Friday January 13, 2023
The Sorrowful Mysteries

Opening Reflection: The first day of January is celebrated as the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. We continue to honor her tonight with our rosary prayers. Mary has been praised because she believed. She is the Mother of God because Jesus received His human nature from her. The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God celebrates Mary’s faith and trust in God alone. We as the Church want to imitate her faith.

In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen

Apostles’ Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary for virtue of Faith, Hope, Charity, Glory Be

The First Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony in the Garden
Fruit of the Mystery: Conform to God’s Will

Meditation: Mary said yes to the Angel of God to bear the Son of God. She did this out of Love, but in her humanity, she was at first confused or perhaps afraid. Yet, she accepted God’s will.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Fatima Prayer

The Second Sorrowful Mystery: The Scourging at the Pillar
Fruit of the Mystery: The Virtue of Purity

Meditation: We rejoiced with Mary at the birth of her Son. Years later, imagine looking on as she watched her Son be scourged. It broke her heart to see Jesus in pain. We have to remember what they both endured for our sins and pray we become stronger to avoid sin.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Fatima Prayer

The Third Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns
Fruit of the Mystery: Moral Courage

Meditation: Mary, stood in silence when the crowd rejected and persecuted Jesus. We have to remember Mary’s courage when we are harassed and bullied because of our Faith.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Fatima Prayer
The Fourth Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross
Fruit of the Mystery: The Virtue of Patience

*Meditation*: Mary knew Jesus was here to do wonderful things in this world. Patience was a virtue she possessed, she shows love and kindness to all that rejected her son. We can find ways to offer kindness or to do little things for others with love, and with great patience.

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

The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion
Fruit of the Mystery: Forgiveness

*Meditation*: The Crucifixion reminds us there is nothing that God won’t do to show us His love. There is nothing we have to do to earn His love, His grace. And when we sin, all we have to do is repent with a sincere heart and He forgives us fully. We in turn must offer forgiveness to others. This reconciliation is a gift from God.

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

Hail Holy Queen
Concluding Prayer
Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

*In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.*