

## Thank you

*Thank you for taking the time each day to Journey with Mary and pray for people you know to encounter Christ. My prayer is that these heartfelt prayers are answered and that you see the seeds of faith grow.*

*If you experience the fruit of your prayer in the lives of any of the people you have prayed for, I would love to hear about it. You can email me on [Evangelisation@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:Evangelisation@rcdow.org.uk) With kind regards in Christ,*

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# Journey with Mary

*from the Ascension  
to Pentecost*



Pray with Mary for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit



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# Acknowledgments

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## *A guide to praying the Rosary*



*Whilst you don't need to pray the rosary to follow the Journey with Mary prayer, you are welcome to do so. For a guide to praying the rosary or to be reminded of the mysteries please scan the QR code or visit:*  
[www.vatican.va/special/rosary/documents/misteri\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/special/rosary/documents/misteri_en.html)

## Saturday: The God who empowers

**PRAYER INTENTION:** May those we are praying for be empowered to take a step of faith this Pentecost weekend.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen."

*Ephesians 3:20-21*

### LET US PRAY

Jesus Christ our Lord, enable and empower our loved ones to take a step towards the great adventure of life with You as you draw us to our loving Father in Heaven. May your grace be upon us, O Lord.

*Luminous Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 10

## Pentecost Sunday: Come Holy Spirit

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray that.. [name your five people] have an expectant faith this Pentecost Sunday as we pray: Come Holy Spirit.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

*John 20:21-22*

### LET US PRAY

Jesus Christ our Lord, give us the confidence to pray "Come Holy Spirit", knowing our heavenly Father, who is Good, will fill us with His Holy Spirit this Pentecost Sunday.

*Glorious Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 11

## Friday: The God who Challenges

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for... [name your five people] are open to the challenge of becoming fully human and sharing in the divinity of Jesus Christ through His Holy Spirit.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "For this reason I bow my knees before the Father...that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

Ephesians 3:14-19

### LET US PRAY

Heavenly Father, awaken, refine and renew us through the loving action of your Holy Spirit, so that we are ready and able to live life to the full. Amen.

*Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary*

○ Day 9

*If you have a sense that it would be good to contact one or more of the people you have been praying for, perhaps a card, text, or call letting them know you have been praying for them. It might help their faith grow.*

## INTRODUCTION

For over a century it has been a tradition within in the Catholic Church to pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the days between the Ascension and Pentecost. In the Acts of the Apostles, once the apostles see Jesus ascend into heaven, they gather in continuous prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus.

St Louis de Montfort reminds us that one way we can reach Jesus is through Mary, His mother. Throughout her life, Mary points us towards Jesus: she assents to His conception at the Annunciation; ponders the events at His Nativity and prompts her Son to perform His first miracle at Cana.

Journeying with Mary from the Ascension to Pentecost can help us to give assent to God's will in our lives, contemplate his call and be inspired to act. We can do this because we are reassured by Mary's words to the servants at the Wedding Feast - "do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5). Who better, therefore, than Mary to accompany us as we pray for a new Pentecost?

In recent years many Christian denominations throughout the world have also been praying for this intention through a prayer initiative called 'Thy Kingdom Come'. By joining this initiative, we are therefore renewing our desire for the Kingdom of God to be made real in the lives of those we know and love through the power of the Holy Spirit.



## PLEDGE TO PRAY

Whilst you are welcome to pray for Evangelisation in general, we also encourage you to pray for people you know and care about to come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Dear Jesus,  
We offer our prayers for the following people to have an experience of the Holy Spirit as we join with Mary in prayer:

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You are welcome to write in the boxes above the names of those of those you would like to pray for.

### Wednesday: The God who Listens

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for our loved ones to be able to share their deepest concerns with the God who listens.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears."

Psalm 18:6

#### LET US PRAY

Come Holy Spirit and give us the confidence to approach the Lord even with things we have not shared with others, knowing that he is listening and will respond. Through Christ our Lord, Amen

*Glorious Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 7

### Thursday: The God who Saves

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray that those we are holding in prayer seek and experience freedom in Christ.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.

Titus 3:5

#### LET US PRAY

Jesus Christ, you are our Saviour, please pour your loving mercy on those we bring to you today, so that when they seek you, they will find you and be transformed through the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Luminous Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 8

## Monday: The God who Gives

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for those we are holding in prayer to experience the generosity of our heavenly Father through Jesus Christ.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart."

Psalm 37:4

### LET US PRAY

Come Holy Spirit and draw us near to the Lord our God. Help us to open our hearts to Jesus Christ so that our desires are purified and we are ready to receive the loving generosity of God our Father. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Joyful Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 5

## Tuesday: The God who Walks with Us

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for...[name those you are praying for] to notice the loving presence of Jesus Christ walking alongside them today.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Isaiah 41:10

### LET US PRAY

Thank you Jesus, for always being with us and in a special way, for being with those we hold in prayer. We pray for your peace, strength and mercy to fill our lives as you walk with us in good times and bad. Amen

*Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 6

## PATTERN OF PRAYER

### 1. INVOCATION TO OUR LADY

Mary, our Mother, you stayed with the disciples in those ten long days from the Ascension to Pentecost, still patient, still pondering, still trusting in your Son.

Be with us now as we remember how Jesus was taken from your sight. Be with us now as we remember his call to share our faith. Be with us now as we await his Holy Spirit.

Pray with us now, 'Come Holy Spirit', 'Thy Kingdom come'.

**2. THEME OF THE DAY** Take a moment to consider what this might mean to the people you are praying for.

**3. PRAYER INTENTION** Pray this for your five people.

**4. SCRIPTURE PASSAGE** For you to reflect upon

**5. PRAYER RESPONSE (LET US PRAY)** followed by the prayers below.  
*Alternatively, a decade or a mystery of the rosary may be said instead of the following prayers.*

**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.

**HAIL MARY**, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst 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, 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.

## Ascension Thursday

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for the courage to offer to Jesus those who we would like to become friends with him.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** He said, 'all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations'.

*Matthew 28:18-19a*

### LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus Christ, as you ascended to the Father you called us to 'make disciples of all nations'. Help me to share my faith in all that I say and do, so that others may come to know you as friend and saviour. Amen.

*Luminous Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 1

## Friday: The God who Loves

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for... [bring to mind your five people] to experience the unconditional love of God our Father through Jesus Christ.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "Beloved, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is made perfect in us."

*1 John 4:11-12*

### LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus Christ, help us to reveal the love of God our Father in our relationships. Help us to share the reason for the hope we have in you when people ask, so that they too can know what it is to be loved by our heavenly Father. Amen.

*Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 2

## Saturday: The God who Speaks

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for our five people to encounter the God who speaks to them, especially when most in need.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

*Hebrews 1:1-3*

### LET US PRAY

Heavenly Father, may we all come to know and recognise your voice as you speak into our lives and reveal your perfect love for us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Joyful Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 3

## Sunday: The God who Creates

**PRAYER INTENTION:** We pray for our five people to experience the glory of God through his creation so they can see that they too are his work of art.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:** "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance to be our way of life."

*Ephesians 2:10*

### LET US PRAY

Come Holy Spirit, hover over what seems bleak and chaotic so that we might notice how you transform, inspire and order our lives and all creation so we reveal the glory of God. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*Glorious Mystery of the Rosary*

Day 4