

ROSARY SERVICE



Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba

St. Stephen the Martyr
Friday, June 2, 2023





Order of Service

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Prayers

(1) Prelude

Ave Maria (Schubert)

(2) Sign of the Cross:

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. In times of sickness and death, prayers are the best means of consolation, comfort and help that people can give. Let us now begin this Rosary by calling on our Blessed Mother Mary to pray for us now as we pray for **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba**.

God of heaven, You called **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba** from this life. God of Mercy, fulfill her faith and hope in You. Lead **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba** safely home to heaven to be with You forever, filled with joy and peace in Your presence. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

(3) Apostles' Creed:

Leader: 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.

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

(4) The Lord's Prayer:

Leader: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

All: 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.*

(5) Hail Mary: (Repeat 3 times)

Leader: Hail Mary, Full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

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

(6) Glory Be:

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*

(7) First Decade:

A person's life is patterned on the life of Jesus. Jesus was conceived, born, grew in grace, wisdom, and age. As an adult, He worked at a trade, carried on His ministry with difficulty. He suffered, died, and was buried. In the First Decade of the Rosary, let us reflect on the mystery of suffering. Jesus suffered a bitter agony and the cruel scourging to lead us on the way to the Father. Let our prayer intention be that Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba, having accepted the suffering of life, may be at peace with the Lord.

(8) Song 1: It is Well With my Soul

1. When peace like a river
attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot,
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

Refrain:

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

2. Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ (yes, He has)

has regarded my helpless estate
And has shed His own blood
for my soul

Refrain:

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

3. My sin, oh the bliss of
this glorious thought
My sin, not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross,
and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
O my soul

Refrain:

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

4. And Lord, haste the day
when my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trumpet shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well with my soul

Refrain:

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

(9) The Lord's Prayer

(10) Hail Mary: (Repeat 10 times)

(11) Glory Be:

(12) Fatima and the Eternal Rest Prayers:

Leader: O my Jesus,

All: Forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

Leader: Eternal rest grant unto **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba**, O Lord

All: And let perpetual light shine upon her.

Leader: May she rest in peace.

All: Amen.

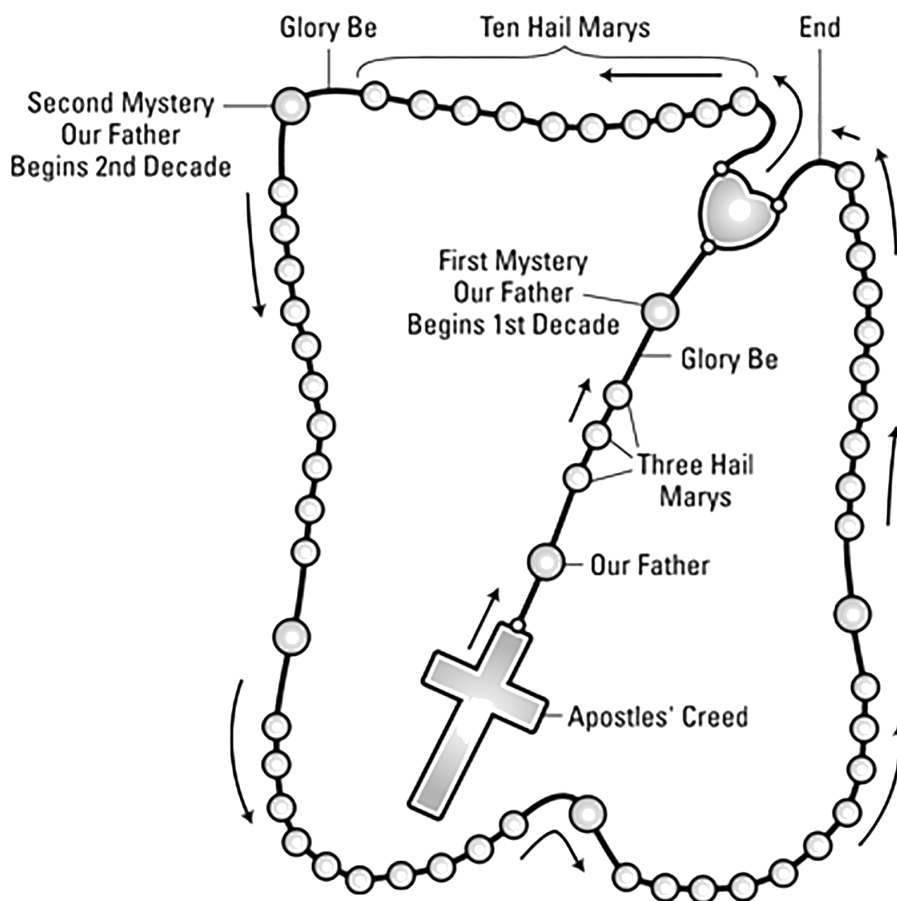
(13) Second Decade:

