

**The Joyful Mysteries** (Said on Mondays, Saturdays, Sundays of Advent, and Sundays from Epiphany until Lent)

**First Joyful Mystery** - The Annunciation of Gabriel to Mary

I Desire the Love Of Humility

Think of... The humility of the Blessed Virgin when the Angel Gabriel greeted her with these words: "Hail full of grace". Luke 1:26

**Second Joyful Mystery** - The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth

I Desire Charity Toward My Neighbor

Think of... Mary's charity in visiting her cousin Elizabeth and remaining with her for three months before the birth of John the Baptist. Luke 1:39

**Third Joyful Mystery** - The Birth of Jesus

I Desire the Love of God

Think of... The poverty, so lovingly accepted by Mary when she placed the Infant Jesus, our God and Redeemer, in a manger in the stable of Bethlehem. Luke 2:1

**Fourth Joyful Mystery** - The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

I Desire a Spirit of Sacrifice

Think of... Mary's obedience to the law of God in presenting the Child Jesus in the Temple. Luke 2:22

**Fifth Joyful Mystery** - Finding Jesus in the Temple

I desire Zeal For The Glory Of God

Think of... The deep sorrow with which Mary sought the Child Jesus for three days, and the joy with which she found Him in the midst of the Teachers of the Temple. Luke 2:41

**The Sorrowful Mysteries** (Said on Tuesdays, Fridays, and daily from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday)

**First Sorrowful Mystery** - Agony of Jesus in the Garden

I Desire True Repentance for My Sins

Think of... Our Lord Jesus in the garden of Gethsemani, suffering a bitter agony for our sins. Matthew 26:36

**Second Sorrowful Mystery** - Jesus is Scourged at the Pillar

I Desire a Spirit of Mortification

Think of... The cruel scourging at the pillar that our Lord suffered; the heavy blows that tore His flesh. Matthew 27:26

**Third Sorrowful Mystery** - Jesus is Crowned With Thorns

I Desire Moral Courage.

Think of... The crown of sharp thorns that was forced upon our Lord's Head and the patience with which He endured the pain for our sins. Matthew 27:27

**Fourth Sorrowful Mystery** - Jesus Carries His Cross

I Desire the Virtue of Patience

Think of... The heavy Cross, so willingly carried by our Lord, and ask Him to help you to carry your crosses without complaint. Matthew 27:32

**Fifth Sorrowful Mystery** - The Crucifixion of Jesus

I Desire the Grace of Final Perseverance

Think of... The love which filled Christ's Sacred Heart during His three hours' agony on the Cross, and ask Him to be with you at the hour of death. Matthew 27:33

**The Glorious Mysteries** (Said on Wednesdays, and Sundays throughout the year)

**First Glorious Mystery** - The Resurrection of Jesus

I Desire a Strong Faith

Think of... Christ's glorious triumph when, on the third day after His death, He arose from the tomb and for forty days appeared to His Blessed Mother and to His disciples. John 20:1

**Second Glorious Mystery** - The Ascension of Jesus

I Desire the Virtue of Hope

Think of... The Ascension of Jesus Christ, forty days after His glorious Resurrection, in the presence of Mary and His disciples. Luke 24:36

**Third Glorious Mystery** - The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost

I Desire Zeal for the Glory of God

Think of... The descent of the Holy Spirit upon Mary and the Apostles, under the form of tongues of fire, in fulfillment of Christ's promise. Acts 2:1

**Fourth Glorious Mystery** - The Assumption of Mary into Heaven

I Desire the Grace of a Holy Death

Think of... The glorious Assumption of Mary into Heaven, when she was united with her Divine Son.

**Fifth Glorious Mystery** - The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

I Desire a Greater Love for the Blessed Virgin Mary

Think of... The glorious crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven by her Divine Son, to the great joy of all the Saints.

**The 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.

**The Hail Mary:**

Hail Mary, full of grace! the Lord is with thee; blessed are 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 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.

**Prayer to Jesus Requested By Our Lady**

O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, take all souls to Heaven, and help especially those most in need of Your mercy.

**The Apostles' Creed:**

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; the third day He arose 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.

**Hail Holy Queen:**

Hail! Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your 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.

