MARIAN & MISSION MONTH October 2025



October: A Month of Marian Devotion and Missionary Commitment

The Church has long set aside the month of October as a special time of Marian devotion, deeply intertwined with the missionary activity of the Church. The Blessed Virgin Mary is venerated as the Queen of the Missions, and her maternal intercession is invoked for the spread of the Gospel of Christ throughout the world.

A key celebration during this month is World Mission Sunday, observed on the penultimate Sunday of October. On this day, a special collection is taken up in all parishes

to support missionary work across the globe. Children, too, participate meaningfully through the Holy Childhood Association, offering their prayers and small sacrifices for their peers in mission territories.

The month begins with the feast of St Thérèse of Lisieux on October 1st. Though she never left her convent, her fervent prayer and love for souls earned her the title "Patroness of the Missions." Her life reminds us that mission begins in the heart and is sustained by prayer.

In addition to praying the Mission
Rosary, let us also seek the
intercession of the great saints of
evangelization — the Evangelists, St
Paul the Apostle, St Francis Xavier,
and all holy missionaries — that we
may respond generously to Christ's
great commission:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations."

- Matthew 28:19

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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

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; on the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there He will 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.

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.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst 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

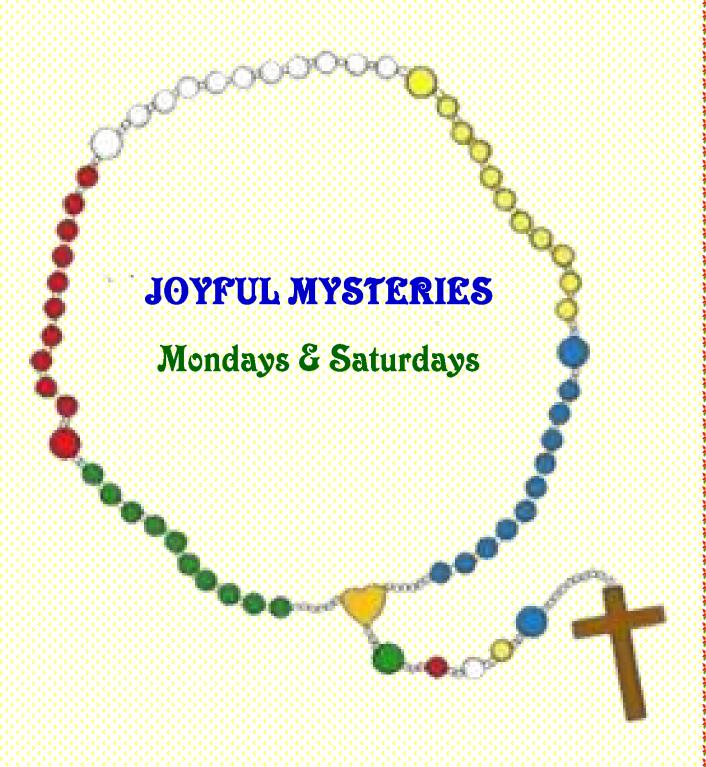
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Fatima prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us of our sins, save us from the fires of hell.

Lead all souls into Heaven, especially those in most need of thy Mercy.



The First Joyful Mystery The Annunciation

The Archangel Gabriel announces to Mary that she shall conceive the Son of God.

Mission Intention

That the good news of a Savior, first announced to Mary, may be proclaimed to all the world.

Reflection

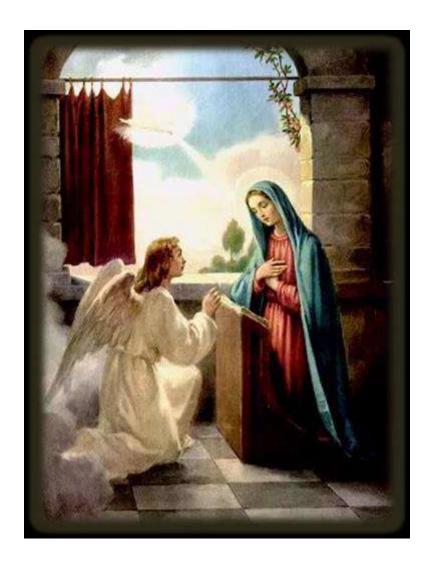
You listened to the word of God announced by the angel Gabriel. You believed and became the Mother of God. Teach me to listen to the Word and keep it. May it take root in my heart, grow and blossom, for my life and that of others too.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Second Joyful Mystery

The Visitation

Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth, who is pregnant with John the Baptist.

