

**The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
(Modified to Recount the Passion and Death of Our Lord, Jesus Christ)**

Crucifix	O my Jesus, pardon and mercy through the merits of your Passion and Death, Your Divine Love and the Love of your beloved Mother, Mary. My Jesus I trust in You and Your Divine Mercy. Save us O Lord. Be merciful to Your black sheep, among whom I am one. Holy God, Holy Almighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and the whole world. Grace and Mercy, O my Jesus, during present dangers cover us with Your most precious Blood. Eternal Father, grant us mercy through the Blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus. Grant us Mercy. Amen.

First bead	O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of Mercy for us, I trust in You! (3 times).

Next 3 beads:

1st	Our Father
2nd	Hail Mary
3rd	The Apostles Creed

The First Sorrowful Mystery - The Agony in the Garden

First Bead before 1st Decade	Eternal Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer to 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.
Bead 1	Jesus and the disciples enter the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus takes Peter, James and John aside and asks them to watch and pray while He prays nearby. <i>(Response: "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world" . Repeat after each line below)</i>
2	Jesus sees my sins and the sins of all mankind.
3	Jesus sees the justified wrath of the Father.
4	Jesus offers Himself as the sacrificial Lamb so that mankind may be redeemed.
5	Jesus prays and sees His Passion and Death, and the souls that will be lost. He is in agony and sweats Blood.
6	Jesus is ministered to by an angel.

7	Jesus returns to the disciples and finds that they're asleep. "Could you not watch and pray one hour with Me?"
8	Judas approaches Jesus and feigns loyalty with a kiss. "Friend, have you come to betray the Son of Man?"
9	The soldiers and Jews appear in the garden seeking Jesus. The disciples are fearful and flee, abandoning Jesus.
10	Jesus allows Himself to be arrested, bound and taken away.
Jesus, I trust in You.	
The Second Sorrowful Mystery - The Scourging at the Pillar: Jesus is Brought Before the Elders	
First Bead before Decade	Eternal Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer to 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.
Bead 1	Jesus is brought before Annas, the high priest.
2	Jesus is brought before Caiaphas, the chief priest, and He is struck by an attendant.
3	Jesus is brought before the court, and He is subject to false witnesses and false testimony. The trial ends in chaos.
4	Caiaphas demands to know Jesus' identity.
5	Jesus reveals His divinity when He says, " <i>I AM WHO AM</i> ".
6	Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin sentence Jesus to death for blasphemy.
7	The elders attack Jesus, striking Him with their fists and spitting in His Face.
8	Jesus is confined, awaiting trial before Pilate.
9	Judas despairs and is lost.
10	Peter repents and is saved.
Jesus, I trust in You.	
The Third Sorrowful Mystery - The Crowning with Thorns: Jesus is Brought Before Pilate	
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Bead 1	Jesus is brought before Pilate. The Jews demand His death.

2	Pilate questions Jesus. "Are You the king of the Jews?" Jesus replies, "I am a King but my kingdom is not of this world".
3	Pilate's wife cautions him to "have nothing to do with that innocent man".
4	Pilate states to the Jews, "I find no fault in this Man" and seeks to release Him. The Jews resist and seek His death.
5	Pilate senses a rebellion, so he sends Jesus to Herod to avoid conflict.
6	Herod mocks Jesus and sends Him back to Pilate.
7	Pilate decides to have Jesus scourged to placate the Jews. His Sacred Body is mutilated.
8	The soldiers mock Jesus as a king. They crown Him with thorns, place a red robe over His shoulders and a reed in His hand. They strike Him on His Face. They kneel before Him and spit upon Him.
9	The soldiers take Jesus before the people. Jesus is bloody, disheveled and unrecognizable. Pilate is surprised by His condition. The crowd cries out, "Crucify Him, Crucify Him! Pilate asks, "Do you want me to crucify your king?" and the crowd cries out, "We have no king but Caesar!"
10	Pilate, sensing an uprising, decides to release Jesus to the crowd to be crucified. "I am innocent of this Man's Blood, see to it yourselves".

Jesus, I trust in You.

The Fourth Sorrowful Mystery - Jesus Carries the Cross

First Bead before Decade	Eternal Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer to 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.
Bead 1	Jesus carries the cross on His right shoulder. He is in agony from the scourging, especially to His wounded shoulder.
2	Jesus falls the first time.
3	Jesus meets His Mother, Mary.
4	Jesus falls the second time.
5	Veronica hastens to Jesus' side and wipes His Face with her veil.
6	Jesus falls the third time.
7	Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry His cross.
8	Jesus has compassion on the daughters of Jerusalem, who weep for Him by the roadside.
9	Jesus foresees the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD.
10	The soldiers strip Jesus of His clothes and cast lots for His garment.

Jesus, I trust in You.	
The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery - The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ	
First Bead before Decade	Eternal Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer to 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.
Bead 1	"They have pierced my Hands and my Feet; they have numbered all My bones". Jesus is nailed to the cross.
2	"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do".
3	Jesus says to the good thief, "Amen I say to thee, 'This day you will be with Me in Paradise'"
4	Jesus says to Mary and John at the foot of the cross, "Woman behold your son; son behold your Mother".
5	Jesus cries out, "My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?"
6	"I thirst".
7	"It is finished"
8	"Father, into Your Hands I commend My Spirit". Jesus dies on the cross and the gates of heaven are opened.
9	A soldier pierces Jesus' side and heart with a lance. Blood and water gush forth.
10	Mary, pierced by the sword of seven sorrows, holds the Body of Jesus in her arms and weeps.
Jesus, I trust in You.	
<i>Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have Mercy on us and on the whole world. (3 times)</i>	

Saint Faustina records in her diary what Jesus explained to her concerning the rays in the image. *"The rays in the image represent the Blood and Water which gushed forth from the depths of My Mercy when My agonizing Heart was pierced on the cross. The pale rays symbolize the water, which cleanses and purifies the soul: the red rays represent the blood, which gives new life to the soul. These rays will shield the soul before the justice of My Father. Fortunate are those who live in this shelter, for the justice of God will not reach them there".*

And, *"I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I further promise to that soul victory over enemies here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself, shall defend that soul as My own glory..."*

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