

TRE ORE DEVOTIONS

Stations of the Cross

*The Sorrowful Mysteries
of the Holy Rosary*

Divine Mercy Chaplet





THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

According to the Method of

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PREPARATORY PRAYERS

Let each one, kneeling before the high altar, make an Act of Contrition, and form the intention of gaining the indulgences connected to this devotion, whether for himself or for the souls in Purgatory.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O MY GOD, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of Thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who art all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen.

Following the act of contrition say:

MY LORD JESUS CHRIST, * Thou hast made this journey to die for me with love unutterable; * and I have so many times unworthily abandoned Thee; * but now I love Thee with my whole heart, * and because I love Thee, * I repent sincerely for having ever offended Thee. * Pardon me, my God, * and permit me to accompany Thee on this journey. * Thou goest to die for love of me; * I wish also, my beloved Redeemer, * to die for love of Thee. * My Jesus, * I will live and die always united to Thee. *

FIRST STATION
JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT JESUS, after having been scourged and crowned with thorns, was unjustly condemned by Pilate to die on the cross. (*Kneel*)

All say:

MY ADORABLE JESUS, * it was not Pilate, * no, it was my sins, that condemned Thee to die. * I beseech Thee, by the merits of this sorrowful journey, * to assist my soul in its journey towards eternity. * I love Thee, my beloved Jesus; * I love Thee more than myself; * I repent with my whole heart of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to separate myself from Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Stabat Mater dolorosa
Juxta crucem lacrymosa
Dum pendebat Filius.

*At the cross her station keeping
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.*

SECOND STATION
JESUS IS MADE TO CARRY HIS CROSS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT JESUS, in making this journey with the cross on His shoulders, thought of us and offered for us to His Father the death that He was about to undergo. (*Kneel*)

All say:

MY MOST BELOVED JESUS, * I embrace all the tribulations that Thou hast destined for me until death. * I beseech Thee, * by the merits of the pain Thou didst suffer in carrying Thy cross, * to give me the necessary help * to carry mine with perfect patience and resignation. * I love Thee, Jesus, my love; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to separate myself from Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Cujus ánimam geméntem,
Contristátam et doléntem
Pertransívit gladius.

*Through her heart, His sorrow sharing
All His bitter anguish bearing,
Now at length the sword has passed.*

THIRD STATION

JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THIS FIRST FALL OF JESUS under His cross. His flesh was torn by the scourges, His head crowned with thorns, and He had lost a great quantity of blood. He was so weakened that He could scarcely walk, and yet He had to carry this great load upon His shoulders. The soldiers struck Him rudely, and thus He fell several times in His journey. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY BELOVED JESUS, * it is not the weight of the cross, * but of my sins, * which has made Thee suffer so much pain. * Ah, by the merits of this first fall, * deliver me from the misfortune of falling into mortal sin. * I love Thee, O my Jesus, with my whole heart; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

O quam tristis et afflícta
Fuit illa benedícta
Mater Unigéniti!

*Oh, how sad and sore distressed
Was that Mother highly blessed
Of the sole-begotten One!*

FOURTH STATION

JESUS MEETS HIS SORROWFUL MOTHER

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THE MEETING of the Son and the Mother, which took place on this journey. Jesus and Mary looked at each other, and their looks became as so many arrows to wound those hearts which loved each other so tenderly.

(*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY MOST LOVING JESUS, * by the sorrow Thou didst experience in this meeting, * grant me the grace of a truly devoted love for Thy most holy Mother. * And Thou, my Queen, * who wast overwhelmed with sorrow, * obtain for me by thy intercession * a continual and tender remembrance of the Passion of Thy Son. * I love Thee, Jesus, my love; * I repent of ever having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Quae mœrébat, et dolébat,
Pia Mater dum vidébat
Nati pœnas ínclyti.

*Christ above in torment hangs
She beneath beholds the pangs
Of her dying, glorious Son.*

FIFTH STATION
SIMON OF CYRENE HELPS JESUS
TO CARRY HIS CROSS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT THE JEWS, seeing that at each step Jesus, from weakness, was on the point of expiring, and fearing that He would die on the way, when they wished Him to die the ignominious death of the cross, constrained Simon the Cyrenian to carry the cross behind Our Lord. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY MOST SWEET JESUS, * I will not refuse the cross as the Cyrenian did; * I accept it, I embrace it. * I accept in particular the death that Thou hast destined for me, * with all the pains which may accompany it. * I unite it to Thy death; * I offer it to Thee. * Thou hast died for love of me! * I will die for love of Thee, and to please Thee. * Help me by Thy grace. * I love Thee, Jesus, my love; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Quis est homo qui non fleret
Matrem Christi si vidéret
In tanto supplicio?

