

# Meditation Rosary: Joyful Mysteries

## **1st Mystery: Annunciation**

**Fruit of the Mystery: Humility**

*"Then the angel left her."* What an immense and heavy secret he leaves with the Virgin: barely a few minutes of dialogue, and now the Virgin is alone again, but with her heart and womb heavy with an infinite treasure. And the day in its most ordinary routine will follow the next, but nourished by an immense mystery. The Virgin lived like us the grayness of everyday life, *"the time so long in the patience so great."* May she teach us to keep our inner joy intact and deeply rooted, may she help us to nourish our society with Christian principles, sometimes in the obscurity of our days.

## **2nd Mystery: Visitation**

**Fruit of the Mystery: Charity**

The Virgin does not wait; she sets out immediately: the angel's announcement does not confine her to herself; it opens her, on the contrary, towards her neighbor. Charity urges her, invites her to serve her cousin. Saint Pius X shows us throughout his life given to God and to others, especially to the poor, what he taught about the principle of a Christian civilization: charity must imbue not only our personal life but also the entire life of society. May the grace we received at our baptism push us to serve society and not confine us to ourselves.

## **3rd Mystery: Nativity**

**Fruit of the Mystery: Poverty**

What is the spirit of poverty if not knowing that all things are destined for God and for our salvation? By being born in poverty, Jesus teaches us to see all things from the perspective of eternal life. It is not a matter of despising the goods that He Himself offers us through His Creation: He refuses neither the swaddling clothes of His mother nor the gold of the Magi. But if this were to become a burden for us, then, Lord, give us the strength to detach ourselves from it: better to enter poor into the Kingdom of Heaven than to burn in eternal Gehenna. May our society rediscover the spiritual meaning of material goods.

## **4th Mystery: Presentation of the Child Jesus at the temple**

**Fruit of the Mystery: Obedience and purit**

Did Jesus need to be ransomed to God, as the law of Moses provided for firstborn children, when He is His only Son? Did the Virgin need to be purified, she who gave birth without

pain? And yet the entire Holy Family submits to the law of the Old Testament, because it is the law that God gave to His chosen people. Imperfect, it remains, however, the Law. We offer you, Lord, the sometimes difficult obedience we owe to our superiors here below, in reparation for the bad laws, especially those against life.

**5th Mystery: Finding of the Child Jesus at the Temple**

**Fruit of the Mystery: Seeking God in all things**

Let us meditate on this decade from its fruit: what place does the good God really take in our lives? It is said that the Holy Virgin kept all these things in her heart. What does this mean if not that her meditation on events and her love for God imbued her entire life? Life is led only by the overflow of what inhabits our heart. The good God does not ask us to pray at every moment but that all our actions be animated by His love. And for this, we must ask Him for the grace to have His love deeply rooted in our soul.