



Rosary of the Joyful Mysteries

How to pray the Rosary



One « Our Father » and ten « Hail Mary » is called a decade. Before each decade recall the appropriate mystery. You can also intrust your intentions to God and the assembly. After each decade you say the Glory Be

Joyful Mysteries

1 THE ANNUNCIATION

2 THE VISITATION

3 THE NATIVITY

4 THE PRESENTATION

5 THE FINDING OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

The Voice of Christ

MY CHILD, I came down from heaven for your salvation and took upon Myself your miseries, not out of necessity but out of love, that you might learn to be patient and bear the sufferings of this life without repining.

From the moment of My birth to My death on the cross, suffering did not leave Me. I suffered great want of temporal goods. Often I heard many complaints against Me. Disgrace and reviling I bore with patience. For My blessings I received ingratitude, for My miracles blasphemies, and for My teaching scorn.

Imitation of Christ Book II Chapter 18

The Voice of Christ

MY CHILD, patience and humility in adversity are more pleasing to Me than much consolation and devotion when things are going well.

Imitation of Christ Book II Chapter 57

1 THE ANNUNCIATION

« Our Father, who art in even... »

26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee called Nazareth, 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the descendants of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

28 And coming in, he said to her, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." 29 But she was very perplexed at this statement, and kept pondering what kind of salutation this was.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; 33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

34 Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" 35 The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

38 And Mary said, “Behold, the bonds slave of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 1/

19 And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 1/

20 But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 1/

24 And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife, 25 but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 1/

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.

Amen.

2 THE VISITATION

« Our Father, who art in even... »

36 And behold, even your relative Elizabeth has also conceived a son in her old age; and she who was called barren is now in her sixth month. 37 For nothing will be impossible with God.”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

39 Now at this time Mary arose and went in a hurry to the hill country, to a city of Judah, 40 and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. 41 When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

42 And she cried out with a loud voice and said, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! 43 And how has it happened to me, that the mother of my Lord would come to me?”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

44 For behold, when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped in my womb for joy. 45 And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what had been spoken to her by the Lord.”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

46 And Mary said: “My soul exalts the Lord, 47 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. 48 “For He has had regard for the humble state of His bondservant; For behold, from this time on all generations will count me blessed.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

49 “For the Mighty One has done great things for me; And holy is His name. 50 “And His mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear Him.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

51 “He has done mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered those who were proud in the thoughts of their heart. 52 “He has brought down rulers from their thrones, And has exalted those who were humble.

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Luke 1/

53 “He has filled the hungry with good things; And sent away the rich empty-handed.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

54 “He has given help to Israel His servant, In remembrance of His mercy, 55 As He spoke to our fathers, To Abraham and his descendants forever.”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

56 And Mary stayed with her about three months, and then returned to her home. 57 Now the time had come for Elizabeth to give birth, and she gave birth to a son.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 1/

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world without end.

Amen.

3 THE NATIVITY

« Our Father, who art in even... »

1 Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. 4 Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, 5 in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

6 While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

8 In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; 11 for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. 12 This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

13 And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 14 "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." 15 When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

16 So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger. 17 When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. 18 And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. 19 But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. 21 And when eight days had passed, before His circumcision, His name was then called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

2 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, 2 “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.”

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Matthew 2/

3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 Gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea;

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

9 After hearing the king, they went their way; and the star, which they had seen in the east, went on before them until it came and stood over the place where the Child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

11 After coming into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell to the ground and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they presented to Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. 12 And having been warned by God in a dream not to return to Herod, the magi left for their own country by another way.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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world without end.

Amen.

4 THE PRESENTATION

« Our Father, who art in even... »

22 And when the days for their purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord"), 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what was said in the Law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

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Luke 2/

25 And there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

27 And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for Him the custom of the Law, 28 then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God,

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Luke 2/

and said, 29 "Now Lord, You are releasing Your bond-servant to depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation, 31 Which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 A Light of revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

33 And His father and mother were amazed at the things which were being said about Him. 34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign to be opposed- 35 and a sword will pierce even your own soul to the end that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

39 When they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city of Nazareth.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2/

13 Now when they had gone, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up! Take the Child and His mother and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy Him.”

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

14 So Joseph got up and took the Child and His mother while it was still night, and left for Egypt. 15 He remained there until the death of Herod.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

16 Then when Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he became very enraged, and sent and slew all the male children who were in Bethlehem and all its vicinity, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the magi.

