

Chapter 1 : Father Julian's Blog: Origin of the Luminous Mysteries

Five First Saturdays Devotion; The Luminous Mysteries. The Third Luminous Mystery THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM "Repent, for the kingdom of God is at hand."

Each decade represents a mystery or event in the life of Jesus. These four "Mysteries of the Rosary" therefore contain, a total of twenty mysteries. The Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries are then said on specific days of the week see each set of mysteries below. During private recitation of the Rosary, each decade requires devout meditation on a specific mystery. Public recitation of the Rosary two or more people, requires a leader to announce each of the mysteries before the decade, and start each prayer see "The Family Rosary" below. In June 13, , Our Lady asked that an additional prayer be added after each decade of the Rosary see prayers at the end of this document. It is a prayer of forgiveness to Jesus and is said following the Glory Be after each decade only. The humility of the Blessed Virgin when the Angel Gabriel greeted her with these words: The poverty, so lovingly accepted by Mary when she placed the Infant Jesus, our God and Redeemer, in a manger in the stable of Bethlehem. The deep sorrow with which Mary sought the Child Jesus for three days, and the joy with which she found Him in the midst of the Teachers of the Temple. Our Lord Jesus in the garden of Gethsemani, suffering a bitter agony for our sins. The cruel scourging at the pillar that our Lord suffered; the heavy blows that tore His flesh. The heavy Cross, so willingly carried by our Lord, and ask Him to help you to carry your crosses without complaint. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel. While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, "Take and eat; this is my body. Inspire my heart with a sincere love of this devotion, in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption which are recalled in it, I may obtain peace for the world, the conversion of sinners, and the favor which I ask of you in this Rosary Mention your request. I ask it for the greater glory of God, for your own honor, and for the good of souls, especially for my own. 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. Hail Mary, full of grace! Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Glory be to the Father: 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. He descended into Hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and is seated 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. Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O sweet Virgin Mary! Prayer After The Rosary 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, meditating upon 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. Rosary Novenas Religious devotion, public or private, for the duration of nine days to gain special graces, is called a Novena. Those who perform it with a lively hope of having their request granted, and with perfect faith and resignation if it be refused, may be assured that Christ will grant some grace or blessing. This requires an understanding that in His infinite wisdom and mercy, He may refuse the particular favor which is requested. The 54 Day Novena Devotion which originated in at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompei, consists of the daily recitation of five decades of the Rosary one complete Mystery: Joyful, Sorrowful, or Glorious for twenty-seven days in petition and five decades for twenty-seven additional days in thanksgiving. You will

actually be making three Novenas in petition for a particular favor and three Novenas in thanksgiving for a particular favor. The family Rosary is the Rosary recited aloud together, by as many of the family and their friends as can be present. Any family two or more people may say the Family Rosary in any suitable place and at any time. A leader says aloud the first part of each prayer; a second person or group of persons answers aloud the second part of the prayer. The leader announces the Mystery before each decade. Five decades one complete Mystery: Joyful, Sorrowful, or Glorious should be recited each day. This devotion and the wonderful promises connected with it were revealed by the Blessed Virgin at Fatima, a small village in Portugal. Our lady appeared to three children there in , and one of the little girls, Lucy, tells us that Our Lady said: I promise to help at the hour of death, with the graces needed for salvation, whoever on the First Saturday of five consecutive months shall: Confess and Receive Communion. Keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me.

Chapter 2 : Luminous Mystery Rosary of Pope John Paul II - History of the Rosary

THE FIVE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES Contemplated Thursday: I. The Baptism of Jesus. ANNOUNCEMENT: In the First Luminous Mystery, let us contemplate the Baptism of Our Lord at the Jordan River, and seek rebirth in Christ.

With illustrations from the booklet *Praying the Rosary Without Distractions*. He sees the wrath of the Father which His sufferings must appease. So great is his anguish that His sweat becomes as drops of blood falling to the ground. An angel appears to Him from heaven to strengthen Him. Father, by the merits of the agony of Jesus in the Garden, have mercy on us and on the whole world. The Jewish leaders take Jesus before Pilate, for only he can impose the death penalty. The robber, Barabbas, is preferred to Jesus. Pilate can "find no cause in Him", yet to appease the Jews, he orders Jesus to be scourged. The scourge is made of leather thongs to which are attached small sharp bones. Jesus is bound to a pillar and cruelly scourged until His whole body is covered with deep wounds. The Lamb of God offers His suffering for the sins of mankind. Jesus suffers so much in His sacred flesh to satisfy, especially, for sins of the flesh. The prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled: They fashion a crown out of thorns, and forcefully press it down upon His head. In His bound hands they place a reed, as a sceptre, in mockery of His kingship. Kneeling before Him in derision, they spit on Him, and cry out: Pilate brings Jesus before the people, hoping His pitiful sight will soften them: Father, by the merits of this painful humiliation, have mercy on us and on the whole world. The suffering of Jesus is intense as the cross is laid on His bruised and wounded back and shoulders. Weak and exhausted from loss of blood, lack of food and rest, Jesus falls three times under the cross. The countenance of Jesus is disfigured with blood and sweat, with dust and spittle. Veronica wipes His face, leaving on her towel the image of His countenance. Fearing that Jesus might die on the way, the soldiers force Simon of Cyrene to carry the cross behind Jesus. Jesus speaks to weeping women: Son, behold your Mother. His body is taken down and placed in the arms of His Mother. Father, by the merits of the crucifixion and death of Jesus, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Chapter 3 : The Five Luminous Mysteries at Chant the Rosary

Luminous Mysteries Reveal Light Of Jesus, Bringing Peace In Your Life "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." -John What a gift the the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary are.

