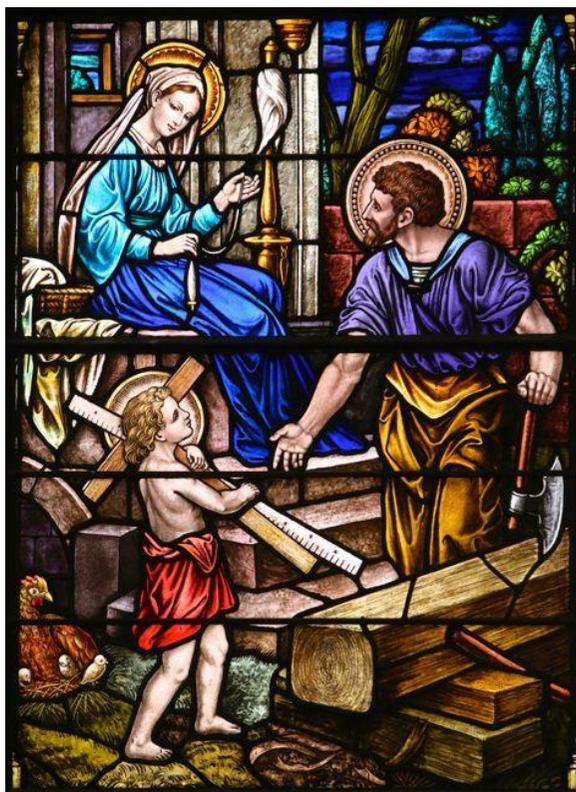


Rosary for the Vocation of the Family



The Rosary

Sign of the Cross:

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

The Apostle's Creed:

Ÿ. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in 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; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Ŕ. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Our Father (For the intentions of Pope Francis):

- ℣. 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.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Hail Mary:

For the gift of faith,

- ℣. 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

For the gift of hope,

Hail Mary...

For the gift of love,

Hail Mary...

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 First Joyful Mystery

The Annunciation:

The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

-Luke 1:30-38

Intention:

Lord, you call all of us to follow you in our own vocation. Mary responded whole-heartedly to your call despite not knowing exactly where it would lead her. Help our family to be open to your call in our lives, and, like Mary, to respond to that call with generosity.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... x 10

Glory Be...

Fatima Prayer:

O My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell.
Lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of
your mercy.

The Second Joyful Mystery

The Visitation:

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

- Luke 1:41-45

Intention:

Lord, your Spirit moves our hearts to be filled with love. Help us not to hesitate in following your call due to fears and doubts. We pray for the grace to follow the example of Mary who immediately responds to God's call with courage and a spirit of compassionate love. We ask you to take away any anxieties or fears in our family and replace them with your peace and joy.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... x 10

Glory Be...

O My Jesus...

The Third Joyful Mystery

The Nativity:

Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

-Luke 2:4-7

Intention:

Lord, you were born into this world as an infant for the salvation of the world. We pray that from our family would come young men and women who will build up your kingdom and bring your presence into the world through loving service to others. We pray for all young people in our diocese that they are inspired to respond to your call with boldness and courage.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... x10

Glory Be...

O My Jesus...

The Fourth Joyful Mystery

The Presentation:

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord

-Luke 2:22

Intention:

Joseph and Mary presented Jesus in the Temple and dedicated Him to God, The Father. As parents Joseph and Mary knew their Son was a gift from God to be given back to Him. Lord, we pray for parents, that they will appreciate the gift of their children. May they provide an atmosphere of love and faith in the home that will foster their children's vocations.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... x 10

Glory be...

O My Jesus...

The Fifth Joyful Mystery

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple:

When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?'

-Luke 2:48-49

Intention:

Lord, when Mary and Joseph had lost you, they found you waiting for them in the Church. When our families lose sight of You and your calling in our life, we too can find you waiting for us in your Church. Help us to keep You and your Church at the heart of our family.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... x 10

Glory be...

O My Jesus...

Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Hail 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
toward us;

And after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy
womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Ÿ. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,

Ṛ. That we may be made worthy of the promises of
Christ.

Ÿ. 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, that we may imitate what they contain and obtain
what they promise, through the same Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer for the 10th World Meeting of Families

Holy Father, we come before You to praise You and to thank You for the great gift of the family.

We pray to You for all families consecrated by the Sacrament of Matrimony. May they rediscover each day the grace that they have received, and as small domestic Churches, may they know how to witness to Your presence and to the love with which Christ loves the Church.

We pray to You for all families faced with difficulty and suffering caused by illness or circumstances of which only You know. Sustain them and make them aware of the path to holiness upon which You call them, so that they might experience Your infinite mercy and find new ways to grow in love.

We pray to You for children and young people: may they encounter You and respond joyfully to the vocation You have in mind for them.

We pray for parents and grandparents: may they be aware that they are signs of the fatherhood and motherhood of God in caring for the children who, in body and spirit, you entrust to them

Lord grant that each family might live their specific vocation to holiness in the Church as a call to become missionary disciples, in the service of life and peace, in communion with our priests, religious, and all vocations in the Church.

Amen.

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