# THE MOTHER OF MERCY ROSARY



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#### BACKGROUND

In early 2003, Chris Courtis, a visionary who has experienced public apparitions and messages from God the Father, Jesus, and Mary since March of 2000, wanted more than the traditional 20 mysteries of the Rosary for meditation as he prayed the Rosary daily. He gathered 20 pieces of lined paper and a pencil and outlined 20 new Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious mysteries. He wrote the mysteries drawing inspiration from the writings of other visionaries such as the "Mystical City of God" by Mary of Agreida as well as Church legends and scenes shown to him by the Blessed Mother in her private apparitions to him. He also felt the promptings of the Holy Spirit in selecting these particular mysteries. He then illustrated each one, completing the task in 20 days. He titled this Rosary "The Madonna of Miracles."

Chris intended these mysteries to be for his own private use, but then, on April 25, 2006, our Mother of Mercy made this announcement in her first message through Chris at the prayer meeting:

"I am speaking to you, my little one and to everybody here. I desire publicly to announce that the Rosary that you made for me that I have now changed to Mother of Mercy, I desire it to be given out on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Do not worry about how this will happen. You have everything that you need. You have help, my dear one. It will be ready by May 25<sup>th</sup>, and I will explain more about it and how to pray it."

Because the illustrations were drawn in pencil and on lined paper, it was difficult to reproduce them clearly. The pencil drawings were reinforced with a black pen where possible, but most of the paper lines had to remain. The results were printed in response to Mother of Mercy's request to have them given out at the prayer meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of the Mother of Mercy.

On May 25, 2006, our Mother of Mercy gave us the following message through Chris:

"My dear little children, praised be Jesus!

My dear children, today, on this great feast day of me as your Mother of Mercy, I bring not only the Child Jesus who I hold in my arms but the whole Heavenly Court. (*I see many, many people and angels. They're all around.*) Today, I desire to invite you back to more prayer. That is why I desire to call you to pray the Mother of Mercy Rosary. I desire to give you this new devotion alongside my chaplet so that you may know and that you may better understand the mysteries of God, which are laid within me. Therefore, dear children, I wish to give you this gift. The mysteries are inspired by the Holy Spirit, and they call you to a deeper faith, trust in me, your mother. There are many mysteries in this Rosary about me, your mother. Through this Rosary, you will come to understand my mysteries more and how I am not only the Mother of God but your Mother of Mercy.

"Yes, it is true, I changed the name of this Rosary. It was at one time called the Madonna of Miracles. I changed it to the Mother of Mercy because it was through each instance that when the miracle was proclaimed, it was through me interceding under the title of Mother of Mercy. God granted these miracles and these graces through me who interceded on your behalf. That is why I changed the name to Mother of Mercy because every miracle that I helped to intercede for and obtain came forth from my loving mercy and from God's unceasing, divine mercy working through me.

"I desire to tell you how it should be prayed. For example, on Sunday, you shall start off with the Joyful Mysteries of the regular Rosary. Then on Monday, you shall say the Luminous Mysteries of the regular Rosary. Then, on Tuesday, you shall pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the regular Rosary, and then on Wednesday, you shall pray the Glorious Mysteries of the regular Rosary. Then on Thursday, you shall pray the Joyful Mysteries of me, your Mother of Mercy. And then on Friday, you shall pray the Luminous Mysteries of me, your Mother of Mercy. Then on Saturday, you shall pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of me, your Mother of Mercy. And on Sunday, you shall pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Mother of Mercy Rosary. Thus you shall pray, and it shall be for eight days, four devoted to the regular Rosary and four days devoted to my Rosary. Eight is the completion of God. It is perfect in its in form and in its symbol. It is complete and whole. Therefore, for eight days you shall pray, four devoted to the regular Rosary and again, four devoted to my Rosary. And that is it. You shall pray like this all the time. I desire you to draw closer to my Merciful Immaculate Heart, and this is one way that I am accomplishing it, through this Rosary and the Chaplet of Mother of Mercy..... This message that I give is for the world, but it is also for those who wish to accept it, for anyone is invited to pray the Rosary, if they wish ... "

## THE

## JOYFUL

## **MYSTERIES**

## Of The Mother Of Mercy Rosary

#### THE FIRST JOYFUL MYSTERY



The Finding of Mary in the Garden

Mary is two years old and St. Anna cannot find her. She had turned around and the little child Mary was gone. St. Anna begins to panic and prays to God, "Oh, my God, I am so sorry for having lost your little girl. Pease have mercy on me, Oh Mighty Father, and help me find her." Just then, she hears Mary giggle. She looks down and finds Mary in the rose garden playing. Mary is picking the petals off of the roses. The petals symbolize graces from Jesus.

