

## THE ROSARY – A WAY TO PRAY FOR PERSONAL AND GLOBAL NEEDS.

Consider these three quotes:

*The holy rosary is a gift come down  
from heaven;  
a great present that God gives to His  
most faithful servants.  
God is the Author of the prayers of  
which it is composed  
and of the mysteries it contains.*

St. Louis de Montfort

*The Rosary has accompanied me in moments  
of joy and in moments of difficulty.  
To it I have entrusted any number  
of concerns:  
in it I have always found comfort.  
The rosary is my favorite prayer.  
It is marvelous in its simplicity and its depths.*

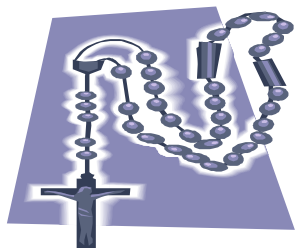
Pope John Paul II

*“Until the next life we shall not realize how  
the destinies of persons and nations have  
been shaped, not so much by the external  
actions of powerful people and by events that  
seemed inevitable, but by the quiet, silent,  
irresistible daily prayer of persons the world  
will never know.”*

Anthony de Mello S.J.

Personally, I have found the twenty mysteries of the Rosary to be a practical way to intercede before God for personal, parish and global needs. Below you will find a wide range of needs most of which are connected with the various decades of the Rosary. You can always add your own specific intentions.

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### **The Joyful Mysteries – Monday/Saturday**

***Annunciation:*** (Luke 1:26-38) For the grace to en flesh the ways of Jesus in our lives. For couples having a difficult time conceiving a child. For crisis or difficult pregnancies. That the Angel Gabriel will move every woman considering abortion this day to choose life. For all who have asked me to pray for them.

***Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth:*** (Luke 1:39-45) For all who visit the sick and homebound, that our elderly may know that God can make them productive members of our communities even in their older years.

***Birth of Jesus:*** (Luke 2:1-8) For a safe delivery for women who are expecting a child at this time. For midwives, adoptive parents and foster parents. For the families of our parish especially for those who are going through a difficult time. For my own family, relatives and friends.

***Presentation of Jesus in the Temple:*** (Luke 2:22-38) For parents that they may dedicate their children to God and raise them in the ways of Christ and his church. For our universal church family. For school and religious education ministries.

***Finding of Jesus in the Temple.*** (Luke 2:41-50) For all missing children and their families. For children and teenagers forced into slave labor and prostitution. For the conversion of all who harm children.

### **Sorrowful Mysteries – Tuesday/Friday**

***Agony in the Garden*** (Mark 14:32-42). For all suffering agony of any kind – physical, emotional or spiritual. For all who work daily with distressed and sick people. For all engaged in research to find a cure for the mental and physical diseases that plague our human family.

***Scourging at the Pillar:*** (Matthew 27:26)  
For the victims of domestic violence, street violence, and victims of war and terrorism. For the apprehension and conversion of terrorists. For an end to war.

***Crowning with Thorns:*** (Mark 15:16-20)  
For all who suffer from migraine headaches and mental illness, for the blind and the deaf.

***Jesus Carries His Cross:*** (Mark 15:21-22)  
For all who are carrying a big cross at this time and for their loved ones and caregivers. For all who have asked me to pray for them.

***The Crucifixion:*** (Mark 15:23-41) For a peaceful death for all who are dying, for hospice and respite workers.

### **Mysteries of Light - Thursday**

***The Baptism of Jesus:*** (Luke 3:21-22) For all who are preparing for baptism and entry into our church. For us who are baptized that we will live as faithful disciples of Jesus.

***The Wedding Feast of Cana:*** (John 2:1-12)  
For all preparing for marriage at this time, for married couples especially those in hurting relationships.

***The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God:*** (Luke 4:14-15) For all who are engaged in spreading the Good News. For all who teach our Catholic faith to children, teenagers and adults.

***The Transfiguration:*** (Luke 9:28-36) That we, like the Apostles may listen to Jesus and be transfigured into his likeness. For all who work in Houses of Prayer.

***The Institution of the Eucharist.*** (Luke 22:19) For Catholics who rarely or never come to Mass. That we who do may be eucharist for people in our lives. For an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

### **Glorious Mysteries - Wednesday/Sunday**

***The Resurrection*** (Mark 16:1-20). For the gift of faith for all who do not know Jesus. For strength and victory for all who daily fight the forces of evil. For a spiritual awakening for all who are spiritually asleep. For all who will be preaching in churches this weekend.

***Ascension*** (Acts 1:6-11). For the deceased and living members of our church family, especially for all who generously share with us their gifts of time, treasure and talent.

***The Coming of the Holy Spirit*** (Acts 2:1-13). For the grace to become more attentive and responsive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. For unity between Christian churches.

***Assumption of Mary into Heaven:*** (1 Thessalonians 4:14) For the souls in Purgatory. For deceased priests and for our own deceased relatives and friends.

***Crowning of Mary Queen of Heaven.*** (Revelation 12:1) For an increase of true devotion to Mary. For all who have asked us to pray for them.