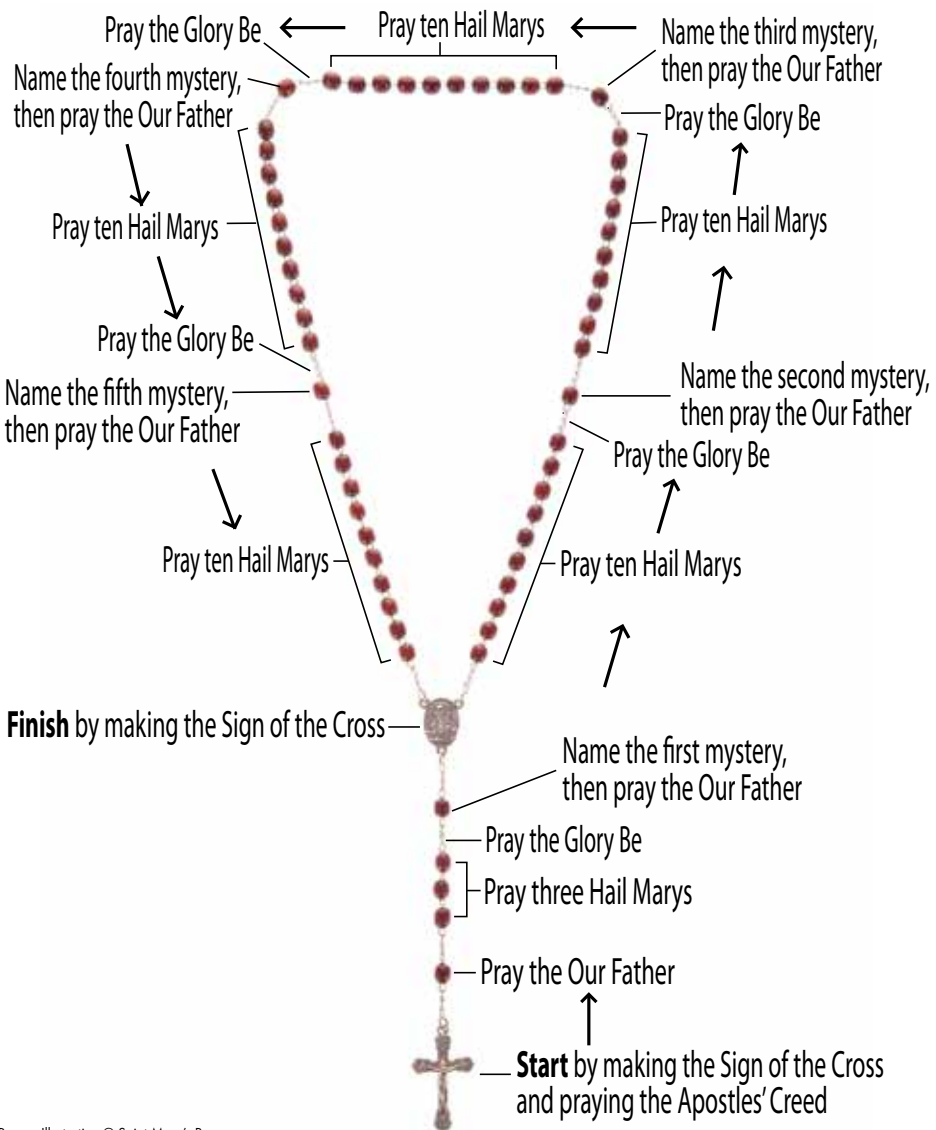


The Rosary

The Rosary is a special kind of prayer devoted to Mary, the Mother of God. The main part of saying the Rosary is repeating the Lord's Prayer (Our Father) and the Hail Mary. Every group of one Our Father and ten Hail Marys is called a decade. You start each decade by thinking of an event from the life of Jesus or Mary. These events are called mysteries. We use rosary beads to help us keep track of the prayers we say when we pray the Rosary. This diagram will show you which prayers to say on which beads. All the prayers you need are in this section of your Bible.

Catholic Prayers



Mysteries of the Rosary

The Mysteries of the Rosary are divided into four groups. Each group has five mysteries that are used when saying one decade of the Rosary.

Joyful Mysteries

1. The Annunciation
2. The Visitation
3. The Birth of Our Lord
4. The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple
5. The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

Luminous Mysteries

1. The Baptism of Jesus
2. Jesus Reveals Himself in the Miracle at Cana
3. Jesus Proclaims the Good News of the Kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration of Jesus
5. The Institution of the Eucharist

Sorrowful Mysteries

1. The Agony of Jesus in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion

Glorious Mysteries

1. The Resurrection of Jesus
2. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles
4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
5. The Crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven

