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Rosary Introduction

The rosary (from Latin *rosarium*, "rose garden") is a religious exercise where a defined number of prayers are recited and a string of beads (a chaplet, often called a rosary) is used to keep count.



Eastern Christian monks started the Christian practice in the third century. The modern Roman Catholic rosary's origin is most often associated with St. Dominic, founder of the Dominican order in the early 13th century. According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, "it reached its definitive form in the 15th century through the preaching of the Dominican Alan de la Roche and his associates, who organized Rosary Confraternities at Douai in France and at Cologne. In 1520 Pope Leo X gave the rosary official approbation." In October of 2002 Pope John Paul II added an optional group of mysteries (Mysteries of the Light) to the Rosary (see [Rosarium Virginis Mariae](#)).

But, what makes the rosary special? The Blessed Mary herself gave us the reasons (as given to St. Dominic and Blessed Alan). Here are the fifteen promises of Mary to Christians who recite the rosary.

- Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary, shall receive signal graces.
- I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the rosary.
- The rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.
- It will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the heart of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire of eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.
- The soul which recommend itself to me by the recitation of the rosary, shall not perish.
- Whoever shall recite the rosary devoutly, applying himself to the consideration of its sacred mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise him in His justice, he shall not by an unprovided death; if he be just he shall remain in the grace of God, and become worthy of eternal life.
- Whoever shall have a true devotion for the rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
- Those who are faithful to recite the rosary shall have during their life and



at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.

- I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the rosary.
- The faithful children of the rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.
- You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the rosary.
- All those who propagate the holy rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
- I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
- All who recite the rosary are my son, and brothers of my only son Jesus Christ.
- Devotion of my rosary is a great sign of predestination.

If that does not convince you, here are a few more reasons to say a daily rosary.

- Our Lady has 117 titles. She selected this title at Fatima: "I am the Lady of the Rosary."
- St. Francis de Sales said the greatest method of praying is: Pray the Rosary.
- St. Thomas Aquinas preached 40 straight days in Rome Italy on just the Hail Mary.
- St. John Vianney, patron of priests, was seldom seen without a rosary in his hand.
- "The rosary is the scourge of the devil" -- Pope Adrian VI
- "The rosary is a treasure of graces" -- Pope Paul V
- Padra Pio the stigmatic priest said: "The Rosary is the weapon"
- Several popes wrote [encyclicals](#) on the rosary.
- Pope John XXIII spoke 38 times about our Lady and the Rosary. He prayed 15 decades daily.
- St. Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort wrote: "The rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who so loves His Mother."



Finally, the prayer **Memorare** says it all...

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, we fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To You we come; before You we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in Your mercy, hear and answer us. Amen.

Convinced? Then pray along with me...

Pray the Rosary

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Rosary Start



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The Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Said while making the sign of the Cross by moving the right hand from the forehead to the chest, to the left shoulder, then to the right shoulder.)

Apostle's Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

Our Father: 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.



Hail Mary (3 times): 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. Amen.

Glory to the Father (Prayer of Praise): Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

This completes the common opening portion of the rosary. The prayers that follow are usually dedicated to one of sets of mysteries. The mysteries follow the general pattern of the life of Christ. Start with the hidden life of Christ in the Joyful Mysteries, the public ministry of Christ in the Mysteries of Light, the sufferings of Christ's passion in the Sorrowful Mysteries, and the triumph of Christ's Resurrection in the Glorious Mysteries. Select from below and proceed.

Joyful Mysteries

Often said on Monday and Saturday, the Joyful Mysteries include: The Annunciation, The Visitation, The Birth of Our Lord, The Presentation of Our Lord, and The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple.

Mysteries of Light

An optional set of mysteries added to the Rosary by Pope John Paul II on 16 October 2002. Often said on Thursday, the Mysteries of Light include: Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, Christ's First Miracle at Cana, Christ Preaching, The Transfiguration, and Institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.