*Is there one who would not weep
Whelmed in miseries so deep
Christ's dear Mother to behold?*

SIXTH STATION
VERONICA WIPES THE FACE OF JESUS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT the holy woman named Veronica, seeing Jesus so afflicted and His face bathed in sweat and blood, presented Him with a towel, with which He wiped His adorable face, leaving on it the impression of His holy countenance. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY MOST BELOVED JESUS. * Thy face was beautiful before, * but in this journey it has lost all its beauty, * and wounds and blood have disfigured it. * Alas! my soul also was once beautiful, * when it received Thy grace in Baptism; * but I have disfigured it since by my sins. * Thou alone, my Redeemer, * canst restore it to its former beauty. * Do this by Thy Passion, O Jesus. * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Quis non posset contristári,
Christi Matrem contemplári
Doléntem cum Fílio?

*Can the human heart refrain
From partaking in her pain,
In that Mother's pain untold?*

SEVENTH STATION
JESUS FALLS THE SECOND TIME

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER the second fall of Jesus under the cross – a fall which renews the pains of all the wounds of the head and members of our afflicted Lord. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY MOST GENTLE JESUS, * how many times Thou hast pardoned me, * and how many times have I fallen again, * and begun again to offend Thee! * Oh, by the merits of this new fall, * give me the necessary helps to persevere in Thy grace until death. * Grant that in all temptations which assail me * I may always commend myself to Thee. * I love Thee, Jesus, my love, with my whole heart; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Pro peccātis suæ gentis
Vidit Jēsum in tormētis,
Et flagēllis sūbditum.

*Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
She beheld her tender child,
All with bloody scourges rent.*

EIGHTH STATION
THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM
WEEP OVER JESUS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT those women wept with compassion at seeing Jesus in so pitiable a state, streaming with blood, as He walked along. But Jesus said to them, "Weep not for Me, but for your children." (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY JESUS, * laden with sorrows, I weep for the offenses that I have committed against Thee, * because of the pains which they have deserved, * and still more because of the displeasure which they have caused Thee, * Who hast loved me so much. * It is Thy love, more than the fear of Hell, * which causes me to weep for my sins. * My Jesus, I love Thee more than myself; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Vidit suum dulcem natum
Moriendo, desolatum,
Dum emisit spiritum.

*For the sins of His own nation
Saw Him hang in desolation,
Till His spirit forth He sent.*

NINTH STATION
JESUS FALLS THE THIRD TIME

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THE THIRD FALL of Jesus Christ. His weakness was extreme, and the cruelty of His executioners excessive, who tried to hasten His steps when He had scarcely the strength to move. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

AH, MY OUTRAGED JESUS, * by the merits of the weakness that Thou didst suffer in going to Calvary, * give me strength sufficient to conquer all human respect * and all my wicked passions, * which have led me to despise Thy friendship. * I love Thee, Jesus, my love, with my whole heart; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Eia, Mater, fons amoris
Me sentíre vim doloris.
Fac, ut tecum lúgeam.

*O thou Mother! fount of love,
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with thine accord.*

TENTH STATION
JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THE VIOLENCE with which the executioners stripped Jesus. His inner garments adhered to His torn flesh, and they dragged them off so roughly that the skin came with them. Compassionate your Savior thus cruelly treated, and say to Him: (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY INNOCENT JESUS, * by the merits of the torment which Thou hast felt, * help me to strip myself of all affection to things of earth, * in order that I may place all my love in Thee. * Who art so worthy of my love. * I love Thee, O Jesus, with my whole heart; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Fac, ut árdeat cor meum
In amándo Christum Deum,
Ut sibi compláceam.

*Make me feel as thou hast felt;
Make my soul to glow and melt
With the love of Christ, my Lord.*

ELEVENTH STATION
JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT JESUS, after being thrown on the cross, extended His hands, and offered to His eternal Father the sacrifice of His life for our salvation. These barbarians fastened Him with nails, and then, raising the cross, left Him to die with anguish on this infamous gibbet. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

MY JESUS, loaded with contempt, * nail my heart to Thy feet, that it may ever remain there * to love Thee and never quit Thee again. * I love Thee more than myself; * I repent of having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Sancta Mater istud ages,
Crucifíxi fige plagas
Cordi meo válide.