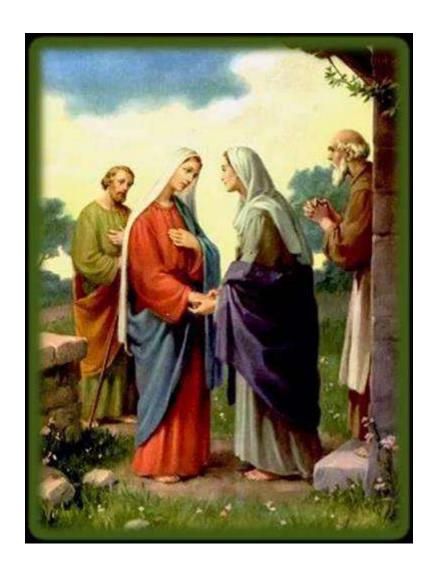
Mission Intention

That missionaries who travel long roads bearing Christ may be strengthened in faith and holiness.

Reflection

Mary, you visited Elizabeth in her need. Each of you was moved by the Holy Spirit to praise God for what God had done for you. Teach me to be attentive to how the Spirit is present in my life and the lives of others.

Fatima Prayer



The Third Joyful Mystery

The Nativity of Jesus

Jesus is born!

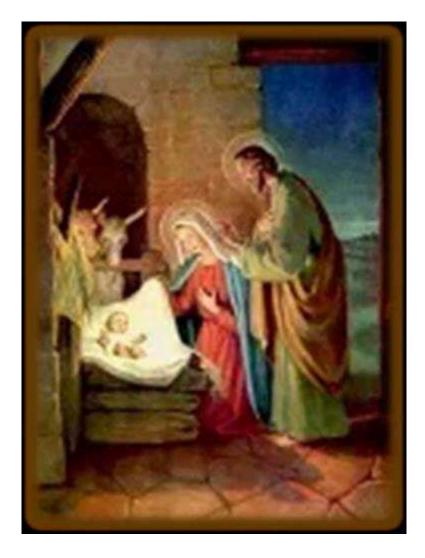
Mission Intention

For the children of the world, especially those who are poor and homeless, that they may know the love of Jesus.

Reflection

Mary, you gave birth to Jesus, God's own Son. At the foot of His cross, you became my mother. Raise me as your own child. Raise me as God's own child. Take care of all of God's children, especially those who do not know God.

Fatima Prayer



The Fourth Joyful Mystery

The Presentation

Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the Temple.

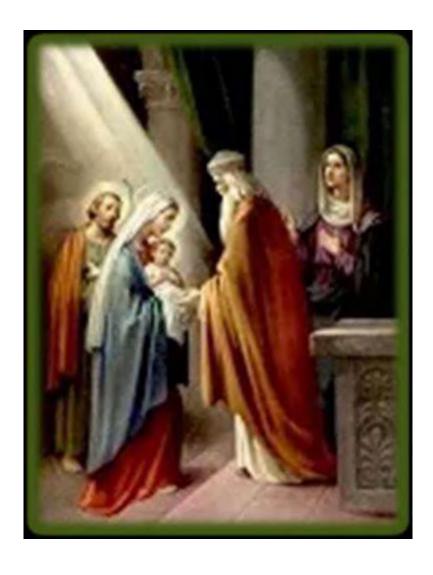
Mission Intention

That Catholic families throughout the world, by the example of their lives, may show the love of Christ to their neighbours.

Reflection

Mary, when Jesus was a little boy, you offered him to the service of God. We pray also to be servants of God and servants of each other.

Fatima Prayer



The Fifth Joyful Mystery

Finding Jesus in the Temple

Mary and Joseph find the young Jesus teaching the Rabbis in the Temple.

