

We Pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary for PEACE

Introduction: This morning, we gather to honor our Blessed Mother Mary by praying the Rosary together for PEACE. One of the most powerful prayers we ever learn to pray is the Rosary. The Rosary is a very old devotion, dating back to the 13th century when Saint Dominic was given the first Rosary by Our Lady. October is the beautiful month dedicated to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary.

It is a wonderful tradition to keep a Rosary with us always: in our pocket, on our belt, on our bed post, or in our car for protection. Sometimes, when we are too sick to pray, we can just hold the beads like we are holding the hand of Mary. Mary loved her Son, Jesus, with her whole heart and she loves each of us with that same special love.

Mary, our Mother, has appeared on earth many times and in many places. In 1917, Our Lady appeared to three children at Fatima: Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta and asked them to pray the Rosary for PEACE. Pope Leo XIV has also asked the entire world to pray the Rosary for PEACE during the month of October. So... Today, we pray in a special way for PEACE – PEACE in our families, PEACE and an end to violence in our own country, PEACE in the Ukraine and the Middle East and PEACE throughout the world.

Hymn: **Immaculate Mary** : Verse 1

Reflecting on the Glorious Mysteries, we will now place ourselves at the feet of Mary

The Sign of the Cross - In the name of the Father...

The Apostles Creed - I believe in God...

One Our Father – Our Father...

3 Hail Mary's – Hail Mary, full of grace...

One Glory be to the Father – Glory be to the Father...**Fatima Prayer:** *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection

At daybreak on the first day of the week, the women came to the tomb with the spices they had prepared to anoint Jesus' body. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went inside, they did not find the Body of the Lord Jesus. Suddenly two men in dazzling clothes appeared at their side. They said to the women, "Why do you look among the dead for One Who is alive? Go tell His disciples that Jesus is not here. He has been raised from the dead.

That evening, Jesus appeared to His disciples in the Upper Room. His first words were "PEACE be with you!" Those were the same first words of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV when he appeared on the balcony on May 8, 2025. It was a blessing and a prayer for the entire world. We pray for PEACE throughout the world, especially in the Ukraine and in the Middle East.

Our Father...

10 Hail Mary's

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

Second Glorious Mystery: The Ascension of Our Lord

Forty days after Easter, Jesus returned to His Father in heaven. Before Jesus ascended, He gave His Apostles a very special commission. They were to continue His work on earth by teaching and healing and spreading the Good News of God's love and PEACE. We pray that each of us will continue Jesus' Mission as true PEACEMAKERS to one another and to the world.

Our Father...

10 Hail Mary's

Glory be to the Father... *Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

Hymn: **Immaculate Mary:** Verse 2

Third Glorious Mystery: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost had come, Mary and the Apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind and it filled all the house where they were staying. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, resting on each one of them. And they were filled with the Holy Spirit. We pray for all world leaders that the Holy Spirit will also fill them with wisdom and courage. May they be inspired to end all wars and work for lasting PEACE.

Our Father...

10 Hail Mary's

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption of Our Lady

When Mary's earthly life was finished, she was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory. It was a sign of God's special love and devotion to His Mother. Our Blessed Mother, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is the Patroness of the United States of America. We ask Our Lady to plead with her Son, the Prince of PEACE for an end to hatred and violence in our country.

Our Father...

10 Hail Mary's

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

Hymn: **Immaculate Mary**: verse 3

Fifth Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

After Mary's Assumption, she was crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth. It was a celebration of her glory and an invitation for all of us to wait in hope for our own happiness forever in heaven.

Mary is our Mother and our Model and our loving Queen of PEACE. We ask Our Lady to surround our families with PEACE and to protect our Military who bravely work to preserve the PEACE everyday.

Our Father...

10 Hail Mary's

Glory be to the Father...

Fatima Prayer: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.*

Concluding Prayers for the Rosary

Today, we have shown our love for Jesus and Mary by praying the Rosary. Let us ask Mary, Queen of PEACE to continue to be with us Always and to lasting PEACE and protection, hope and healing to our families, our country, and our world. Amen.

Closing Hymn: **Hail Holy Queen**

Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father...