*Holy Mother, pierce me through!
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Savior crucified.*

TWELFTH STATION
JESUS IS RAISED UPON THE CROSS
AND DIES

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER HOW THY JESUS, after three hours of agony on the cross, consumed at length with anguish, abandons Himself to the weight of His body, bows His head, and dies. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

O MY DYING JESUS, * I kiss devoutly the cross on which Thou didst die for love of me. * I have merited by my sins to die a miserable death, * but Thy death is my hope. * Ah, by the merits of Thy death, * give me the grace to die, embracing Thy feet * and burning with love for Thee. * I commit my soul into Thy hands. * I love Thee with my whole heart; * I repent of ever having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Tui nati vulneráti,
Tam dignáti pro me pati,
Pœnas mecum dívide.

*Let me share with thee His pain,
Who for all our sins was slain,
Who for me in torments died.*

THIRTEENTH STATION
JESUS IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS
AND PLACED IN THE ARMS OF HIS
MOTHER

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT Our Lord having expired, two of His disciples, Joseph and Nicodemus, took Him down from the cross and placed Him in the arms of His afflicted Mother, who received Him with unutterable tenderness and pressed Him to her bosom. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

O MOTHER OF SORROWS, * for the love of this Son, * accept me for thy servant, * and pray to Him for me. * And Thou, my Redeemer, * since Thou hast died for me, * permit me to love Thee; * for I wish but Thee, my Jesus, * and I repent of ever having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Fac me tecum pie flere,
Crucifixo condolére,
Donec ego víxero.

Let me mingle tears with thee
Mourning Him who mourned for me,
All the days that I may live.

FOURTEENTH STATION
JESUS IS LAID IN THE SEPULCHRE

V. We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, (*Genuflect*)

R. Because by Thy holy cross Thou hast redeemed the world. (*Rise*)

Priest:

CONSIDER THAT the disciples carried the body of Jesus to bury it, accompanied by His holy Mother, who arranged it in the sepulchre with her own hands. They then closed the tomb, and all withdrew. (*Kneel*)

All Say:

AH, MY BURIED JESUS, * I kiss the stone that encloses Thee. * But Thou didst rise again the third day. * I beseech Thee, by Thy resurrection, * make me rise glorious with Thee at The Last Day, * to be always united with Thee in Heaven, * to praise Thee and love Thee forever. * I love Thee, * and I repent of ever having offended Thee. * Never permit me to offend Thee again. * Grant that I may love Thee always, * and then do with me what Thou wilt. *

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be.

V. Lord Jesus, crucified,

R. Have mercy on us!

(*Rise*)

Juxta crucem tecum stare,
Et me tibi sociare
In planctu desidero.

*By the cross with thee to stay
There with thee to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of thee to give.*

After this, return to the high altar and, to complete the devotion, say the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be five times in honor of the Passion of Jesus Christ.



PRAYER TO JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED

Behold, O kind and most sweet Jesus, * I cast myself upon my knees in Thy sight, * and with the most fervent desire of my soul, * I pray and beseech Thee that Thou wouldst impress upon my heart * lively sentiments of faith, hope and charity, * with true contrition for my sins * and with a firm purpose of amendment; * while with deep affection and grief of soul, * I ponder within my self and mentally contemplate Thy five wounds, * having before my eyes the words which David the prophet * put on Thy lips concerning Thee: * “They have pierced My hands and My feet, * they have numbered all My bones.”

At the end, one Our Father and Hail Mary, at least, should be said for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff; this will fulfill the requirements for a plenary indulgence connected to this devotion – so long as a person also fulfills the other requirements.

SABAT MATER

Virgo virginum praeclara
Mihi jam non sis amara
Fac me tecum plangere;

Fac, et portem Christi mortem,
Passionis fac consortem,
Et plagas recolare.

Fac me plagis vulnerary,
Fac me cruce inebriari,
Et cruore Filii.

Flammis ne urar succensus
Per te, Virgo, sim defensus
In die iudicii.

Christe, cum sit hinc exire,
Da per Matrem me venire
Ad palmam victoriae.

Quando corpus morietur,
Fac ut animae donetur
Paradisi gloria. Amen.

V. Ora pro nobis, Virgo
dolorosissima.

R. Ut digni efficiamur
promissionibus Christi.

Virgin of all virgins blest!
Listen to my fond request:
Let me share thy grief divine;

Let me, to my latest breath,
In my body bear the death
Of that dying Son of thine.

Wounded with His every
wound,
Steep my soul till it hath
swooned
In His very Blood away.

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
Lest in flames I burn and die,
In His awful Judgement Day.

Christ, when Thou shalt call
me hence,
Be Thy Mother my defense,
Be Thy cross my victory.

