

Enhance your family prayer with
FAMILY ROSARY

Children Learn the Rosary Activity

An activity to help you pray!

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THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER

WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY

We've all been there. With the squirming, the whining, the loud whispering, the so-close-to-escaping, the heavy sighing ... it can be challenging to engage your children in family prayer time.

How do you refocus their instincts to jump off the couch and pretend to fly onto a prayer that will lift them in a different way, enlightening their hearts and draw them closer to Our Mother and her Son?

Unfortunately there's not one cookie-cutter answer we can give you. But here you'll find a helpful worksheet that will keep your children's hands entertained and coloring while you all pray together.

Make the most of the month of the Rosary. Give this activity a try while you pray a decade (or more) together!

A LITTLE HISTORY

Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. began his ministry in 1942 with the goal of building **family unity** through daily prayer of the Rosary. Inspired by his own father who had a deep devotion to family prayer, praying the Rosary became the foundation for the life of Father Peyton (1909-92).

We at Family Rosary are ever so grateful Father Peyton's family instilled in him the importance of **family prayer**. Now it can be part of your family's tradition so you can fulfill the vision that "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together," the message created by Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., so many years ago.

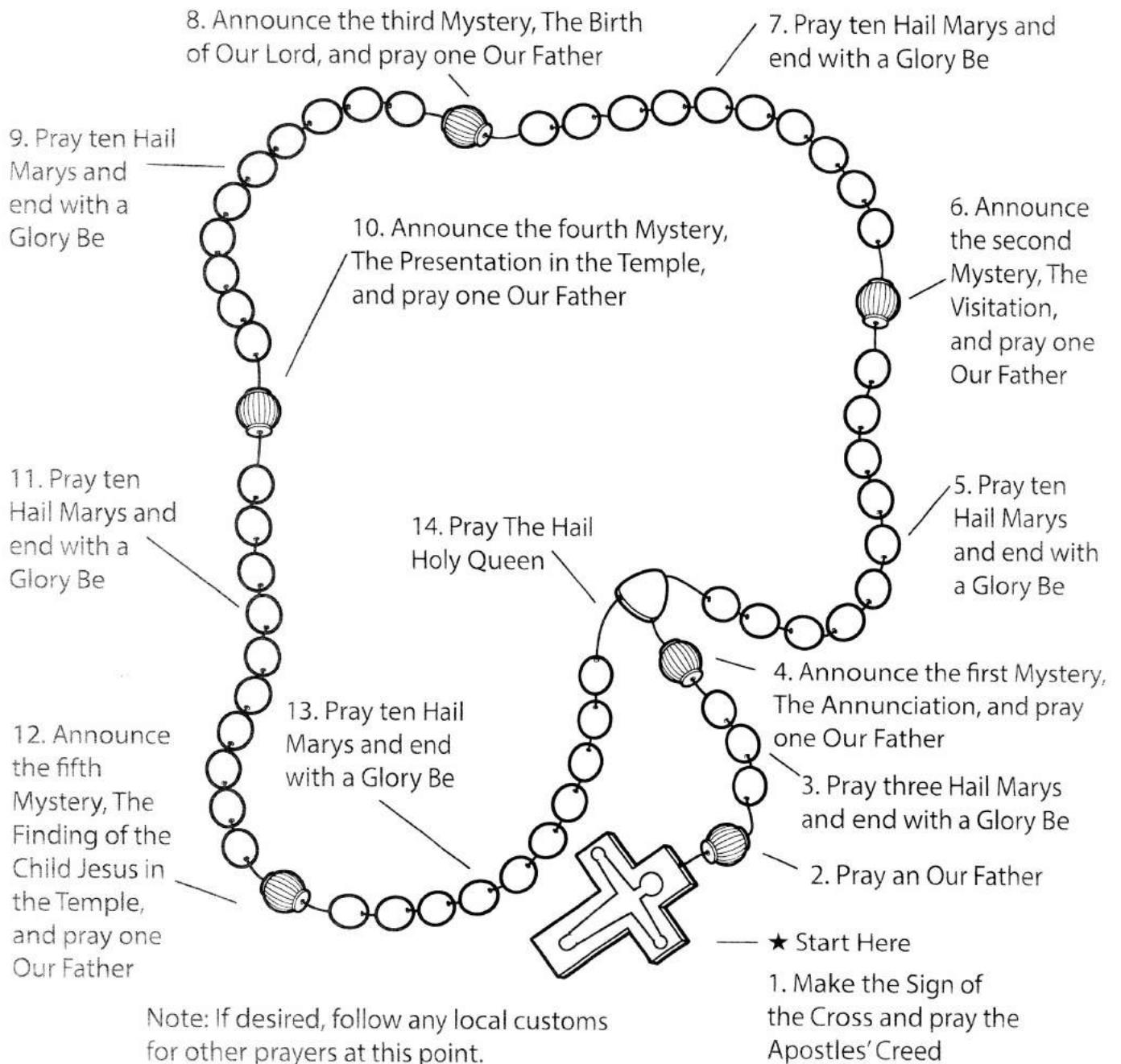


IN PRAYING THE ROSARY, WE ARE POOLING OUR PRAYERS WITH [MARY'S]. THE ROSARY FAMILY IS SAYING "OUR DOOR IS OPEN."

