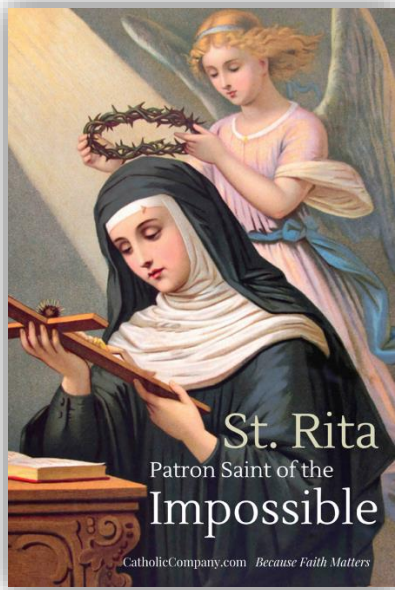


CHAPLET OF SAINT RITA



Feast Day: May 22

Patron: of impossible cases, difficult marriages, and parenthood

Birth: 1381 Death: 1472

Beatified: by Pope Urban VII in 1627

Canonized: by Pope Leo XIII on May 24, 1900

The Chaplet of Saint Rita is prayed on 3 sets of 3 blue beads that have a medal on one end and a cross on the other end. Example: Medal + 3 + 3 + 3 + Cross.

Begin with the following prayer:

O Holy St. Rita, exemplary Augustinian Sister, we honor you for your devotion to the Passion of Christ. Although your early life was filled with disappointment, frustration, and unceasing tragedy, you never lost faith and trust in God. For this you are the patroness of the impossible, and our inspiration and advocate in desperate circumstances.

Then, pray 3 "Our Father", 3 "Hail Mary", and 3 "Glory be"

About St. Rita's Death:

One of those who visited her some few months before her death — a relative from her hometown of Roccaporena — was privileged to witness firsthand the extraordinary things wrought by Rita's requests. When asked whether she had any special desires, Rita asked only that a rose from the garden of her parents' home be brought to her. It was a small favor to ask, but quite an impossible one to grant in the month of January! Nevertheless, on returning home the woman discovered, to her amazement, a single brightly-colored blossom on the bush where the nun said it would be. Picking it, she returned immediately to the monastery and presented it to Rita who gave thanks to God for this sign of love. Thus, the saint of the thorn became the saint of the rose, and she whose impossible requests were granted her became the advocate of all those whose own requests seem impossible as well. As she breathed her last, Rita's final words to the sisters who gathered around her were, "Remain in the holy love of Jesus. Remain in obedience to the holy Roman Church. Remain in peace and fraternal charity." See more of her life: <https://st-rita.org/the-story-of-st-rita-of-cascia/>