



The Holy Rosary

Mary's Prayer



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What Is the Holy Rosary?

- The Rosary is a form of prayer used especially in the Catholic Church.
- It is a long prayer, based on repetition, with many parts to be remembered and said.
- It is named after the string of prayer beads which some people use to count the parts of the prayer.
- The Rosary Prayer is very important to Catholics for many reasons, including their devotion to Mary.
- The Rosary Prayer can be said alone or in groups.



What Is the Purpose of the Rosary?

The purpose of the Rosary is to help people remember the events in the lives of Jesus and Mary and to thank and praise God for them.

The Rosary Prayer is a little bit like a history lesson!

The main focus is on Jesus - his birth, life, death and resurrection.



The Rosary Prayer Cont.

3. The Hail Mary Prayer (three times)

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among 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

4. The 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. Amen

5. The Our Father Prayer

6. The Hail Mary Prayer (ten times)

7. The Glory Be to the Father



What Are Rosary Beads?

- The Rosary Beads provide a method of keeping count of the different parts of the Rosary Prayer.
- The fingers are moved along the beads as the prayers are said.
- By not having to keep track of the count mentally, the mind is free to meditate.
- The Roman Catholic Rosary is made up of a cross or crucifix, a medal, large beads and small beads.
- Some sets of Rosary Beads have five groups of ten beads and other sets of Rosary Beads contain fifteen groups of ten beads.
- The prayers of the Rosary can also be said using any type of counting device or by counting on the fingers.



Using The Rosary Beads



1. Sign of the Cross
2. The Our Father Prayer
3. The Hail Mary Prayer (x3)
4. The Glory Be to the Father
5. The Our Father Prayer
6. The Hail Mary Prayer (x10)
7. The Glory Be to the Father

Make Your Own Rosary

You will need:

- Pipe cleaners, string or wool.
 - Small craft beads or pasta
 - Scissors
1. Place 10 of your objects onto the string.
 2. Tie a knot in the string.
 3. Place on one more objects for the Our Father.
 4. Make a cross and attach it to the end.
 5. Trim off the excess where necessary.