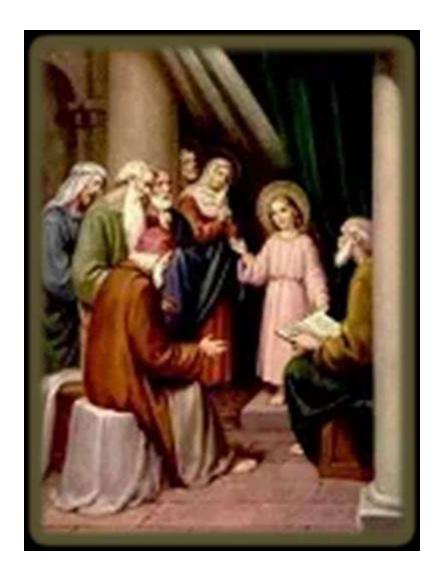
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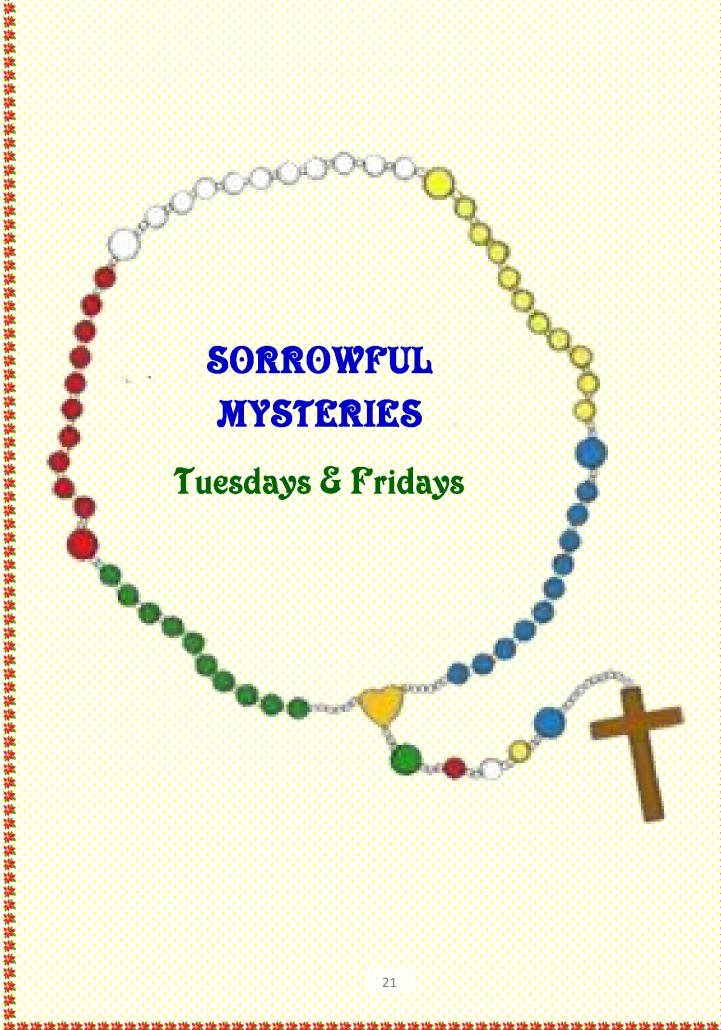
That all the people of the world that live in sorrow may find in the Gospel message of Jesus new life and peace.

Reflection

Mary, when you lost Jesus, you searched and found Him. When I am lost, help me to find Jesus. Teach me to help others experience the joy of finding Jesus in their lives.

Fatima Prayer





The First Sorrowful Mystery

The Agony in the Garden

Jesus sweats water and blood while in prayer on the night before his passion.

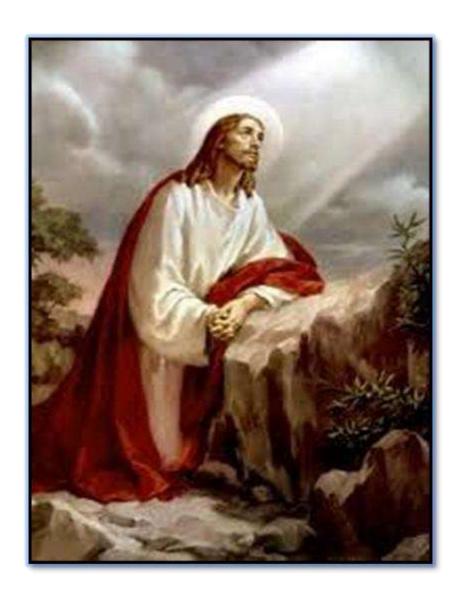
Mission Intention

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, you accepted being like us even to the point of death. In prayer, you realised that this was the Father's will. We pray that our suffering and weaknesses and those of all humanity may be sanctified by your Spirit and united to your suffering for the life of the world.

