

9. Condemned to death, He bears the heavy cross on the way to Calvary. Our Father.

10. Crucified between two thieves, He dies after three hours of most painful agony; His side is pierced and He is placed in a sepulcher. Our Father.

Glory be, etc.

Fourth mystery: the wonderful glorification of Our Lord. Risen on the third day, Jesus visits His most Holy Mother. Hail Mary.

1. He appears to the three Marys and charges them to tell the disciples that they have seen Him risen. Our Father.

2. He appears to the disciples and shows them His sacred wounds and bids Thomas to touch them. Our Father.

3. Forty days after His Resurrection, after blessing His most Holy Mother, and His disciples, He ascends to heaven. Our Father.

Glory be, etc.

Let us pray the Blessed Virgin to obtain for us also the blessing of her most amiable Son now and at the hour of our death. Hail Mary.

In honor of the holy Apostles who composed it, let us say the Creed, in which are found the main articles of our Faith, and let us ask them to obtain for us the grace that we may persevere in it the rest of our lives.

I believe in God, etc.

Offering of the Rosary Through the Blessed Virgin

O glorious Virgin Mary, true Mother of God and advocate of sinners, I humbly pray that you may deign to offer to your most amiable Son Jesus Christ Our Lord and Redeemer, this Rosary, so poorly recited, to His

honor and glory, in grateful remembrance of all that He, God made man has thought, said and suffered to save mankind, during the years He lived visibly on earth. Likewise, in remembrance of the sweet joys and bitter sorrows that you His most amiable Mother, have felt for love of Him.

I pray you also most pure and compassionate Virgin, to obtain from His divine Majesty the forgiveness of my sins, the amendment of my vices, and the acquisition of His and your virtues that are most precious: humility, patience and charity.

To your kind intercession and to that of all the angels and saints of heaven, I recommend also the Holy Church, the eradication of heresies, the holy Pontiff, the ecclesiastical superiors regular and secular and all the living and the dead for whom I have the intention or the obligation to pray. And in order to love my enemies according to the commandment of Our Lord your Son, God of peace, I pray also for those who have offended me in any way, that all may be eternally united in His love and praise in this life and in the next. Amen.

ANOTHER WAY TO RECITE THE ROSARY OF OUR LORD FRUITFULLY

In meditating on the life of Our Lord, we should above all meditate on His most bitter passion because from all eternity and during the years of His life on earth, He foreknew and desired the most cruel torments and death of the cross that He suffered. In fact, the remembrance and consideration of the passion of Jesus Christ will touch sinners that are most hardened, and persevering in this thought, they will repent and will be purified of their vices. They will be enriched with virtue and enlightened with truth; they will be united to the supreme good by acts of ardent love. For this purpose, this other way of reciting the Rosary of Our Lord is suggested, as it contains more particularly the mysteries of the passion. For this reason also this form could be used on Fridays.

Rosary of the Passion of Our Lord

First mystery: Jesus says farewell to His Mother before giving Himself up to die for our salvation. Hail Mary.

1. At the last supper He washes the feet of His Apostles. Our Father.

2. He institutes the Holy Eucharist and gives Communion to His Apostles. Our Father.

3. Praying in the garden He sweats blood and is consoled by an Angel. Our Father.

4. Betrayed by Judas, He is captured and bound. Our Father.

5. Jesus is abandoned by all the disciples. Our Father.

6. Led to Annas He receives cruel buffets. Our Father.

7. Before Caiphas, He is accused by false witnesses. Our Father.

8. As He said He was the Son of God, He was condemned to death. Our Father.

9. Peter denies Him three times and is converted, but Judas despaired and hanged himself. Our Father.

10. He is slapped in the face, blindfolded and struck with the fist; He is outraged the whole night through. Our Father.

Glory be, etc.

Second mystery: The most holy Mother knowing all that has happened, goes with untold grief to meet her beloved Son. Hail Mary.

1. In the morning Pilate accuses Him of sedition. Our Father.

2. Pilate sends Him to Herod, king of Gallilee. Our Father.

3. Clothed with a white robe by Herod as a sign of

derision, He is sent back to Pilate. Our Father.

4. Barabbas, homicide and thief was set at liberty rather than Jesus. Our Father.

5. He is stripped of His garments and scourged at the pillar. Our Father.

6. In mockery He is clad in a scarlet cloak, crowned with thorns and given a reed as a scepter. Our Father.

7. In such condition Pilate shows Him to the people to move them to compassion but they cry: crucify Him. Our Father.

8. According to the wish of the people He is condemned to the death of the cross. Our Father.

9. Clad in His own garments He bears the cross on His shoulders. Our Father.

10. Carrying the cross He falls repeatedly under its weight. Our Father.

Glory be, etc.