VENERABLE PATRICK PEYTON

CHILDREN LEARN THE ROSARY ACTIVITY

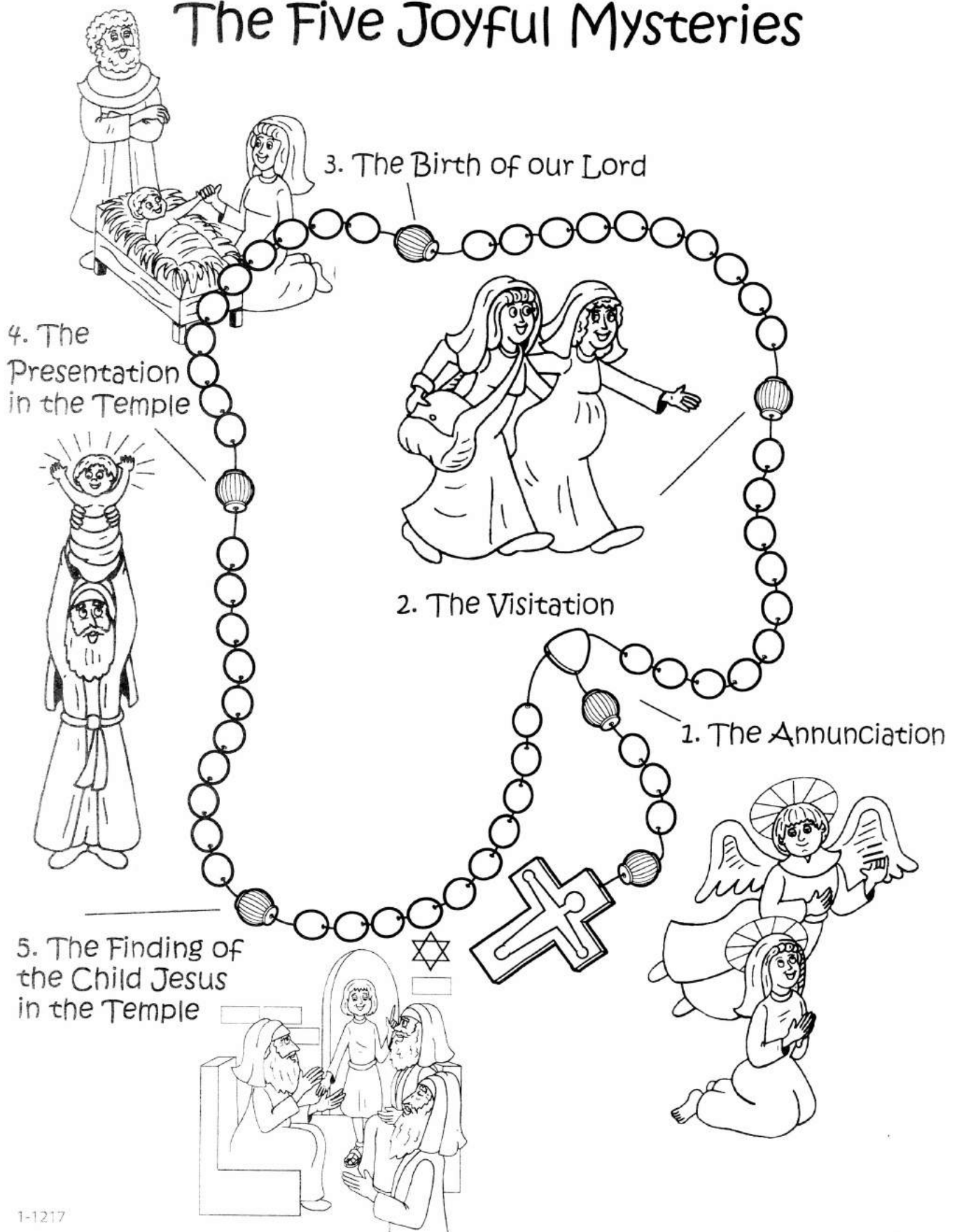
Let's pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary!



Note: If desired, follow any local customs for other prayers at this point.

End with the Sign of the Cross

The Five Joyful Mysteries



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The Prayers of the Rosary

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 rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will 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 you;
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

The Glory Be (The Doxology)

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

The Hail Holy Queen (The Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to you we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb,
Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God;
that we may be worthy of the
promises of Christ.

Amen.

GOING DEEPER

Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., the Rosary priest, spent his entire ministry and priesthood reminding families, "**The family that prays together stays together.**" This quickly became a recognizable message around the world! As a family, discuss what you think this message means.

During Father Peyton's priesthood, it is estimated that he spoke live and in person to over 28 million people at his Rosary rallies! How did a poor boy from Ireland accomplish all of that? *His Rosary prayer and the Blessed Mother's help.*

Each of us can accomplish great things in our lives, too! One way to find out what God is calling you to do is to pray! When you particularly pray the Rosary you will be telling Jesus and Mary that you love them, and that you want to be a disciple (or close friend) of Jesus on earth.

CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

If you want to learn more about Father Peyton's life and work visit FatherPeyton.org! Pray for his beatification:

Dear Jesus, Father Peyton devoted his priestly life to strengthening the families of the world by calling them to pray together every day, especially the Rosary. His message is as important for us now as it was during his life on earth.

We beg you, therefore, to hasten the day of his beatification, so that your faithful people everywhere will remember his message that the family that prays together stays together, will imitate him in his devotion to your Mother and ours, and will be inspired by his holy life to draw ever closer to you with childlike confidence and love. Amen.

BRINGING FAMILIES TOGETHER IN PRAYER

We hope the time you've spent reflecting with this material has been enriching. Remember, we're with you in prayer, every step of the way!

For additional online resources for family prayer including a Prayer Petition Page and our World at Prayer Blog, please visit our website at www.FamilyRosary.org.

This e-book and all our resources represent a culmination of Father Peyton's passion for family unity through prayer. We hope our services will enhance your family's prayer life particularly remembering Father Peyton's famous words, "*The Family That Prays Together Stays Together.*"

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