METHOD OF PRAYING THE 54 DAY ROSARY NOVENA

Begin the Rosary novena with the Joyful mysteries on the 1^{st} day, Sorrowful mysteries on the 2^{nd} day, Glorious mysteries on 3^{rd} day, and then again...Joyful mysteries on 4^{th} Day, Sorrowful mysteries on 5^{th} day and so on...

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Prayer before the recitation: Sign of the cross. Hail Mary.

• Opening Prayer In petition (to be said on the first 27 days):

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I humbly kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses, snow white buds to remind thee of thy joys, each bud recalling to thee a holy mystery, each 10 bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee, thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my petition; from thy bounty thou wilt give me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly seek. I despair of nothing that I ask of thee. Show thyself my Mother!

• Opening Prayer In thanksgiving (to be said on the last 27 days):

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I gratefully kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses snow white buds to remind thee of thy joys each bud recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, Dispenser of God's graces and Mother of all who invoke thee! thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my thanksgiving; from thy bounty thou hast given me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly sought. I despaired not of what I asked of thee, and thou hast truly shown thyself my Mother.

• Say: The Apostles' Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be.

- **The Annunciation** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of humility and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Visitation** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of charity and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Nativity of Our Lord** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of detachment from the world and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Presentation in the Temple** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of purity and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **Finding the Child Jesus in the Temple** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of obedience to the will of God and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- Say: The Hail Holy Queen.

• Closing prayer: In petition (To be said on first 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this spiritual communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow. O my Mother! Look with favor upon my gift, and in thy love obtain for me (specify request). Hail Mary.

• Closing prayer: In thanksgiving (To be said on last 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow in thanksgiving for (specify request) which thou in thy love hast obtained for me. Hail Mary.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

• **Prayer before the recitation:** Sign of the cross. Hail Mary.

• Opening Prayer In petition (to be said on the first 27 days):

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I humbly kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses, blood red roses to remind thee of the passion of thy divine Son, with Whom thou didst so fully partake of its bitterness, each rose recalling to thee a holy mystery, each 10 bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! Thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my petition; from thy bounty thou wilt give me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly seek. I despair of nothing that I ask of thee. Show thyself my Mother!

• Opening Prayer In thanksgiving (to be said on the last 27 days):

In thanksgiving (last 27 days): Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I gratefully kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses blood red roses to remind thee of the passion of thy divine Son, with Whom thou didst so fully partake of its bitterness each rose recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! Thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my thanksgiving; from thy bounty thou hast given me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly sought. I despaired not of what I asked of thee, and thou hast truly shown thyself my Mother.

• Say: The Apostles' Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be.

- The Agony in the Garden Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. Concluding Prayer at end of decade: I bind these blood red roses with a petition for the virtue of resignation to the will of God and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Scourging at the Pillar** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these blood red roses with a petition for the virtue of mortification and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Crowning with Thorns** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these blood red roses with a petition for the virtue of humility and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- The Carrying of the Cross Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be.
 Concluding Prayer at end of decade: I bind these blood red roses with a petition for the virtue of patience in adversity and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Crucifixion** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be.

Concluding Prayer at end of decade: I bind these blood red roses with a petition for the virtue of love of our enemies and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

• Say: The Hail Holy Queen.

• Closing prayer: In petition (To be said on first 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this spiritual communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow. O my Mother! Look with favor upon my gift, and in thy love obtain for me (specify request). Hail Mary.

• Closing prayer: In thanksgiving (To be said on last 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow in thanksgiving for (specify request) which thou in thy love hast obtained for me. Hail, Mary.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

• **Prayer before the recitation**: Sign of the cross. Hail Mary.

• Opening Prayer In petition (to be said on the first 27 days):

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I humbly kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses, full-blown white roses, tinged with the red of the passion, to remind thee of thy glories, fruits of the sufferings of thy Son and thee, each rose recalling to thee a holy mystery, each 10 bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! Thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my petition; from thy bounty thou wilt give me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly seek. I despair of nothing that I ask of thee. Show thyself my Mother!

• Opening Prayer In thanksgiving (to be said on the last 27 days):

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I gratefully kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses full blown white roses, tinged with the red of the passion, to remind thee of thy glories, fruits of the sufferings of thy Son and thee each rose recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace. O Holy Queen, dispenser of God s graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my thanksgiving; from thy bounty thou hast given me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly sought. I despaired not of what I asked of thee, and thou hast truly shown thyself my Mother.

• Say: The Apostles' Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be.

- The Resurrection Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be.
 Concluding Prayer at end of decade: I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of faith and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- The Ascension Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be.
 Concluding Prayer: I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of hope and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- **The Descent of the Holy Spirit** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of charity and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be.

Concluding Prayer at end of decade: I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of union with Christ and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

- **The Coronation of the Blessed Mother** Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be. *Concluding Prayer at end of decade:* I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of union with thee and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.
- Say: The Hail Holy Queen.
- Closing prayer: In petition (To be said on first 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this spiritual communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow. O my Mother! Look with favor upon my gift, and in thy love obtain for me (specify request). Hail Mary.

• Closing prayer: In thanksgiving (To be said on last 27 days):

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow in thanksgiving for (specify request) which thou in thy love hast obtained for me. Hail, Mary.