



The Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries

Selected Points For Meditation (From Holy Scripture)

The Joyful Mysteries Are Said On: Mondays, Thursdays, Sundays (From First Sunday In Advent Until Lent)



"...grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating on these mysteries in the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise..." (10/7 Collect)

1st Mystery: The Annunciation to Mary

- ① And in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David: and the virgin's name was Mary.
- ② And the angel being come in, said unto her: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.
- ③ And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God.
- ④ Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a son: and thou shalt call his name Jesus.
- ⑤ He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High.
- ⑥ And the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of David his father:
- ⑦ And he shall reign in the house of Jacob for ever.
- ⑧ And of his kingdom there shall be no end.
- ⑨ And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.
- ⑩ And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it done to me according to thy word.

Ref.: Lk. 1:26-28, 30-33, 35, 38 [DR Trans.]

4th Mystery: The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple

- ① And after the days of her purification, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they carried him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord
- ② And behold there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon: and this man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel. And the Holy Ghost was in him.
- ③ And he had received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.
- ④ And he came by the Spirit into the temple.
- ⑤ And when his parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, he also took him into his arms and blessed God and said:
- ⑥ Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word in peace:
- ⑦ Because my eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples:
- ⑧ A light to the revelation of the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel.
- ⑨ And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother: Behold this child is set for the fall and for the resurrection of many in Israel and for a sign which shall be contradicted.
- ⑩ And thy own soul a sword shall pierce, that, out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed.

Ref.: Lk. 2:22, 25-32, 34-35 [DR Trans.]

2nd Mystery: The Visitation

- ① And Mary rising up in those days, went into the hill country with haste into a city of Juda.
- ② And she entered into the house of Zachary and saluted Elizabeth.
- ③ And it came to pass that when Elizabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the infant leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost.
- ④ And she cried out with a loud voice and said: Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.
- ⑤ And whence is this to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy.
- ⑥ And blessed art thou that hast believed, because those things shall be accomplished that were spoken to thee by the Lord.
- ⑦ And Mary said: My soul doth magnify the Lord. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
- ⑧ Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid: for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
- ⑨ Because he that is mighty hath done great things to me: and holy is his name. And his mercy is from generation unto generations, to them that fear him.
- ⑩ And Mary abode with her about three months. And she returned to her own house.

Ref.: Lk. 1:39-50, 56 [DR Trans.]

5th Mystery: The Finding of Our Lord Jesus in the Temple

- ① And his parents went every year to Jerusalem, at the solemn day of the pasch.
- ② And when he was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem, according to the custom of the feast
- ③ And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem. And his parents knew it not.
- ④ And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day's journey and sought him among their kinsfolks and acquaintance.
- ⑤ And not finding him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking him.
- ⑥ And it came to pass, that, after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions.
- ⑦ And all that heard him were astonished at his wisdom and his answers. And seeing him, they wondered.
- ⑧ And his mother said to him: Son, why hast thou done so to us? Behold thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.
- ⑨ And he said to them: How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be about my father's business?
- ⑩ And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was subject to them. And his mother kept all these words in her heart.

Ref.: Lk. 2:41-49, 51 [DR Trans.]

3rd Mystery: The Nativity of Our Lord

- ① And Joseph also went up from Galilee [out of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem: because he was of the house of David.] To be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child.
- ② And it came to pass that when they were there, her days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
- ③ And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him up in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn. [DR: "The meaning is, not that she had afterward any other child; but it is a way of speech among the Hebrews, to call them also the first-born, who are the only children."]]
- ④ And there were in the same country shepherds watching and keeping the night watches over their flock.
- ⑤ And behold an angel of the Lord stood by them and the brightness of God shone round about them: and they feared with a great fear.
- ⑥ And the angel said to them: Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy that shall be to all the people
- ⑦ For, this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David.
- ⑧ And this shall be a sign unto you. You shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger.
- ⑨ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying:
- ⑩ Glory to God in the highest: and on earth peace to men of good will.

Ref.: Lk. 2:4-14 [DR Trans.]

Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. [Latin: *In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.*]

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, the third day He arose again from the dead, He ascended into Heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence He shall 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. [Latin: *Credo in Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, Creatorem caeli et terrae. Et in Jesum Christum, Filium eius unicum, Dominum nostrum: qui conceptus est de Spiritu Sancto, natus ex Maria Virgine, passus sub Pontio Pilato, crucifixus, mortuus, et sepultus; descendit ad inferos; tertia die resurrexit a mortuis; ascendit ad caelos, sedet ad dexteram Dei Patris omnipotentis; inde venturus est iudicare vivos et mortuos. Credo in Spiritum Sanctum, sanctam Ecclesiam catholicam, sanctorum communionem, remissionem peccatorum, carnis resurrectionem, vitam aeternam. 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. [Latin: *Pater Noster, qui es in caelis, sanctificetur nomen tuum. Adveniat regnum tuum. Fiat voluntas tua, sicut in caelo et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie. Et dimitte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem, sed libera nos a malo. 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. [Latin: *Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc, et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.*]

Rosary Prayers (English/Latin)

Glory Be/Doxology: 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. [Latin: *Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritu Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.*]

Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who are in most need of thy mercy. [Latin: *Mi Jesu, indulge peccata nostra, conserva nos ab igne inferni, duc omnes ad caeli gloriam, praecipue tua misericordia egeentes.*]

Hail Holy Queen: Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, 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. I am then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us. And after this our exile, show unto us the blessed Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

[V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.] [Latin: *Salve Regina, Mater misericordiae: vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra salve. Ad te clamamus, exules filii Hevae. Ad te suspiramus gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, Advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte. Et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria. V. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Genetrix. R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.]*

10/7 Collect: O God, whose only-begotten Son, by His life, His death and His resurrection hath purchased for us the reward of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating on these mysteries in the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. Through the same Lord. [Latin: *Deus, cujus Unigenitus per vitam, mortem et resurrectionem suam nobis salutis aeternae praemia comparavit; concede, quaesumus; ut, haec mysteria sacrosanctae beatae Mariae Virginis Rosario recolentes, et imitemur quod continent, et quod promittunt, assequamur. Per eundem Dominum.*]