

Glorious Mysteries

1st Glorious Mystery

The Resurrection

Sunday morning dawned and a beautiful light appeared in the sky. The heavy stone rolled away. And Jesus, strong and alive rose from the dead. He visited His mother and thanked her. He appeared to His apostles. His rising from death brings a promise of new life for us. This was the first Easter.

2nd Glorious Mystery

The Ascension

For forty days Jesus remained on earth after His resurrection. He talked to His friends, telling them about heaven and the work they must do first for God. Then one Thursday, He took them all up on Mount Olivet. Jesus gave His last instructions and said goodbye. He began to rise, stretching out His hands and blessed them. He is seated at God's right hand.

3rd Glorious Mystery

The Descent of the Holy Spirit

We remember that Jesus promised that He would never leave his friends alone. We call to mind that on Pentecost, Jesus' followers were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. Their hearts received God's peace and energy. Pentecost Sunday is considered the birthday of the Catholic Church.

4th Glorious Mystery

The Assumption

Just as Mary loved her son, so did Jesus have a very special love for His mother. Mary was taken to heaven, body and soul when she died. We can picture her in heaven with Jesus as she tells us how glorious heaven is. From heaven, Mary cares for us, as her children.

5th Glorious Mystery

The Crowning of Mary (The Coronation)

Jesus prepares a special place for His mother. We imagine the angels all around as Jesus welcomes Mary to the center of heaven. He crowns her Queen of Heaven. She is now our Queen and the Queen of the Universe. It is a crown of twelve stars.