Fatima Prayer



The Second Sorrowful Mystery

The Scourging at the Pillar

Pilate has Jesus whipped.

Mission Intention

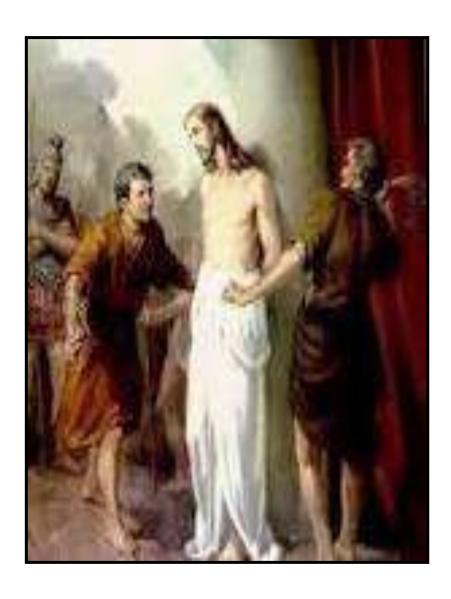
That all who suffer in body, especially the hungry, may be fed through our sharing.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, forgive me for the times I have been indifferent to the sufferings of my brothers and sisters around the world.

Help me offer my own pain and suffering on behalf of all who serve in the missionary work of the Church.

Fatima Prayer



The Third Sorrowful Mystery

The Crowning with Thorns

Roman soldiers crown Jesus' head with thorns.

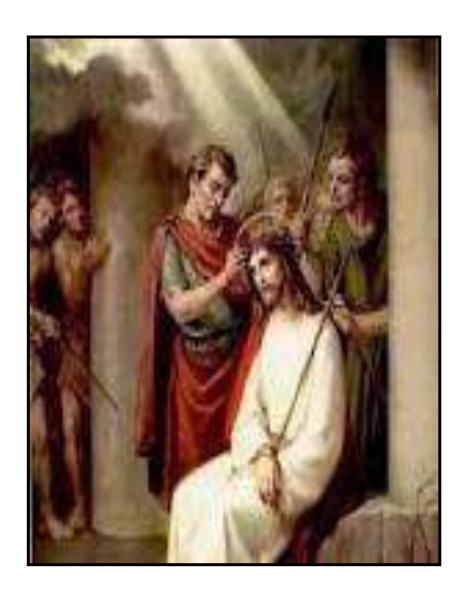
Mission Intention

That all who suffer in despair, especially refugees, may find hope in Christ's promise of eternal happiness.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, I am sorry for all the times I hurt you by hurting others. Teach me to grow in kindness and generous love so that I may grow to become more like you.

Fatima Prayer



The Fourth Sorrowful Mystery

Jesus Carries the Cross

Jesus meets His mother and falls three times on His way to Calvary.

Mission Intention

That all in the world who persevere in faith may feel the presence of the Lord.

Reflection

Lord, you accepted the burden of the cross.

Give me the grace, courage and sincere desire to take up my cross daily and follow you.

Fatima Prayer



The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery

The Crucifixion

Jesus is nailed to the cross and dies before His mother and John the Apostle.

Mission Intention

That those who hunger and thirst for justice may work peacefully and successfully towards their goal.

Reflection

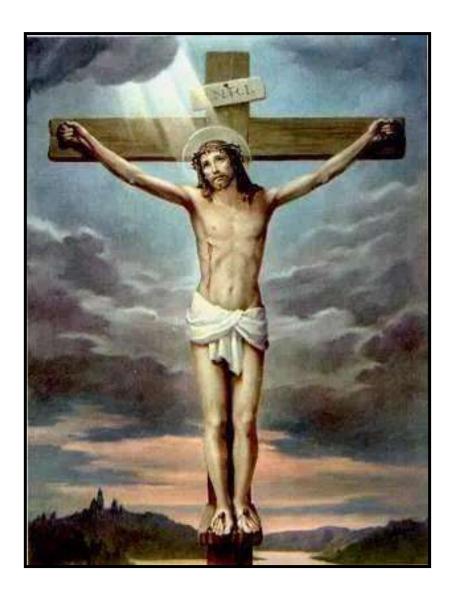
Lord, help me remember how great your love is for me and the world. Teach me to love myself as you love me and to love others as you love them.

