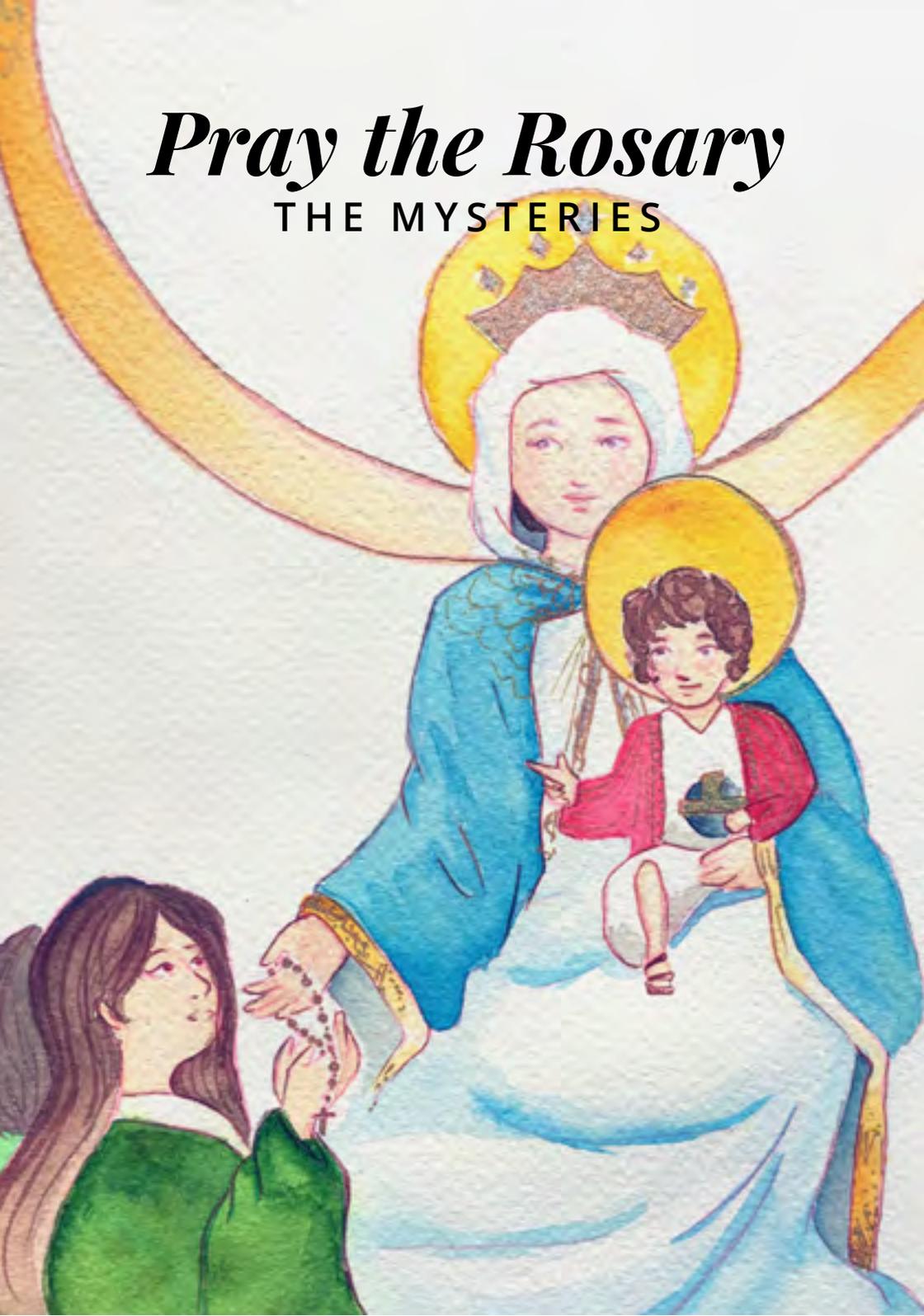


Pray the Rosary

THE MYSTERIES



As suggested by St John Paul II the Joyful mysteries are said on Monday and Saturday, the Luminous on Thursday, the Sorrowful on Tuesday and Friday, and the Glorious on Wednesday and Sunday (with this exception: Sundays of Christmas season - The Joyful; Sundays of Lent - Sorrowful)

