

The Chaplet of the Immaculate Conception

This chaplet is made up of three groups of four beads each. A large bead separates each group, and a medal of the Immaculate Conception is attached to the end. St. John Berchmanns composed this chaplet, which he prayed daily, to obtain from Our Lady the grace to never commit any sins against the virtue of purity. This chaplet is a part of our community's tradition because our order was founded December 8, 1854, the very day Pope Pius IX declared the dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

How to say this chaplet:

Make the Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

1. On the first beads say:

I thank Thee, Eternal Father, for having inThine Omnipotence, preserved Mary, Thy Daughter, from original sin. (*)

2. On the second set of beads say:

I thank Thee, Eternal Son, for having in They Wisdom, preserved Mary, Thy Mother, from original sin. (*)

3. On the third set of beads say:

I thank Thee, Holy and Eternal Spirit, for having in Thy Divine Love, preserved Mary, Thy Spouse, from original sin. (*)

(*) One **Our Father**, four **Hail Mary's**, plus "Blessed be the holy, pure and Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary," and one **Gloria Be** in honor of St. Joseph, the chaste Spouse of Mary. O Jesus, grant me this grace! Break all my fetters, strip me of all that is not Thyself, in order that Thy Love may be my life here below, and my happiness and delight in eternity. Amen.