Fruit of the mystery: When you find Mary, you will find Jesus.

#### THE SECOND JOYFUL MYSTERY



Mary Prays For St. Joseph So He May Perform the Holy Will of God

St. Joseph does not know what to think about Mary being with child so he goes home to pray and think on these things. Mary begins to pray and ask God to help St. Joseph to have a clearer understanding of God's Holy Will and that he may perform God's Most Holy Will. That night, through the intercession of the Blessed Mother Mary, God sends St. Gabriel to St. Joseph to tell him to take Mary for his wife and that the baby to be born is the Son of God.

Fruit of the mystery: Through Mary, we come to know the Holy Will of God.

#### THE THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY



The Baby Jesus Provides Food for His Father and Mother

Fleeing into Egypt, Mary becomes hungry. Joseph asks, "Are you hungry Mary? You have not eaten anything for two days." Mary says, "Yes, a little," As they continue their journey, Joseph and Mary see some figs on a fig tree, but it is too high for Joseph to reach, even with his staff. Mary looks at the Baby Jesus so lovingly that He is moved with compassion for His mother. The Baby Jesus raises His hands and the branch of the fig tree lowers itself down to the ground so Mary may eat from it.

Fruit of the mystery: With one look from Mary, all hearts melt.

#### THE FOURTH JOYFUL MYSTERY



Arriving in Egypt, Mary and the Baby Jesus Exorcised All the Demons into Hell.

As they enter the city, a tree near the gate bows its branches, even to the earth, rendering homage to its Creator and thanking Him and His mother for delivering it from a demon who had for a long time been venerated by the Egyptians. Exorcising His supreme power as He passes through the city, the Baby Jesus with His mother cast all the demons into hell and overthrow the idols and destroy their temples.

<u>Fruit of the mystery:</u> In the Most holy Names of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, all demons are cast into hell.

#### THE FIFTH JOYFUL MYSTERY



Mary and the Baby Jesus in Egypt/Mother of Joy

The fame of the sanctity of the Holy Family spreads throughout the city, and persons of every condition flock to visit them. Our Lord answers that Mary should instruct them in the truths of the faith and the knowledge of the true God. She devotes herself particularly to the care of the poor and infirm in whose favor she exercised not only her charity but also her wisdom and power. So great is the number that flocks to her that she asks Our Lord to permit St. Joseph to aid her in the work.

Fruit of the mystery: Mary takes great joy in helping us.

## THE

## LUMINOUS

## **MYSTERIES**

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#### THE FIRST LUMINOUS MYSTERY



The Blessed Mother at the Wedding of Cana

After His return to Galilee with His first disciples, Jesus and His mother are invited to Cana, near Nazareth, to attend the wedding of a young couple they knew. During the dinner, Mary notices that there is no more wine. She goes over to Jesus and whispers to Him, "They have no wine." Jesus says to her, "What is that to you and to Me?" Mary turns to the servants and says, "Do whatever He tells you." At that word, Jesus changes the water into wine.

Fruit of the mystery: Through the intercession of Our Lady, all things are possible.

#### THE SECOND LUMINOUS MYSTERY



Mary Brings the Children to Jesus for a Blessing

One day after Jesus has been teaching for many hours, some children try to get a blessing from Him. But one of the apostles, named Judas, tells them "The Master is very busy, please come back some other time." Mary, seeing that the children were disappointed, says to them "Do you wish to see the Master?" One of the children says, "Yes, we do, but that man said we couldn't." Mary says, "Come with me, I am His mother. I will introduce you to the Master." She takes the children right to Jesus for Him to bless them.

Fruit of the mystery: Mary brings us to Jesus.

