

"Hail, Queen of the
Most Holy Rosary,
my Mother Mary,
hail!
At thy feet I humbly
kneel to offer thee
a Crown of
Roses..."

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54 DAY ROSARY NOVENA



ORIGIN

In 1884, in Naples, a young woman named Fortuna Agrelli had suffered for thirteen months from an illness her doctors could not cure. On 16 February she and her family began a novena of Rosaries.

On 3 March, Our Lady of Pompeii appeared to her, holding the Child Jesus and a Rosary, and told her that because she had called upon the title "Queen of the Holy Rosary," her prayer would be heard. She was to make three novenas.

Our Lady appeared again and said that whoever desires favours from her should make three novenas of the Rosary in petition and three in thanksgiving. Fortuna obeyed, and was healed. From this comes the fifty-four days: twenty-seven in petition, twenty-seven in thanksgiving.

HOW TO PRAY

Choose one intention and hold it for all fifty-four days

Pray five decades of the Rosary each day for 54 consecutive days: 27 days in petition, then 27 days in thanksgiving.

Do not follow the weekday mysteries. Day one is always the Joyful Mysteries. Day two the Sorrowful, and day three the Glorious. Then begin again, and continue in that order to the end.

Pray the thanksgiving half whether or not your prayer has been answered
This is the heart of the devotion.

If you miss a day, make it up as soon as you can, or simply continue the next day.

THE PRAYERS

The Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
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.

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.

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.

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.

The 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 Thy mercy.

Hail Holy Queen

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 the vale of tears. Turn then, O 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.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

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 you, that meditating on these mysteries of the most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, My Mother. To thee I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petition, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

1 x The Sign of the Cross

1 x Hail Mary

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In the 27 days of petition pray: O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces and mother of all who invoke your holy name. Do not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As you graciously receive my gift, I humbly implore you to receive my petition; from your bounty I rest assured that you will grant me the favour I so trustingly seek.

In the 27 days of thanksgiving pray: O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces and mother of all who invoke your holy name. Do not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As you graciously receive my gift, I kindly implore you to receive my thanksgiving; from your bounty you have granted me the favour I so trustingly sought.



1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

First Joyful Mysteries - The Annunciation

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel appeared to you with the news that you were to become the Mother of God. He greeted you with that sublime salutation, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with thee!" and you did humbly submit yourself to the will of the Father, responding: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word", I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these snow-white roses with a petition for the grace of humility and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

Second Joyful Mysteries - The Visitation

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Visitation, when, upon your visit to your holy cousin, Elizabeth, she greeted you with the prophetic utterance, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb!" and you answered with that canticle of canticles, the Magnificat, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these snow-white roses with a petition for the grace of charity towards my neighbour and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

Third Joyful Mysteries - The Nativity

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Nativity of Our Lord, when, your time being completed, you brought forth, O holy Virgin, the redeemer of the world in a stable at Bethlehem; whereupon choirs of angels filled the Heavens with their exultant song of praise – "Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth peace to men of goodwill", I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these snow-white roses with a petition for the grace of detachment from the world and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fourth Joyful Mysteries - The Presentation

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Presentation, when, in obedience to the Law of Moses, you presented the Child in the temple, where the holy prophet Simeon, taking the Child in his arms, offered thanks to God for allowing him to look upon his Saviour, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these snow-white roses with a petition for the grace of purity and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fifth Joyful Mysteries - The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple, when, having sought Him for three days, distressed and anxious at His absence, your heart was gladdened when you found Him in the temple speaking to the doctors; and upon your request, He obediently returned home, I humbly pray...

1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

Then Say:

I bind these snow-white roses with a petition for the grace of true wisdom and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

1 x The Concluding Prayers for all the Mysteries



THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

1 x The Sign of the Cross

1 x Hail Mary

Hail! Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At your feet I humbly pray and offer you a crown of blood-red roses, in remembrance of the passion of your divine Son. Each ten bound together, recalling to you a sorrowful mystery, with my petition for a particular grace.

In the 27 days of petition pray: O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces and mother of all who invoke your holy name. Do not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As you graciously receive my gift, I humbly implore you to receive my petition; from your bounty I rest assured that you will grant me the favour I so trustingly seek.

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1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

First Sorrowful Mysteries - The Agony in the Garden

Sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Agony of Our Lord in the Garden, when, in the grotto of the Garden of Olives, Jesus saw the sins of the world unfolded before Him by Satan, who sought to dissuade Him from the sacrifice He was about to make; when, His soul shrinking from the sight, and His precious blood flowing from every pore at the vision of the torture and death He was to undergo, your own sufferings, dear Mother, the future sufferings of His Church, and His own sufferings in the Blessed Sacrament, He cried in anguish, "Abba! Father! If it be possible, let this chalice pass from Me!"; but, immediately resigning Himself to His Father's will, He prayed, "Not as I will, but as Thou wilt!", I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the grace of uniformity with the will of God and humbly lay this bouquet at your feet.

