

Family Fun

Copy and laminate this picture of the rosary with instructions. Display on your bulletin board or refrigerator with a dry erase marker. As you complete each prayer, color the corresponding bead with the dry erase marker. When the rosary is complete wipe the marks off and start again. Watch how much fun it is to pray the rosary together as a family.

HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY

A.
Make the Sign of the Cross.

B.
The Apostle's 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 sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there 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.

C.
Our Father

Our Father, who are in heaven; hallowed be Your name; Your kingdom come; Your 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.

D.
Hail Mary

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

E.
Glory Be

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.

1. Make the Sign of the Cross and pray the Apostle's Creed.
 2. Pray the Our Father.
 3. Pray three Hail Marys, traditionally for the virtues of faith, hope and love.
 4. Pray the Glory Be.
 5. Announce the First Mystery; pray the Our Father.
 6. Pray ten Hail Marys while meditating on the Mystery.
 7. Pray the Glory Be.
 8. Announce the Second Mystery; pray the Our Father.
- Repeat 6 and 7, continuing with the Third, Fourth and Fifth Mysteries.

After each decade, you may pray the following prayer, requested by Mary at Fatima: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls into Heaven, especially those most in need of your mercy."

Joyful Mysteries – Monday & Saturday

Luminous Mysteries – Thursday

Sorrowful Mysteries – Tuesday & Friday

Glorious Mysteries – Wednesday & Sunday

(Exception: Sundays of Christmas season, Joyful; Sundays of Lent, Sorrowful)

– Carol Morris, Margaret Zellhofer

