

# *The La Salette Scripture Rosary:*

*a gift to you from the La Salette Missionaries*

**T**he following *La Salette Scripture Rosary* combines the traditional elements of the Rosary with a La Salette focus. Five mysteries which relate more directly to reconciliation have been selected from among the fifteen. We select for our meditation the five mysteries which relate more directly to the La Salette call to reconciliation. This rosary invites us to pray within the context of that grace-filled event of La Salette—September 19, 1846.



## *Directions:*

- 1) The Rosary ***begins in the usual manner*** with the *Sign of the Cross*, the *Apostles' Creed*, the *Our Father*, three *Hail Marys* and the *Glory be*.
- 2) The leader then introduces each decade by ***reading the explanation of the Mystery***, on which all will meditate briefly.
- 3) After a brief pause for reflection, all pray the ***Our Father***.
- 4) Prior to each *Hail Mary*, a short quote from the Scripture is read aloud (or a quote from the message of La Salette).
- 5) After the last *Hail, Mary*, the ***Glory be*** concludes each decade as usual.
- 6) At the conclusion of the Rosary, all say the ***Prayer to Our Lady of La Salette*** included at the end of these pages.

## *First Mystery: The Visitation*

**O**n **September 19, 1846** Mary visits her people through the eyes and ears of two young children in a sleepy valley of France. Through them she leads us again to her Son. She no longer bears the innocent child in a manger, but shows us the crucified Christ, suffering for love of us.

**Beyond her dire warnings** and awesome message, Mary proclaims the greatness of God as she is surrounded in magnificent light. [Luke 1: 46-55]



1. My God, you have looked down on your lowly servant. (“Hail, Mary...”)
2. Your mercy to on those who fear you in every generation. (“Hail, Mary...”)
3. You have shown the strength of you arm.
4. You have scattered the proud in their conceit.
5. You have cast down the mighty from their thrones.
6. You have lifted up the lowly.
7. You have filled the hungry with good things.
8. You have sent the rich away empty.
9. You have come to the help of your servants.
10. You have remembered your promise of mercy. (“Hail, Mary...” and “Glory be...”)

## *Second Mystery: A Son Is Given*

**M**ary's message—rich in theological imagery and meaning—not only addresses the sophisticated persons but also speaks to the humble people of this world. Our Blessed Mother speaks to us in practical everyday terms: about bread, prayer, suffering, tears and our return to God. Her message springs from that of her Son, the Savior, who became like us in all things but sin.

1. The Light shines in our darkness. [Lk 1:78-79]
2. A Savior has been born to us. [Lk 2:11]
3. We can find him lying in simple surroundings. [Lk 2:12]
4. The Savior brings peace to his people on earth. [Lk 2:14]
5. The Almighty keeps his promises from of old. [Lk 2:29]
6. The light brings glory to his people. [Lk 2:32]
7. The Almighty chooses Jesus for the downfall and salvation of many. [Lk 2:34]
8. Jesus becomes God's sign against which many speak. [Lk 2:34]
9. Jesus reveals the secret thoughts of the hearts. [Lk 2:35]
10. Mary ponders all these things in her heart. [Lk 2:51]



## *Third Mystery: A Call To Reconciliation*

**M**ary's message at La Salette echoes the words of Scripture. In her words, Jesus speaks. Her theme, like that of St. Paul, is so simple: "Let yourself be reconciled to God." [2 Cor 5:20]

1. Turn away from your sins and be baptized. [Lk 3:3]
2. Jesus brings good news to the poor. [Lk 4:18]
3. Jesus proclaims liberty to captives. [Lk 4:18]
4. Jesus brings sight to the blind. [Lk 4:18]
5. Jesus announces a time of salvation. [Lk 4:19]
6. Jesus cleanses the soiled. [Lk 5:12-15]
7. Jesus brings forgiveness to sinners. [Lk 5:17-20]
8. Jesus cures the lame. [Lk 5:21-26]
9. Jesus brings the outcast home. [Lk 5:27-32]
10. Jesus brings the dead to life. [Lk 7:11-17]



## *Fourth Mystery: A Call To Conversion*

**Mary's message** bears the threats of a God who faces the frustration of a free people; but it also bears the promise and vision of eternal joy. "If they are converted..." she says.

**Mary takes on the role** of a prophet to help us all see more clearly the challenge and abundant rewards if we live the message of her Son.

1. Happy are you, the poor; the Kingdom of God is yours. [Lk 6:20]
2. Happy are you, the hungry; you will be satisfied. [Lk 6:21]
3. Happy are you who weep; you will laugh. [Lk 6:21]
4. Happy are you, hated on account of the Son of Man; a reward awaits you. [Lk 6:22]
5. Happy are you, rejected for Jesus' sake; rejoice in your reward. [Lk 6:22]



6. Happy are you, insulted for Jesus' sake; dance for joy in your reward. [Lk 6:23]
7. Love your enemies; your reward is great. [Lk 6:27]
8. Lend and expect nothing; you are a child of God. [Lk 6:35]
9. Share with others and God will share with you. [Lk 6:38]
10. Only a good tree bears good fruit [Lk 6:43]

### *Fifth Mystery: Make It Known!*

**M**ary's message comes to us with two directives: "Hear the message in your heart" and "Pass on this message to all you meet!" She calls us first to go beyond mere words and arguments, looking inside within ourselves to discover which dark corner of our lives her Son wishes to touch with his grace.

**After we have entered once again** into the mystery of our own ongoing conversion, she then invites us to spread this same Good News to all her people!

1. Come near, my children. Do not be afraid.
2. How long a time do I suffer for you.
3. And you pay not the slightest heed.
4. Do you pray well, my children?
5. Only a few elderly women go to Mass on Sundays.
6. I am forced to pray to my Son without ceasing.
7. Have you never seen spoiled wheat?
8. If you are converted, the fields will be self-sown.
9. Make this message known to all my people!
10. Very well, my children, make this known to all my people!

### *Prayer to Our Lady of La Salette:*

**O Sorrowful Mother**, you captured us  
with your quiet presence in Sacred Scriptures  
and you hold our attention once again  
with your tender words  
on the mountain of La Salette.

**Help us** to carry out in our lives  
what your Son asks of us.  
May our lives of faith turn your merciful tears  
into the wine of gladness.  
And may we rise with Christ  
from the darkness of our sins  
to walk in the light of God's never ending Love.

**Virgin Reconciler**, in our need help us today  
to follow in your footsteps,  
bringing the Good News of your loving Son  
to all those we meet,  
living our lives as faithful children  
of you and your Son. Amen.

**Our Lady of La Salette**, Reconciler of Sinners,  
pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to you.