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Matthew 2/

19 But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, and said, 20 “Get up, take the Child and His mother, and go into the land of Israel; for those who sought the Child’s life are dead.” 21 So Joseph got up, took the Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. Then after being warned by God in a dream, he left for the regions of Galilee, 23 and came and lived in a city called Nazareth.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Matthew 2/

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world without end.

Amen.

5 - THE FINDING OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

« Our Father, who art in even... »

40 The Child continued to grow and become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... » Luke 2

41 Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when He became twelve, they went up there according to the custom of the Feast;

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... » Luke 2

43 and as they were returning, after spending the full number of days, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. But His parents were unaware of it,

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... » Luke 2

44 but supposed Him to be in the caravan, and went a day's journey; and they began looking for Him among their relatives and acquaintances. 45 When they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem looking for Him.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... » Luke 2

46 Then, after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... » Luke 2

48 When they saw Him, they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You treated us this way? Behold, Your father and I have been anxiously looking for You."

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2

49 And He said to them, "Why is it that you were looking for Me? Did you not know that I had to be in My Father's house?" 50 But they did not understand the statement which He had made to them.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2

51 And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and He continued in subjection to them;

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2

51 and His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2

52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

« Hail, Marie, full of grace... »

Luke 2

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world without end.

Amen.

Offering of myself as a Victim of Holocaust to God's Merciful Love

O My God ! Most Blessed Trinity, I desire to Love you and make you Loved, to work for the glory of Holy Church by saving souls on earth and liberating those suffering in purgatory. I desire to accomplish your will perfectly and to reach the degree of glory you have prepared for me in your kingdom. I desire, in a word, to be a Saint, but I feel my helplessness and I beg you, O my God ! to be yourself my Sanctity !

Since You loved me so much as to give me your only Son as my Savior and my Spouse, the infinite treasures of his merits are mine. I offer them to you with gladness, begging you to look on me only through the Face of Jesus and in his Heart burning with Love.

I offer you, too, all the merits of the Saints (in Heaven and on earth), their acts of Love, and those of the Holy Angels. Finally, I offer you, O Blessed Trinity ! the Love and merits of the Blessed Virgin, my dear Mother. It is to her I abandon my offering, begging her to present it to you.

Her Divine Son, my Beloved Spouse, told us in the days of his mortal life : « Whatsoever you ask the Father in my name he will give it to you ! » I am certain, then, that you will grant my desires ; I know, O my God ! That the more you want to give, the more you make us desire. I feel in my heart immense desires and it is with confidence I ask you to come and take possession of my soul. Ah ! O cannot receive Holy Communion as often as I desire, but, Lord, are you not All-Powerful ? Remain in me as in a tabernacle and never separate yourself from your little host.....

I want to console you for the ingratitude of the wicked, and I beg of you to take away my freedom to displease you. If through weakness I sometimes fall, may your Divine Glance cleanse my soul immediately, consuming all my imperfections like the fire that transforms everything into itself.....

I thank you, O my God ! for all the graces you have granted me, especially the grace of making me pass through the crucible of suffering. It is with joy I shall contemplate You on the last day

carrying the scepter of your Cross. Since you deigned to give me a share in this very precious Cross, I hope in Heaven to resemble you and to see shining in my glorified body the sacred stigmata of Your Passion...

After earth's exile, I hope to go and enjoy you in the Fatherland, but I do not want to lay up merits for Heaven. I want to work for your Love alone with the one purpose of pleasing you, consoling your Sacred Heart, and saving souls who will love you eternally.

In the evening of this life, I shall appear before you with empty hands, for I do not ask you, Lord, to count my works. All our justice is stained in your eyes. I wish, then, to be clothed in your own Justice and to receive from your Love the eternal possession of Yourself. I want no other Throne, no other Crown but You, my Beloved !.....

Time is nothing in your eyes, and a single day is like a thousand years ; you can, then, in one instant prepare me to appear before you...

In order to live in one single act of perfect Love, I offer myself as a victim of holocaust to your merciful love, asking you to consume me incessantly, allowing the waves of infinite tenderness shut up within you to overflow into my soul, and that thus I may become a Martyr of your Love, O my God !...

May this martyrdom, after having prepared me to appear before you, finally cause me to die and may my soul take its flight without any delay into the eternal embrace of Your Merciful Love...

I want, O my Beloved, at each beat of my heart to renew this offering to you an infinite number of times, until the shadows having disappeared I may be able to tell you of my Love in an Eternal Face to Face !...

*Marie, Françoise, Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face
unworthy Carmelite religious*

*This 9th day of June, Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, in the year of grace,
1895.*



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