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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 of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. He will come again 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, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death, amen.

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, amen.

Fatima Invocation (Our Lady at Fatima, 13 July 1917) - O my Jesus, pardon us, and save us from the fire of hell; draw all souls to heaven, especially those most in need.

Hail Holy Queen (Benedictine Blessed Herman the Cripple, d. 1054) - Hail 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 lift up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, 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 clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer them.

Memorare (Unknown) - Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O virgin of virgins, my Mother! To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me, amen.

St. Michael Prayer (Pope Leo XIII, end of 19th century) - St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle, be our protection 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 evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls, amen.

How I pray the rosary:

1. Sign of the cross
2. Apostles Creed
3. 1 Our Father, 3 Hail Marias, 1 Glory Be, 1 Fatima Invocation
4. For each mystery: 1 Our Father, 10 Hail Marias, 1 Glory Be, 1 Fatima Invocation
5. After 5 decades (1 set of mysteries): 1 each Hail Holy Queen, Memorare, St. Michael Prayer
6. Holy Father, teach me to hear your voice and know your will
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12. My intercessions: I pray for the conversion of my family, parents, siblings and their families, cousins and their families, friends and acquaintances and their families. I pray for the conversion of the President, Congress, all American leaders and people and people from every nation, that you would turn our hearts to you so we might serve Truth and Justice. For those who have asked and those I promised to pray for, especially my nuclear and extended family, my Church family, my RCIA family, my rosary family, my Adult Ed family, my work families, my online families and all my friends especially N & N. I pray for all deacons, priests & bishops that you would increase their love for you, your truth, your Church and its people, that they might shepherd your people and teach the truth in love. I pray for those in formation, especially our deacon class and families, that you would enlighten our minds with your truth and open our hearts to you so we might serve your people faithfully.

Scriptures for meditation during the praying of the rosary

Joyful (Memory Mnemonic: AVBPF)

1. Annunciation (virtue: Humility) *Lk 1:26-35* And in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David: and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel having come in, said unto her: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you: blessed are you among women. Who having heard, was troubled at his saying and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for you have found grace with God. Behold you shall conceive in your womb and shall bring forth a son: and you shall call his name Jesus. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of David his father: and he shall reign in the house of Jacob forever. And of his kingdom there shall be no end. And Mary said to the angel: How shall this be done, because I know not man? And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Spirit shall come upon you and the power of the Most High shall overshadow you. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of you shall be called the Son of God. *(also Mt 1:18-25)*

2. Visitation (virtue: Charity) *Lk 1:39-45* And Mary rising up in those days, went into the hill country with haste into a city of Judah. And she entered into the house of Zechariah and saluted Elizabeth. And it came to pass that when Elizabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the infant leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. And she cried out with a loud voice and said: Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why is this to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold as soon as the voice of your salutation sounded in my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed are you that have believed, because those things shall be accomplished that were spoken to you by the Lord. *(also Lk 1:36-38 & 46-58)*

3. Birth (virtue: Poverty & Detachment from the World) *Lk 2:4-7* And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: because he was of the house and family of David. To be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child. And it came to pass that when they were there, her days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him up in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn. *(also Lk 2:1-3 & 8-20)*

4. Presentation (virtue: Purity of Heart & Obedience) *Lk 2:21, 39-40* And after eight days were accomplished, that the child should be circumcised, his name was called JESUS, which was called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb...And after they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their city Nazareth. And the child grew and grew strong, full of wisdom: and the grace of God was in him. *(also Lk 2:22-38)*

5. Finding (virtue: Piety) *Lk 2:42-52* And when he was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem, according to the custom of the feast, and having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem. And his parents knew it not. And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day's journey and sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And not finding him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that, after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions.

And all that heard him were astonished at his wisdom and his answers. And seeing him, they wondered. And his mother said to him: Son, why have you done so to us? Behold your father and I have sought you sorrowing. And he said to them: How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be about my father's business? And they understood not the word that he spoke unto them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was subject to them. And his mother kept all these words in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace with God and men.

Luminous (Memory Mnemonic: BWKTE)

1. Baptism (virtue: A New Creation) *Lk 3:2-22* Now it came to pass, when all the people were baptized, that Jesus also being baptized and praying, heaven was opened. And the Holy Spirit descended in a bodily shape, as a dove, upon him. And a voice came from heaven: You are my beloved Son. In you I am well pleased. (*also Mt 3:1-17; Mark 1:2-13; Lk 3:2-20*)

2. Wedding (virtue: Serving Others) *Jn 2:1-10* And the third day, there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee: and the mother of Jesus was there. And Jesus also was invited, and his disciples, to the marriage. And the wine failing, the mother of Jesus says to him: They have no wine. And Jesus says to her: Woman, what is that to me and to you? My hour is not yet come. His mother says to the waiters: Whatsoever he shall say to you, do you. Now there were set there six water pots of stone, according to the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three measures apiece. Jesus says to them: Fill the water pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And Jesus says to them: Draw out now and carry to the chief steward of the feast. And they carried it. And when the chief steward had tasted the water made wine and knew not whence it was, but the waiters knew who had drawn the water: the chief steward calls the bridegroom, and says to him: Every man at first sets forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse. But you have kept the good wine until now.