John tried to refuse Him with the protest, "I should be baptized by You, yet You come to me! After Jesus was baptized, He came directly out of the water. Suddenly the sky opened and He saw the Spirit of God descend like a dove and hover over Him. With that, a voice from the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son. My favor rests on Him. The Wedding at Cana Reflections John 2: Jesus and His disciples had likewise been invited to the celebration. My hour has not yet come. The waiter in charge tasted the water made wine, without knowing where it had come from; only the waiters knew, since they had drawn the water. Then the waiter in charge called the groom over and remarked to him: What you have done is keep the choice wine until now. Thus did He reveal His glory, and His disciples believed in Him. The kingdom of God is at hand. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralyzed man, "My son, your sins are forgiven. Now go in peace. He was transfigured before their eyes. His face became as dazzling as the sun, His clothes as radiant as light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them conversing with Him. Upon this, Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, how good it is for us to be here! With your permission I will erect three booths here, one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. Jesus came toward them and laying His Hand on them, said, "Get up! Do not be afraid. As they were coming down the mountainside Jesus commanded them, "Do not tell anyone of the vision until the Son of Man rises from the dead. I am to celebrate the Passover with My disciples in your house. When it grew dark He reclined at table with the Twelve. In the course of the meal He said, "I give you My word, one of you is about to betray Me. Better for him if he had never been born.

Chapter 4 : EWTN- The Holy Rosary

Pope John Paul II's Apostolic Letter, Rosarium Virginis Mariae, introduced the Luminous Mysteries in October Five mysteries, the Mysteries of Light (or the Luminous Mysteries), were added to the Rosary.

After Jesus was baptized, He came out of the water and, behold, the heavens were opened unto Him And He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove coming upon Him. And a voice from the heavens saying, " This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Jesus and His disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine. My hour has not yet come. Then He told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter. And said to Him, "Every man serves good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, an inferior one, but you have kept the good wine until now. And when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "My son your sins are forgiven" "But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins I say to you rise take up your pallet and go home. Jesus came and stood among them and said to them "Peace be with you " And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them "Receive the Holy Spirit" "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you "

4th - The Transfiguration About eight days after saying these things, He took Peter and John and James, and went up the mountain to pray. While He prayed, His face changed and His clothing became dazzling white. And, behold, there were two men talking to Him, Moses and Elijah. Who appeared in glory, and spoke of His death which he should accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and His companions were overcome with sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw His glory, and the two men that stood with Him. As they were about to part from Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good we are here; let us make three tents; one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. While he was still speaking, there came a cloud and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened as they entered into the cloud. And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, "This is my chosen Son; listen to Him. No comes to the Father, except through Me. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. This I command you, love one another. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said, "Take and eat; this is My body. Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it all of you. For this is My blood of the covenant, which is shed for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Chapter 5 : Mysteries of the Rosary

Pray a scriptural Rosary: The Five Luminous Mysteries, with Tami and Anne Marie Palladino. Each "Hail Mary" begins with a brief passage from the Bible that pertains to that mystery.

