

Taking the Rosary out of the Box

Are you looking for unique ways to include the rosary in your family's routine? Since prayer is a relationship, it develops with time and attention. Regardless of what your household looks like, here are some creative ways to bring Mother Mary's favorite prayer into the life of your family. When you approach her, she cannot help but draw you close.

The Relay Rosary

Rather than trying to fit in the whole rosary at once, focus on one decade each night, passing the family rosary to a new person to lead each time.

The Rosary Walk

Take your family outside with their rosaries for physical and spiritual exercise. You can even create a decade of "beads" out of garden stones in your backyard or out of sidewalk chalk in the driveway!

The Rosary Bouquet

Put a vase in front of an image of Mary, and have fresh or artificial flowers available. With each Hail Mary, a member of the family sets a flower in the vase. This visual reminds your family to make the rosary a gift of love.

The Walk-by Rosary

Put a cord with ten beads where it will be at the center of the household's activity. Individuals can silently pray a Hail Mary when walking by and pull a bead to the other end of the cord. The family works together to complete the decade by the end of each day.

The Picture Rosary

Use photos of the mysteries (e.g. from a book on the rosary, printed from online, or projected on a screen) to enter into the life of Jesus and Mary with your imagination. Ask your family questions about how they imagined the scene afterward, and how they reacted to the mystery.





“The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God... and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary.”

Pope Saint Pius X



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