Monday - Joyful (pages 4-7)

Tuesday - Sorrowful (pages 8-11)

Wednesday - Glorious (pages 12-15)

Thursday - Luminous (pages 16-19)

Friday - Sorrowful (pages 8-11)

Saturday - Joyful (pages 4-7)

Sunday - Glorious (pages 12-15)

Hymns may be found on pages 24-27

I. Sign of the Cross

Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we consecrate ourselves, in an act of total entrustment to the Lord. By you we will be led to Christ. By Him and with Him we will be led to the Father. We will walk in the light of faith, and we will do everything so that the world may believe that Jesus Christ is the One sent by the Father. With Him we wish to carry His Love and Salvation to the ends of the earth. Under the protection of your Immaculate Heart, we will be one People with Christ. We will be witnesses of His Resurrection. By Him we will be led to the Father, for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, Whom we adore, praise and bless forever.
Amen.

II. Opening Hymn (pages 24-27)

III. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. *Amen.*

Our Father...

Leader: We offer three Hail Marys for an increase of faith, hope and love.
(Hail Mary x3)

Glory Be...

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

IV. Opening Prayer

Leader: Today, we meditate on the Joyful Mysteries as we pray for the universal church – her leader and flock, including our Holy Father Pope [name] and Archbishop [name], for our own intentions (pause briefly), and those offered up this month. O Mary, our hearts are full of concerns. We offer everything to Jesus, through you, as we pray:

V. The Rosary

FIRST JOYFUL MYSTERY - THE ANNUNCIATION

But Mary said to the angel, “How shall this happen, since I do not know man?” And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee; and therefore the Holy One to be born shall be called the Son of God. (LUKE 1: 34-35)

Reflection:

Consider now the awe-inspiring moment when the Archangel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary the plans of the Most High. Our Mother listens, and asks a question to understand better what the Lord is asking of her. Then she gives her firm reply: ‘Fiat! Be it done unto me according to thy word!’ This is the fruit of the best freedom of all, the freedom of deciding in favour of God.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

SECOND JOYFUL MYSTERY - THE VISITATION

Now in those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town of Judah. And she entered the house of Zachary and saluted Elizabeth. And it came to pass, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe in her womb leapt. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb! And how have I deserved that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, the moment that the sound of thy greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who has believed, because the things promised her by the Lord shall be accomplished." (LUKE 1:39-45)

Reflection:

"Blessed are you for believing", said Elizabeth to our Mother. Union with God, supernatural virtue, always brings with it the attractive practice of human virtues: Mary brought joy to her cousin's home, because she brought Christ.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY - THE BIRTH OF JESUS

"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him up in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn." (LUKE 2:7)

Reflection:

As required by the decree of Caesar Augustus, Joseph went with the Virgin Mary from Nazareth to the city called Bethlehem, in Judea. And in Bethlehem is born our God: Jesus Christ! There is no room at the inn: He is born in a stable. And His Mother wraps Him in swaddling clothes and lays Him in a manger.

Cold. Poverty. I imagine I am Joseph's little servant. How good Joseph is! He treats me like a father and allows me to take the Child in my arms and spend hour after hour whispering sweet and loving things to the infant Child.

And I kiss Him - you kiss Him too! And I rock Him in my arms, and I sing to Him, and I call Him King, Love, my God, my Only-one, my All! How beautiful is the Child — and how short the decade!

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

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FOURTH JOYFUL MYSTERY –THE PRESENTATION OF THE CHILD JESUS

And when the days of (Mary's) purification were fulfilled according to the Law of Moses, they took Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord – as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord” –and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” (LUKE 2:22-24)

Reflection:

Jesus is taken by his parents to Jerusalem to be presented to the Lord, as the Law of Moses required. Just think - she - Mary Immaculate! - submits to the Law as if she were defiled. Through this example, will you learn to obey the Holy Law of God, even if it means a personal sacrifice?

