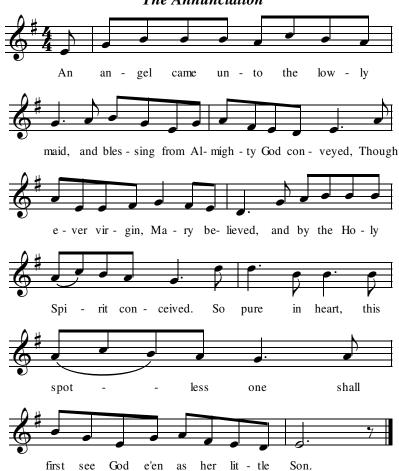
Hymns for the Holy Rosary

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THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

The First Joyful Mystery:

The Annunciation



The Second Joyful Mystery: The Visitation

"The mother of my Lord comes to my room, the chi-ld leaps for joy within my womb,
Most blessed of all women on earth
Is she who brings the Saviour to birth."
And Mary sings the greatness of the Lord
While all her soul rejoices in the Word.

The Third Joyful Mystery: The Nativity

To Bethlehem went all of David's seed
To register as Caesar had decreed.
But nowhere could a dwelling be found,
Save in a stable dug out of the ground.
The King of kings we worship and adore
Becomes for us the poorest of the poor.

The Fourth Joyful Mystery: The Presentation in the Temple

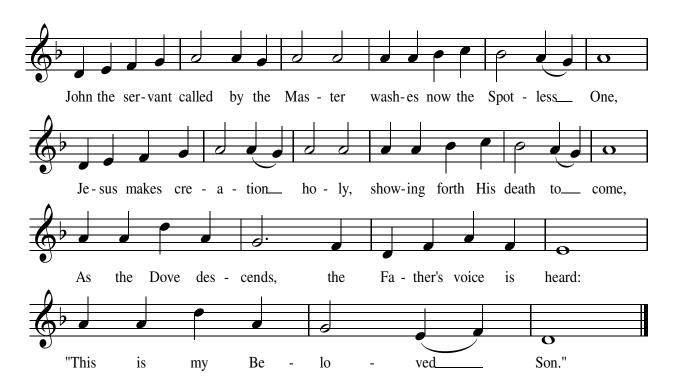
Into the Temple Mary brought her boy,
And Simeon at once exclaimed with joy,
"Now I can go in peace, Lord, this night,
for I have seen Your everlasting light.
This sign, though scorned, will make all nations whole,
And sorrow deep will pierce His Mother's soul.

The Fifth Joyful Mystery: The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

Three days had passed and Christ was seen no more,
They found Him with the doctors of the law,
Astounding them with wisdom so plain,
To glorify and praise His Father's name.
Come seek the Lord, He waits both night and day,
And learn from Him the Truth, the Life, the Way.

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

The First Luminous Mystery: The Baptism of Jesus



The Second Luminous Mystery: The Wedding at Cana

Lo, His mother's gentle bidding
Brings about the chosen time,
By His Word the water now changes
To become the finest wine,
Of a marriage formed by Blood and Wáter
This event would be the sign.

The Third Luminous Mystery: The Proclamation of the Kingdom and Call to Conversion

He who is the Kingdom in person
He who is the Father's heart
Calls each one to enter that Kingdom
That forever sin depart.
Now – the moment of convérsion,
That His love He might impart.

The Fourth Luminous Mystery: The Transfiguration

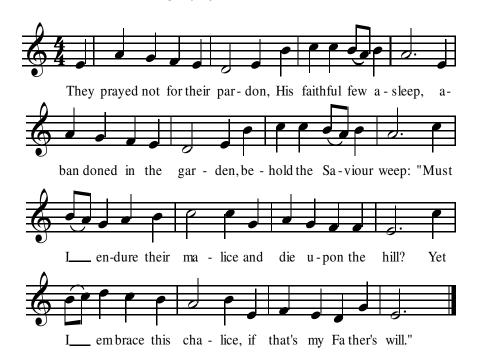
With his friends, his closest apostles,
Jesus shares the wonderful sight:
He with Moses and Élijah,
He the Law and prophets' delight,
Now they too can face the dárkness,
Having seen His glorious light.

The Fifth Luminous Mystery: The Institution of the Eucharist

Eating with the twelve apostles,
On the night before He died,
Taking for the Paschal supper
Foods the law had specified,
Now He sets new Bread before them,
Handing each Christ crucified.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

The First Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony of Jesus in the Garden



The Second Sorrowful Mystery: The Scourging at the Pillar

Our Saviour's crucifixion the mob and Pharisees urged, And Pilate, fearing friction, decreed that Christ be scourged, The gentle Christ is smitten by whips the soldiers wield, As long ago was written: "By stripes we all are healed."

The Third Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns

O Sacred Head surrounded by crown of piercing thorn, O Bleeding Head so wounded, reviled and put to scorn, Our sins have marred the glory of Thy most holy face, Yet angel hosts adore Thee and tremble as they gaze.

The Fourth Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross

His cross He now embraces, the road to death begun, And soon His Mother, faces, their two hearts ache as one, His strength now wearing thinner, He falls beneath the weight, And yet prays for the sinner, and bears the sinner's fate.

The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: Jesus Dies on the Cross

The Lord of every nation was hung upon a tree,
His death was our salvation, our sins His agony.
O Jesus by Thy passion,
Thy life in us increase.
Thy death for us did fashion our pardon and our peace.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

The First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection



The Second Glorious Mystery: The Ascension into Heaven

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Behold the Christ we crúcified,
Ascends to heaven glórified,
Go teach His góspel far and wide, Alleluia!

The Third Glorious Mystery: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Come Holy Spirit, sénd Your flame,
And burn away our féar and shame,
That we with jóy may Christ proclaim, Alleluia!

The Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption of Mary

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
The second Eve, the lówly one,
Whose 'yes' enabled Chríst to come,
Is raised on hígh wrapped in the sun, Alleluia!

The Fifth Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Sing Hail to Mary, fúll of grace,
The Queen of Heaven tákes her place,
A mother fór the human race, Alleluia!