In the Second Decade, we will consider

how Jesus willingly bore our sins when He was crowned with thorns, carried His cross to Calvary and was then crucified on the cross in a supreme act of love. Let our intention be that **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba** having carried her cross, may now share the glory of a true disciple.

(14) Song 2: Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?



Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.

(15) The Lord's Prayer

(16) Hail Mary: (Repeat 10 times)

(17) Glory Be:

(18) Fatima and the Eternal Rest Prayers:

(19) Third Decade:

In the Third Decade, we will reflect on the Glorious Mystery of Jesus rising from the dead. Jesus said: "I am the Resurrection and the life, whoever believes in Me,

though he should die, will come to life." This is the glory of Easter and of our faith; that we too will be raised to glory. Let our intention be that **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba**, having believed in the Lord is now with Him in glory.

(20) Song 3: Prayer of St. Francis

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life,
let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Refrain:

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand.
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

3. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life

(21) The Lord's Prayer

(22) Hail Mary: (Repeat 10 times)

(23) Glory Be:

(24) Fatima and the Eternal Rest Prayers:



(25) Fourth Decade:

In the Fourth Decade, we contemplate the Ascension of Jesus into heaven and His sending us the Holy Spirit. Before Jesus returned to the Father, He promised the Apostles and all disciples present and future, that He was returning to the Father to prepare a place for them, that He would send His Spirit to guide them and that He would be with them until the end of time. Let our intention be that **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba's** family and all others who mourn loved ones, be assured that they have reached the place that Jesus prepared for them.

(26) Song 4: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, When I, in awesome wonder, Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made; I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades
I wander, And hear the birds sing sweetly
in the trees. When I look down, from lofty

mountain grandeur

And see the brook, and feel the gentle
breeze.

And when I think, that God, His Son not
sparing; Sent Him to die, I scarce can take
it in; That on a Cross, my burdens gladly
bearing, He bled and died to take away my
sin.

When Christ shall come, with shout of
acclamation, And take me home, what
joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow, in
humble adoration, And then proclaim:

“My God, how great Thou art!”

