

Out of the Upper Room - 05

The Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries



1st Glorious Mystery
Resurrection



2nd Glorious Mystery
Ascension into Heaven



3rd Glorious Mystery
Descent of the Holy Spirit



4th Glorious Mystery
Assumption



5th Glorious Mystery
Crowning of Our Blessed Lady

We are in our last full week of October, month of the Rosary. That went fast! This week we will be taking a look at the last set of Mysteries– The Glorious Mysteries. As you can tell by their title these will be much more happy than the Sorrowful Mysteries we looked at last week. Once again these mysteries start up where the last ones ended. Unlike some of the other mysteries, each of the Glorious Mysteries are celebrated on their own special day in the Church. We will meditate on celebrations that move-Easter, The Ascension, Pentecost, then on specific feast days - Assumption of Mary (August 15), and Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 22).

In the Glorious Mysteries (prayed Wednesday and Sunday) we move out of strictly the Gospels for each Mystery, we will be reading from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Acts of the Apostles, and the Book of Revelations as well. Through these mysteries we see the incredible glory of God and the dream God has for each one of us. We are reminded of what God wants for us– a life lived filled with joy and to be with God for eternity.

First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection : “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise.” (Luke 24: 5-7) The world forever changed on that Sunday morning when Jesus rose from the dead. The prophecies fulfilled, life eternal given to us.

Fruit of the Mystery: Faith

Second Glorious Mystery: The Ascension : “Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God. “ (Luke 24: 50-53) What a sight that would have been to behold! We too, are asked to live our lives with great joy and to spread the word and blessing of God to all who we encounter.

Fruit of the Mystery: Hope

Third Glorious Mystery: Descent of the Holy Spirit: “When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterances.” (Acts 2:1-4) The Apostles were in the upper room, afraid, unsure what to do now that Jesus had Ascended into heaven– then the Holy Spirit came, banished their fears

and uncertainty and filled them with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit– the same gifts we all receive at Confirmation. We too are called to come out of the upper room and spread God’s message throughout the world.

Fruit of the Mystery: Love

Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: “Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death.” Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraph 966 Mary gave her whole life to serving God, raising Jesus, and being the first disciple. At the end of her life, she was brought directly to heaven to remain with her son forever.

Fruit of the Mystery: A happy death

Fifth Glorious Mystery: Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary: “And a great portent appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.” (Revelation 12:1) Mary, the humble, lowly servant of God from the small town, Nazareth, mother of Jesus, is crowned the queen of heaven.

Fruit of the Mystery: Eternal Salvation

As we end our month of the Rosary, let us continue to call on Mary, our mother to intercede and pray for us.

“Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.”

A graphic with the text "DON'T MISS OUT!" in large, bold, colorful letters. "DON'T" is blue, "MISS" is orange, and "OUT!" is green. The letters have a slight shadow effect.

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