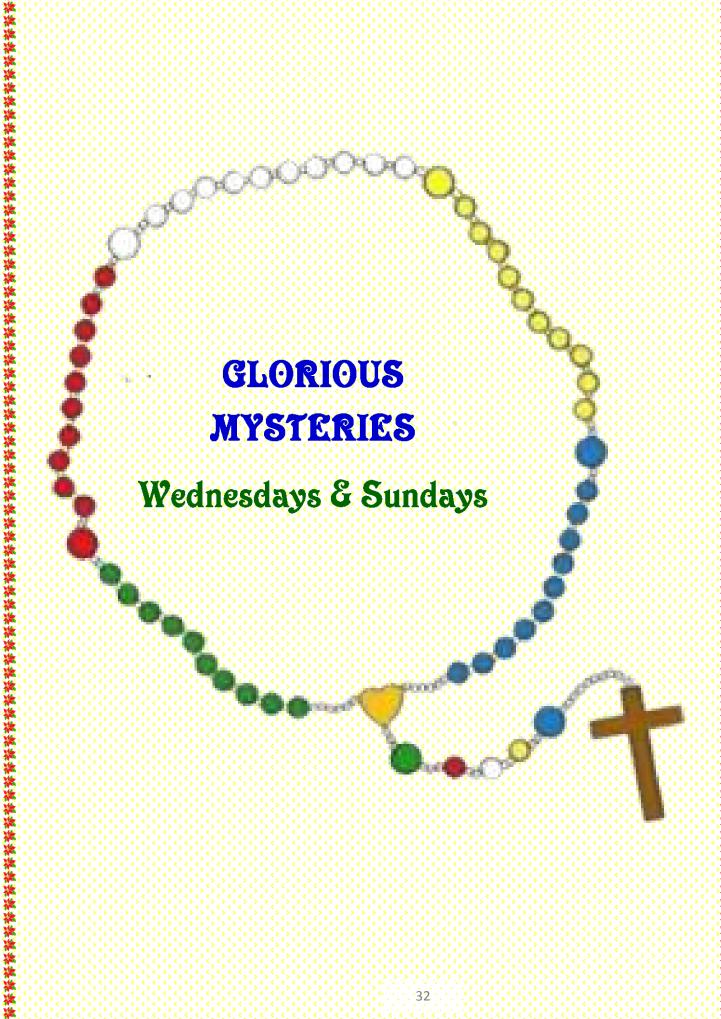
Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer





The First Glorious Mystery

The Resurrection

Jesus rises from the dead.

Mission Intention

For the Church worldwide, that our faith in the risen Christ may draw others to Him.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, help me experience the joy of the resurrection each day and to share this joy with others.

Fatima Prayer



The Second Glorious Mystery

The Ascension

Jesus leaves the Apostles and, bodily, ascends into heaven.

Mission Intention

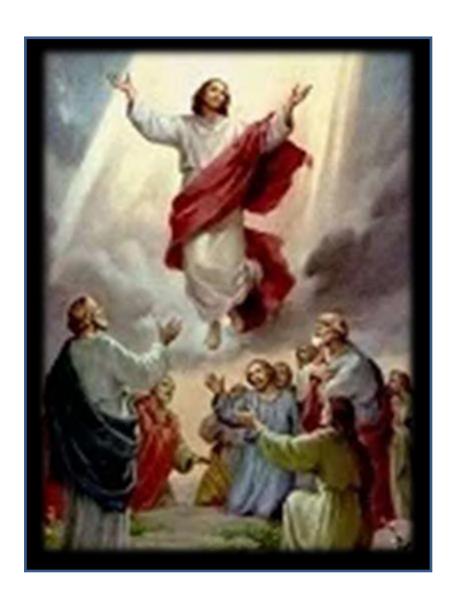
That Christ, who lived as man and returned to the Father, will grant to all people knowledge of the way to eternal life.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, by your Holy Spirit, draw me up towards Yourself and to all that is good, holy and true. I offer this prayer for all people, especially those who have yet to hear the Good News.

Our Father Hail Mary (10X) Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Third Glorious Mystery

The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Apostles received the Holy Spirit in tongues of fire in the upper room with Mary.

Mission Intention

For our Holy Father, may the Holy Spirit grant him wisdom, fortitude and holiness as he leads our Church.

Reflection

Lord, please send your Spirit upon me. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit help me be a better missionary so that I may help bring about Your Kingdom.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Fourth Glorious Mystery

The Assumption

Mary is taken, bodily, into heaven by God.

