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(A Rosary Meditation for Private Devotion)

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A Rosary of the Mysteries of Mary for use on the feasts of:

St Anne and Joachim	Immaculate Conception
Birth of Mary	The Holy Name of Mary
Presentation of Mary	Betrothal of Joseph and Mary
Joseph the Husband of Mary	Appropriate Marian Feast Days

1st The Promise of Anne

Fruit: Holy Confidence

Anne promises to God that she will dedicate the child she miraculously conceives to the service of God in the Temple.

2nd The Immaculate Conception

Fruit: Holy Presence

In a perfect act of unitive and fruitful intimate love, Mary is Immaculately Conceived in Anne's womb by the power of the Holy Spirit.

3rd The Birth of Mary

Fruit: Rejoicing in the Works of God

Anne gives birth to Mary under the care of the Hosts of Angels. Heaven rejoices at the birth of the New Eve.

4th Anne and Joachim Present Mary to the Temple

Fruit: Self-offering; Resignation/Suspice

Mary is received at the Temple and is placed under the care of the virgins who serve at the Temple. Anna is moved by the Holy Spirit to take Mary under her special care and attention to instruct her in fidelity as a Virgin consecrated to God.

5th Mary is Betrothed to Joseph

Fruit: The Charism of Joseph's Fiat

At the direction of the priests, in accord with the miracle of the lily on Joseph's staff, Mary and Joseph are betrothed, and Mary thus comes under his care and protection as his wife.

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My soul magnifies the Lord
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for He has looked with favour on His lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me Blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for me
and Holy is His Name.

He has Mercy on those who fear Him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of His arm
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich He has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of His servant Israel
for He has remembered his promise of Mercy,
the Promise He made to our Fathers,
to Abraham and his children forever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen



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