

Rosary on Independence Day Weekend

We are glad you are joining us for this praying of the Rosary on Independence Day weekend. We especially thank God for the blessings we enjoy living in our great country. In this Rosary we will also pray for all those who live in countries where basic rights are denied. Also, we will pray for all in our nation who live in poverty and are discriminated against for one or more reasons.

The Luminous Mysteries - also called the Mystery of Light

1. *Baptism of Jesus.* As we recall the great moment when the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus, we thank God for the precious gift of human life. We also pray for all whose lives are endangered due to abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment and now due to Covid-19. We also remember all who daily live with physical and mental handicaps.

2. *The Wedding Feast of Cana.* As we remember the great event during which Mary's intercession moved Jesus to work his first miracle, we pray God's blessing on the divine institution of sacred marriage between one man and one woman. We also remember and pray for brothers and sisters living in other kinds of situations.

3. *Proclamation of God's Kingdom on earth.* In this decade, we pray for all who daily work to bring about the kingdom value of social justice here and elsewhere. We pray for the victims of injustice and racism.

4. *The Transfiguration.* As we remember that awesome moment when Jesus was transfigured in the presence of Peter, James and John, we thank God for the freedoms we enjoy in our nation and pray for all who live in countries where basic freedoms are denied.

5. *The Institution of the Eucharist.* As we pause to give thanks for the Eucharist, we pray for all those who have not yet been able to return to the Eucharist due to Covid-19. We pray that the civil unrest in our nation will lead to social reform where needed. We also pray for all those searching for a vaccine for the Corona virus.