

Divine Mercy Chaplet

The devotion has three intentions: to obtain mercy, to trust in Christ's mercy, and to show mercy to others. The Chaplet can be said at any time but is especially recited on Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday after Easter) and on Fridays at 3pm (the Hour of Mercy – when Jesus died).

The Lord attached promises to the Chaplet's recitation:

- ☉ Those who recite it even once will receive great mercy at the hour of death
- ☉ When recited in the presence of the dying, Jesus will be present as the Merciful Saviour
- ☉ Anything can be obtained through the Chaplet if compatible with God's will

How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

The Chaplet is usually recited using Rosary beads.

1. Make the Sign of the Cross

2. Optional Opening Prayers

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. *Repeat three times* O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. The Eternal Father

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Repeat for the remaining decades

9. Conclude with Holy God *Repeat three times* Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

10. Optional Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence

submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

The Story behind the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

This Devotion to the Divine Mercy is based on the apparitions of Jesus to Saint Faustina Kowalska, a Polish Religious Sister. In 1935 she had a vision: an Angel sent by God was going to destroy a city, and although Sr Faustina prayed for mercy, it achieved nothing. Suddenly, the Holy Trinity appeared and she heard herself pleading the words of the Eternal Father. As she continued to say the prayer, the Angel became helpless.

*Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy online with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal at St Patrick's Mission: Holy Hour and The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Adoration: with music, meditations – Daily 3pm (1hr) –via Facebook @StPioFriary
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