While my body here decays,
May my soul Thy goodness
praise,
Safe in paradise with Thee.
Amen

V. Pray for us, Virgin most
sorrowful.

R. That we may be made
worthy of the promises of
Christ.



INDULGENCES

A Plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful who make the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross. Those who are impeded can gain the same indulgence if they spend at least one half an hour in pious reading and meditation on the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE SCRIPTURAL ROSARY



THE FIRST SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

Our Father...

1. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane. / And he began to be sorrowful and troubled. (Mt 26:36-37) *Hail Mary...*
2. Then he said to them, / "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; / remain here, and watch with me." (Mt 26:38) *Hail Mary...*
3. And he withdrew from them / about a stone's throw, / and knelt down and prayed. (Lk 22:41) *Hail Mary...*
4. "Father, if you are willing, / remove this chalice from me; / nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done." (Lk 22:42) *Hail Mary...*
5. And there appeared to him an angel from Heaven, / strengthening him. (Lk 22:43) *Hail Mary...*
6. And being in agony / he prayed more earnestly. (Lk 22:44) *Hail Mary...*
7. And his sweat became like great drops of blood / falling down upon the ground. (Lk 22:44) *Hail Mary...*
8. And he came back to his disciples and found them sleeping; / and he said to Peter, / "So, could you not watch with me one hour?" (Mt 26:40) *Hail Mary...*
9. "Watch and pray / that you may not enter into temptation." (Mt 26:41) *Hail Mary...*
10. "The spirit indeed is willing, / but the flesh is weak." (Mt 26:41) *Hail Mary...*

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *Oh 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.*

THE SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR

Our Father...

1. And as soon as it was morning / the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, / and the whole council held a consultation; / and they bound Jesus and led him away / and delivered him to Pilate. / And Pilate asked him, / "Are you the king of the Jews?" (Mk 15:1-2) *Hail Mary...*
2. Jesus answered, / "My kingdom is not of this world; / if my kingship were of this world, / my servants would fight, / that I might not be handed over to the Jews; / but my kingship is not from the world." (Jn 18:36) *Hail Mary...*
3. Pilate said to him, / "So you are a king?" / Jesus answered, / "You say that I am a king. / For this I was born, / and for this I have come into the world, / to bear witness to the truth. / Every one who is of the truth hears my voice." (Jn 18:37) *Hail Mary...*
4. Pilate said to him, / "What is truth?" After he had said this, / he went out to the Jews again and told them, / "I find no crime in him." (Jn 18:38) *Hail Mary...*
5. "I will therefore chastise him and release him." / Then Pilate took Jesus and scourged him. (Lk 23:16, Jn 19:1) *Hail Mary...*
6. He was despised and rejected by men; / a man of sorrows, / and acquainted with grief; / and as one from whom men hide their faces / he was despised, / and we esteemed him not. (Is 53:3) *Hail Mary...*
7. He was oppressed, / and he was afflicted, / yet he opened not his mouth; / like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, / and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, / so he opened not his mouth. (Is 53:7) *Hail Mary...*
8. But he was wounded for our transgressions, / he was bruised for our iniquities. (Is 53:5) *Hail Mary...*

9. Surely he has borne our griefs / and carried our sorrows Yet we esteemed him stricken, / struck down by God, and afflicted. (Is 53:4) *Hail Mary...*
10. Upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, / and with his stripes we are healed. (Is 53:5) *Hail Mary...*

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *Oh 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.*

THE THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE CROWNING WITH THORNS

Our Father...

1. And the soldiers led him away [to the Praetorium]. / And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe upon him. (Mk 15:16-17, Mt 27:28) *Hail Mary...*
2. And plaiting a crown of thorns / they put it on his head, / and put a reed in his right hand. (Mt 27:29) *Hail Mary...*
3. And kneeling before him they mocked him, saying, / "Hail, king of the Jews!" (Mt 27:29) *Hail Mary...*
4. And they spat upon him / and took the reed and struck him on the head. (Mt 27:30) *Hail Mary...*
5. [Then Pilate] took water / and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, / "I am innocent of this righteous man's blood; / see to it yourselves." (Mt 27:24) *Hail Mary...*
6. So Jesus came out, / wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. (Jn 19:5) *Hail Mary...*
7. [Pilate] said to the Jews, / "Here is your King!" / They cried out, / "Away with him, away with him, / Crucify him!" (Jn 19:15) *Hail Mary...*
8. And Pilate said to them, / "Why, what evil has he done?" / But they shouted all the more, / "Crucify him." (Mk 15:14) *Hail Mary...*
9. "Shall I crucify your king?" / The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." (Jn 19:15) *Hail Mary...*
10. So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, / released for them Barabbas; / and having scourged Jesus, / he delivered him to be crucified. (Mk 15:15) *Hail Mary...*

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *Oh 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.*

THE FOURTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS

Our Father...