(27) The Lord's Prayer

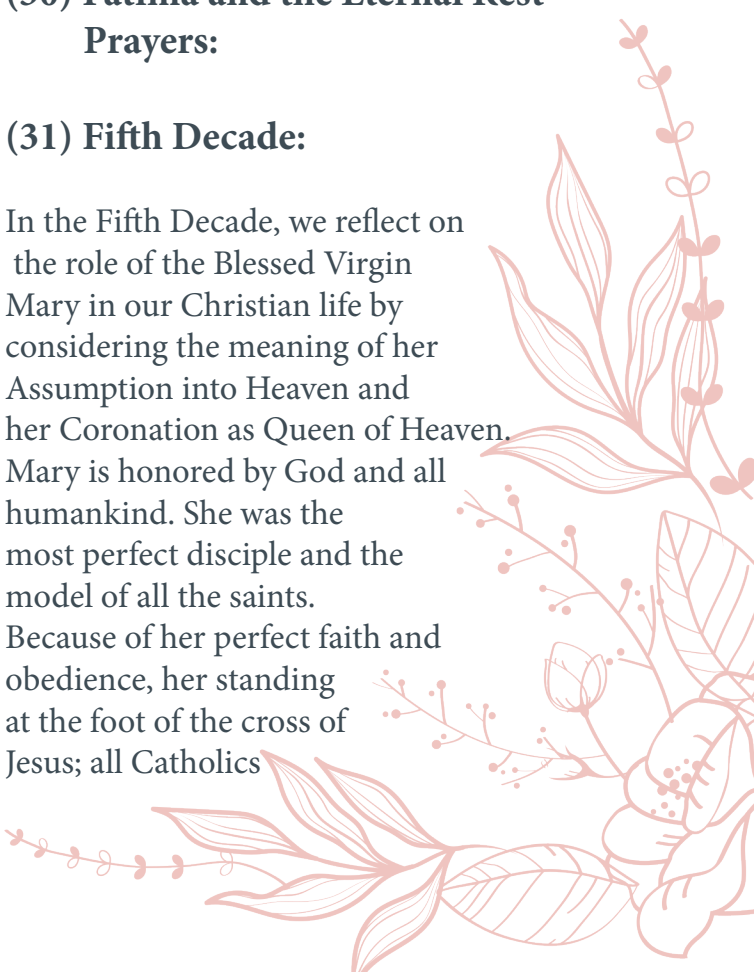
(28) Hail Mary: (Repeat 10 times)

(29) Glory Be:

(30) Fatima and the Eternal Rest Prayers:

(31) Fifth Decade:

In the Fifth Decade, we reflect on
the role of the Blessed Virgin
Mary in our Christian life by
considering the meaning of her
Assumption into Heaven and
her Coronation as Queen of Heaven.
Mary is honored by God and all
humankind. She was the
most perfect disciple and the
model of all the saints.
Because of her perfect faith and
obedience, her standing
at the foot of the cross of
Jesus; all Catholics



believe she was assumed into Heaven, and was honored not only by God, but by all the angels and saints as well. We don't know exactly what her reward was but in our finite way, we say she was crowned with Glory and honor. Her crown of sparking jewels is a symbol of her reward. Let our intention be that **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba** also receives the reward of her faith.

(32) Song 5: Hail Mary, Gentle woman

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

Refrain:

Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright, gentle Mother, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom; teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one.

Blessed are you among women, blest in turn all women, too. Blessed they with peaceful spirits. Blessed they with gentle hearts.

(33) The Lord's Prayer

(34) Hail Mary: (Repeat 10 times)

(35) Glory Be:

(36) Fatima and the Eternal Rest Prayers:

(37) Concluding Prayers

Leader: Hail Holy Queen

All: 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, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy 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.

Leader: O God,

All: 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 upon 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.**

Leader: : Eternal rest grant unto **Joy Ifeoma Egbejimba**, O Lord

All: And let perpetual light shine upon her

Leader: May she rest in peace

All: Amen

Leader: May her soul
and all the souls of
the Faithful Departed
through the Mercy of
God, Rest in Peace.

All: Amen

(38) Sign of the Cross:

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

(39) Closing: Song of Farewell

Come to her aid, O saints of God;

Come meet her, angels of the Lord.
Receive her soul, O holy ones;
Present her now to God, Most High.

May Christ, who called you, take you home,
And angels lead you to Abraham.
Receive her soul, O holy ones;
Present her now to God, Most High.

Give her eternal rest, O Lord.
May light unending shine on her.
Receive her soul, O holy ones;
Present her now to God, Most High.

I know that my Redeemer lives;
The last day I shall rise again.
Receive her soul, O holy ones;
Present her now to God, Most High.











Forever in our hearts