



Creating your rosary bracelet

Praying the rosary is a great opportunity to spend some time in quiet prayer with God. But as well as praying the rosary in stillness, it can also be a great prayer for when you're traveling around. Making a rosary bracelet or chain means that you've always got one with you to pray when you've got a spare minute!

Follow the steps below to make your bracelet. You can either make it for yourself or for somebody else. While you're making it, try spending some time praying for somebody you know who is ill, asking Mary to pray for them.

Step 1: Choose your beads and stoppers to create your rosary decade. For this, you'll need 11 round beads and 2 longer ones. Also pick up a length of elasticated thread.

Step 2: Thread one round bead onto the end of the thread. Then, re-loop the end of the thread through the hole a few times, knotting the end as you go. This should make that one bead secure at the end of the thread. Make sure you leave a long end after the knot, as you'll have to tie it later.

Step 3: Now loop another 9 round beads onto the thread, so that you have 10 in all.

Step 4: Follow this with one long bead, then another round bead, and finally another longer one, so that it looks like this:

—o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o—|O-|—

Step 5: Finally, knot the two ends together, using a reef knot. Doing this means grabbing your two ends, putting left over right and under, then right over left and under. If you need help, ask one of the people who is guiding you.

Step 6: Put it on, and start praying