

HOW TO...

MAKE YOUR OWN ROSARY

MATERIALS:

19-21 feet of #36 twine

Miraculous Medal

Scissors

Lighter



Watch video instructions at MiraculousMedal.org/rosary-video



1 To begin, locate the middle of the string. This will be the middle of your Rosary's third decade.

2 Once we have found the center of the twine string, fold the twine over your index finger (see picture). One end is touching the bottom left part of your finger's line and the other end is touching the upper right corner of your finger. Make sure that the string is slanted from the lower left to the upper right.

3 Next, loosely loop the twine around your index finger (see picture). Make sure you are looping it behind not in front of your finger.

4 Notice the overlap here. Make sure they intersect so that it is sturdy.

5 Lightly loop the twine around your finger two more times leaving three loops. Once the three loops intersect the bottom loop, you are ready for your next step.

6 Place your left-hand thumb above the lines where they intersect. Use that thumb to ensure that the loops don't overlap one another. Keep the loops parallel.

7 Gently move the loops to the end of your finger (see picture).

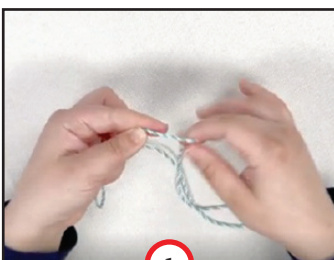
8 Insert the twine through the loops you created (insert from behind your finger, not from the front). Pull the twine through from behind your finger.

9 Pull twine string through. Remember to keep your thumb pressed where the twine loops intersect.

10 Carefully pull the twine string from both ends while tightening the knot. Make sure to use both hands to guide the knot as you tighten it.

11 Once completed, pull the knot tighter to ensure that it's in place. The knot should look like a tiny barrel.

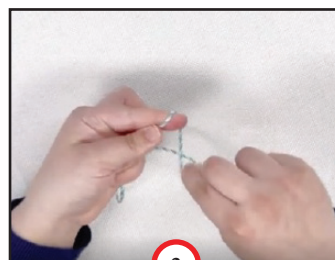
12 Add space for the next "Hail Mary" bead. Place the first bead on the crease of your pointer finger and follow the same method of placing the other end of the string on the upper right part of your finger.



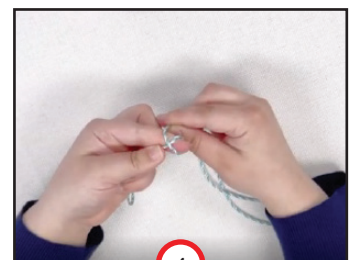
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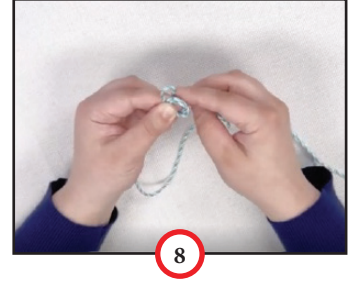
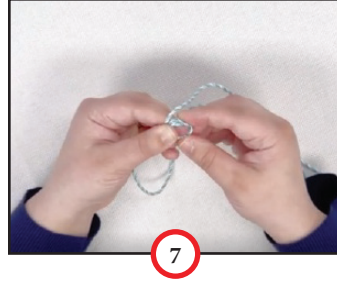
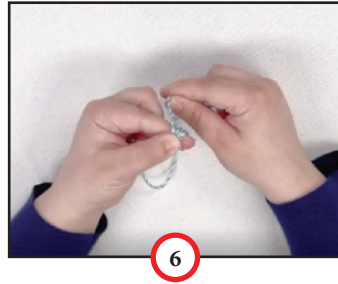
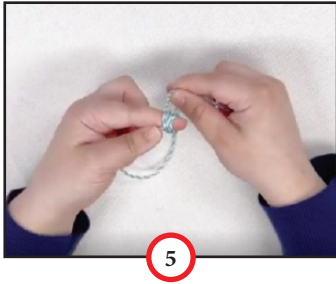
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13 Again, loosely loop the twine around your index finger (see picture), then repeat steps 2 through 11.

14 Finish the second bead making sure there is space between the two beads.

15 Make four more knots to complete the first half of the third decade.

16 Since beginning at the very middle of the third decade, the "Our Father" knot is next. This knot is just like the "Hail Mary" knot, but instead of three loops we will make five loops. Note that the spacing between the "Our Father" bead and the "Hail Mary" bead should be about an inch and a half space from the "Hail Mary" bead.

