

Prayers and Practices Grade 3

The Rosary



A rosary is made up of groups of beads arranged in a circle. It begins with a cross followed by one large bead and three small ones.

The next large bead (just before the medal) begins the first “decade”.

Each bead is followed by ten smaller beads.

Begin the rosary with the Sign of the Cross.

Recite the Apostles Creed.

Then pray one Our Father, three Hail Marys, and one Glory be to the Father.

To pray each decade, say an Our Father on the large bead and a Hail Mary on each of the ten smaller beads.

Close each decade by praying the Glory be to the Father. Pray the Hail, Holy Queen as the last prayer of the rosary.

The Mysteries of the Rosary are special events in the lives of Jesus and Mary. As you pray each decade, think of the appropriate mystery.

The Mysteries of the Rosary



The Joyful Mysteries

1. The Annunciation
2. The Visitation
3. The Birth of Jesus
4. The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple
5. The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

The Sorrowful Mysteries

1. The Agony in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus



The Glorious Mysteries

1. The Resurrection
2. The Ascension
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles
4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
5. The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven



The Mysteries of Light

1. Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan
2. The Miracle at the Wedding at Cana
3. Jesus Announces the Kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration
5. The Institution of the Eucharist

