

## LUMINOUS MYSTERIES (THURSDAY)

### 1. The Baptism of the Lord

Christ was baptized by his cousin, John, to give power to the waters of Holy Baptism. We pray that God will give the world more priests to go forth and baptize all nations in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### 2. The Wedding Feast at Cana

Christ blessed the wedding at Cana with His presence. We pray that He will bless all married couples and support them with His grace, so that our families will be true domestic churches, cultivating rich soil for the seeds of faith to grow in their children.

### 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom

We pray that God would send us many more holy and zealous priests to proclaim the Kingdom in our own day, to preach the Good News, and to continue the ministry of Jesus in our midst.

### 4. The Transfiguration of Our Lord

We pray for all young people, that they might have an encounter with Christ. Awed by His beauty and transformed by His love, may they commit themselves to serving Him wholeheartedly.

### 5. The Institution of the Eucharist

Christ is alive, and He remains always present to His Church in the Most Blessed Sacrament. May God call forth many young men to be priests who will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, so that no tabernacle is ever left empty.



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“Simple yet profound, the rosary still remains at the dawn of this third millennium a prayer of great significance destined to bring forth a harvest of holiness.”  
~Pope Saint John Paul II,  
*Rosarium Virginis Mariae*

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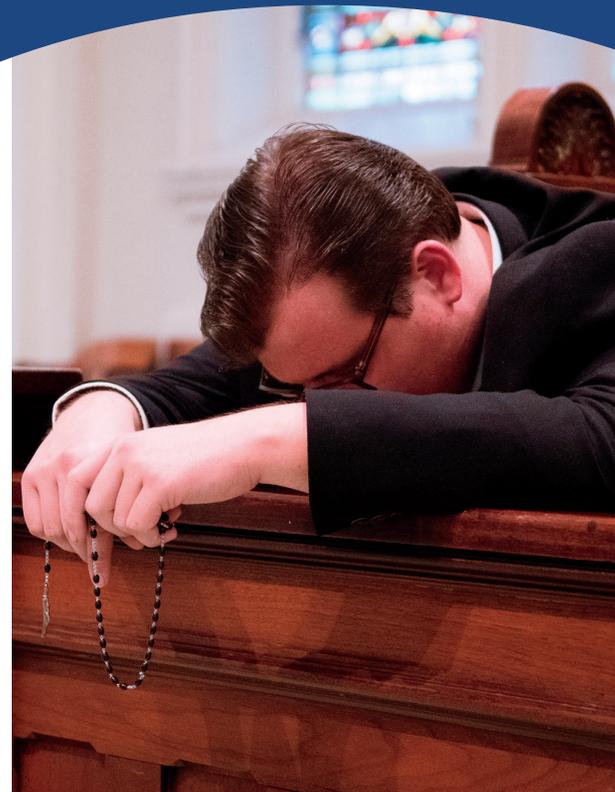
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## ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS - MEDITATIONS

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## GLORIOUS MYSTERIES (SUNDAY, WEDNESDAY)

### 1. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Christ is alive, and He bestows new life on all His children. We pray for many more priests and religious to carry on Christ's work of leading the faithful to everlasting life.

### 2. The Ascension of Our Lord

The Lord reigns over all from His heavenly throne. May all those who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life keep their eyes on Christ and their hearts fixed on the things that are eternal.

### 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost

The fear of the Apostles was transformed into a holy boldness by the outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost. We pray for the Church, that she might be renewed through the witness, work, and prayers of holy priests and religious.

### 4. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

God willed that the body of the Blessed Virgin Mary might not see corruption. May many young people be willing to consecrate their bodies to the Lord for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.

### 5. The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Our Blessed Mother reigns in heaven by divine decree. May Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, wrap her mantle around every young man considering the priesthood and every young person discerning religious life.

## JOYFUL MYSTERIES (MONDAY, SATURDAY)

### 1. The Annunciation

Overshadowed by the Holy Spirit, the Blessed Virgin Mary conceived the Christ Child within her womb. We pray that all young people will have the grace to hear God's voice and the docility to answer, "Yes, let it be done unto me!"

### 2. The Visitation

Without hesitation, Mary went to visit her cousin Elizabeth. May all those who feel God calling them to priesthood or religious life experience the support of their families at the prospect of so holy a vocation.

### 3. The Nativity of Our Lord

Jesus lowered Himself to be born among us, like us in all things but sin. May the Christ Child be born anew within the hearts of all who are discerning God's will.

### 4. The Presentation of Our Lord

We pray for all mothers and fathers whose children are called to dedicate their lives to God. May they generously present their sons and daughters to God and His Church.

### 5. The Finding of the Boy Jesus Teaching in the Temple

Jesus teaches with authority. May all young people listen carefully to His Word, and may those who are called to share in the Lord's teaching authority accept this precious gift.

## SORROWFUL MYSTERIES (TUESDAY, FRIDAY)

### 1. The Agony in the Garden

Jesus willingly surrendered His will to the Father's. May all those who are called to priesthood or religious life say, with Christ, "Father, not my will, but Thine be done."

### 2. The Scourging at the Pillar

The Lord endured harsh cruelties for our salvation. May all young people be given strength from above to accept whatever sacrifices their vocations may entail.

### 3. The Crowning with Thorns

Christ desires to reign over every nation, every age, and every heart. May all people seek to be loyal subjects of Christ the King.

### 4. The Way of the Cross

Our Lord was led like an innocent lamb to the slaughter. May all those who are discerning their vocations embrace their crosses and walk alongside Christ.

### 5. The Crucifixion of Our Lord

Jesus Christ offered the perfect sacrifice on Calvary. Following His example, may many young people choose to lay down their lives in heroic service to the Church.