Glorious Mysteries

Often said on Wednesday and Sunday the Glorious Mysteries include: The Resurrection, The Ascension, The Coming of the Holy Spirit, The Assumption of our Blessed Mother into Heaven, and The Coronation of our Blessed Mother.

Sorrowful Mysteries

Often said on Tuesday and Friday the Sorrowful Mysteries include: The Agony in the Garden, The Scourging at the Pillar, The Crowning with Thorns, The Carrying of the Cross, and The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord.

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First Joyful Mystery



The Annunciation to Mary (Humility)

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." *Luke 1:30-33*

Our Father: 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.

Hail Mary (10 times): 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. Amen.



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Second Joyful Mystery



The Visitation of Mary (Love of Neighbor)

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." *Luke 1:41-42*

Our Father: 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.

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The Nativity of Our Lord (Spirit of Poverty)

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For today, in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord" *Luke 2:10-11*

Our Father: 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.

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Fourth Joyful Mystery



The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple

(Obedience to God's Will)

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." *Luke 2:29-32*

Our Father: 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.

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Fifth Joyful Mystery



The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple (Fidelity to Vocation, Joy in finding Jesus)

When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced [in] wisdom and age and favor before God and man. *Luke 2:48-52*

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First Mystery of Light



Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River

(Christ becomes sin for our sake)

After Jesus was baptized, he came directly out of the water. Suddenly the sky opened and he saw the Spirit of God descend like a dove and hover over him. With that, a voice from the heavens said, "This is my beloved Son. My favor rests on him." *Mathew 3:16-17*

For our sakes God made him who did not know sin, to be sin, so that in him we might become the very holiness of God. *2 Corinthians 5:21*

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Second Mystery of Light



Christ's First Miracle at Cana (Open hearts to faith)

Jesus performed this first of his signs at Cana in Galilee. Thus did he reveal his glory, and his disciples believed in him. *John 2:11*

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Christ Preaching

(Christ proclaims the Kingdom of God and forgiveness of sin)

After John's arrest, Jesus appeared in Galilee proclaiming the good news of God: "This is the time for fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand! Reform your lives and believe in the gospel!" *Mark 1:12-13*

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Fourth Mystery of Light



The Transfiguration

(God commands the Apostles and us to "listen to him")

Then from the cloud came a voice which said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." *Luke 9:35*

Our Father: 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.

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Fifth Mystery of Light



Institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper

(Christ offers his body and blood for the love of humanity)

Before the feast of Passover, Jesus realized that the hour had come for him to pass from this world to the Father. He had loved his own in this world, and would show his love for them to the end. *John 13:1*

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First Glorious Mystery



The Resurrection (Faith)

Jesus rises from the dead. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold, the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'" *Mark 16:6-8*

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Second Glorious Mystery



The Ascension of Our Lord (Hope)

While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven." Acts 1:10-11

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Third Glorious Mystery



The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles

(Wisdom, Love of God, Zeal, Fortitude)

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. *Acts 2:1-4*

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Fourth Glorious Mystery



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven

(Eternal Happiness, Grace of a Happy Death)

As an apple tree among the trees of the woods, so is my lover among men. I delight to rest in his shadow, and his fruit is sweet to my mouth. He brings me into the banquet hall and his emblem over me is love. Strengthen me with raisin cakes, refresh me with apples, for I am faint with love. His left hand is under my head and his right arm embraces me. *Song of Songs 2:3-6*

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Fifth Glorious Mystery



The Coronation of Our Lady as Queen of Heaven and Earth

(Devotion to Mary and Final Perseverance, Trust in Mary's Intercession)

And Mary said, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed." *Luke 1:46-48*

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First Sorrowful Mystery



The Agony in the Garden (Spirit of Prayer, Sorrow for Sin)

Then he said to them, "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me." He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will." *Matthew 26:38-39*

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Second Sorrowful Mystery



The Scouring at the Pillar (Modesty and Purity)

