

4th Luminous Mystery ~ The Transfiguration

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.. Suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from that cloud a voice said 'This is my son, the beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to Him!' When the disciples heard this they fell to the ground overcome with fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And they looked up, and saw no one except Jesus himself alone. (Matthew 17)



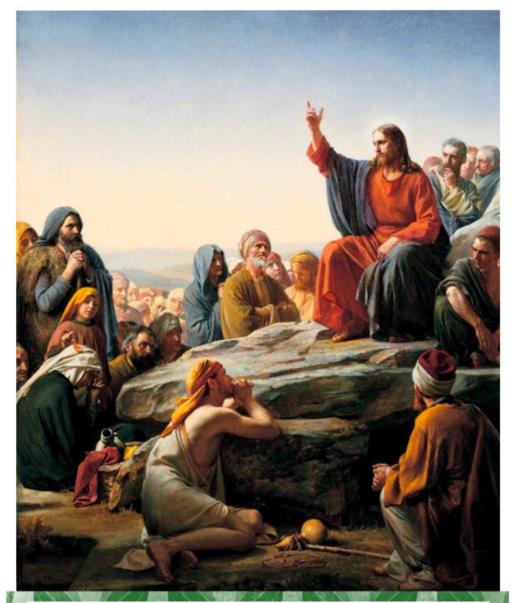
5th Luminous Mystery ~ Christ's Institution of the Eucharist

When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying, "Take this all of you and eat of it, for this is my Body, which is given for you." And He did the same with the cup.. Saying "Take this all of you and drink of it, for this is the Chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, it will be poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me." (Luke 22)



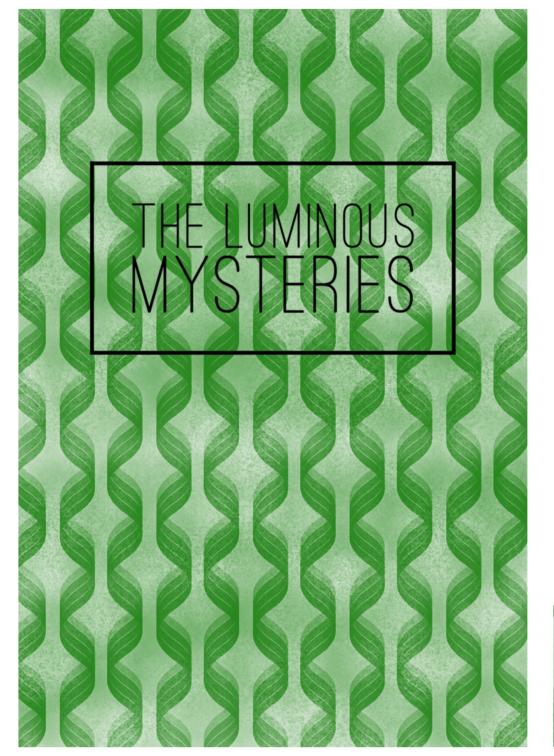
2nd Luminous Mystery ~ The Wedding at Cana

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana of Galilee, Jesus was there with his Mother Mary and his disciples. His Mother came to him saying "They have no wine" and said to the servants "Do whatever he tells you." Nearby there were six stone water jars, Jesus said to the servant "Fill the jars with water" and they filled them, Then he said "draw some out and take it to the chief steward" Jesus changed water into wine, the first of His signs, and revealed His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. The chief steward proclaimed that they had saved the best wine until last. (John 2, 1)



3rd Luminous Mystery ~ The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God

Jesus left Nazareth and made His way to Capernaum by the lake.. There he began his ministry, so that what the prophet Isaiah had spoken might be fulfilled "the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light and for those who walk in the valley of the shadow of death, light has dawned." (Matthew 3, 12-16) From that time Jesus proclaimed "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." (Mark 1,15)





1st Luminous Mystery ~ The Baptism of Jesus

Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, to John at the Jordan River to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him saying "I should be getting baptised by you" Jesus explained it was proper "to fulfill all righteousness" and John baptised him. Upon coming out of the water the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus like a dove and a voice from heaven said "This is my Son, the beloved, with whom I am well pleased." (Matthew 3, 13)



4th Glorious Mystery ~ The Assumption of Mary

Mary is the Immaculate Conception. She is the New Eve, conceived without original sin. In her perfect yes to God, she became the new Ark of the Covenant, the Tabernacle of Jesus Christ, The Word made flesh. God made her full of grace and she lived her life in perfect humility and submission to the Lord. When she died, because she was conceived without original sin, she was taken up to heaven body and soul, she was assumed. "And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon was under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars." (Revelation 12,1)



5th Glorious Mystery ~ The Coronation of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth

"Thou art the glory of Jerusalem the honour of our people.. the hand of the Lord hath strengthened thee, and therefore thou shalt be blessed forever.." (Judith 15, 9-11) After Mary was taken up into heaven she was crowned queen of heaven and earth, all of Heaven rejoiced! "For all who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves will be exalted." (Luke 14, 11) When Mary the mother of God, was on earth she prayed; "My Soul Magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for He has looked with favour on the lowliness of His servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty one has done great things for me and Holy is His name." (Luke 1,46)



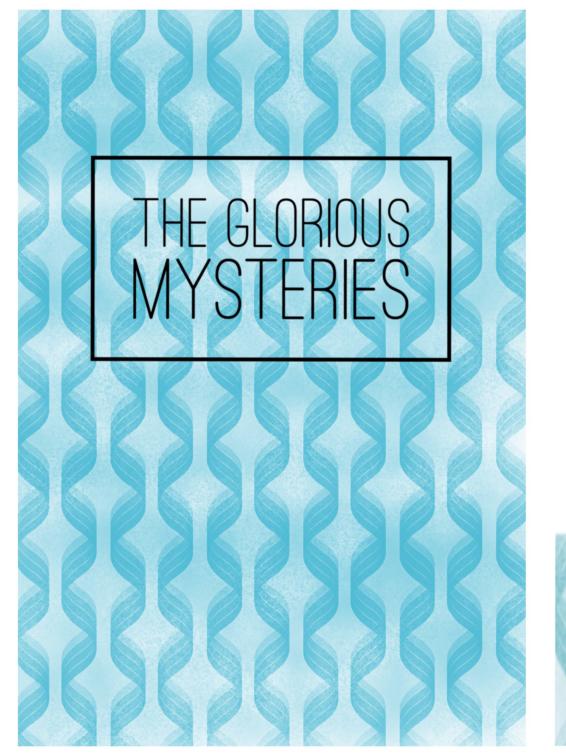
2nd Glorious Mystery ~ The Ascension

Jesus came to them and said "All authority has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of the nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember I am with you always, until the end of the age. (Matthew 28, 17) He lifted his hands up and blessed them. He said "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth." When He had said this, as they were watching, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight. While He was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (Acts 1,6) After this, they worshipped Jesus and they returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and were continually in the temple blessing God. (Luke 24,52)



3rd Glorious Mystery ~ The Descent of the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like a rush of violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem and at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in their own native language. Amazed and astonished, they asked.. "What does this mean?" (Acts 2)





1st Glorious Mystery ~ The Resurrection

As the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. He appearance was like lightning, and His clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has been raised as He said. Come and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed He is going ahead of you..." So they left quickly with fear and great joy to tell them, and suddenly Jesus met them and said "Greetings!" And they came to Him, took hold of His feet and worshipped Him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, there they will see

me.' (Matthew 28)