Mission Intention

That Mary, who gave the human body of Christ to the world, inspires us who form the body of Christ on Earth to proclaim God's message to all peoples.

Reflection

Mary, you were glorified, sharing completely in God's own life, because of your obedience to God's word. Help me to follow God's word and do God's will.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Fifth Glorious Mystery

The Coronation

Mary is crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth.

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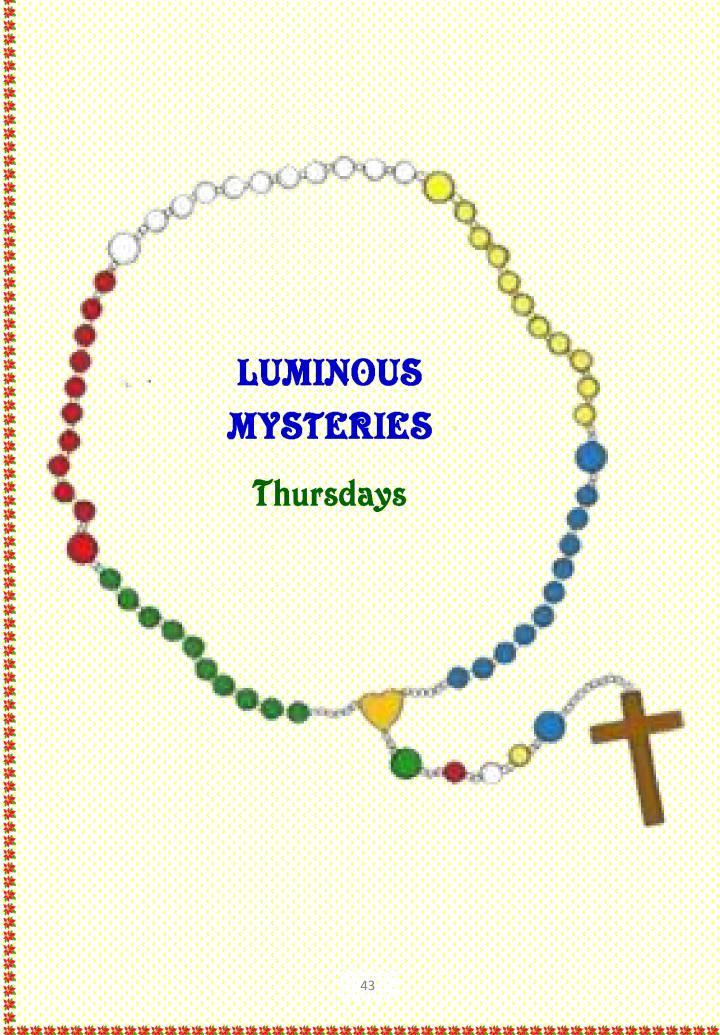
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Glory Be

Fatima Prayer





The First Luminous Mystery

The Baptism in the Jordan

The Father declares Jesus the Beloved Son.

Mission Intention

That all who do not know Jesus, especially the children, can come to hear of his great love.

Reflection

Lord Jesus, You were baptised by John.

You befriended all people. Free me from feeling I'm better than others. May all of us get closer to You.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Second Luminous Mystery

The Wedding at Cana

Jesus changes water into wine, His first public miracle.

Mission Intention

Father, we hear often of the generosity of the poor to the poor; may all come to know the joy of giving from their need and not only from their surplus.

Reflection

Jesus, You introduced Your disciples to Your mother at the wedding in Cana. She teaches us to follow Your will.

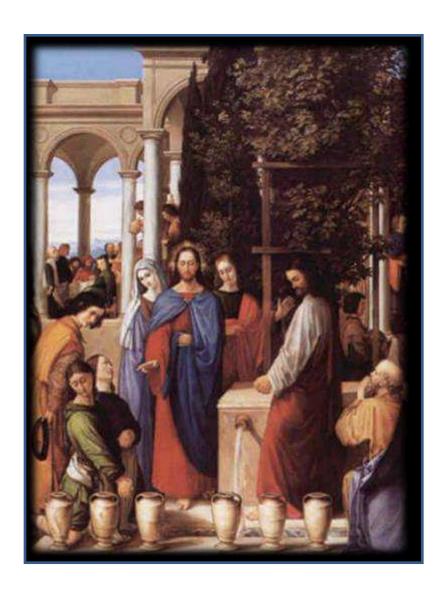
Show me Your love so that I too may believe.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Third Luminous Mystery The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God and Call to Conversion

Jesus calls to conversion and forgives the sins of all who draw near to Him.

