

## Joyful Mysteries - Monday & Saturday

**1st Decade: The Annunciation** - That all young people being called to the Priesthood or Religious Life may hear the voice of God & His angels and, like Mary, answer.

**2nd Decade: The Visitation** - That all those being called to the Priesthood or Religious Life may feel support and joy from their families at the prospect of so holy a vocation.

**3rd Decade: The Birth of Jesus** - That Jesus may be born anew in the hearts of all who are discerning.

**4th Decade: The Presentation** - That all parents whose children are called to dedicate their lives to God may generously present their sons and daughters to God and His Church.

**5th Decade: The Finding of Jesus in the Temple** - That all those with a Priestly or Religious vocation may listen carefully to Jesus, who is always teaching and showing the way.

## Luminous Mysteries - Thursday

**1st Decade: Baptism of Christ** - That God will provide many more Priests in order that all nations may be baptized in the name of the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit.

**2nd Decade: The Wedding at Cana** - That our families will provide the necessary soil for Priestly & Religious vocations to grow.

**3rd Decade: The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God** - That God will supply many more holy and zealous Priests to take His message to all the ends of the earth.

**4th Decade: The Transfiguration** - That all who are called to a Priestly or Religious life may experience God's call for their lives in beautiful ways.

**5th Decade: The Institution of the Holy Eucharist** - That God will call forth many Priests to offer the Sacrifice of the Mass and ensure that no tabernacle is ever left empty

## Sorrowful Mysteries - Tuesday & Friday

**1st Decade: The Agony in the Garden** - That those called to Priesthood and Religious Life might surrender their will to the Fathers.

**2nd Decade: The Scourging** - That Jesus and Mary will help all young people called to the Priesthood or Religious Life to make the necessary sacrifices.

**3rd Decade: Jesus is crowned** That all those called to serve the King in lives of dedicated service will joyfully show forth the Kingdom of Heaven.

**4th Decade: Jesus carries his cross** - That those called to Priesthood or Religious Life will not be afraid of their crosses but might instead joyfully bear their crosses for His sake.

**5th Decade: The Crucifixion** - That as Jesus offered the perfect sacrifice on the cross, many might be inspired to likewise offer their lives in heroic service.

## Glorious Mysteries - Wednesday & Sunday

**1st Decade: The Resurrection** - That Jesus might send many more Priests and Religious to bring new life and eternal life to his children.

**2nd Decade: The Ascension** - That those called to Priesthood and Religious Life might make it their aim in life to focus always on Our Lord and the things that are eternal.

**3rd Decade: The Descent of the Holy Spirit** - That God might continue to renew his Church by the witness, work, and prayers of his Holy Priests and Religious.

**4th Decade: The Assumption** - That young men and women may be willing to consecrate their bodies to the Lord for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.

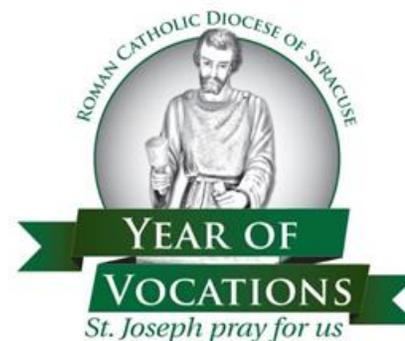
**5th Decade: The Coronation of Mary** - That Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, might wrap her mantle around every young man considering the Priesthood and every young person considering Religious Life.



## Office of Vocations Promotion

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# The Rosary For Vocations



## Intention for Vocations

O Lord, I offer You this rosary for the increase in vocations to the priesthood, religious life, permanent diaconate, and Holy Marriage and for a strengthening of all current vocations, lay or religious.  
O Jesus, may Your Mother Mary watch over and protect all young men and women considering a vocational call to priestly or religious life.

## Prayers

**Sign of the Cross:** "In the name of the Father, The Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen"

**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; on the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He will come again 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"

**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 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."

**The 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 most need of thy mercy. Amen"

**Hail Holy Queen:** "Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our Life, our Sweetness, and our hope. To thee we do cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee we do 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. Pray for us O Holy Mother of God, that we may be worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen"

**Closing Prayer:** "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, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen"

### **Optional Prayers:**

"St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen"

## How to Pray the Rosary

1. Start with the Crucifix. Make the Sign of the Cross followed by The Apostles' Creed.
2. Move to the first Pater bead after the Crucifix (see P1 in diagram). Say an Our Father followed by one Hail Mary for each of the next 3 Ave beads. Then close with The Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
3. While meditating on the **1st mystery**, take hold of the 2nd Pater bead (P2 in diagram) and say the Our Father. Then skip over the rosary center and say one Hail Mary for each of the next 10 Ave beads. Then say the Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
4. While meditating on the **2nd mystery** take hold of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pater bead (P3). Say one Our Father followed by one Hail Mary fore each of the next 10 Ave beads, ending with the Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
5. While meditating on the **3rd mystery** take hold of the 4<sup>th</sup> Pater bead (P4). Say the Our Father followed by one Hail Mary fore each of the next 10 Ave beads, ending with the Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
6. While meditating on the **4th mystery** take hold of the 5<sup>th</sup> Pater bead (P5). Say the Our Father followed by one Hail Mary fore each of the next 10 Ave beads, ending with the Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
7. While meditating on the **5th mystery** take hold of 6<sup>th</sup> Pater bead (P6). Say the Our Father followed by one Hail Mary fore each of the next 10 Ave beads, ending with the Glory Be and The Fatima Prayer, St. Michael.
8. While holding the center say the Hail Holy Queen and the Closing Prayer and finish with the Sign of the Cross.