**Prayer After The Rosary**

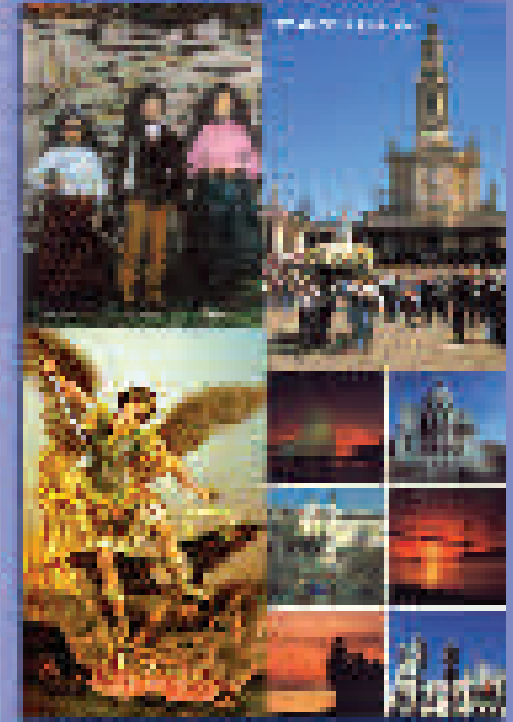
O God, whose only-begotten Son, by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that, meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## The Luminous Mysteries (Said on Thursdays throughout the year)

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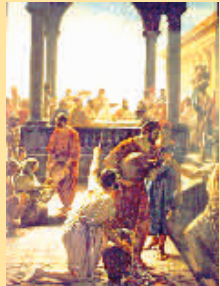
## The Luminous Rosary

### I. The baptism of Our Lord in the River Jordan



- a. John the Baptist proclaimed to the crowds: "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord." (Jn 1:23)
- b. After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. (Mk 1:7)
- c. I baptize you with water for repentance . . . he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. (Mt 3:11)
- d. John saw Jesus coming toward him, and proclaimed, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (Jn 1:29)
- e. Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. (Mt 3:13)
- f. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" (Mt 3:14)
- g. Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." (Mt 3:15)
- h. After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him (Mt 3:16)
- i. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." (Mt 3:17)
- j. At once the Spirit drove him out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. (Mk 1:12-13)

### 2. The wedding at Cana, when Christ manifested himself



- a. There was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there (Jn 2:1)
- b. When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." (Jn 2:3)
- c. And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." (Jn 2:4)
- d. His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." (Jn 2:5)
- e. Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. (Jn 2:6)
- f. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. (Jn 2:7)
- g. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." (Jn 2:8)
- h. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from, the headwaiter called the bridegroom (Jn 2:9)
- i. He said to him: "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." (Jn 2:10)

- j. Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

### 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom



- a. After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God (Mk 1:14)
- b. Through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (Jn 1:4-5)
- c. Jesus said: "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel." (Mk 1:15)
- d. Many gathered together so that there was no longer room for them . . . and he preached the word to them. (Mk 2:2)
- e. Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, some men opened up the roof above him. After they had broken through, they let down a mat on which a paralytic was lying. (Mk 2:4)
- f. "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk?'" (Mk 2:9)
- g. But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth" he said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." (Mk 2:10-11)
- h. And Jesus called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. (Mt 10:1)
- i. Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them to make this proclamation: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." (cf. Mt 10:5 & 7)
- j. Jesus breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." (Jn 20:22-23)

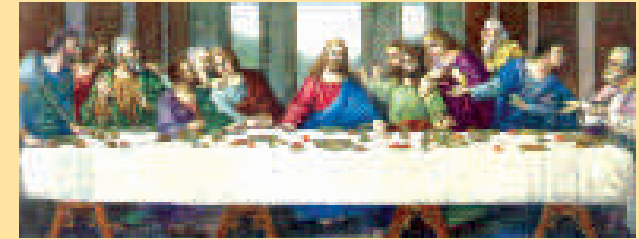
### 4. The Transfiguration of Our Lord



- a. Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. (Lk 9:28)
- b. And Jesus was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light (Mt 17:2)
- c. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him (Mt 17:3)
- d. They spoke of Jesus' exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. (Lk 9:31)
- e. Then Peter said to Jesus "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." (Mt 17:4)
- f. As he said this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud (Lk 9:34)
- g. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." (Lk 9:35)
- h. Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. (Mk 9:8)

- i. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus told them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead (Mk 9:9)
- j. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant (Mk 9:10)

### 5. The Last Supper, when Our Lord gave us the Holy Eucharist



- a. On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples approached Jesus and said, "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover?" (Mt 26:17)
- b. Jesus said, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, the teacher says, 'My appointed time draws near; in your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples.'" (Mt 26:18)
- c. When the hour came, he took his place at table with the apostles. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer." (Lk 22:14-15)
- d. And while they were eating, he said, "Amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me." (Mt 26:21)
- e. Then Judas, his betrayer, said in reply, "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?" (Mt 26:25)
- f. While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, "Take and eat; this is my body." (Mt 26:26)
- g. Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins." (Mt 26:27-28)
- h. As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. (1 Cor 11:26)
- i. "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6:51)  
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. (Jn 6:54)

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