



A SAINT JOSEPH ROSARY

The Set of 4 Mysteries on page 2. This page will feature Set C.

The Mysteries of Joseph Raising the Child Jesus.

+ Sign of the Cross

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.

For the virtues of Faith, Hope and Love: we pray to live them out, as by the aid of God via St. Joseph and petitions to St. Mary, his holy spouse, Mother of Our Lord.

The three entrance beads will be Hail Mary's. **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.**

The Five Decades are each begun, with the Lord's Prayer, and announcing the Mystery.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name... Deliver us from evil. Amen.

The first mystery of Joseph: THE PRESENTATION OF THE CHILD JESUS IN THE TEMPLE BY HIS PARENTS JOSEPH & MARY

The second mystery of Joseph: THE DREAM OF JOSEPH AND THE WORDS OF THE MAGI TO FLEE TO AFRICA: HIS PROMPT RESPONSE

The third mystery of Joseph: THE STAY OF THE HOLY FAMILY IN AFRICA (EGYPT)

The fourth mystery of Joseph: THE RETURN TO ISRAEL AS AFTER JOSEPH RECEIVES A DREAM MESSAGE TO BRING HIS FAMILY BACK HOME

The fifth mystery of Joseph: THE RAISING OF THE CHRIST CHILD JESUS IN NAZARETH

THE REGULAR PRAYER ON THE TEN BEADS: **JOSEPH, SON OF DAVID AND HUSBAND OF MARY, WE HONOR YOU, GUARDIAN OF THE REDEEMER, AND WE ADORE THE CHILD YOU NAMED JESUS. SAINT JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH, PRAY WITH US, THAT WE MAY IMITATE YOU IN LIFELONG DEDICATION TO THE INTERESTS OF THE SAVIOR.** *After 10th prayer, end by adding AMEN.*

PRAYER AFTER EACH DECADE: **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

AFTER THE 5TH DECADE IS COMPLETED, PROCEED TO THE CLOSE OF THE ROSARY on the next page.

CLOSE OF THE ROSARY

IN THE LORD JESUS, IT IS OUR MYSTERY OF FAITH TO PRAY: **“SAVE US, SAVIOR OF THE WORLD, FOR BY YOUR CROSS AND RESURRECTION, YOU HAVE SET US FREE.”** OPTIONAL ADD: SELECTION FROM “A FATHER’S HEART”-POPE FRANCIS

JOSEPH PRAYER: **HAIL, GUARDIAN OF THE REDEEMER, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. TO YOU GOD ENTRUSTED HIS ONLY SON, IN YOU MARY PLACED HER TRUST, WITH YOU CHRIST BECAME MAN. BLESSED JOSEPH, TO US, (TOO,) SHOW YOURSELF A FATHER AND GUIDE US IN THE PATH OF LIFE. OBTAIN FOR US GRACE, MERCY, AND COURAGE, AND DEFEND US FROM EVERY EVIL. AMEN.** + SIGN OF THE CROSS. KISS THE CRUCIFIX TO CLOSE.

A SELECTION FROM “A FATHER’S HEART” by POPE FRANCIS

Joseph found happiness not in mere self-sacrifice but in self-gift. In him, we never see frustration but only trust. His patient silence was the prelude to concrete expressions of trust. Our world today needs fathers. It has no use for tyrants who would domineer others as a means of compensating for their own needs. It rejects those who confuse authority with authoritarianism, service with servility, discussion with oppression, charity with a welfare mentality, power with destruction. Every true vocation is born of the gift of oneself, which is the fruit of mature sacrifice. The priesthood and consecrated life likewise require this kind of maturity. Whatever our vocation, whether to marriage, celibacy or virginity, our gift of self will not come to fulfilment if it stops at sacrifice; were that the case, instead of becoming a sign of the beauty and joy of love, the gift of self would risk being an expression of unhappiness, sadness and frustration. Joseph found happiness not in mere self-sacrifice but in self-gift. —Pope Francis, With a Father’s Heart



Response: We seek this happiness of service ourselves. Through Joseph to Jesus.

THE FOUR MYSTERIES OF PRAYING THE ST. JOSEPH ROSARY

A. The Mysteries of the Union of Joseph and Mary, and Christ’s Arrival

1. The Betrothal of Joseph and Mary.
2. The Annunciation to Our Lady.
3. The Annunciation Dream to Joseph, at his discernment time over the coming child.
4. The Wedding of Joseph and Mary.
5. The Going to Bethlehem for the Census and the Child’s Birth.

B. The Mysteries of the Birth of Christ to Mary and in Joseph’s house

1. The Star Sign over Bethlehem and the Angelic Presence.
2. The Birth of The Christ.
3. The Shepherd’s Visit.
4. The Naming of Christ as Jesus.
5. The Townsfolk’s Visit.

C. The Mysteries of Joseph Raising the Child Jesus.

1. The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple by His parents Joseph and Mary 2. The Dream of Joseph and the Words of the Magi to Flee to Africa: his prompt response. 3. The Stay of The Holy Family in Africa (Egypt). 4. The Return to Israel after Joseph receives a message in a dream to bring his family back home. 5. The Raising of the Christ Child Jesus in Nazareth.

D. The Mysteries of Joseph's Fulfillment of Service for Christ.

1. The Youth Jesus is found at the Temple. 2. Jesus lives and matures in Joseph' house. 3. Joseph dies—in the presence of Mary and Jesus. 4. Joseph meets Jesus in His Descent to the Dead, to bring his soul home. 5. The Assumption of Joseph—Joseph begins his saintly work from The Heavenly Father's House.