

The Rosary

O God, come to my assistance;
O LORD, make haste to help me!
Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary,
thou hast deigned to come to Fatima
to reveal to the three shepherd children there
the treasures of grace hidden in the Rosary.
Inspire my heart with a sincere love of this devotion,
in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption which are recalled in it,
I may be enriched by its fruits and obtain peace for the world,
the conversion of sinners and of Russia,
and the graces which I ask of thee in this Rosary.
(Here mention your request)
I ask this for the greater glory of God, for thine own honor,
and for the good of souls, especially for my own.
Amen.

I offer this Rosary for...

For those who don't believe, I pray:
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.

For the needs of the Catholic Church, and for the intentions of Pope Francis, I pray:

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

For an increase of Faith, Hope, and Charity in our souls and in our world, I pray:

Hail Mary

Full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God

Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

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The Joyful Mysteries

1. The Annunciation

Spiritual fruit: humility

O God,
Who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
Prepared a worthy dwelling place for your Son,
Grant, we pray, that, as you preserved her from all stain
By virtue of the Death of your Son,
So too you may protect us from all sin by the same Death.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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1. The time for the Incarnation is at hand.
2. Of all women God prepared Mary from her conception to be the Mother of the Incarnate Word.
3. The Angel Gabriel announces: "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with thee."
4. Mary wonders at this salutation.
5. The Angel assures her: "Fear not . . . you shall conceive in your womb, and give birth to a Son."
6. Mary is troubled for she has made a vow of virginity.
7. The Angel answers that she will conceive by the power of the Holy Spirit, and her Son will be called the Son of God.
8. The Incarnation awaits Mary's consent.
9. Mary answers: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to your word."
10. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

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

2. The Visitation

Spiritual fruit: love of neighbor; charity

We offer Thee, O Lord Jesus, this decade in honor of the visitation of Thy holy Mother to her cousin St. Elisabeth and the sanctification of St. John the Baptist in the womb, and we ask of Thee, through this Mystery and through the intercession of Thy holy Mother, charity and love toward our neighbor.

Amen.

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hallowed be thy name.
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Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
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as we forgive those who trespass against us,
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1. Mary's cousin Elizabeth conceived a son in her old age... for nothing is impossible with God.
2. Charity prompts Mary to hasten to visit Elizabeth in the hour of her need.
3. The journey to Elizabeth's home is about eighty miles requiring four or five days.
4. Though long and arduous, the journey is joyous, for Mary bears with her the Incarnate Word.
5. At Mary's salutation, John the Baptist is sanctified in his mother's womb.
6. Elizabeth exclaims: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."
7. "How have I deserved that the mother of my Lord should come to me?"
8. "Blessed is she who believed that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled."
9. Mary replies: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit finds joy in God my Savior."
10. Mary serves her cousin in all humility for three months until the birth of John the Baptist.

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3. The Nativity

Spiritual fruit: detachment of the world

We offer Thee, O Lord Jesus, this decade in honor of Thy nativity in the stable of Bethlehem, and we ask of Thee, through this Mystery and through the intercession of Thy holy Mother, detachment from the things of the world, contempt of riches, and love of holy poverty.
Amen.

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1. Joseph and Mary go to Bethlehem to comply with the decree of Caesar Augustus.
2. The hour for Mary to give birth is near, but there is no room in the inn.
3. In the stillness of the night, the Savior is born in a cave, Mary remaining a Virgin.
4. She wraps Him in swaddling clothes and lays Him in a manger.
5. In unspeakable joy Mary gathers to her bosom the Flower of her virginity.
6. Jesus enters the world in poverty to teach the lesson of detachment from earthly things.
7. The angel announces to the shepherds: "Today there is born to you in the town of David a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord."
8. The angelic chorus sing: "Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth."
9. The shepherds come to the stable to pay homage to the Infant Jesus.
10. The Magi come to adore the Holy Child and offer Him gifts.

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4. The Presentation in the Temple

Spiritual fruit: obedience and purity

We offer Thee, O Lord Jesus, this decade in honor of Thy presentation in the temple and the purification of Mary, and we ask of Thee, through this Mystery and through the intercession of Thy holy Mother, purity of body and soul.
Amen.

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hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
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as we forgive those who trespass against us,
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but deliver us from evil.
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1. Observing the law of Moses they take Jesus to the Temple to present Him to the Lord.
2. According to the Law the firstborn male child of every family should be consecrated to the Lord.
3. Mary offers her Son to the Father, then ransoms Him back at the price paid by the poor.
4. Jesus is not subject to the law of Moses, yet to teach obedience, submits to it.
5. Mary is not subject to the law of purification, yet in humility she submits to it.
6. God had revealed to Simeon that he would not see death until he had seen the Messiah.
7. Recognizing the Child, he prays: "Now you can dismiss your servant in peace. You have fulfilled your word."
8. "This Child is destined to be the downfall and rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed."
9. And to Mary Simeon reveals: "And your own soul a sword shall pierce."
10. After they fulfill all the Law requires they return to Nazareth.

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especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.
Amen.

5. The Finding in the Temple

Spiritual fruit: perseverance and obedience to the will of god

We offer Thee, O Lord Jesus, this decade in honor of Mary's finding Thee in the temple, and we ask of Thee, through this Mystery and through the intercession of Thy holy Mother, the gift of true wisdom. Amen.

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1. When Jesus is twelve years old, He goes with His parents to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover.
2. After the feast of the Passover, Joseph and Mary unknowingly set out for Nazareth without Jesus.
3. At the end of the first day's journey they discover Jesus is missing.
4. His parents return immediately looking for Him.
5. This loss causes grief and anxiety beyond our understanding to the hearts of Mary and Joseph.
6. On the third day, they find Jesus in the Temple among the Doctors who were astonished at His wisdom.
7. Mary: "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been searching for You in sorrow."
8. Jesus: "Why did you search for Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"
9. Jesus goes down with them to Nazareth, and is subject to them.
10. Mary keeps all these things in her heart.

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Amen.

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Amen.

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
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 us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Amen.

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 on 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.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;
be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world, seeking the ruin of souls.
O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here.
Ever this night be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule, and to guide.
Amen.

May the Divine Assistance remain always with us,
and may the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

To you, O blessed Joseph,
do we come in our tribulation,
and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse,
we confidently invoke your patronage also.
Through that charity which bound you
to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God
and through the paternal love
with which you embraced the Child Jesus,
we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance
which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood,
and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.
O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,
defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ;
O most loving father, ward off from us
every contagion of error and corrupting influence;
O our most mighty protector, be kind to us
and from heaven assist us in our struggle
with the power of darkness.
As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril,
so now protect God's Holy Church
from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity;
shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection,
so that, supported by your example and your aid,
we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness,
and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.
Amen.

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 unto 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.
We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers,
O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.
Amen.