You and I surely need purification! We need atonement, and more than atonement, Love! Love as a searing iron to burn our souls' uncleanness, and as a fire to kindle into divine flames the lukewarmness of our hearts.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

FIFTH JOYFUL MYSTERY -THE FINDING OF THE JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

Every year His parents used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When He was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When the days of the feast were over and they set off home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was somewhere in the party, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for Him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find Him, they went back to Jerusalem looking for Him everywhere. It happened that, three days later, they found Him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard Him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw Him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.' He replied, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' (LUKE 2:41-50)

Reflection:

Where is Jesus? I cry my eyes out, weeping for those times when I lost Him through my own fault and did not miss Him. But we are consoled by the joy of finding Jesus after three days. Lord, may I know always my duty to serve You, even if it means leaving home and family. Jesus, may I never lose You again!

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

VI. Concluding Prayer (page 20)

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

IV. Opening prayer

Leader: Come Holy Spirit, help us to gaze on the face of Jesus with the eyes and heart of Mary, so we may grow in holiness. We pray for the needs of the universal church, for all priests and religious, the petitions that have been offered up this month, as well as our own personal intentions (pause briefly), entrusting every need and care to Jesus, through Mary.

V. The Rosary

FIRST SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

“Pray that you may not enter into temptation”. And Peter fell asleep. And the other apostles. Jesus, alone and sad, suffers and soaks the earth with His blood. Kneeling on the hard ground, He perseveres in prayer. He weeps for you, and for me; the weight of the sins of men overwhelms Him. “Father, if You will, remove this chalice from me; yet not my will, but Yours be done (LUKE 22:42).

Reflection:

An Angel from heaven comforts Him. Jesus is in agony. He continues praying more intensely. He approaches us, who are asleep: ‘Arise, pray,’ He says again, lest you enter into temptation (LUKE 22:46).

Judas the traitor: a kiss. Peter’s sword gleams in the night. Jesus speaks: Are you come, as to a robber, to apprehend me? (MARK 14:48). We are cowards; we follow Him from afar, but awake and praying.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x 10)... Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR

Pilate speaks: ‘It is your custom that I release one prisoner to you on Passover. Whom shall I set free, Barabbas — a thief jailed with others for a murder — or Jesus? (MATT 27:17). ‘Put this man to death and release Barabbas,’ cries the multitude, incited by their chief priests. (LUKE 23:18). Pilate speaks again: ‘What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called Christ?’ (MATT 27:22) ‘Crucify Him! Crucify Him!’ Pilate, for the third time, says to them: ‘Why, what evil has He done? I find no fault in Him that deserves death.’ (LUKE 23:22).

The clamour of the mob grows louder: ‘Crucify Him, crucify Him!’ (MARK 15:14) And Pilate, wishing to please the people, releases Barabbas to them and orders Jesus to be scourged.

Reflection:

Bound to the pillar. Covered with wounds. The blows of the lash sound upon His torn flesh, upon His undefiled flesh, that suffers for your sinful flesh. Finally, exhausted, they unbind Jesus. And the body of Christ yields to pain and falls limp, broken and half dead.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x 10)... Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY– THE CROWNING WITH THORNS

Weaving a crown of thorns, they fixed it on His head, and placed a reed in His right hand. To make fun of Him, they knelt before Him saying: “Hail, King of the Jews.” They spat on Him, and took the reed and kept striking Him on the head. (MATT 27:29-30)

Reflection:

Our King's capacity for suffering has been tested beyond human limits. The soldiers lead our Lord to the courtyard of the palace, and there they call together their whole band (MARK 15:16). The brutal soldiers strip him, drape a filthy purple rag around His pure, undefiled body, and a reed, as a sceptre, in His right hand.

The crown of thorns, driven in by blows, makes Him a mock king. 'Hail, King of the Jews!' (MARK 15:18). And with their blows they wound His head. And they strike Him; and they spit on Him.

Crowned with thorns and clothed in rags of purple, Jesus is shown to the Jewish mob: 'Ecce Homo! Behold the Man!' And again, the chief priests and the ministers raise the cry, saying: 'Crucify Him, crucify Him!' (JOHN 19:5-6).

You and I -- haven't we crowned Him anew with thorns, struck Him and spat on Him?

