

The Rule of the Theotokos

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Glory to You, O Lord, Glory to You!

Heavenly King...

+O God, Be merciful to me, a sinner.
+O God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.
+O Lord, Forgive me for I have sinned without number.

Most glorious ever-virgin Mary, mother of Christ Our God, accept our prayers and present them to your Son and our God, that He may, for your sake, enlighten and save our souls.

Angel of God, my holy guardian, defender of my body and soul, keep me from the snares of my enemy that I may nevermore offend you by sin. Amen.

First decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God, your Nativity. Let us pray for mothers, fathers, and children. Let us pray for our own family, friends and relatives.

Hail Mother of God...(x10)

Our Father...

Open to us the gates of mercy, O blessed virgin Mother of God, that we, who trust in you may not perish, but through you may we be delivered from misfortune, for you are the salvation of all Christians.

Second decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God, the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin and Mother of God. Let us pray for those who have lost their way and fallen away from the church.

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Third decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Annunciation. Let us pray for the soothing of sorrows and the consolation of those who grieve, the sick, sorrowful and those who are in despair.

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Fourth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the meeting of the Blessed Virgin with the righteous Elizabeth. Let us pray for the reunion of the separated, for those whose dear ones or children are living away from them or missing, and for those who are expecting children.

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Fifth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Birth of Christ. Let us pray for the rebirth of souls, for new life in Christ.

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For the children of the world who are suffering: Hail Mother of God ...(x3)

Sixth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Feast of the Purification of the Lord, and the words uttered by St. Simeon: "*Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also*" (Luke 2:35). Let us pray that the Mother of God will meet our souls at the hour of our death, and will contrive that we receive the Holy Sacrament with our last breath, and will lead our souls through the terrible torments.

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Seventh decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the flight of the Mother of God with the God-Child into Egypt. Let us pray that the Mother of God will help us avoid temptation in this life and deliver us from misfortunes, and for all those who are persecuted, especially those suffering Christians throughout the world.

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Eighth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the disappearance of the twelve-year old boy Jesus in Jerusalem and the sorrow of the Mother of God on this account. Let us pray, begging the Mother of God for the constant repetition of the Jesus Prayer, and for all those who are in danger of becoming "lost".

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Ninth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God, the miracle performed in Cana of Galilee, when the Lord turned water into wine at the words of the Mother of God: "*They have no wine*" (John 2:3). Let us ask the Mother of God for help in our affairs and deliverance from need, especially for all of our marriages.

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Tenth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God standing at the Cross of the Lord, when grief pierced through your heart like a sword. Let us pray to the Mother of God for the strengthening of our Souls and the banishment of despondency, and for all those who are presently suffering.

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Eleventh decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Resurrection of Christ. Let us ask the Mother of God in prayer to resurrect our souls and give us a new courage for spiritual feats.

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Twelfth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Ascension of Christ, at which the Mother of God was present. Let us pray and ask the Queen of Heaven to raise up our souls from earthly and worldly amusements and direct them to striving for higher things.

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Thirteenth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Upper Room and the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and yourself, at Pentecost. Let us pray: *"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me"* (Psalm 50).

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Fourteenth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the Dormition of the Blessed Mother of God, and ask for a peaceful and serene end.

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Fifteenth decade: Remembering, O Most Holy Mother of God the glory with which the Lord crowned you after your removal from earth to heaven. Let us pray to the Queen of Heaven not to abandon the faithful who are on earth but to defend them from every evil, covering them with her honoring and protecting veil.

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