Mission Intention

Father, we know that missionaries come from all cultures. Help us to understand that we, too, are missionaries by virtue of our baptism.

Reflection

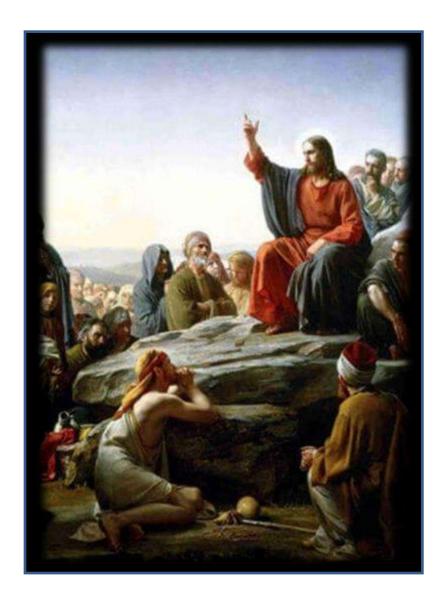
Lord Jesus, rule in my heart and help me spread the Good News of Your love and peace throughout the world so that someday all may be one in Your name.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Fourth Luminous Mystery The Transfiguration

Christ is transfigured as the Father, Son, and Spirit.

Mission Intention

Those whose faith in God is tested every day through the struggles of their daily lives may be an example to others who doubt, yet do not struggle for the basics of life.

Reflection

Lord, your disciples saw who You really are, the Son of God.

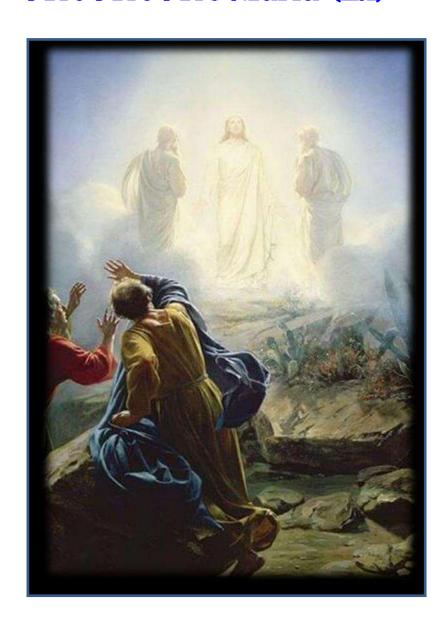
I want to be Your disciple. I want to listen to You, learn from You and become like You. May Your Spirit transform me into Your likeness.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



The Fifth Luminous Mystery The Institution of the Eucharist

Jesus offers the first Mass at the Last Supper, establishing the Sacramental foundation for all Christians.

Mission Intention

The Mass reminds us that we who eat Christ's Body and drink His Blood are sent to continue His mission to the world. May we take to heart this mandate.

Reflection

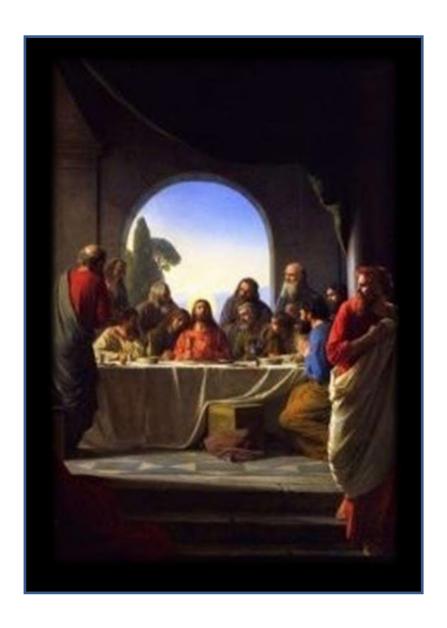
Lord Jesus, You gave Your life for us. You prepare a table for all people to share in Your life. Make me a server and sharer at this banquet.

Our Father

Hail Mary (10X)

Glory Be

Fatima Prayer



Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, 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, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward 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.

Let us pray

O God, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech you, 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.

