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- Pious Meditation on the events proclaimed in the Gospels, praying the Lord's Prayer and asking for Mary's intercession are very good things
- The Rosary is a very good way to do those things

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We use counting tools all the time



We've been using them for a while



The Countess Godiva of Coventry left by will to the statue of Our Lady in a certain monastery "the circlet of **precious stones** which she had **threaded on a cord** in order that by fingering them one after another she might **count her prayers** exactly"

We're not the only ones who use them for prayer



- the **Tasbeeh** or bead-string,
- consists of 33, 66, or 99 beads,
- used for counting devotionally the names of Allah,
- has been in use for many centuries.

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The Book of Psalms



- Liturgy of the Hours – 4 weeks
- How many psalms?
- Monastic Orders – pray 50 psalms for deceased members
- How were psalms prayed before printing presses?

The Mysteries

Joyful	Sorrowful	Glorious
Annunciation Luke 1:26-38	Agony in the Garden Matt.26:36-56	Resurrection Luke 24:1-12
Visitation Luke 1:39-56	Scourging Mark 15:15	Ascension Acts: 1:9-11
Nativity Luke 1	Crowning Mark 15:16-19	Descent of Holy Ghost Acts 1:8 ; 2:1-4; 1:13
Presentation Luke 2:21-24	Carrying Cross Luke 23:21-32	Assumption Luke 1:28; Matt. 27:52; Apoc 11:19
Finding in the Temple Luke 2:41-52	Crucifixion Luke 23:33-46	Coronation Apoc 12:1; 11:19; Luke 1:48

The Mysteries

The Mysteries of Light - The Luminous Mysteries
 Certainly the whole mystery of Christ is a mystery of light. He is the "light of the world" (Jn 8:12). Yet this truth emerges in a special way during the years of his public life, when he proclaims the Gospel of the Kingdom.

1. Baptism in the Jordan

2. His self-manifestation at the wedding of Cana

4. His Transfiguration

3. His proclamation of the Kingdom of God, with His call to conversion.

5. Institution of Eucharist

The Mysteries

On Monday and Saturday, meditate on the "Joyful Mysteries"

- First Decade: The Annunciation of Gabriel to Mary (Luke 1:26-38)
- Second Decade: The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-56)
- Third Decade: The Birth of Our Lord (Luke 2:1-21)
- Fourth Decade: The Presentation of Our Lord (Luke 2:22-38)
- Fifth Decade: The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)

On Thursday, meditate on the "Luminous Mysteries"

- First Decade: The Baptism of Our Lord in the River Jordan (Matthew 3:13-16)
- Second Decade: The Wedding at Cana, when Christ manifested Himself (Jn 2:1-11)
- Third Decade: The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God (Mk 1:14-15)
- Fourth Decade: The Transfiguration of Our Lord (Matthew 17:1-8)
- Fifth Decade: The Last Supper, when Our Lord gave us the Holy Eucharist (Mt 26)

On Tuesday and Friday, meditate on the "Sorrowful Mysteries"

- First Decade: The Agony of Our Lord in the Garden (Matthew 26:36-56)
- Second Decade: Our Lord is Scourged at the Pillar (Matthew 27:26)
- Third Decade: Our Lord is Crowned with Thorns (Matthew 27:27-31)
- Fourth Decade: Our Lord Carries the Cross to Calvary (Matthew 27:32)
- Fifth Decade: The Crucifixion of Our Lord (Matthew 27:33-56)

On Wednesday and Sunday, meditate on the "Glorious Mysteries"

- First Decade: The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord (Joh 20:1-29)
- Second Decade: The Ascension of Our Lord (Lk 24:36-53)
- Third Decade: The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-41)
- Fourth Decade: The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
- Fifth Decade: The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

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Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test."

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Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and do not subject us to the final test, but deliver us from the evil one.

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The Hail Mary – Ave Maria

In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." Luke 1:26-28

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

Luke 1:41-42

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When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. **And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?"** Luke 1:41-43

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Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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- She stood outside the synagogue with Jesus' siblings asking for him 3:31-35
- Her name was Mary and she was well known to people in Nazareth 6:1-6

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- Mark
 - **John**
 - Matthew
 - Luke
- She goaded him into performing the first of his signs 2:1-5
 - She travelled with him, at least at the start of his ministry 2:11-12
 - She was the wife of Joseph 6:42
 - She was at the foot of the cross 19:25-27

Mary in the Gospels

- Mark
 - John
 - **Matthew**
 - Luke
- Named Mary, Wife of Joseph 1:16
 - Became pregnant out of wedlock 1:18
 - Lived in a house in Bethlehem 2:11
 - Fled to Egypt, returned to Nazareth 2:15-23

You have found favor with God. You will conceive



Behold I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to
your word.



Blessed are you who believed ...



Mary kept all these things, reflecting on
them in her heart



and you yourself a sword will pierce ...



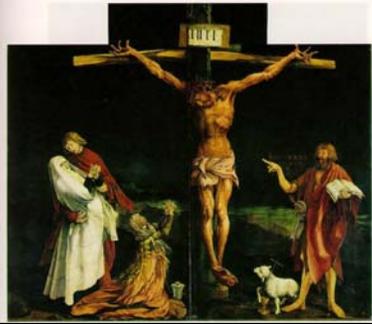
Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?



Who are my mother and my brothers? whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother



Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother."



All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus



The rest of the Rosary

- **Apostles Creed**
- **Glory Be -**
 - Glory be to the Father to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- **Fatima Prayer -**
 - Oh my Jesus, forgive our sins and save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of thy mercy.
- **Hail Holy Queen -**
 - Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears! Turn, then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
 - V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
 - R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
- O God, whose only-begotten Son, by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain, and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.
