## **The Luminous Mysteries (Thursday)**

## 1. The Baptism of Christ

When Jesus was baptized, the Father's voice was heard "This is My beloved Son." All are called to become adopted sons and daughters of God through Baptism. We pray that children in the womb may be protected so that they may be born and welcomed into the Christian community by Baptism.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

#### 2. The Wedding of Cana

Jesus revealed His glory by the miracle at Cana. The new couple was blessed not only with wine but also with faith in Christ. Let us pray for strong marriages rooted in the Lord and open to the gift of new life.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

#### 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom

"Repent and believe the Good News." Let us pray that these first words of Jesus' public ministry may be heard by all who have committed abortion. May they know that the Lord calls them to conversion and may they experience life-giving repentance.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 4. The Transfiguration

Christ is transformed on the mountain, and the apostles see His glory. May the eyes of all people be transformed that they may see each and every human life as a reflection of the glory of God Himself.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 5. The Institution of the Eucharist

"This is My Body, given up for you." The Eucharist teaches us how to live and how to love. Let us pray that parents who sacrifice the babies for the sake of themselves may learn instead to put themselves aside for the sake of their babies.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## **CLOSING PRAYERS**

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 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 of 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 Thee, that by 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.

**St. Michael the Archangel**, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus $(3x)$ I	Have mercy	on us.
Our Lady Queen of Peace	Pray	for us.
St. Joseph	Pray	for us.
St. Patrick	Pray	for us.
St. Jude	Pray	for us.

During Advent, Lent and Easter time, the Joyful,

Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries (per the season) may
be used more frequently on Saturday/Sunday.

# The Holy Rosary Of the Blessed Virgin Mary



## **Rosary Intentions**

- For those elected to public office, that they will serve with courage and wisdom to promote respect for the life, dignity, and rights of the human person, especially the poor and the vulnerable.
- For leaders around the world, that they might find ways to bring an end to war and violence and promote peace and development for all nations
- For unborn babies and for an end to abortion
- For the sanctity of all priests and for an increase in vocations
- For the conversion of sinners
- For greater honor and love of Our Blessed Mother as we place our nation under her total guidance and protection

## **OPENING PRAYERS**

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 thence He shall 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 Pope and his intentions:

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.

## 3 Hail Mary's (for an increase in the virtues of faith, hope and love)

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.

#### **BEFORE EACH MYSTERY**

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.

**Oh my Jesus**, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

## The Joyful Mysteries (Monday and Saturday)

#### 1. The Annunciation

Mary is troubled by the angel's greeting yet rejoices to do God's will. Let us pray that those who are troubled by their pregnancy may have the grace to trust in God's will.

\*\*Our Father...\* Hail Mary...\*

#### 2. The Visitation

John the Baptist leapt for joy in his mother's womb. We pray that people may realize that abortion is not about children who "might" come into the world but is about children who are already in the world, living and growing in the womb yet scheduled to be killed.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 3. The Birth of Jesus

God Himself was born as a child. The greatness of a person does not depend on size, for the newborn King is very small. Let us pray for an end to prejudice against the tiny babies threatened by abortion.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 4. The Presentation

The Child is presented in the Temple because the Child belongs to God. Children are not the property of their parents or of the government. They and we belong to God Himself.

\*\*Our Father...\*\* Hail Mary...\*\*

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

The boy Jesus was filled with wisdom because He is God. Let us pray that all people may see the wisdom of His teachings about the dignity of life and may understand that this teaching is not an opinion but the truth.

\*\*Our Father...\* Hail Mary...\*

## The Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday and Friday)

#### 1. The Agony in the Garden

Let us pray for mothers and fathers who are in agony because they are tempted to abort a child. May they be given the good news that there are alternatives and may they make use of the help that is available.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

#### 2. The Scourging at the Pillar

As Christ's flesh was torn by the instruments of those who scourged Him, so the bodies of babies in the womb are torn by instruments of the abortionists. Let us pray that abortionists may repent of these acts of child-killing.

\*\*Our Father...\* Hail Mary...\*

#### 3. The Crowning with Thorns

Jesus suffered the pains of thorns in His head and did so silently. We pray for the mothers and fathers of aborted children. So many of them suffer deep grief and regret over a choice they can never reverse. So many suffer in silence because others tell them it's no big deal.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 4. The Carrying of the Cross

Jesus was not condemned by the power of wicked people; He was condemned due to the silence of good people. Silence always helps the oppressor never the victim. Let us pray that we may never be silent about abortion but rather will clearly speak up to save babies from death.

\*Our Father... Hail Mary...

#### 5. The Crucifixion

As we ponder Christ's death, let us remember the many women who have died from so-called "safe, legal" abortions. Let us ask forgiveness and mercy for them. May their memory save other women from making this tragic mistake.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## The Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday and Sunday)

#### 1. The Resurrection

Christ is Risen! By His Resurrection, He has destroyed the power of death, and therefore, the power of abortion. The outcome of the battle for Life has already been decided. Life is victorious! Let us pray that all prolifers will spread this victory to every segment of our society.

\*\*Our Father...\* Hail Mary...\*

#### 2. The Ascension

By ascending to the Father's throne, Christ takes our human nature, given to us in the womb, to the heights of Heaven. He shows us that human beings are made to be raised to Heaven not thrown in the garbage. Let us pray that the world may learn this truth and reject abortion.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Advocate: He pleads our cause for we cannot save ourselves. We pray that He will make us advocates for the babies who cannot speak or write or vote or protest or even pray.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . .

## 4. The Assumption

The Blessed Virgin May was taken body and soul into Heaven because she is the Mother of God. Mother and Child are united. The Assumption reminds us that they belong together. We pray that society will see that it cannot love women while killing their children and cannot save children without helping their mothers. We pray that people will be touched by the pro-life question, "Why can't we love them both?"

Our Father . . . Hail Marv . . .

#### 5. The Coronation

Mary is the Queen of the Universe. The Church teaches that she is the greatest creature, second only to God Himself. The Church defends the dignity of women. We pray that people will understand that to be pro-life means to be pro-woman and that to be pro-woman demands that we be pro-life.

Our Father . . . Hail Marv . . .