#### THE THIRD LUMINOUS MYSTERY

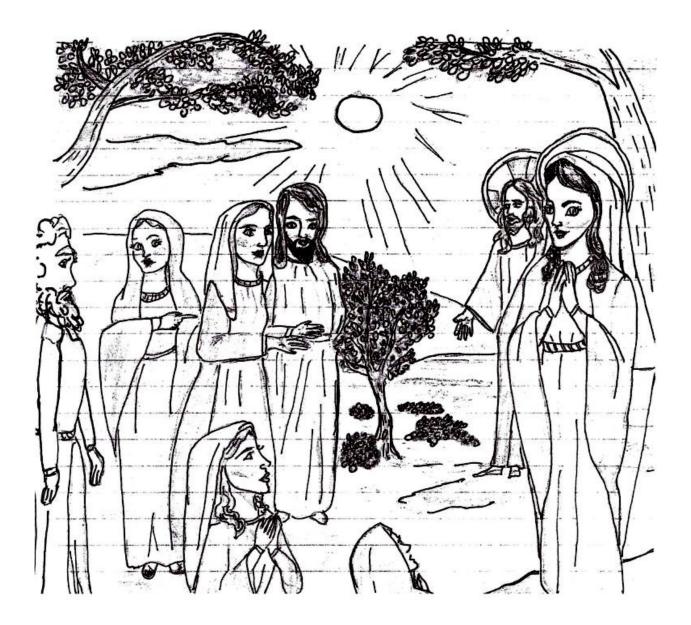


#### Mary and Mary Magdalene Become Friends

One year after meeting Jesus, Mary Magdalene meets the Blessed Mother Mary, Mother of Jesus, God. When Magdalene meets Mary, she begins to understand just how women are to act. The Blessed Mother Mary tells her many things including that in order to love the Lord more, we must sacrifice ourself to him the way he has done for us. The Blessed Mother tells her that God and Jesus love her very much and to seek the mercy of God. Mary Magdalene loves the Blessed Mother Mary so much that she forms her life after her, and she takes her as her own mother.

Fruit of the mystery: Do not let sin keep you from the love and mercy of God.

#### THE FOURTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY



Mary Reveals Herself to the Apostles and the Holy Women as the Mother of God

One day, a woman named Mary says to the Blessed Mother Mary, "You and His father must be so pleased with Him." Our Lady answers, "Yes, I am proud of Him but so is His Heavenly Father." Then one of the other Marys says, "Is it true what they say about Him, that Joseph is not His father?" Our Lady says, "Yes, it is true. Listen and I shall tell you how I found out I was with child. One morning I got up to get water from the well when suddenly I saw an angel of the Lord." Then she proceeds to tell the story of her joyful annunciation.

<u>Fruit of the Mystery:</u> Mary is the Mother of God, or Theotokus, which means God Bearer

#### THE FIFTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY



Mary Humbly Receives the Eucharistic Jesus

Knowing that the moment of the first Holy Communion is near, the Mother of God becomes absorbed in prayer and meditation, in close spiritual union with her Son's prayer and actions. Our Lord takes a particle of the Consecrated Bread and gives it to the invisible Archangel Gabriel who takes it to Mary without anyone else being aware of what is happening. When she sees Gabriel approach, she humbly receives her Eucharistic Lord with reverence and fear and joy, giving thanks to God with all her heart. She receives the Eucharistic Jesus in the presence of the holy women and Magdalene.

<u>Fruit of the Mystery:</u> The Eucharist is truly the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

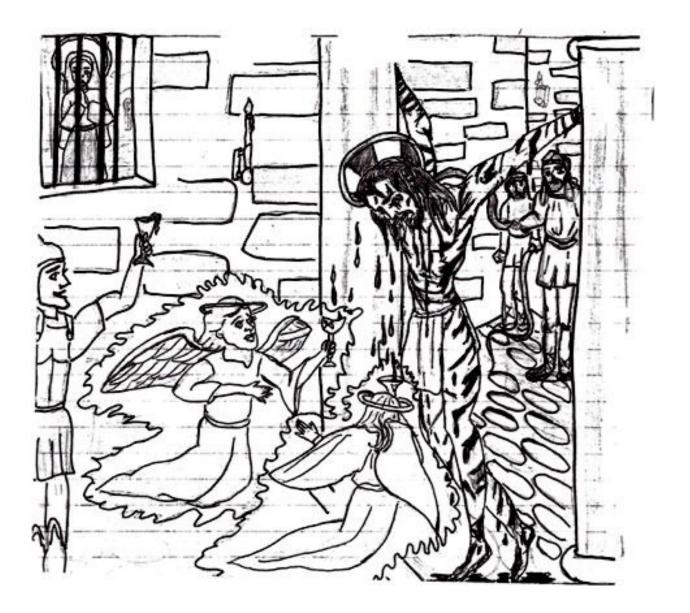
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## SORROWFUL

## **MYSTERIES**

### Of the Mother of Mercy Rosary

#### THE FIRST SORROWFUL MYSTERY



Mary Asks the Angels to Gather Up the Blood of Jesus

His veins are opened by the fall and by the blows he receives, for He cannot rise because His hands are chained and fastened behind His back. The prudent and tender mother commands the angels to gather up and preserve the drops of Precious Blood, that they might not be profaned and trampled underfoot. She also commands them to support their Creator when He is in danger of falling. But she does not give this order until she obtains the permission of the Lord. The Lord answers her prayer.