Second Sorrowful Mysteries - The Scourging at the Pillar

Sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Scourging of Our Lord when, at Pilate's command, your divine Son, stripped and bound to a pillar, was lacerated from head to foot with cruel scourges and His flesh torn away until His mortified body could bear no more, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the grace of mortifying my senses and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Third Sorrowful Mysteries - The Crowning With Thorns

Sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Crowning of Our Lord with thorns, when, the soldiers, binding about His head a crown of sharp thorns, showered blows upon it, driving the thorns deeply into His head; then, in mock adoration, knelt before Him, crying, "Hail, King of the Jews!", I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the grace of courage in tough trials and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fourth Sorrowful Mysteries - The Carrying of the Cross

Sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Carrying of the Cross, when, with the heavy wood of the Cross upon His shoulders, your divine Son was dragged, weak and suffering, yet patient, through the streets, amidst the revilements of the people, to Calvary; falling often, but urged along by the cruel blows of His executioners, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the grace of patience in adversity and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fifth Sorrowful Mysteries - The Crucifixion

Sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Crucifixion, when, your divine Son was nailed to the cross, upon which He died after three hours of indescribable agony, during which time He begged His Father forgiveness of His enemies, I humbly pray...

1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

Then Say:

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the grace of forgiveness and lay this bouquet at your feet.

1 x The Concluding Prayers for all the Mysteries

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

1 x The Sign of the Cross

1 x Hail Mary

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1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

First Glorious Mysteries - The Resurrection

Glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Resurrection of Our Lord from the Dead, when, on the morning of the third day after His death and burial, He arose from the dead and appeared to you, dear Mother, and filled your heart with unspeakable joy; then appeared to the holy women and to His disciples, who adored Him as their risen God, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these royal-purple roses with a petition for the grace of faith and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Second Glorious Mysteries - Ascension

Glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Ascension, when your divine Son, after forty days on Earth, went to Mount Olivet accompanied by His disciples, where they adored Him for the last time, after which He promised to remain with them until the end of the world; then, extending His pierced hands over them in a last blessing, He ascended into heaven, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these royal-purple roses with a petition for the grace of desire for Heaven and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Third Glorious Mysteries - The Descent of the Holy Spirit

Glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Descent of the Holy Spirit, when, the Apostles being assembled in a house in Jerusalem, the Holy Spirit descended upon them in the form of fiery tongues, inflaming the hearts of the Apostles with the fire of divine love, teaching them all truths and giving to them the gift of tongues, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these royal-purple roses with a petition for the grace of receiving the Holy Spirit and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fourth Glorious Mysteries - The Assumption of Our Blessed Mother Into Heaven

Glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of your Assumption into Heaven, when, consumed with the desire to be united with your divine Son, your soul departed from your body and united itself to Him, Who, out of the excessive love He bore for you, His Mother, whose virginal body was His first tabernacle, took that body into Heaven and there, amidst the acclaims of the angels and saints, fused into it your soul, I humbly pray...

1 x Our Father, 10 x Hail Marys, 1 x Glory Be and 1 x Fatima Prayer.

Then Say:

I bind these royal-purple roses with a petition for the grace of true devotion to you, dear mother, and lay this bouquet at your feet.

Fifth Glorious Mysteries - The Coronation of Our Blessed Mother Mary

Glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of your Coronation in Heaven, when, upon being taken up, you were triply crowned as the August Queen of Heaven by God the Father as His beloved daughter, by God the Son as His dearest mother, and by God the Holy Spirit as His chosen spouse; the most perfect adorer of the Blessed Trinity, pleading our cause as our most powerful and merciful mother, through you, I humbly pray...

1 x Apostles' Creed, 1 x Our Father, 3 x Hail Marys and 1 x Glory Be.

Then Say:

I bind these royal-purple roses with a petition for the grace of trust in your intercession and lay this bouquet at your feet.

1 x The Concluding Prayers for all the Mysteries

THE CONCLUDING PRAYER FOR ALL THE MYSTERIES

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, really present in the most Holy Sacrament of the altar, since I cannot now receive you under the Sacramental Veil, I beseech you, with a heart full of love and longing, to come spiritually into my soul through the immaculate heart of Your most Holy Mother, and abide with me forever.

In the 27 days of petition pray: Sweet Mother Mary, I offer you this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon your brow. O my Mother! Look with favour upon my gift, and in your love obtain for me (specify request here).

In the 27 days of thanksgiving pray: Sweet Mother Mary, I offer you this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon your brow in thanksgiving for (specify request here).

**1 x Hail Mary, 1 x Hail Holy Queen,
1 x St. Michael the Archangel, 1 x Memorare, 1 x Sign of
the Cross**

NOVENA CHECKLIST

In Petition

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G

In Thanksgiving

28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
J	S	G	J	S	G	J	S	G

NOTES

This little book exists because I needed it and could not find one I liked. I wanted something small enough to keep in a bag, quiet enough to open at five in the morning, and complete enough that I would not have to go looking for the next prayer halfway through.

Two honest things.

You will miss a day. Almost everyone does.

Pick it back up. The Rosary is not a machine that resets when you make a mistake.

And the second half is harder than the first. Twenty-seven days of asking feels natural. Twenty-seven days of thanking for something you may not have received yet feels strange. Do it anyway. That half is where the novena does its work on you.

You may not get what you asked for. The old booklets say that Our Lady knows what each of us most stands in need of. I have come to believe that is not a consolation prize. It is the actual promise.

Pray for me, and I will pray for you.

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