

## HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY:

1. *Make the sign of the Cross with the crucifix of the beads and recite: "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."*

2. *Holding the crucifix, recite 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified; died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, sits 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 the life everlasting. Amen."*

3. *On first separate bead, recite the "Our Father."*

*On each of the three beads at the tail recite a "Hail, Mary" for the virtues of Faith, Hope, and Love.*

4. *On the separate bead at the top of the tail recite the "Our Father".*

*On each of the first ten beads of the loop recite a "Hail, Mary".*

*Conclude this "decade" with "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."*

*Followed by this prayer: "Oh my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of Hell. Lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Your mercy."*

5. *Repeat this on each of the four following groups of beads*

6. *At the end of all five decades, recite 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 vale of tears; turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy 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."*

7. *Close the Rosary by making the sign of the Cross*