



# Praying the Divine Love Mysteries

2024

**The Divine Love Mysteries**  
**REFLECTIONS ON THE MYSTERY OF LOVE**

**Infinite Love**  
**Enduring Love**  
**God's Love**  
**Greatest Love**  
**Christian Love**

The existing mysteries prayed with the Rosary (The Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries) all tell the story of Jesus. Together they bring us the life, death and resurrection of our Lord. The new Divine Love Mysteries are a way to remind us of what Jesus has called the greatest Commandments, to Love God and Love each other. The Holy Scripture, from it's original Greek, uses five words for Love. Each word has its own purpose and definition.

The Divine Love Mysteries are a way to help us to fully embrace what Jesus means by Love. What better way than the Rosary, Mary's Prayer, to bring us to a better understanding of Love. After all, it was Mary, who, out of her Love for God, said YES and brought Love into the world. It was also Mary, who, at the Wedding Feast of Cana said "...Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5. He has told us to LOVE.

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**Sign of the Cross**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Holding the crucifix, pray the Apostles' Creed.**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**On the first bead, pray an Our Father.**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

**On each of the next three beads, pray a Hail Mary.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**On the next bead, pray a Glory Be.**

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## THE FIRST DIVINE LOVE MYSTERY

### INFINITE LOVE

#### **Scripture:**

“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he may grant you in accord with the riches of his glory to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the holy ones what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.” - Ephesians 3:14-19

#### **Reflections:** *Reflections for Self, Relationship and Family*

In what ways has your inner self been strengthened by the Holy Spirit?

How are you as a couple grounded or rooted in each others Love and in the Love of Christ?

How are you as a family filled with the fullness of God?

#### **Spiritual Fruit: LOVE**

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**Pray the first decade.**

**On the large bead, announce the mystery and then say an Our Father.**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

**On each of the 10 small beads, say a Hail Mary while continuing to meditate on the mystery.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**At the end of the decade, say the Glory Be.**

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Then say the Fatima Prayer:**

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy. Amen

**Repeat this pattern for the remaining decades.**

**Our Father -> 10 Hail Marys -> Glory Be -> O my Jesus (Fatima Prayer)**

## THE SECOND DIVINE LOVE MYSTERY

### ENDURING LOVE

#### **Scripture:**

“If I speak in human and angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal. And if I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge; if I have all faith so as to move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, [love] is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love.” - 1 Corinthians 13:1-8,13

#### **Reflections:** *Reflections for Self, Relationship and Family*

How would you describe the qualities of Love you see in your self?

How would you describe the qualities of Love you see in your loved one?

In what ways have the member's of your family expressed their unique Love to you?

#### **Spiritual Fruit: JOY**

## THE THIRD DIVINE LOVE MYSTERY

### GOD'S LOVE

#### **Scripture:**

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.” - 1 John 4:7-12

#### **Reflections:** *Reflections for Self, Relationship and Family*

How has God's Love for you helped you to Love others?

How does your spouse's Love for you bring out the best in you?

How has the Love of God been revealed through your family?

#### **Spiritual Fruit: FAITHFULNESS**

## THE FOURTH DIVINE LOVE MYSTERY

### GREATEST LOVE

#### **Scripture:**

“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.” - Matthew 22:36-40

#### **Reflections:** *Reflections for Self, Relationship and Family*

What does it mean to Love yourself?

What does it mean to Love each other with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind? Explain each.

What would your family see as it's two greatest commandments? Be creative.

#### **Spiritual Fruit: KINDNESS**



## THE FIFTH DIVINE LOVE MYSTERY

### CHRISTIAN LOVE

#### **Scripture:**

“When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my lambs.” He then said to him a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, “Do you love me?” and he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” [Jesus] said to him, “Feed my sheep.”” - John 21:15-17

#### **Reflections:** *Reflections for Self, Relationship and Family*

How have you met the needs of those around you?

How does it make you feel and how do you respond when your spouse repeatedly questions you?

In what practical ways does your family show it's Love for God?

#### **Spiritual Fruit: GOODNESS**

## **THE DIVINE LOVE MYSTERIES**

**After the 5 decades, conclude with the Hail Holy Queen.**

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

**Close with the concluding prayer.**

Let us pray:

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 while 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. Rosary Concluding Prayer

**End with the Sign of the Cross.**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



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