Our Father... Hail Mary (x 10)... Glory Be

FOURTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY – JESUS CARRIES HIS CROSS

Carrying His Cross, Jesus goes out toward Calvary, a place that in Hebrew is called Golgotha (JOHN 19:17). And they lay hold of a certain Simon of Cyrene, who is coming from a farm; and they make him take the Cross and carry it after Jesus (LUKE 23:26). The prophesy of Isaiah (53:12) has been fulfilled. He was counted among the wicked: for two others, who were robbers, were led with Him to be put to death (LUKE 23:32). If anyone would follow me...

Reflection:

Little friend: we are sad, living the Passion of Our Lord Jesus. See how lovingly He embraces the Cross. Learn from Him. Jesus carries the Cross for you. You! Carry it for Jesus! Carry it squarely on your shoulder, because your Cross, if you carry it so, will not be just any Cross: it will be the Holy Cross. Don't bear your Cross with resignation. Love the Cross. And surely you, like Him, will find Mary on the way.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x 10)... Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

FIFTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE CRUCIFIXION

For Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews, the throne of triumph is ready. You and I do not see Him tremble on being nailed. Suffering all that can be suffered, He spreads His arms with the gesture of an Eternal Priest. The soldiers take His holy garments and divide them into four parts. In order not to tear the tunic, they cast lots to decide whose it shall be. And so, once more, the words of Scripture are fulfilled: They have parted my garments among them and for my robe they have cast lots (JOHN 19:23-24).

Now He is on high. And close to her Son, at the foot of the Cross, stand Mary, and Mary, the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalen. And John, the disciple whom He loved. 'Behold thy mother!' He gives us His Mother for our own. Earlier they had offered Him wine mingled with gall, and when He had tasted it, He would not drink (MATT 27:34). Now He thirsts -- for love, for souls. It is consummated. (JOHN 19:30).

Our Father... Hail Mary (x 10)... Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

VI. Concluding Prayer (page 20)

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

IV. Opening prayer

Leader: Come Holy Spirit, help us to gaze on the face of Jesus with the eyes and heart of Mary, so we may grow in holiness. We pray for the needs of the universal church, for all priests and religious, the petitions that have been offered up this month, as well as our own personal intentions (*pause briefly*), entrusting every need and care to Jesus, through Mary.

V. The Rosary

FIRST GLORIOUS MYSTERY – THE RESURRECTION

And looking up they saw that the stone had been rolled back, for it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting at the right side who said to them, “Do not be afraid. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified. He is risen, He is not here. Behold the place where they laid him.”

(MARK 16:4-6)

Reflection:

Where were you, Mary, on Easter morning? And why are the Scriptures silent? Some saints say Jesus came first to you--an encounter so private it remains hidden like the thirty years you spent with him in Bethlehem, Egypt, Nazareth, Jerusalem, and Cana. Very little is publicly known. So, did He come as I would hope, if it were my own son? Or was it enough for you to hear Magdalene’s words: ‘He lives, Mary, he lives!’? And so shall you--and so shall I -- forever.

Our Father. Hail Mary (x 10), Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

SECOND GLORIOUS MYSTERY – THE ASCENSION

Then, after speaking to them, the Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven, and took His seat at God's right hand. (MARK 16:19)

Reflection:

Mary, can you make the immensity manageable? How can I relate to Him now? Mary, what were your thoughts at the setting of the sun on that Ascension Day? Were you, like the others, filled with joy upon returning to Jerusalem? (LUKE 24:50) Let me walk with you in the evening of the day and wait with you for Him at dawn--certain He will return.

Our Father. Hail Mary (x 10), Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

THIRD GLORIOUS MYSTERY - THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak. (ACTS 2:3,4)

Reflection:

I remember the saying: the measure of our desire is the degree to which it will be fulfilled. Did you powerfully intercede and hunger for His coming? Was it like that wonderful overshadowing some thirty-three years before? Was His presence in the room, in the wind and flame, cloud and light, blessing hands and hovering dove, the water, the anointing -- never, ever to leave His people again?

Look out from the upper room with me, Mary, and see the dancing hearts

of the new three thousand (ACTS 2:41). Take me with you to the apostles -- teaching and gathering in fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. (ACTS 2:42)

Our Father, Hail Mary (x 10), Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

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FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY – THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY TO HEAVEN

Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come! You are all beautiful, my beloved, and there is no blemish in you. (SONGS 2:10; 4:7)

You are the glory of Jerusalem...you are the splendid boast of our people. (JUDITH 15:9)

Reflection:

I ask you again and again to pray for me at my dying. Will He come for me as He did for you? Will He present me to the Father, face to face, and will you be there? Will the Spirit purify the fire in my soul into a love transformed to resemble you, so full of grace? Will it be the same for all those for whom I pray? This is my hope.

