

Celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary



FIRST JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Annunciation

The Archangel Gabriel declares to the Virgin Mary that she is about to become the Mother of the Lord. Mary accepts, declaring herself to be the Handmaid of the Lord.

Prayer Intention

For parents facing an unexpected pregnancy, that they lovingly accept the precious life God has entrusted to their care.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus ...

1. ... who has freed us from the sin of Adam.
2. ... for whom the patriarchs and the prophets sighed.
3. ... for whom you and Joseph waited in an attitude of prayer.
4. ... who was sent to us by the Father who loves us.
5. ... who became man out of love.
6. ... whose coming was made known by the message of the angel Gabriel.
7. ... whose announced coming disturbed you at first.
8. ... whom you welcomed in faith.
9. ... who was conceived by the work of the Holy Spirit.
10. ... who was adored by the angels.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory be ...

O my Jesus ...



SECOND JOYFUL MYSTERY

Mary Visits Her Cousin Elizabeth

Mary sets out to visit St. Elizabeth who was carrying St. John the Baptist in her womb. At Mary's greeting, the baby leaped with joy and Elizabeth gave praise to God for the wonderful work he was accomplishing in Mary.

Prayer Intention

That those who pray and work for a greater respect for human life will be guided by the Beatitudes and reveal the face of Christ to others.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus ...

1. ... who dwelt for nine months in your womb.
2. ... who, upon entering this world, offered himself to the Father.
3. ... who filled you with joy by his presence.
4. ... whose conception caused Joseph some needless concern.
5. ... who is the Savior of all the elect.
6. ... who inspired you to visit Elizabeth.
7. ... who caused John the Baptist to leap for joy at your Salutation.
8. ... whom you acknowledged as the Savior in the Magnificat.
9. ... who made you solicitous for the welfare of your cousin Elizabeth.
10. ... who was one with you.

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THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Birth of Jesus

Jesus was born in a grotto in Bethlehem amid the most squalid poverty because no one would take Joseph and Mary in.

Prayer Intention

That the love of the Blessed Mother and the Christ Child may be a source of strength for every expectant mother, especially mothers living in poverty, and that they both will be surrounded by joy and love.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus ...

1. ... who was not welcomed by the inhabitants of Bethlehem.
2. ... who was born in a stable.
3. ... to whom you gave birth with immense love in your heart.
4. ... to whom you consecrated your virginity.
5. ... whose birth was made easier by the song of the angels.
6. ... who was the most handsome of the sons of men.
7. ... who was visited by the shepherds.
8. ... who was circumcised according to the prescriptions of the Law.
9. ... whose name means God saves.
10. ... who was adored by the Magi.

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O my Jesus ...



FOURTH JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

Mary and Joseph, faithful to the Law of Moses present the baby Jesus in the temple and fulfill that which was prescribed for their purification.

Prayer Intention

That fathers of young children will model St. Joseph in devoutly practicing their faith, so that they lead their children to God by their words and example.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus ...

1. ... who was obedient to the law like you.
2. ... who as the firstborn of the Father was consecrated to the Lord.
3. ... for love of whom you submitted to the law of purification.
4. ... who was welcomed by Simeon and Anna with hymns of joy.
5. ... who was redeemed by the offering of two turtle doves.
6. ... whom Herod sought to kill in the Slaughter of the Innocents.
7. ... who fled with you and Joseph into Egypt.
8. ... who was an immigrant in a foreign land.
9. ... who returned with you to Nazareth.
10. ... who grew in wisdom, age, and grace before both God and men.

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Glory be ...

O my Jesus ...

FIFTH JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

The child Jesus remained three days in the Temple in Jerusalem, unknown to Joseph and Mary, to witness to them that he had come into the world to do the will of his heavenly Father.

Prayer Intention

That the Holy Spirit will open the minds and hearts of those who now reject the Gospel of Life and allow them to be convinced of the truth and goodness of all that the Church professes concerning human life.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus ...

1. ... who lived a life of hard work at Nazareth.
2. ... who was found in the Temple among the teachers.
3. ... who was baptized by John in the Jordan.
4. ... who was tempted by Satan in the desert.
5. ... who went about preaching the reign of God.
6. ... who healed the sick, cast out demons, and raised the dead.
7. ... who chose the twelve apostles.
8. ... who was transfigured on the mount.
9. ... who washed the feet of the apostles.
10. ... who instituted the Eucharist.

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