A 16th-century rosary found on board the carrack Mary Rose A Rosary bead with miniature reliefs The rosary beads provide a physical method of keeping count of the number of Hail Marys said as the mysteries are contemplated. By not having to keep track of the count mentally, the mind is free to meditate on the mysteries. A five-decade rosary contains five groups of ten beads a decade , with additional large beads before each decade. A new mystery meditation commences at each of the large beads. Some rosaries, particularly those used by religious orders , contain fifteen decades, corresponding to the traditional fifteen mysteries of the rosary. Both five- and fifteen-decade rosaries are attached to a shorter strand, which starts with a crucifix , followed by one large bead, three small beads, and one large bead, before connecting to the rest of the rosary. During religious conflict in 16th and 17th century Ireland severe legal penalties were prescribed against practising Roman Catholics. Small, easily hidden rosaries were thus used to avoid identification and became known as Irish penal rosaries. Materials and distribution[edit] A Saint Michael Chaplet. The beads can be made from any materials, including wood, bone, glass, crushed flowers, semi-precious stones such as agate, jet, amber, or jasper, or precious materials including coral , crystal, silver, and gold. Beads may be made to include enclosed sacred relics or drops of holy water. Rosaries are sometimes made from the seeds of the " rosary pea " or " bead tree. It is common for beads to be made of material with some special significance, such as jet from the shrine of St. James at Santiago de Compostela , or olive seeds from the Garden of Gethsemane. In rare cases beads are made of expensive materials, from gold and silver to mother of pearl and Swarovski black diamond designs. Early rosaries were strung on thread, often silk, but modern ones are more often made as a series of chain-linked beads. Catholic missionaries in Africa have reported that rosaries made of tree bark have been used there for praying due to the lack of conventional rosaries. The major cost is labor for assembly. A large number of inexpensive rosary beads are manufactured in Asia, especially in China and Taiwan. Italy has a strong manufacturing presence in medium- and high-cost rosaries. Rosaries are often made for sale; hundreds of millions have also been made and distributed free of charge by Roman Catholic lay and religious apostolates worldwide. There are a number of rosary-making clubs around the world that make and distribute rosaries to missions, hospitals, prisons, etc. To comply with safety precautions in prisons, special rosaries are donated using string that easily breaks. Wearing the rosary[edit] The Apostolate of Holy Motherhood writes that the Virgin Mary encourages the faithful to wear the rosary and scapular because "it will help them to love Jesus more" and serve as a "protection from Satan. A rosary hanging from the belt often forms part of the Carthusian habit. If the reason for wearing a rosary is as a statement of faith, as a reminder to pray it, or some similar reason "to the glory of God," then there is nothing to object to. It would not be respectful to wear it merely as jewelry. This latter point is something to bear in mind in the case of wearing a rosary around the neck. In the first place, while not unknown, it is not common Catholic practice. While a Catholic may wear a rosary around the neck for a good purpose, he or she should consider if the practice will be positively understood in the cultural context in which the person moves. If any misunderstanding is likely, then it would be better to avoid the practice. Similar reasoning is observed in dealing with rosary bracelets and rings, although in this case there is far less danger of confusion as to meaning. They are never mere jewelry but are worn as a sign of faith. A rosary ring is a ring worn around the finger with 10 indentations and a cross on the surface, representing one decade of a rosary. These and other kinds of religious rings were especially popular during the 15th and the 16th centuries. Rosaries like these are used by either rotating or just holding them between a finger and thumb while praying. A hand rosary is a decade in a complete loop, with one bead separated from ten other beads, this is meant to be carried while walking or running, so as not to entangle the larger type. In addition to a string of beads, single-decade rosaries are made in other physical forms. A ring rosary, also known as a " Basque rosary ," is a finger ring with eleven knobs on it, ten round ones and one crucifix. A rosary bracelet is one with ten beads and often a cross or medal. Another form is the rosary card. A

rosary card is either one with a "handle" that moves like a slide rule to count the decade, or it has a whole rosary with bumps similar to Braille and ancient counting systems. Some households that cannot afford Christian artwork or a crucifix hang up a rosary. The Lady of the Rosary reportedly encouraged the praying of the Rosary and the wearing of the Brown Scapular. Indulgences are provided for rosary Novenas that include specific prayers, e. It is an uninterrupted series of Rosaries in honor of the Virgin Mary, reported as a private revelation by Fortuna Agrelli in Naples, Italy , in The second phase which immediately follows it consists of five decades each day for twenty-seven days in thanksgiving, and is prayed whether or not the petition has been granted. During the novena, the meditations rotate among the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries. Some forms of the Roman Catholic rosary are intended as reparation including the sins of others. These prayers often use rosary beads, but their words and format do not correspond to the Mysteries. Some of the more well known include: The Rosary is a Place, Fr. Patrick Peyton In non-Catholic Christianity[edit] Many similar prayer practices exist in other Christian communities, each with its own set of prescribed prayers and its own form of prayer beads known as the " Chotki " , such as the prayer rope in Eastern Orthodox Christianity. These other devotions and their associated beads are usually referred to as " chaplets. Anglican prayer beads Anglican prayer beads. The public services of the Anglican churches, as contained in the Book of Common Prayer , do not directly invoke the Blessed Virgin or any other saint in prayer as the Thirty-Nine Articles reject the practice of praying to saints, but many Anglo-Catholics feel free to do so in their private devotions.

Chapter 6 : The Five Luminous Mysteries - catholicmeditationssite

The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and--added by Pope John Paul II in the Luminous. The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery.

Chapter 7 : Rosary " Five Luminous Mysteries " St. Alphonsus Catholic Church

THE FIVE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES AS SEEN THROUGH THE EYE OF THE CROSS JESUS IS BAPTIZED Your Cross, my Ever So Gentle God, w ill Teach me to go to You at whatever times in my life.

Chapter 8 : Luminous Mystery of the Rosary - Prayers - Catholic Online

There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the Rosary, and these are divided into the five Joyful Mysteries (said on Monday and Saturday), the five Luminous Mysteries (said on Thursday), the five Sorrowful Mysteries (said on Tuesday and Friday), and the five Glorious Mysteries (said on Wednesday and Sunday).

Chapter 9 : Rosary-Luminous Mysteries

The Wedding at Cana 2nd Luminous Mystery. Jesus, His Mother and disciples were invited to a wedding in Cana. During the wedding feast the wine ran short.