

First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection

Jesus rose from the dead because He was truly the Son of God. All who witnessed this Miracle came to believe in Jesus. Let us ask Jesus to help us know how we can share in his Mission and imitate his holy example.

Second Glorious Mystery: The Ascension

Jesus ascended into heaven to give belief and hope to all his followers. He now reigns with his Father and continues to show us how we can live out the message of our salvation. Let us encourage one another to listen to the voice of Jesus as He calls us to be true to Him and to the Church He founded.

Third Glorious Mystery: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The coming of the Holy Spirit gave strength and courage to the Apostles as they went out to preach about the Kingdom of God. Let us always be reminded of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and ask Him to help us to know what God is asking of us.

Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption of Mary

Mary was taken up to heaven where she continues to watch over and guide us in our every day lives. Let us ask Mary to inspire many young women and men to hear God's call to follow Jesus, by serving the Church and spreading the Gospel message.

Fifth Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary

Mary is crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth. Mary's faithfulness and her willingness to say "YES" to God in all things, won for her the title of Queen of Heaven. Let us, like Mary, always be ready to say "YES" to whatever God asks of us.

1. Make the **Sign of the Cross** and say the [Apostles Creed](#).
2. Say the **Our Father**.
3. Say three **Hail Marys**.
4. Say the **Glory Be to the Father**.
5. Pray the **First Mystery**, then say the **Our Father**
6. Say ten **Hail Marys** while meditating on the Mystery.
7. Say the **Glory Be**. (Repeat # 5-7 for each Mystery.)
8. Say the [Hail Holy Queen](#).

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A Rosary for Vocations



God's first call is for every person simply to follow Him. You were created to be in relationship with God, and that is His greatest desire for you. As your relationship with God grows, He will continue to draw you deeper into this relationship, and call you to become more like Jesus, to love Him more, and to love others through your service. In all these things, you will experience God calling you to a particular vocation.

You will discover your vocation by getting in touch with your gifts and weaknesses, by listening to your own experience and the advice of others, and by growing in your relationship with God, especially learning to see and hear God acting in your life.

God calls everyone to follow Him. There is no question about that! The question is: "How is God calling ME to follow Him?"

The Joyful Mysteries

First Joyful Mystery: The Annunciation

The Archangel Gabriel is sent by God to give Mary a message. This message was that she would be the Mother of Jesus. Mary answered, "Whatever God wants, I will do." Let us pray that we too, will always say "Yes" to God and his holy will for us.

Second Joyful Mystery: The Visitation

When the Archangel told Mary that her cousin Elizabeth was also expecting a baby, Mary hurried to visit Elizabeth. Elizabeth rejoiced that the Mother of God would come to see her. Let us pray, that we, too, will always reach out to those in need.

Third Joyful Mystery: The Nativity

Mary and Joseph traveled far to find a place where Jesus would be born. Finally, he was born in Bethlehem. With Mary and Joseph put Him in a manger. Let us continue to search for ways to let God to be born in our hearts.

Fourth Joyful Mystery: The Presentation

Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple and dedicated Him to God. Let us pray that all parents will ask God to lead them in the role of being parents.

Fifth Joyful Mystery: The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

This mystery tells of the heartbreak of Mary and Joseph when they could not find Jesus. Their hearts were full of sorrow until they saw Him in the Temple. He was teaching the Leaders of the Church. By our loving and kind actions, may we make known God's name.

The Luminous Mysteries

First Luminous Mystery: The Baptism of Jesus

Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan by St. John the Baptist. After his Baptism, Jesus went to do the Mission of his Father and begin his public life. Let us pray that we, too, will hear God's call and become His faithful followers.

Second Luminous Mystery: The Wedding Feast of Cana

When the wine ran out at the wedding, Mary asked Jesus to change ordinary water into wine. This was Jesus' first miracle and people came to believe in Him. Let us ask Jesus to help us believe in the power of God.

Third Luminous Mystery: Jesus Tells of the Kingdom of God

As Jesus begins his public life, He announces that the Kingdom of God is very near. How happy his followers were to hear this joyous news. Let us pray for all people, young and old, that they may bring the message of Jesus to everyone.

Fourth Luminous Mystery: The Transfiguration

The faith of the Apostles was strengthened when they saw Jesus transformed before their eyes. The bright light that surrounded Him, gave them a glimpse of who Jesus was and how they, too, are called to be messengers of God's Holy Word. Let us pray that we, too, may have our faith strengthened through daily prayer and the witness to other people.

Fifth Luminous Mystery: Jesus gives us the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist

The gift of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist is a mystery that is difficult to understand. Jesus' presence in the Holy Eucharist and in the Sacrifice of the Mass remind us of God's love for us. Let us pray that many young hearts will hear God's words, "COME AND FOLLOW ME!"

The Sorrowful Mysteries

First Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony in the Garden

Jesus went into the garden to pray that his Father would give Him the strength to accept the suffering that is yet to come. He asked the Apostles to pray with Him so that they would be strong enough to bear the pain of Jesus' Crucifixion and Death. Let us offer this decade of the Rosary for the women and men whom God is calling to Religious Life and Priesthood.

Second Sorrowful Mystery: The Scourging at the Pillar

The suffering of Jesus was intense. He accepted this suffering so that we might be saved. Let us pray that many young people will hear God's Word and follow in his way.

Third Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns

Jesus accepted the Crown of Thorns and the mockery of the soldiers as his Father's will. Let us pray that we, too, will always seek the will of God in our lives.

Fourth Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross

Jesus carries his Cross to Calvary. On the way, He found comfort in those who loved Him and supported Him although He knew that his death was near. Let us pray for those facing death and for those who are taking care of them.

Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus

Jesus is crucified and dies on the Cross. At the foot of the Cross, stood Mary and his beloved disciple John. Jesus asked them to continue the work He had begun so that all might come to know the true meaning of suffering. Let us pray that we will all say "YES" to the Mission of Jesus and by our lives, bring others to hear the "Good News" of our salvation.