1. "If any man would come after me, / let him deny himself." (Lk 9:23) *Hail Mary...*
2. "And take up his cross daily / and follow me." (Lk 9:23) *Hail Mary...*
3. So they took Jesus, / and he went out, / carrying his own cross. (Jn 19:17) *Hail Mary...*
4. And as the led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, / who was coming in from the country, / and laid on him the cross, / to carry it behind Jesus. (Lk 23:26) *Hail Mary...*
5. "Take my yoke upon you, / and learn from me." (Mt 11:29) *Hail Mary...*
6. "For I am gentle/ and lowly in heart." (Mt 11:29) *Hail Mary...*
7. "And you will find rest for your souls. / For my yoke is easy, / and my burden light." (Mt 11:29-30) *Hail Mary...*
8. And there followed him a great multitude of the people, / and of women who bewailed and lamented him. (Lk 23:27) *Hail Mary...*
9. But Jesus turning to them said, / "Daughters of Jerusalem, / do not weep for me, / but weep for yourselves and for your children." (Lk 23:28) *Hail Mary...*
10. "For if they do this when the wood is green, / what will happen when it is dry?" (Lk 23:31) *Hail Mary...*

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *Oh 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.*

THE FIFTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY – THE CRUCIFIXION OF OUR LORD

Our Father...

1. And when they came to the place which is called The Skull, / there they crucified him. (Lk 23:33) *Hail Mary...*
2. And Jesus said, / "Father, forgive them;/ for they know not what they do." (Lk 23:34) *Hail Mary...*
3. One of the criminals who were crucified with him said, "Jesus, remember me/ when you come in your kingly power." (Lk 23:39, 42; Mk 15:32) *Hail Mary...*
4. "Truly, I say to you, / today you will be with me in paradise." (Lk 23:43) *Hail Mary...*
5. But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother . . . / and the disciple whom he loved. (Jn 19:25-26) *Hail Mary...*
6. [Jesus] said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." / Then he said to the disciple, / "Behold, your mother." (Jn 19:26-27) *Hail Mary...*
7. And from that hour / the disciple took her to his own home. (Jn 19:27) *Hail Mary...*
8. And there was darkness over the whole land. / And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two / from top to bottom, / and the earth shook. (Lk 23:44; Mt 27:51) *Hail Mary...*
9. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said / "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" (Lk 23:46) *Hail Mary...*
10. And he bowed his head / and gave up his spirit. (Jn 19:30) *Hail Mary...*

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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. Turn 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.*

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 Thee, that by meditating on 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.

Pour forth we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His passion and cross be brought to the glory of His resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Sign of the Cross

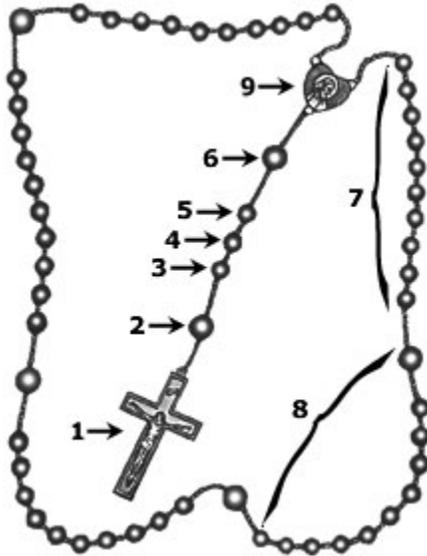
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.



THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY



The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.



1. MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

2. OPTIONAL OPENING PRAYERS

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. 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.*

4. 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.*

5. 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 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.*

6. THE ETERNAL FATHER

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. ON THE 10 SMALL BEADS OF EACH DECADE

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. REPEAT FOR THE REMAINING DECADES

Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

9. CONCLUDE WITH HOLY GOD (REPEAT THREE TIMES)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

10. OPTIONAL CLOSING PRAYER

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion – inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

II. DIVINE MERCY PRAYER BY ST. FAUSTINA

O greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy---to Your compassion, O God; and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out.

Gracious God do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, Who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You; anticipate us with Your Grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will all through our life and at death's hour.

Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children await Your final coming - that day known to You alone.

And we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness.

For Jesus is our Hope: Through His merciful Heart as through an open gate we pass through to heaven.

(Diary of St. Faustina 1570)

The history and promises of the Divine Mercy devotion:

<https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/chaplet-history>