

The Magnificat

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

Prevenient Mysteries of the Rosary

A Rosary Meditation for Private Devotion

on the

Conception and Life of Mary

until the

Betrothal to Joseph



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Conditions for Use of the Prevenient Mysteries

1. Local Ordinary can approve prayer of these Rosary Mysteries for his diocese. In such case, the permission applies solely within the jurisdiction of his diocese.
2. Beyond having general permission of the local Ordinary, public prayer requires ecclesial approval of the local pastor/priest of jurisdiction:
 - parish priest
 - spiritual director
 - supervising priest or deacon
 - Superior
 - etc.
3. Outside of having the approval of 1 or 2 above, prayer as a private group requires unanimous consent of all members of the group.
4. Individual prayer is always allowed for personal devotion.
5. Any use, prayer, and promotion of these mysteries must be in accord with the *proviso* included below.

Proviso re: the Prevenient Mysteries

These Rosary Mysteries and the associated reflections are not intended to teach or declare doctrine or dogma of the Church; rather, the topics (i.e., the topics and reflections) are intended to inspire devotion to – and especially meditation on – the work of God prior to the events of the Traditional sets of Rosary Mysteries.

The use of information from historical writings, apocryphal writings, and the Private Revelation are included in accord with the *sensus fidelium*; this does not give them any status as approved teachings. Rather, this demonstrates that there is recognition of these as having been beneficial in prayer and devotion in accord with the Tradition and Magisterial teaching throughout the centuries of the Church. Consequently,

Any use, prayer, and promotion of these Rosary Mysteries is to be done with submission of faith to the teachings of the Church in regard to the topics with acknowledgement that the topics have arisen in the life of the Church in accord with teachings from the Tradition and from Private Revelation as topics worthy of prayer and meditation, yet the topics themselves have not necessarily been approved as doctrines or dogmas in the Church, nor are they declared to be historically accurate.

The Prevenient Mysteries

(A Rosary Meditation for Private Devotion)

[**Prevenient:** that which comes before; anticipating; preparing.]

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 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.

Close the Rosary of The Prevenient Mysteries with The Magnificat