Our Father, Hail Mary (x 10), Glory Be

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

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FIFTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY – THE CORONATION

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. (REV 12:1)

Reflection:

Mary, it's time to celebrate, to shake off anxiety, and to prepare the festival. The King leads His queen mother to His throne! Our humanness is free and extremely beautiful in you!

When we crown you, Mary, in the traditions of our cultures, we use things of the earth - violets and roses; gems, silver, and gold -to praise you, for you brought Him into our world. We, too, share His throne and your nobility. That is our destiny. We thank you dearest Mary; help us to love your Son, as we await the crown He has prepared for each one of us.

Our Father, Hail Mary (x 10), Glory Be**Fátima Prayer:**

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

VI. Concluding Prayer (page 20)

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

IV. Opening prayer

Leader: Today, we meditate on the Luminous Mysteries as we pray for the universal church – her leader and flock, including our Holy Father [name] and Archbishop [name], for our own intentions (pause briefly), and those offered up this month. O Mary, our hearts are full of concerns. We offer everything to Jesus, through you, as we pray:

V. The Rosary

FIRST LUMINOUS MYSTERY - THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John, at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. And John was for hindering him, and said, “It is I who ought to be baptized by thee, and dost thou come to me?” But Jesus answered and said to him, “Let it be so now, for so it becomes us to fulfill all justice.” Then he permitted him. And when Jesus had been baptized, he immediately came up from the water. And behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and coming upon him. And behold, a voice from the heavens said, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”
(MATTHEW 3:13-17)

Reflection:

A Christian knows that he is grafted onto Christ through baptism. He is empowered to fight for Christ through confirmation, called to act in the world sharing the royal, prophetic and priestly role of Christ. He has become one and the same thing with Christ through the Eucharist, the sacrament of unity and love. We pray to grow more and more like Christ – to live for other men, loving each and every one around us and indeed, all humanity.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

SECOND LUMINOUS MYSTERY – THE WEDDING FEAST AT CANA

And on the third day a marriage took place at Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Now Jesus too was invited to the marriage, and also his disciples. And the wine having run short, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “What wouldst thou have me do, woman? My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the attendants, “Do whatever he tells you.” (JOHN 2:1-5)

Reflection:

Our Lady was a guest at one of those noisy country weddings and the only one who noticed the wine was running out. If our faith is weak, we should turn to Mary. Because of the miracle at the marriage feast at Cana, which Christ performed at his Mother’s request, His disciples learned to believe in him (JOHN 2:11). Our Mother is always interceding with her Son so that He may attend to our needs and show Himself to us, so that we can cry out, “You are the Son of God!” Pray for me, dear mother, for the faith I truly desire.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

THIRD LUMINOUS MYSTERY – JESUS PROCLAIMS THE KINGDOM OF GOD

And after John had been delivered up, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel.” And passing along by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew, casting their nets into the sea (for they were fishermen). And Jesus said to them, “Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” And at once they left the nets,

and followed him. (MARK 1:14-18)

Reflection:

Jesus sees the boats on the shore and gets into one of them. How naturally Jesus steps into the boat of each and every one of us! When you seek to draw close to our Lord, remember that He is always very close to you, that He is in you! (LUKE 17:21). The kingdom of God is within you. You will find Him in your heart. The kingdom of God and his justice — a holy life: that is what we must first seek (MT. 6:33), that is really the only thing necessary. (LUKE 10:42).

