

NCCW ROSARY MEDITATIONS
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021 (Ascension Thursday)
Glorious Mysteries

Opening Prayer: Lord Jesus, we recall the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary today, which is also Ascension Day, and in other years, it is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Lord, it also was on May 13, 1981, that Your servant Pope John Paul II was saved from death by the intercession of Your Mother, Our Lady of Fatima. The Church and the world remember with gratitude that he was spared to serve as a courageous witness to Your truth and love.

Apostles' Creed
Our Father
3 Hail Mary

First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection

Meditation: Lord Jesus, this day of resurrection is the pinnacle of the Christian Faith. You broke the bonds of death to rise in a glorified body, a foreshadowing of what we hope to share at the end of time. Your resurrection teaches us that death is not to be feared. In the words of the funeral liturgy, "for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended". Lord, help us to live lives of hope and humility, so that we may share the joys of eternity.

Our Father
10 Hail Mary
Glory Be, Fatima prayer

Second Glorious Mystery: The Ascension

Meditation: Lord Jesus, 40 days after Your resurrection, you were taken up to heaven in the sight of Your apostles. Surely they experienced the emotions of sadness and farewell, and yet in the words of the two men in white who spoke to the apostles, "...why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen Him going into heaven." (Acts 1:11, New American Bible). In these times when we long for Your presence among us, may we be comforted by these words.

Our Father
10 Hail Mary

Glory Be, Fatima prayer

Third Glorious Mystery: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

Meditation: Lord Jesus, You commanded Your apostles to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit, and they, along with Your Mother and other disciples, waited in the upper room. This must have been a time of mixed emotions—anticipation, hope, and even fear. Surely Your Mother was a great comfort to them—perhaps sharing Your early life story with those who had never met her until then. When the Holy Spirit did descend upon them with tongues of fire, they were enabled to speak in many languages and emboldened to preach the Gospel to all nations. Lord, may Your Holy Spirit give us courage to witness to Your message of faith in truth and love.

Our Father,
10 Hail Mary,
Glory Be, Fatima Prayer

Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption

Meditation: Lord Jesus, it was only fitting that Your Blessed Mother, who was conceived without sin, should not suffer death and corruption of her body. She was lifted up to heaven to join You and the Father, and from there she intercedes for her earthly children. May we always seek her protection and honor her as our Mother.

Our Father
10 Hail Mary
Glory Be, Fatima prayer

Fifth Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary

Meditation: Lord Jesus, You crowned Your Mother as Queen of Heaven and Earth. She is not a monarch to be feared, but is a queen of love and mercy. May we never fear to approach her in prayer, knowing that she intercedes for us with You and will always be there for us in our times of need.

Our Father
10 Hail Mary
Glory Be, Fatima prayer

Hail Holy Queen
Closing Prayer