Third mystery: Disfigured and exhausted, Jesus meets His afflicted Mother. Hail Mary.

1. Arriving at Calvary, Jesus is offered wine mixed with gall. Our Father.

2. He is stripped of His garments and His wounds that adhered to them are reopened. Our Father.

3. He is laid on the cross and His hands and feet are nailed thereon with rough nails. Our Father.

4. He is lifted up on the cross between two thieves. Our Father.

5. He prays His eternal Father for those who crucified Him. Our Father.

6. The soldiers cast lots and divide His garments. Our Father.

7. The title: "Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews" is put up by order of Pilate. Our Father.

8. Jesus is blasphemed by the mob and by the obstinate thief crucified by His side. Our Father.

9. He gives paradise to the good thief, while the other perishes. Our Father.

10. The presence of His sorrowing Mother increases His sufferings. Our Father.

Glory be, etc.

Fourth mystery: Jesus gives John, His disciple, as a son to His afflicted Mother. Hail Mary.

1. Jesus cries aloud: I am thirsty. Our Father.

2. He dies committing His most holy soul to God and at His death the earth quakes. Our Father.

3. Blood and water flowed from His side as He was pierced after He died. Our Father.

The lance which pierced her dead Son pierced also the soul of the living Mother. Hail Mary.

Glory be, etc.

Offering of the Rosary of the Passion to the Blessed Virgin

O most Holy Virgin Mary, martyr and advocate of sinners, deign, I humbly pray, offer to your most amiable Son Jesus, our Redeemer, the Rosary I have so poorly said to His honor and glory, in remembrance of His most bitter passion, that He may grant me the grace if not to suffer with Him as much as I should, at least to have a loving compassion for Him. May this efficaciously bring me to regret my sins and being purified of my vices and enlightened by virtue, to be conformable to the Divine will.

I recommend also to your kind intercession and to all the Angels and Saints of Paradise, the Holy Church, the eradication of heresies, the holy Pontiff, the ecclesiastical

superiors regular and secular and all the living and the dead for whom I have the intention or the obligation to pray. And in order to love my enemies according to the commandment of Our Lord thy Son, God of Peace, I pray also for those who have offended me in any way, that all may be united in His love and praise, in this life and in the next. Amen.

Short Form of the Rosary of Our Lord Considering His Virtues, Passion and Death

In the Name of the Father, etc.

In the first decade we shall consider the infancy of Our Lord Jesus until He was twelve years of age, particularly His incarnation in the womb of the Virgin Mary, His birth in a stable, His circumcision, His presentation in the temple and the persecution He suffered from His enemies when He was still an infant.

We shall also consider the humility with which He obeyed and waited on His holy Mother and Saint Joseph, by whom He was found, at the age of twelve, holding discussions among the doctors in the temple.

One Hail Mary, ten Our Fathers, One Glory be.

In the second decade we shall consider the life of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the time He was twelve years of age until His passion, considering how He who was divine Wisdom, humbly and charitably lived unknown among men until He was thirty. He prepared Himself for His preaching by a forty-day fast and by being baptized by St. John the Baptist. Then He chose His Apostles, preached His evangelical law and worked miracles throughout Palestine, while He suffered persecution and countless hardships.

One Hail Mary, ten Our Fathers, one Glory be.

In the third decade we shall consider the latter part of Our Redeemer's life: His most bitter passion. Having

entered Jerusalem amidst the acclamations of the people, He abased Himself in washing the feet of His disciples and He instituted the Holy Eucharist. Let us consider also how following His prayer in the garden during which He sweated blood, He let Himself to be captured and bound by His enemies, and being led from one tribunal to another, He was slapped and reviled, scourged at the pillar and crowned with sharp thorns. At the end, after carrying the cross on His shoulders to the hill of Calvary, He was crucified between two thieves and gave up His most holy soul for the redemption of mankind. After His death blood and water flowed from the sacred wound in His side.

One Hail Mary, ten Our Fathers and one Glory be.

In the concluding prayers, we shall consider how Our Lord Jesus Christ, after His adorable body had been three days in the sepulcher, rose again from the dead, appeared to His Blessed Mother and to His disciples. Also how He established St. Peter as head of the Church, commanded all the Apostles to go about the world preaching the Faith and the remission of sins; and after forty days He ascended into heaven at the right hand of the Eternal Father, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

One Hail Mary, three Our Fathers and one Glory be.
Creed.

V. We adore You, oh Christ, and we bless You.

R. Because by Your holy Cross You have redeemed the world.

Let us pray

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, in whose honor we have recited this Rosary, put Your passion, Your cross and Your death between our souls and Your judgment now and at the hour of our death and grant us grace and mercy; grant the faithful departed rest and pardon; grant Your Church peace and harmony and to us sinners forgiveness and eternal glory, who live and reign world without end. Amen.