

Meditation Rosary for Black Catholic History

PARTICIPANTS GUIDE

Please be sure to mute your microphone! Thanks!



Praying the Rosary

1. Make the sign of the Cross and pray the Apostles' Creed
2. Pray 1 Our Father, 3 Hail Marys and the Glory Be to the Father
3. Introduce (read) the First mystery. Pray 1 Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father and Fatima prayer
4. Repeat step 3 for each of the next mysteries (2nd – 5th) in the same manner
5. Pray the Hail! Holy Queen on the medal after the five decades are complete.
6. Rosary Prayer
7. Intercessory prayers
8. Prayer to St. Michael
9. Sign of the Cross

PRAYERS

The Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN!**

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 thence He shall 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!**

Our Father (The Lord's Prayer)

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!**

The Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. **AMEN!**

The Glory Be (Doxology)

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

Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy. **AMEN!**

Hail! Holy Queen

Hail! Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do 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.

Rosary 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!**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS **ON THE JOURNEY TO SAINTHOOD**

- Lord God, thank you for the African Americans who are on the road to sainthood.
- You gave us *Venerable Father Augustus Tolton*, who labored among us in times of contradiction, times that were both beautiful and paradoxical.
- Lord God, source of love and compassion, we praise and honor you for the virtuous and charitable life of our brother in Christ, *Venerable Pierre Toussaint*.
- You called *Venerable Henriette Delille* to give herself in service and in love to the slaves and the sick, to the orphan and the aged, to the forgotten and the despised. She also was the co-founder of the **Sisters of the Presentation the congregation who changed its name to the Sisters of the Holy Family**. We give you thanks for your servant and priest.
- You granted *Servant of God Mother Mary Lange* extraordinary trust in your Providence. Lord, you chose Mother Lange to found the **Oblate Sisters of Providence** the first African-American religious congregation.

- Your *Servant of God Julia Greeley* dedicated her life to honoring the Sacred Heart of your Son, and to the humble service of your children, especially the poor.
- Ever loving God, who by your infinite goodness inflamed the heart of your servant and religious, *Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman* with an ardent love for you and the People of God; and joy of the Gospel.
- Father, help us to ingrain the virtues of these holy men and women. Lord, continue to move the journey of these holy men and women to Sainthood forward and encourage the people of God to pray for these efforts to move quickly to conclusion. All holy men and women, pray for us.
- **AMEN!**

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God,
thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

AMEN!

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN!**