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged. *John 19:1*

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Third Sorrowful Mystery



The Crowning with Thorns (Courage)

The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. *Mark 15:16-17*

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Fourth Sorrowful Mystery



The Carrying of the Cross (Patience in Suffering)

[A]nd carrying the cross himself he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha. *John 19:18*

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Fifth Sorrowful Mystery



The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord on the Cross

(Self-denial, Perseverance)

After this, aware that everything was now finished, in order that the scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I thirst." There was a vessel filled with common wine. So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop and put it up to his mouth. When Jesus had taken the wine, he said, "It is finished." And bowing his head, he handed over the spirit. *John 19:28-30*

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Prayer After The Rosary: 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.

V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.

R. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen: Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious Advocate, thy 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. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Close with...

The Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Said while making the sign of the Cross by moving the right hand from the forehead to the chest, to the left shoulder, then to the right shoulder.)

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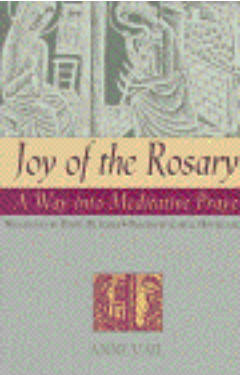
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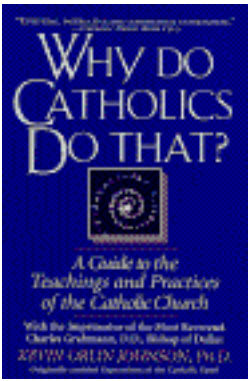
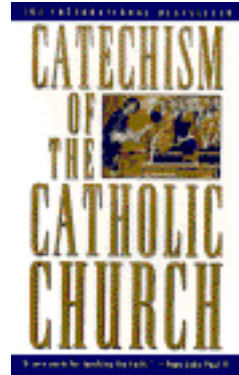
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Rosary Beads

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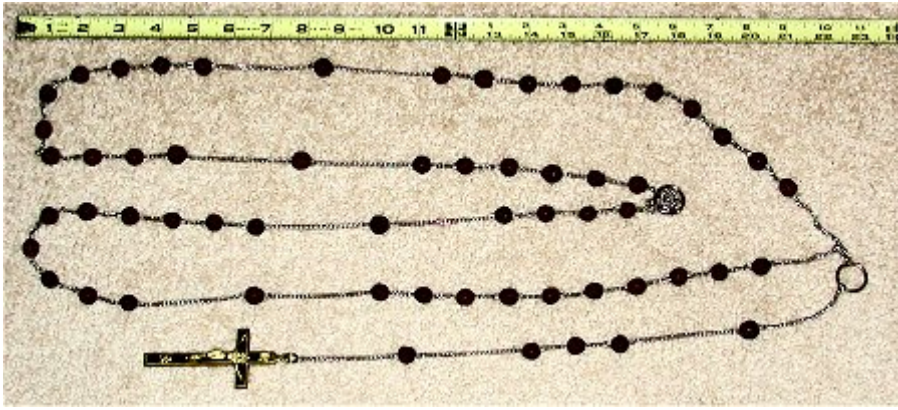
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- Finger Chaplet.** This is my most-used chaplet. It's small enough to put in with coins in a case so I carry it around with me all the time. It's basically a ring with ten small bumps and one larger bump for the cross and Our Father counters. Engraved into the ring are small icons which represent the various mysteries; to serve as a reminder. Some people have a wrist version of this type of chaplet. They wear it as a bracelet and it has ten small beads and one larger bead or a cross. To use these just keep going around the proper number of times.



- Large Chaplet.** I don't use this chaplet but do keep it on the bookshelf. My cousin is a nun and this is the chaplet that she used to wear around her as a belt when her order was still wearing habits. It's some five feet long; in the picture the measuring tape is set to two feet so you can get an idea of its size. The beads are wood.



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