

The Apostles' Creed: 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. On the third day He arose again; He ascended into heaven, and is seated 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

The Our Father: 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. Amen.

The Hail Mary: 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. Amen

Glory Be to the Father: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Fatima Prayer: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Your Mercy".

The Hail, Holy Queen: Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy! our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley, of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Let Us Pray. 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 both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen."

"In the present international situation, I appeal to all - individuals, families and communities - to pray the rosary for peace, even daily, so that the world will be preserved from the dreadful scourge of terrorism."

-Saint John Paul II

"When they put the chains on my hands it was the chain itself that had ten links on it. I used it to pray the Rosary. It was the best Rosary of my entire life."

- Fr. Douglas Bazi, Iraq
He was kidnapped, chained, and tortured for 9 days.

The Wakeup Project responds to the cry of the persecuted Christians. We want to spread the word about what they are suffering, encourage others to pray and to live the faith with courage.

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The Rosary: More Powerful Than the Atomic Bomb

On August 6, 1945, an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Japan. Over 140,000 were killed, and many were left wounded. Eight blocks from the hypocenter, Jesuit missionaries walked away from the devastation unharmed and never would have any effects from the radiation. The Jesuit missionaries prayed the Rosary everyday.

"We believe that we survived because we were living the message of Fatima."

The night of August 6, 2014, many were forced to abandon their Christian cities in the Nineveh Plain. There are over 300,000 Iraqi refugees because of the persecution. There were 25,000 Christians in Mosul before the arrival of the Islamic State. Now, there are none. Christians are being persecuted. They are being pushed out of their towns and homes. They are being tortured and killed for their faith.

What would happen if we joined together to pray the Rosary for them?

Pray, whether in the morning, in the evening or at night; alone, with friends, or with family; at school, at work, in the subway, or in the car; in the hospital, at church, or in your home. If we pray the Rosary we will be able to spiritually support the persecuted Christians and help strengthen them in their sufferings through the power of prayer.

How to pray the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Holding the Crucifix, say the Apostles' Creed.
3. On the first bead, say an Our Father.
4. Say three Hail Marys on each of the next three beads.
5. Say the Glory Be
6. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery then say the Our Father.
7. While moving each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten Hail Marys while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a Glory Be.
- (After finishing each decade, some say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.)
8. After saying the five decades, say the Hail, Holy Queen.



Glorious Mysteries Meditations for the Persecuted Christians

1. The Resurrection of Jesus (Mat 28,1-6)

Christ, by your Resurrection, you show us your power over sin and death. Eternal life is worth any sacrifice and cross we must bare in this life. Let us take confidence in your promise of eternal life and suffer what we must to stay true to you.

"The prize is so great. It is an entire eternity that is truly worth it. Any sacrifice that I might have to make here is worth it, any renouncement. I can't have such a tiny small heart to try to live comfortably with pleasures for a few years in this world. How many years? Fifty? One hundred? One hundred ten? And afterwards? It's worth it to be a true Christian! Being Christian half-way doesn't serve for anything! And what is at risk is Eternal Life."

- Sr. Maria of Guadalupe Rodrigo, SSM. Missionary in Syria

2. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven (Luk 24,36-51)

Your Ascension into heaven reminds us that you are waiting for us there. Help us to never take our eyes off of heaven, and grant us an ever-growing desire to be there with You.

"They see it as a grace because the situation they are in makes them live with their eyes fixed on Heaven. Their eyes are fixed on Heaven, and no one takes their gaze from there. They say, "They can take whatever they want, they can kill me and cut my head off, but they can't take Heaven away from me. They can't." And this is their strength. And this strength is manifested even in front of their persecutors." - Sr. Maria of Guadalupe Rodrigo, SSM.

3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit (Act 2,1-4)

Jesus, send the Holy Spirit and strengthen those who face dangers and even death for following you. Send forth your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

"I think that the Syrian Christians are very brave, and the Iraqi Christians also. And they aren't brave because that's how they are - I think the Holy Spirit supports us and accompanies us in everything, because if not, you couldn't continue forward. So the people are stronger and more firm in their Faith, they don't leave the Faith, many don't want to leave." - Mireille Al Farah, Syria

4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven (Jdt 13,18-20; 15,10)

Mary, you were assumed into heaven. We know that you pray and care for us and continue to make your maternal presence known. With you, all fear vanishes.

"The Virgin Mary is our protector, our Mother, and She is protecting us every day. We know that She loves Eastern Christians very much, and she protects us." - Mireille Al Farah

5. Coronation of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth (Rev 12,1)

Mary, we call to you as our Queen and Mother. Pray for us, help us in all our needs. We know that you never abandon those who turn to you with trust.

"She is a real mother. She is a real mother taking care of her kids, taking care of her sons. I remember the Rosary very well, because when I was praying I was not just asking; it was the feeling that I was not alone." - Fr. Douglas Bazi, Iraq