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

FOURTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY –THE TRANSFIGURATION

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James and his brother John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves, and was transfigured before them. And his face shone as the sun, and his garments became white as snow. And behold ... a voice out of the cloud said, ‘This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear him.’ (MATTHEW 17:1-2, 17)

Reflection:

Lord, I long to see your face. (PS 26:8). I like to close my eyes and think that, when God wills, the moment will come when I will be able to see him, not in my mind, but face to face. Yes, my heart yearns for God, the living God. When shall I go and behold the face of God? (PSALM 41:3)

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

FIFTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY -THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST

And when the hour had come, He reclined at table, and the twelve apostles with Him. And He said to them, 'I have greatly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I say to you that I will eat of it no more, until it has been fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' And having taken a cup, He gave thanks and said, 'Take this and share it among you; for I say to you that I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God comes.' And having taken bread, He gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is being given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' In like manner he took also the cup after the supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which shall be shed for you. (LUKE 22:14-20)

Reflection:

Jesus Christ, perfect God and perfect man, leaves us, not a symbol, but a reality. He himself stays with us. He will go to the Father, but He will also remain among men. He will leave us not just a gift that help us remember Him. Instead, under the appearance of bread and wine, Jesus is really and truly present for us, with His body and blood, with His soul and divinity.

Our Father... Hail Mary (x10)... Glory Be...

Fátima Prayer:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

VI. Concluding Prayer (page 20)

VI. CONCLUDING PRAYERS

Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Leader: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

Response: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Leader: Let us pray, O God, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life. Grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Litany of Loreto (optional)

L: Lord, have mercy.

R: Lord, have mercy.

L: Christ have mercy.

R: Christ have mercy.

L: Christ hear us.

R: Christ graciously hear us.

L: God the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

R: have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,

Pray for us
Pray for us
Pray for us
Pray for us

Queen of Prophets,	Pray for us
Queen of Apostles,	Pray for us
Queen of Martyrs,	Pray for us
Queen of Confessors,	Pray for us
Queen of Virgins,	Pray for us
Queen of all Saints,	Pray for us
Queen conceived without original sin,	Pray for us
Queen assumed into heaven,	Pray for us
Queen of the most holy Rosary,	Pray for us
Queen of families,	Pray for us
Queen of peace.	Pray for us

L: Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
R: spare us, O Lord.

L: Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
R: graciously hear us, O Lord.

L: Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
R: have mercy on us.

L: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

L: Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee,
 O Lord God,
 that we, your servants,
 may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body;
 and by the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin,
 may be delivered from present sorrow,
 and obtain eternal joy.
 Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and

sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me.

Amen.

Prayer to St Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and the snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

L: Let us now pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory Be, for the intentions of our Holy Father.

Our Father / Hail Mary / Glory Be...

L: Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

R: Have mercy on us

L: Immaculate Heart of Mary

R: Pray for us

L: St Joseph

R: Pray for us

L: St Francis Xavier

R: Pray for us

Prayer to Our Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear; to whom God's love commits me here; ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.

Amen

VII. Closing Hymn

Hymns

1. Mary is our Queen

Mary is our Queen, O sing to her
Mary is our Mother, trust in her
Mary is the star that shines at night
Guiding us to Jesus, our true light

Mary is the creature of our race
Whom the Holy Spirit filled with
grace
To become the mother of our Lord
The God whom she adored.

CHORUS

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

2. I Hear The Bells

I hear the bells of Mary's Ave ringing
Joy to my heart like angel voices
singing
Calling to prayer, with echoes from
afar
Ave Maria, Ave Maria!

Oh Gabriel, Sent down from heaven's
bright glory
To tell to men, This true and
wondrous story
I join with thee, To praise God's
brightest star
Ave Maria, Ave Maria!

3. I'll Sing a Hymn to Mary

I'll sing a hymn to Mary,
The Mother of my God,
The Virgin of all virgins,
Of David's Royal blood.
O teach me, holy Mary,
A loving song to frame,
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
To love and bless thy name.

O Lily of the Valley,
O mystic Rose what tree
Or flower, e'en the fairest,
Is half so fair as thee?
O let me, though so lowly,
Recite my Mother's fame:
When wicked men blaspheme thee,
I'll love and bless thy name.

4. On This Day, O Beautiful Mother

CHORUS

On the day, O beautiful Mother,
On this day we give thee our love.
Near thee, Madonna, fondly we
hover,
Trusting thy gentle care to prove.

On this day we ask to share,
Dearest Mother, thy sweet care.
Aid us ere our feet astray
Wander from thy guiding way

Queen of angels, deign to hear
Lisping children's humble pray'r,
Young hearts gain, O virgin pure,
Sweetly to thyself allure.

