

Dear Friend of the Rosary Prayer!

(or he or she who would like to become one...)

Let yourself be sheltered in the motherly heart of Mary and immerse yourself in flowing streams of loving contemplation. With every Hail Mary, the words of God are planted in your heart. Live with Mary through the word that comes from the mouth of God!



The rosary has always been an essentially contemplative prayer. We interweave the contemplation of the mysteries of salvation with the prayers we recite. This Scriptural Rosary aims to be a humble effort to make this contemplation easier. According to ancient custom, each mystery – bead by bead – is connected with an inspiring biblical passage and all are integrated into a fruitful praying of the rosary.

"I am a fan of the Scriptural Rosary, because it makes the recitation of the rosary a lively experience." Alex

"Praying the Scriptural Rosary leads me to a special deepness that I can rediscover. Through contemplation of the Bible verses, the life of Jesus becomes concretely internalized." Monika

The Third Joyful Mystery

The Nativity of Jesus

Fruit: Love of poverty / Temperance / Humility /
Gentleness / Trust / Kindness

Our Father...

1. And so it was, that while they were in Bethlehem, / the days were fulfilled that he should be delivered. *Lk 2:6* Hail Mary...

2. And she gave birth to her firstborn son, / and wrapped him in swaddling clothes. *Lk 2:7*
Hail Mary...

3. And she laid him in a manger; / because there was no place for them in the inn. *Lk 2:7*
Hail Mary...

4. And there were in the same country shepherds staying in the field. / And the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them. *Lk 2:8-9* Hail Mary...

5. Fear not: for behold, I bring you good news of great joy, / which shall be for all people: *Lk 2:10*
Hail Mary...

6. To you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, / who is the Messiah, the Lord. *Lk 2:11*
Hail Mary...

7. And suddenly there were with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host / praising God:
Lk 2:13 Hail Mary...

8. Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will! *Lk 2:14* Hail Mary...

9. The shepherds came with haste / and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in a manger. *Lk2:16* Hail Mary...

10. They glorified and praised God / for all the things that they had heard and seen. *Lk 2:20*
Hail Mary...

Glory be...

(6) Messiah (Hebrew) or Christ (Greek): the anointed. He carries the dignity of the royal anointing.

How do I pray the Scriptural Rosary?

The *Lord's Prayer* is prayed first.

Before each *Hail Mary* the respective biblical quotation is read.

The Hail Marys are prayed *without an insertion*.

While you pray, let the words of the biblical reflection resonate in your mind, imagine the scene vividly, and think about its meaning. Proceed thus pearl by pearl.

When praying the rosary in a *group*, it is recommended that a prayer leader reads the scripture passages, and the group prays the Hail Mary in turns. You can also pray the Scriptural Rosary as an *alternating prayer* as is customary with the Angel of the Lord. Each biblical quotation consists of two parts separated by a slash "/". The first part can be read by the prayer leader and the second part by the group.

As an *alternative prayer option* single biblical quotations can be chosen more often, but others are omitted. Or the points are already read before the decade.

Intention for a spiritual fruit

Before each decade, one specific spiritual fruit should be requested. This fruit focuses concretely on your own conversion and spiritual growth.

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