Fruit of the mystery: The Blood of Jesus Christ is our life and our joy!

#### THE SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY



Mary Sees Jesus Humiliated Before the People

Pilate says to the crowd, "Behold the man! What cause have you to fear that He will make Himself king since He no longer resembles a man and nothing can be found in Him deserving of death?" But the infuriated mob cries out, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" At this sorrowful spectacle, the Blessed Mary, our agonizing queen, prostrates herself upon the ground and acknowledges Jesus to be true God and true Man. In this act, she is joined by St. John, the holy women, and the angels. The Jews, seeing that Pilate is anxious to deliver Jesus, raise a great tumult and threaten Pilate if he does not put Jesus to death.

Fruit of the mystery: To acknowledge that Jesus Christ is true God and true Man!

#### THE THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY

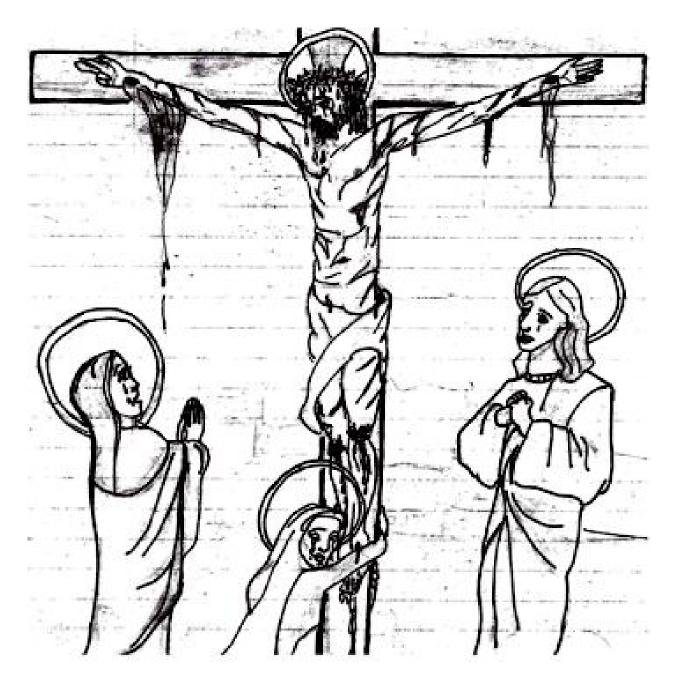


Mary Meets Jesus and Cries Tears of Blood

As Jesus ascends to Calvary, He is met by His Blessed Mother Mary. Jesus sees Mary and Mary sees Jesus. No pain and no sorrow is hidden from each of their eyes. They share each others' martyrdom. At this point Mary begins to cry tears of blood. What sorrow of that Son, to behold His mother in an agony like that of death! However, the crowd of people is so big and their attention is so focused on Jesus that no one but Jesus sees His mother cry tears of blood. Mary's sorrow is so great that she would die of grief if she were not supported by God.

Fruit of the mystery: Mary suffers in great silence!

#### THE FOURTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY



At The Crucifixion, Mary Becomes Our Mother

After the conversion of the good thief, Jesus casts a look of inexpressible love upon His mother and utters the words, "Woman, behold thy son," thus giving her to St. John, to whom He said, "Behold thy mother." It is nearly three o'clock when He addresses to His Eternal Father the words, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" The next words are, "I thirst. It is consummated." When Mary first hears these words she knows in her heart that Jesus is dying. She looks at him so lovingly, and with tears in her eyes she hears him speak his last words, "Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit. After He says this, he expires.

Fruit of the mystery: It is through the Cross of Jesus that Mary becomes our mother.