3. Kingdom Proclamation (virtue: Let your yes be yes) In Jn Paul II's apostolic letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* (21), he says of the luminous mysteries, "Each of these mysteries is a revelation of the kingdom now present in the very person of Jesus." Of the third luminous mystery he says, "Another mystery of light is the preaching by which Jesus proclaims the coming of the kingdom of God, calls to conversion (cf. Mark 1:15) and forgives the sins of all who draw near to him in humble trust (cf. Mark 2:3-12; Lk 7:47-48): the inauguration of that ministry of mercy that he continues to exercise until the end of the world, particularly through the sacrament of reconciliation, which he has entrusted to his Church (cf. Jn 20:22-23)." When Christ reigns in our hearts, the kingdom of God is within us. (*also Lk 8:1 & Mt 4:23; 9:35; 10:7; 24:14; 28:19-20*)

4. Transfiguration (virtue: We Will be changed) *Lk 9:28-36* And it came to pass, about eight days after these words, that he took Peter and James and Jn and went up into a mountain to pray. And while he prayed, the shape of his appearance was altered and his raiment became white and glittering. And behold two men were talking with him. And they were Moses and Elijah, appearing in majesty. And they spoke of his decease that he should accomplish in Jerusalem. But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep. And waking, they saw his glory and the two men that stood with him. And it came to pass that, as they were departing from him, Peter says to Jesus: Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles, one for you, and one for Moses; and one for Elijah: not knowing what he said. And as he spoke these things, there came a cloud and overshadowed them. And they were afraid when they entered into the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud; saying: This is my beloved son. Hear him. And whilst the voice was uttered Jesus was found alone. And they held their peace and told no man in those days any of these things which they had seen. (*also Mt 17:1-9; Mk 9:1-8; 1 Cor 15:52; 2 Pt 1:16-18*)

5. Eucharistic Institution (virtue: Sustain Life) *1 Cor 11: 23-27* For I have received from the Lord that which also I delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and giving thanks, broke and said: Take you and eat: This is my body, which shall be delivered for you. This do for the commemoration of me. In like manner also the chalice, after he had supped, saying: This chalice is the new testament in my blood. This do you, as often as you shall drink, for the commemoration of me. For as often as you shall eat this bread and drink the chalice, you shall show the death of the Lord, until he come. Therefore, whoever shall eat this bread, or drink the chalice of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the

body and of the blood of the Lord. (*also Lk 22: 14-20; Mt 26: 26-29; Mk 14:22-25; Jn 6:23-69*)

Sorrowful (Memory Mnemonic: GSCCC)

1. Garden Agony (virtue: Contrition for Sins) *Lk 22:39-53* And going out, he went, according to his custom, to the Mount of Olives. And his disciples also followed him. And when he was come to the place, he said to them: Pray, lest you enter into temptation. And he was withdrawn away from them a stone's cast. And kneeling down, he prayed. Saying: Father, if you will, remove this chalice from me: but yet not my will, but yours be done. And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed the longer. And his sweat became as drops of blood, trickling down upon the ground. And when he rose up from prayer and was come to the disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow. And he said to them: Why sleep? Arise: pray: lest you enter into temptation. As he was yet speaking, behold a multitude; and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss him. And Jesus said to him: Judas, do you betray the Son of man with a kiss? And they that were about him, seeing what would follow, said to him: Lord, shall we strike with the sword? And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answering, said: Allow this. And when he had touched his ear, he healed him. And Jesus said to the chief priests and magistrates of the temple and the presbyters, that were come unto him: Are you come out, as it were against a thief, with swords and clubs? When I was daily with you in the temple, you did not stretch forth your hands against me: but this is your hour and the power of darkness. (*also Mt 26:31-56; Mk 14:27-52; Jn 18:1-11*)

2. Scourging (virtue: Mortification of Senses) *Lk 23:16* I will chastise him therefore and release him. (*also Mt 27:26; Lk 23:16*)

3. Crowning (virtue: Interior Mortification) *Jn 19:2-3* And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns, put it upon his head: and they put on him a purple garment. And they came to him and said: Hail, king of the Jews. And they gave him blows. (*also Matthew 27:27-31; Mk 15:16-20*)

4. Carry Cross (virtue: Patience) *Jn 19:17* And bearing his own cross, he went forth to the place which is called Calvary, but in Hebrew Golgotha. (*also Mt 27:32; Mk 15:21; Lk 23:26-31*)

