

The Franciscan Crown Rosary

The Rosary of the Seven Joys of Our Lady

Seven decades, honouring the Seven Joys of the Blessed Virgin Mary, revealed in a vision to the Franciscan novice James in Assisi, 1422.

How to Pray

- 1. Begin** — Make the Sign of the Cross.
- 2. The Seven Joys** — For each joy: announce it, then pray 1 Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and the Glory Be.
- 3. After the Seventh Joy** — Pray 2 additional Hail Marys (to complete 72, honouring Mary's traditional 72 years of life).
- 4. For the Pope** — 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, 1 Glory Be.
- 5. Finish** — Make the Sign of the Cross.

The Seven Joys, With Traditional Meditations

In the name of the Father...

1. THE ANNUNCIATION

Immaculate Virgin Mary, greeted by the angel, by your humble “yes”, keep us in continuous union with Jesus.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

2. THE VISITATION TO ST. ELIZABETH

Virgin Mary who went to visit St. Elizabeth, to sanctify John the Baptist, make those who bring Jesus to people assiduous in mercy.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

3. THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

O Virgin Mary, in your poverty beside the manger help us to obtain the riches of Franciscan poverty, through which we receive Jesus and we can say: “My God and my All”.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

4. THE ADORATION OF THE MAGI

O Virgin Mary, who showed Jesus to the three Magi, always increase our faith so that we will be able to pass it on to those we meet.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

5. THE FINDING OF THE CHILD JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

O Virgin Mary, so happy to have found your Son, pray for us to keep faithfully the grace of never losing Jesus and to help everyone to find Him.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

6. THE RISEN SAVIOUR APPEARS TO HIS MOTHER

O Virgin Mary, comforted by the risen Jesus, grant that we may have the desire of the Spirit that comforts us with the knowledge that Jesus lives in us and in other people.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

7. THE ASSUMPTION AND CORONATION OF MARY

O Virgin Mary, elevated into glory, draw us to you through faithful knowledge of your Divine Son and through desire of the Kingdom of God.

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be...

After the last mystery, 2 Hail Marys are recited (honouring the tradition that Mary lived 72 years). For the Pope's intentions: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be...

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