

# Introductory Prayer for Each Decade of A Pro-life Rosary

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## *The Joyful Mysteries*

### *The Annunciation*

May all mankind respond to the grace of God. We pray we will always accept the will of God as Mary accepted the will of God, in faith and obedience. We ask that all pregnant mothers may feel the peace and love of Our Lord and embrace the new life within them.

### *The Visitation*

May we always respond to mothers and mothers-to-be in love and faith as Mary did when she went to help Elizabeth, who also was with child. May our example of love by our presence here encourage both men and women to choose life.

### *The Nativity*

We pray that we always see the Infant Jesus in every child to be born, and that every mother approaching an abortionist will feel Your love, Lord and, consequently, choose life. From the time Jesus began His journey on earth to the day He gave His life for our salvation, He showed us how to pray and love others. May we be there for expectant mothers in their time of need with prayer and love.

### *The Presentation*

As Mary and Joseph showed obedience to Jewish law, let us be obedient to God's law and always respect life at every stage of development from conception until natural death. Give us the strength to speak out in defense of these small babies about to be aborted.

### *The Finding the Child Jesus in the Temple*

As Mary and Joseph rejoiced after finding Jesus in the Temple, let those who have been lost to God be found. Lord, even as a small boy, You showed us that we too must be about Our Father's business. We pray we will always be willing to help those who have become lost.

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## ***The Sorrowful Mysteries***

### *The Agony in the Garden*

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Our Lord asked of his apostles in the garden. Give us the strength to watch and pray one hour for those about to die. Let our presence here give mothers the strength to choose God, and choose life.

### *The Scourging at the Pillar*

As Christ was scourged, His skin was torn. The pain was like a thousand knives. How like the pain of an abortion. By Your suffering, Lord, we ask that these babies be saved from a terrible death. Let all mothers feel the love You have for each of them.

### *The Crowning with Thorns*

As the soldiers mocked You and crowned You with thorns, You loved them. Give us the strength and wisdom, Lord, to follow Your example. Let us not fear what others say. Let us follow only Your word. Let us love and care for all people. We ask for an increase of the gifts of humility and spiritual courage.

### *The Carrying of the Cross*

May all mothers know that no matter how heavy their cross seems to be, that You are there Lord, helping them carry it. May every mother know that as You fell three times, You are there for them, when they fall. You will lift them into Your arms. You are there with each child carried in the womb.

### *The Crucifixion*

Lord, we ask to always remember Your words: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." Give us the grace to pray for those who reject You. Let us never turn away from those in the abortion industry. Let us be Your disciples and pray for their conversion as well as our own.

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## *The Glorious Mysteries*

### *The Resurrection*

Our Lady, Queen of all Saints, we pray that Our Lord will bless and take to heaven the souls of the slaughtered unborn infants, that after their terrible suffering, they may see the wondrous face of your Son there awaiting them.

### *The Ascension*

As we follow the example of Our Lord each day, we hear His words: "Know that I am with you always, even to the end of the world." We pray that we will always have the courage to be disciples of Jesus and show His love for all people by standing here in defense of life. We pray that all mothers feel the presence and strength of Our Lord each day.

### *The Descent of the Holy Spirit*

Give us strength and courage, O Holy Spirit, to follow the example of the apostles. Though they were fearful, You filled them with faith and courage. Jesus, through Mary, the Spouse of the Holy Spirit, we pray for a New Pentecost today, that all mothers will be filled with the fire of Your love and the faith to accept Your Will.

### *The Assumption*

Most chaste and gentle Mother, be always our model for purity and humility. Mary, most pure and gentle virgin, let us desire only the will of the Father. Help us not to seek rewards on this earth, for Heaven is the greatest reward. We seek only to dwell in the House of the Lord all the days of our life.

### *The Coronation*

Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, we pray that all will come to honor your request to make daily reparation for the sin of abortion which so greatly offends your Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart of your Divine Son.