Prayer to Our Lady of Evangelisation

Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of His Church, we are mindful of the role you play in the evangelisation of souls who do not yet know Him. We are mindful of how missionaries came with the power of Christ's Gospel and committed the success of their work to you. As the Mother of Divine Grace you were with the missionaries in all their efforts. As Mother of the Church, you presided over all the activities of evangelisation and over the implantation of the Gospel in the hearts of the faithful. ...

You sustained the missionaries in hope, and you gave joy to every new community that was born of the Church's evangelising activity. You were there with your intercession and your prayers, as the first grace of baptism developed, and as those who had new life in Christ, your Son came to a full appreciation of their Christian calling. We ask you, Mary, to help us to fulfill this mission of evangelisation which your Son has given to his Church and which falls to us. ...

Mindful of your role as Help of Christians, we entrust ourselves to you in the work of carrying the Gospel ever deeper into the hearts and lives of all the people. We entrust to you our missionary mandate and commit our cause totally to your prayers. To Jesus Christ your Son, with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit be praise and thanksgiving forever and ever.

Amen.

Selection of Hymns

HERE I AM, LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save
I have made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord?
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart.

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I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord?
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart
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Be With Us, Mary (Along the Way)

No one can live as an island,
Journeying through life alone.
Since we're most loved by a mother,
Jesus gave us His own.

Be with us, Mary, along the way, Guide every step we take.

Lead us to Jesus, Your loving Son.

Come with us, Mary—come.

When Jesus met with rejection,
Mary stood by the cross;
How can a mother desert her Son?
She'll also stand by us.

Be with us, Mary, along the way, Guide every step we take.

Lead us to Jesus, Your loving Son.

Come with us, Mary—come.

Help us, O Star of the Ocean,
Be with us in our strife.
When we are faced with temptation,
Tossed by the storms of life.

Be with us, Mary, along the way, Guide every step we take.

Lead us to Jesus, Your loving Son.

Come with us, Mary—come.

On This Day, O Beautiful Mother

On this day, O beautiful Mother,
On this day, we give thee our love.
Near thee Madonna, fondly we
hover,
Trusting thy gentle care to prove.

On this day, we ask to share,
Dearest Mother, thy sweet care;
Aid us ere our feet astray
Wander from thy guiding way.

Queen of angels, deign to hear. Lisping children's humble prayer; Young hearts gain, O virgin pure, Sweetly to thyself allure.

Our Lady of Fatima

Dear Lady of Fatima, we come on bended knees

To beg your intercession for peace and unity

Dear Mary, won't you show us the right and shining way

We pledge our love and offer you a rosary each day.

You promised at Fatima each time that you appeared

To help us, if we pray to you to banish war and fear

Dear Lady, on the first Saturdays, we ask your guiding hand

For grace and guidance here on earth and protection for our land.

Pilgrims of Hope

Like a flame, my hope is burning, may my song arise to you:

Source of life that has no ending, on life's path, I trust in you.

Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within your Word.

Scattered, fragile sons and daughters
find a home in your dear Son.

Like a flame, my hope is burning, may my song arise to you:
Source of life that has no ending,
On life's path, I trust in you.

God, so tender and so patient,
Dawn of hope, you care for all.
Heav'n and earth are recreated
by the Spirit of Life set free.

Like a flame, my hope is burning, may my song arise to you:

Source of life that has no ending, on life's path, I trust in you.

Raise your eyes, the wind is blowing,
For our God is born in time.
Son made man for you and many
who will find the way in him.

Like a flame, my hope is burning, may my song arise to you:
Source of life that has no ending, on life's path, I trust in you.



THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us In your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when...

With the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you, our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen

End Note on the Mission Rosary

Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, created the Mission Rosary in 1951. He wanted to encourage Catholics to pray for the whole world and become aware of the Church's missionary work in every corner of the globe.

He believed that prayer is powerful, and that when we pray the rosary, we can spiritually reach out to people everywhere, even those we've never met. He said, "When the Rosary is completed, one has embraced all continents, all people in prayer." ...

Each decade is a different colour, representing a part of the world where missionaries serve and the Holy Childhood Association help children.

- Africa is represented by the green decade for its forest & grasslands.
- The Americas are red to show the continent's missionaries fire of faith.
- Europe is white because it is the home of the Holy Father, who wears white.
- Oceania is shown in blue for the oceans surrounding the islands there.
- Asia is portrayed in vellow as a symbol of the sun rising in the east.

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