5. Crucifixion & Death (virtue: Dying to Self) *Jn 19:16-37* Then therefore he delivered him to them to be crucified. And they took Jesus and led him forth. And bearing his own cross, he went forth to the place which is called Calvary, but in Hebrew Golgotha. Where they crucified him, and with him two others, one on each side, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title also: and he put it upon the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title therefore many of the Jews did read: because the place where Jesus was crucified was near to the city. And it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate: Write not: The King of the Jews. But that he said: I am the King of the Jews. Pilate answered: What I have written, I have written. The soldiers therefore, when they had crucified him, took his garments, (and they made four parts, to every soldier a part) and also his coat. Now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said then one to another: Let us not cut it but let us cast lots for it, whose it shall be; that the scripture might be fulfilled, saying: They have parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture they have cast lots. And the soldiers indeed did these things. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother and his mother's sister, Mary of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore had seen his mother and the disciple standing whom he loved, he says to his mother: Woman, behold your son. After that, he says to the disciple: Behold your mother. And from that hour, the disciple took her to his own. Afterwards, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, said: I thirst. Now there was a vessel set there, full of vinegar. And they, putting a sponge full of vinegar about hyssop, put it to his mouth. Jesus therefore, when he had taken the vinegar, said: It is consummated. And bowing his head, he gave up the ghost. Then the Jews (because it was the Preparation), that the bodies might not remain upon the cross on the Sabbath day (for that was a great Sabbath day), sought Pilate that their legs might be broken: and that they might be taken away. The soldiers therefore came: and they broke the legs of the first, and of the other that was crucified with him. But after they were come to Jesus, when they saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear opened his side: and immediately there came out

blood and water. And he that saw it has given testimony: and his testimony is true. And he knows that he says true: that you also may believe. For these things were done that the scripture might be fulfilled: You shall not break a bone of him. And again another scripture says: They shall look on him whom they pierced. (*also Mt 27:35-54; Mk 15:25-39; Lk 23:33-49*)

Glorious (Memory Mnemonic: RASAC)

1. Resurrection (virtue: Conversion of Heart) *Jn Jn 20:1-18* And on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene comes early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulcher: and she saw the stone taken away from the sepulcher. She ran therefore and comes to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved and says to them: They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulcher: and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple: and they came to the sepulcher. And they both ran together: and that other disciple did outrun Peter and came first to the sepulcher. And when he stooped down, he saw the linen cloths lying: but yet he went not in. Then comes Simon Peter, following him, and went into the sepulcher: and saw the linen cloths lying, And the napkin that had been about his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but apart, wrapped up into one place. Then that other disciple also went in, who came first to the sepulcher: and he saw and believed. For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. The disciples therefore departed again to their home. But Mary stood at the sepulcher without, weeping. Now as she was weeping, she stooped down and looked into the sepulcher, And she saw two angels in white, sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had been laid. They say to her: Woman, why weep you? She says to them: Because they have taken away my Lord: and I know not where they have laid him. When she had thus said, she turned herself back and saw Jesus standing: and she knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus says to her: Woman, why weep you? Whom seek you? She, thinking that it was the gardener, says to him: Sir, if you have taken him hence, tell me where you have laid him: and I will take him away. (*also Mt 28:1-15; Mk 16:1-13; Lk 24:1-48*)

2. Ascension (virtue: Desire for Heaven) *Acts 1:9-11* And when he had said these things, while they looked on, he was raised up: and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they were beholding him going up to heaven, behold two men stood by them in white garments. Who also said: You men of Galilee, why stand you looking up to heaven? This Jesus who is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come as you have seen him going into heaven. (*also Lk 24:50-53*)

3. Spirit's Descent (virtue: Gifts/fruits of the Spirit) *Acts 2:1-7 & 11b-13* And when the days of the Pentecost were accomplished, they were all together in one place: and suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a mighty wind coming: and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues, like fire: and it sat upon every one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit: and they began to speak with different tongues, according as the Holy Spirit gave them to speak. Now there were dwelling at Jerusalem, Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. And when this was disclosed, the multitude came together, and were thrown into disorder, because each one heard them speak in his own tongue. And they were all amazed, and wondered, saying: Behold, are not all these that speak Galilean?...we have heard them speak in our own tongues the wonderful works of God. And they were all astonished, and wondered, saying one to another: What does this mean? But others mocking, said: These men are full of new wine. (*also Acts 1:8; Gal 5:22-23*)

4. Assumption of Mary (virtue: Reward of heaven) *Ps 131 (132):8* Arise, O Lord, into your resting place: you and the ark, which you have sanctified. (*also Ps 45; Sirach 24:24; Lk 1:41-55; Rev 12:6*)

5. Coronation of Mary (virtue: Maternal care of Mary the Queen) *Rev 12:1* And a great sign appeared in heaven: A woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. (*Queen Mothers in the Old Testament: 1 Kgs 15:13; 2 Chron 15:16; Jer 13:18; cf. Jer 24:25*)