



THE PARISH CHURCH OF

St Mary
the Virgin

SWANLEY

The Rosary: The Prayers



If we are saying the Rosary together, then the leader says everything in this type

And the people say everything in this type

**Lord Jesus Christ, whose mother
the Queen of the Holy Rosary,
witnessed yours sufferings
and underwent the piercing of her heart
through love of you:
inspire in my heart a true love of this devotion
so that by meditating
on the mysteries of our redemption
which are recalled in it,
I may be enriched with its fruits
and obtain peace for the world,
the conversion of sinners,
and the fullness of your grace.
I ask this for the greater glory of God,
for the honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
and for the good of souls, especially my own.**

Then, holding the crucifix of the rosary, all say:

**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.
The third day he rose again from the dead. He
ascended into heaven,
and sitteth 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.**

If we are saying the rosary with others, the leader says the first part of the prayer, and we all join in the second half:

**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.**

*At the beginning of the Rosary, an Our Father is followed by
three Hail Marys and then a Glory Be:*

**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.**

**Glory be to the Father, and the to Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.**

**As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. World without end.
Amen.**

*The leader announces the mysteries for meditation. For each
of the five reflections there is an Our Father, 10 Hail Marys
and a Glory be. When they have been completed, we may sing:*

**Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiae,
vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus exules filii Hevæ,
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos
misericordes oculos ad nos converte;
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exilium ostende.
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.**

which means:

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our
hope; hail. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to you do
we send up our sighs; mourning and weeping, in this vale of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us. And
after this exile, show to 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.**

**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, meditating upon 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.**