5. Mother Dear, O Pray for Me

Mother dear, O pray for me!
Whilst far from heav'n and thee.
I wander in a fragile bark.
O'er life's tempestuous sea.
O Virgin Mother, from thy throne,
So bright in bliss above.
Protect thy child and cheer my path
With thy sweet smile of love.

Mother dear, O pray for me!
Should pleasure's siren lay.
E'er tempt thy child to wander far
From Virtue's path away.
When thorns beset life's devious way,
And darkling waters flow.
Then Mary aid thy weeping child,
Thyself a mother show.

CHORUS

*Mother dear, remember me.
And never cease thy care,
Till in heaven eternally,
Thy love and bliss I share.*

6. As I kneel before you

As I kneel before you,
As I bow my head in prayer,
Take this day, make it yours
and fill me with your love.

CHORUS

*Ave Maria, Gratia plena,
Dominus tecum, Benedicta tu!*

All I have I give you,
Every dream and wish are yours,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of mine, present them to my
Lord.

As I kneel before you,
And I see your smiling face
Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word
Is lost in your embrace.

7. Holy Queen, We Bend Before Thee

Holy Queen, we bend before thee,
Queen of purity divine,
Make us love thee, we implore thee,
Make us truly to be thine.

CHORUS:

*Teach, O teach us, holy Mother,
How to conquer every sin,
How to love and help each other,
How the prize of life to win*

Thou to whom a Child was given
Greater than the sons of men,
Coming down from highest heaven
To create the world again.

8. Mother Dearest, Mother Fairest

Mother dearest, Mother fairest,
Help of all, who call on thee.
Virgin purest, brightest, rarest,
Help us, help, we cry to thee.

CHORUS

*Mary, help us, help we pray.
Mary, help us, help we pray.
Help us in all care and sorrow.
Mary, help us, help we pray.*

Lady, help in pain and sorrow,
Soothe those rack'd on beds of pain,
May the golden light of morrow,
Bring them health and joy again.

9. O, Come to the Throne of Grace

O come to the throne of grace!
O come to the heart most pure!
To Mary, our hope of life,
In whom salvation is sure.

CHORUS:

*O Queen of the Rosary, hail!
Immaculate Mother of grace;
O, pray for us, help us today,
Thou hope of the human race.*

Immaculate Heart! we kneel
To consecrate all to thee:
The present, its pain and joy
The future, all it may be.

The Rosary, white and gold,
We take from thy Virgin hand;
A pledge of the power of God
To heal and strengthen our land.

O Mother of Sorrows, hail!
We mourn for our evil done;
O soften our selfish hearts,
And lead us back to thy Son.

10. O Mother Blest, Whom God Bestows

O Mother blest, whom God bestows
On sinners and on just,
What joy, what hope thou givest those
Who in thy mercy trust.

CHORUS:

*Most holy Mary, at thy feet
Thy children bend a suppliant knee;
Dear Mother of my God,
Do thou remember me.*

Remember, Mary, Virgin fair,
It never yet was told
That he who humbly sought thy care
Departed unconsolated.

11. Daily, Daily Sing to Mary

Daily, daily, sing to Mary,
sing my soul, her praises due;
all her feasts, her actions worship,
with the heart's devotion true.
Lost in wond'ring contemplation
be her majesty confessed:
call her Mother, call her Virgin,
happy Mother, Virgin blest.

She is mighty to deliver
Call her, trust her lovingly
When the tempest rages round you
She will calm the troubled sea.
Gifts of heaven she has given
Noble Lady to our race
She, the queen who decks her
subjects
With the light of God's own grace

12. Hail, Queen of Heaven

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star.
Guide the wand'rer here below!
Thrown on life's surge we claim thy
care.

Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the sea,
Pray for the wanderer. Pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless Maid,
We sinners make our prayers thro'
thee.

Remind thy Son that He has paid
The price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, Star of the sea,
Pray for the sinner. Oh, pray for me.

Sojourners in this vale of tears,
To thee, blest advocate, we cry.
Oh, pity our sorrows, calm our fears.
And soothe with hope our misery.
Refuge in grief, Star of the sea,
Pray for the mourner, Oh, pray for
me.

Pray the Rosary

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