while thinking and praying to God.

*Later in his life, he gathered the children of the village around him and taught them about God and the Catholic Church. He decided to join a group of men devoted to the church and Mary, called Carmelites. They were having a lot of trouble and one day Mary appeared to Simon and told him to have everyone wear the **Brown Scapular**. She told him it would be a sign of their love for her.

*She told Saint Simon Stock that the **Brown Scapular** also reminds her children how much she loves and protects them.

*After you have a priest bless your brown scapular, take good care of it. Often say to Jesus and Mary *I love you*, *help me to be good* while holding the scapular, or say one Hail Mary.