#### THE FIFTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY



Mary Holds the Body of Her Son Jesus in Her Arms

Joseph of Arimathea begs Mary to depart, but she replies, "As I have had the consolation of being present at my son's death upon the Cross, permit me to have that of seeing Him removed from there, for this act of great piety will give me more relief than pain and suffering. They begin to remove the mangled body of Jesus. To receive the Sacred Body, the Holy Virgin kneels down and stretches out her arms. St. John supports His head and Magdalene the feet. Mary cries tears. They lay the Divine Body on the bosom of the dolorous mother. She cradles the body of her dead Son in her arms. Her sorrow is very great.

Fruit of the mystery: Those who love Jesus will suffer.

## THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

## Of the Mother of Mercy Rosary

#### THE FIRST GLORIOUS MYSTERY



Mary Asks Jesus to Appear to the Disciples

After the Resurrection, Jesus appears to His Blessed Mother. Upon appearing to her in her room, He says, "Woman, weep not. Let the tears of pain be turned into tears of great joy, for behold, thy Son who was dead is alive again. Behold, My mother, I am here." When Mary opens her eyes, her Son Jesus stands before her. Mary is filled with great joy! She prostrates herself upon the ground and begins to adore her Son and Lord who, raising her, draws her to His side. Then the Blessed Mother says, "Oh, my Son, would you do me the favor of appearing to the disciples so that in their grief they may see and believe?" Jesus, says, "Yes, then blesses her, and leaves.

Fruit of the mystery: Mary performs miracles in the name of her Son Jesus Christ.

#### THE SECOND GLORIOUS MYSTERY



Mary Is the Missing Link to the Holy Spirit

The Blessed Mother knows the time in which the Holy Spirit is to come. She communicates this to the apostles to pray with fervor and to beg the Holy Spirit to come. While they are praying, uniting themselves to their queen with great fervor, at the hour of three, they hear frightful thunder and impetuous wind accompanied with great splendor, like lightning and fire, which seem to invest the supper room and fill it with light. This divine fire spreads itself over this holy assembly and rests on the head of each one in the form of a tongue of this same fire in which the Holy Spirit came. They are all filled with the Holy Spirit.

Fruit of the mystery: Through the Blessed Mother, you can receive the Holy Spirit.

#### THE THIRD GLORIOUS MYSTERY



#### Mary Comes to the Aid of a Dying Woman

A woman who is on her deathbed is being tormented by demons. Mary sees all of this and prays for her. Just as the woman is dying, the Blessed Mother, accompanied by the angels and St. John, is transported to her room. When the dying woman sees her, she says, "My Queen, a woman who visited me a few days ago persuaded me that the disciples of Jesus have deceived me and told me that I should separate myself from them and from thee." The Blessed Mother replies, "My daughter, the woman who appeared to thee was the demon, thy enemy. I come then, on the part of the Most High to give thee eternal life." After receiving pardon for her sin, she receives Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and dies, escorted to Heaven by the Blessed Mother herself.

<u>Fruit of the mystery:</u> The Blessed Mother leads us to salvation by giving us Jesus, her Son.

#### THE FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY



The Holy Trinity Crowns Mary As Daughter, Mother, and Spouse

Upon being taken up to heaven after her death, Mary is triply crowned as the august Queen of Heaven. All the angels blow their horns and say, "All in Heaven, all in Purgatory, all you on earth, praise the Holy Trinity for giving you Mary as your Queen of Heaven and Earth." Just then, God the Father crowns her and says to her, "You are My beloved daughter!" Then Jesus crowns her and says, "You are My beloved mother!" Then the Holy Spirit crowns her and says, "You are my beloved spouse!" Then speaking as one, they say to her, "And to you, we will deny you nothing. Whatever thee asks, it will be given to you! Amen."

Fruit of the mystery: Trust in Mary's intercession.

#### THE FIFTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY



Mary Appears to the Apostles

St. Thomas the Apostle arrives at the tomb where the Blessed Mother had been laid to rest three days earlier. Anxious to behold the mother of his Savior one last time, Thomas helps the other apostles roll back the stone of the tomb. Nothing is found inside but the simple robes of the Blessed Mother and a magnificent garden of blooming lilies growing in the darkness. Astounded, the apostles cry out as one, "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death, Amen!" At the conclusion of this prayer, the Blessed Mother appears before them clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. With joy they fall to their knees. Our Lady says, "Dear children of God, I am with you always. Love my Son! Serve my Son! Be like my Son! "

Fruit of the mystery: Mary lives!"