

# Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. How much does the program cost?

It is free! Paradisus Dei does not charge for the program. However, hosts/parishes may choose to optionally purchase promotional materials or provide refreshments. If DVD's are required, there is a cost to purchase them.

## 2. Who developed the material for the program?

*Mysteries of the Rosary* was written and hosted by Mark Hartfiel, Vice President of Paradisus Dei. The series also includes interviews with 24 guests, including lay people and religious. It was filmed and edited by 4PM Media, the media company behind *Wild Goose*, *Metanoia* and the *Rescue Project*. Being passionately Catholic, the content relies heavily upon the teaching of the Saints, Sacred Scripture, and the Magisterium. In a special way, it was inspired by Pope Saint John Paul II and his Apostolic Letter on the Rosary, *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*.

## 3. When will the series be available?

*Mysteries of the Rosary - The Sorrowful Mysteries* will be available starting in Lent of 2023! Please pray for the production of future series as well: The Joyful, Luminous and Glorious Mysteries.

## 4. What is the structure of Mysteries of the Rosary?

*Mysteries of the Rosary* is made up of seven 30-35 minute episodes. This first episode is an introduction to the series. Then, each of the five mysteries will have an entire episode dedicated to it. Finally, the last episode will serve as a conclusion to bring the series to a close. Participant guides are included for each episode with discussion questions and other reference materials.

## 5. What is the series about?

*Mysteries of the Rosary* is all about entering more deeply into the life of Jesus Christ, through the gaze of The Blessed Mother. The full Rosary outlines twenty of these key moments. With beautiful imagery and contemplative insight into each mystery, the series allows for deeper personal reflection. The Saints always made Jesus' life the principal object of their study and by meditating on His virtues, joys and sufferings they too were transformed. Therefore, *Mysteries of the Rosary* teaches the viewer both the art of living as well as the art of prayer. The host of the series, Mark Hartfiel, will take the viewer to these places where Heaven seemed to have reached down and kissed the Earth. He will touch his Rosary to these sacred locations where Our Lord became flesh and dwelt among us. The series also highlights personal testimonies from people of all ages and backgrounds who share their spiritual experiences with the power of the Rosary.

We live in a time of unprecedented evil. Therefore, an overflowing of grace is being generously poured out. The call to pray is urgent. St. John Paul II testified that when Christianity itself seemed under threat, its deliverance was attributed to the power of the Rosary. He appealed to the faithful to rediscover the power of the Rosary in light of Scripture, calling it a Christocentric prayer that emphasizes the life of Jesus and the mysteries of his life. Discover the awesome power of just one Hail Mary and be inspired with an explosion of faith that can move mountains!



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## 6. Do we pray a Rosary in the episode?

No, *Mysteries of the Rosary*, is a reflective deep dive into each Sorrowful Mystery. It is a great tool which can be used to deepen your understanding and prayer based on each mystery, but the series itself does not pray the Rosary or teach specifically how to pray the Rosary. Praying the rosary before/after each episode is a great idea depending on how the series is watched.

## 7. Where and how do I run the series?

This series can be used in practically any format the Holy Spirit would inspire! You can watch it with a large group at your parish or a small group at a location of your choosing. You can watch in the comfort of your own home as an individual, a couple, or group of friends. You can use it as a part of a retreat, existing men or women's group, parish mission or before praying a Rosary. It is easy to run and all materials can be accessed for free from our platform.

## 8. How long does it take to get the program started?

You can start right away! The amount of time it takes to get *Mysteries of the Rosary* started varies greatly, depending on how you would like to run it. If you are watching it as an individual or with your family you can start right away! If you want to run it as a small group or parish wide gathering, you should plan extra time to organize and properly promote the series.

## 9. What resources are available in running the program? Materials/Video/Promotional

There are many resources available on our platform. You can stream each 30 minute video and download the participant guides. Participant guides can be used to lead small group discussion or, if watching individually, reflect on the contents of the episode. Promotional materials can be purchased from our shop: [shop.paradisusdei.org](http://shop.paradisusdei.org).

## 10. Can I download the videos to watch them offline?

Yes. When the series launches you will be able to download the Paradisus Dei Player, which is a desktop native app for Mac and PC that will allow you to download the episode and play it without the need for an internet connection.

## 11. How do I access/use the platform?

Access to the *Mysteries of the Rosary* will be available from the Paradisus Dei website or by enrolling at [www.therosaryseries.com](http://www.therosaryseries.com).

## 12. Is there an app?

There is no mobile app available at this time.

## 13. Will the series be available on DVD?

Yes. We are currently in development of DVD's which will be made available for purchase on the Paradisus Dei shop.



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## 14. Will there be more episodes in the future?

Yes! The first seven episodes of *Mysteries of the Rosary* cover the Sorrowful Mysteries and will be available in Lent of 2023. We plan on launching additional episodes on the Joyful Mysteries in Advent of 2023! We hope to launch episodes on each of the *Mysteries of the Rosary* throughout the next few years!

## 15. How can I best support the work of Mysteries of the Rosary and Paradisus Dei?

You can make a charitable contribution on the Paradisus Dei website, by clicking the “GIVE” button and selecting “Mysteries of the Rosary” in the Appeal drop-down menu. Your gift will help us continue filming and producing future episodes of *Mysteries of the Rosary*.

## 16. In the series, Mark Hartfiel wears attire with the Mysteries logo. Can I purchase Mysteries of the Rosary merchandise?

Yes! Go to the Paradisus Dei shop to get your own *Mysteries of the Rosary* apparel!

## 17. Does Paradisus Dei Offer any additional programs?

Our largest program is *That Man is You!* which is hosted around the US and the world. We offer programs for couples like *Missionaries to the Family* and *The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage*. We have programming for youth and young adults (*Hope Undimmed*) as well as mothers and their daughters (*Mother Daughter Retreat*). More information about these programs can be found on our website.

