

## **Praying the Rosary with Aid to the Church in Need**

### **The Sign of the Cross**

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

**Amen.**

### **Apostles' 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 was born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

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 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.*

**Amen.**

### **Hail Mary**

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 at the hour of our death.*

**Amen.**

### **Glory Be to the Father**

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.**

### **The Fatima Prayer**

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell

And lead all souls to heaven especially those who have most need of thy mercy.

**Amen.**

### **Hail, Holy Queen**

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 vale of tears.

Turn then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards 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 if Christ.

**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 you, that mediating on these Mysteries  
Of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
We may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise,  
Through the same Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Prayer to Saint Michael**

Holy Michael, Archangel,  
Defend us in the day of battle;  
Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.  
May God rebuke him we humbly pray;  
And do thou Prince of the Heavenly Hosts,  
By the power of God,  
Thrust down to hell Satan and all other evil spirits  
Who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

**Amen.**

## **The Joyful Mysteries**

### **1. The Annunciation**

And when the angel had come to her, he said: "Hail full of grace, the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women."

*Luke 1, 2*

### **2. The Visitation**

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 thy womb!"

*Luke 1, 41-42*

### **3. The Birth of Jesus**

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in  
a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

*Luke 2, 7*

### **4. The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple**

And when the days of her purification were fulfilled according to the Law of Moses, they took  
him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

*Luke 2, 22-23*

### **5. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple**

And it came to pass after three days that they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of  
the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.

*Luke 2, 46*

## **The Sorrowful Mysteries**

### **1. The Agony in the Garden**

And his sweat became as drops of blood running down upon the ground. And rising from prayer he came to the disciples, and found them sleeping for sorrow.

*Luke 22, 44-45*

### **2. The Scourging at the Pillar**

Pilate, then, took Jesus and had him scourged.

*John 19, 1*

### **3. The Crowning with Thorns**

And they stripped him and put on him a scarlet cloak; and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on his head, and a reed into his right hand.

*Matthew 27, 28-29*

### **4. The Carrying of the Cross**

And bearing the cross for himself, he went forth to place called the Skull – in Hebrew, Golgotha.

*John 19, 17*

### **5. The Crucifixion**

And Jesus cried out with a loud voice and said: "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit". And having said this, he expired.

*Luke 23, 46*

## **The Glorious Mysteries**

### **1. The Resurrection of Christ**

He has risen, he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him.

*Mark 16, 6*

### **2. The Ascension into Heaven**

So then the Lord, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God.

*Mark 16, 19*

### **3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles**

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues. Even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak.

*Acts 2, 4*

### **4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven**

And a great sign appeared in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun and the moon was under her feet and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.

*Apocalypse 12, 1*

### **5. The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Victory of Christ in His Saints**

Thou art the glory of Jerusalem the honour of our people... The hand of the Lord hath strengthened thee, and therefore thou shalt be blessed forever...

*Judith 15, 9-11*

## **The Mysteries of Light**

### **1. Christ's Baptism in the Jordan**

The spirit descended like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my son, the beloved, and with you I am well pleased."

*Mark 1, 10*

### **2. Christ's Self-revelation at the Marriage at Cana**

Jesus changed water into wine, the first of his signs, and revealed his glory and his disciples believed in him.

*John 2, 11*

### **3. Christ's Proclamation of the Kingdom of God with His Call to Conversion**

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of god has come near; repent and believe in the good news."

*Mark 1, 15*

### **4. Christ's Transfiguration**

And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

*Matthew 17, 2*

### **5. Christ's Institution of the Eucharist**

He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying: "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

*Luke 22, 19*

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