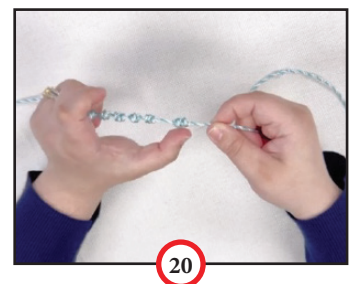
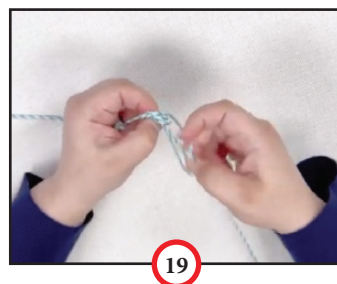
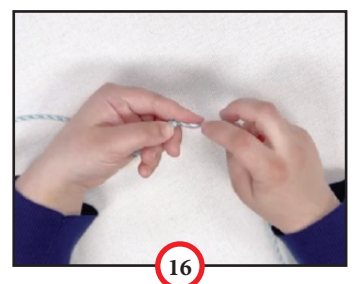
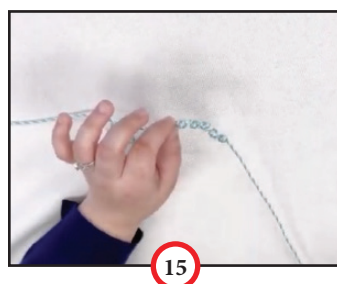
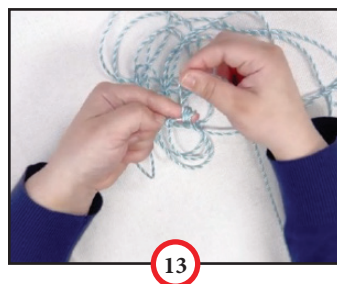
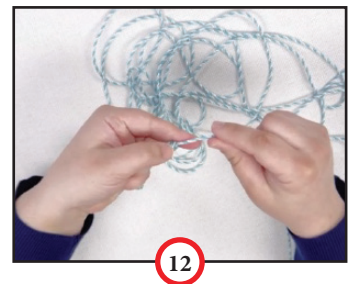
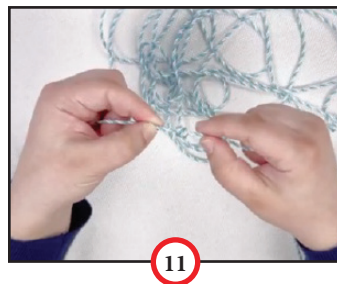
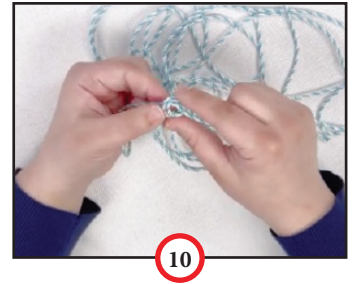
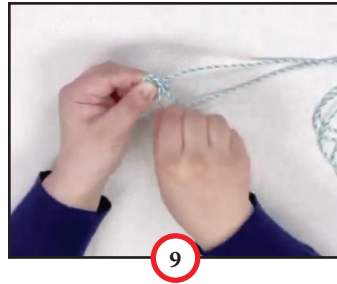
17 Just like the "Hail Mary" bead, loosely loop the twine around your index finger. Make sure to loop the twine toward the back of your finger and not in front.

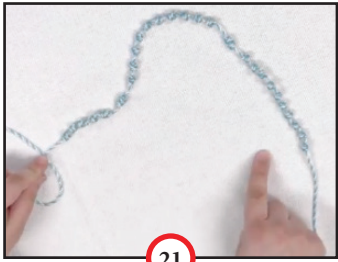
18 Next, lightly loop the twine around your index finger four more times. There will be five loops total when completed. Be careful to place your left-hand thumb above the intersecting loops, so that they don't overlap one another.

19 Gently move the loops to the end of your finger and insert the end of the twine through the loop. Remember to pull the twine string through from behind.

20 Once the end comes through, pull out the twine while keeping your thumb on where they intersect. Carefully pull the string while closing the knot using both hands to guide the knot. Once the knot is made, pull it tighter to ensure that it's in place. It should look like a barrel when completed.

You have just completed the first "Our Father" bead.

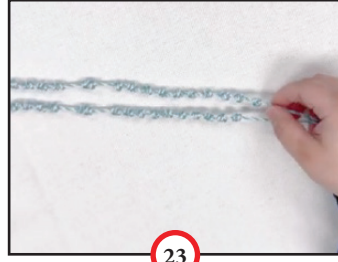




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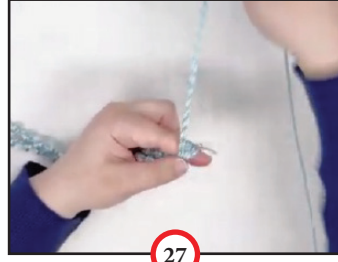
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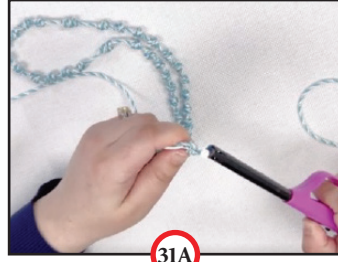
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34A



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21 Make the next 10 "Hail Mary" beads followed by an "Our Father," and then another 10 "Hail Mary" beads. This will complete the fourth and fifth mysteries with 1 "Our Father" bead in between.

22 To work on the other side of the Rosary begin by flipping the Rosary over and making 5 additional "Hail Mary" beads to complete the third decade (the one you began with).

23 Once the five "Hail Mary" beads are completed, make 1 "Our Father" bead followed by the second and first decades of the Rosary (with an "Our Father" in between them) just like what was done for the fourth and fifth decades.

24 To finish the Rosary, you will need a lighter and a pair of scissors, as well as a Miraculous Medal (optional). Begin by making the "centerpiece" knot of the Rosary. Align the first decade "Hail Mary" knot with the fifth decade "Hail Mary" knot. Then, hold the "Hail Mary" knots in your left hand and fold both strings over your index finger, just like the "Hail Mary" knot and the "Our Father" knot.

25 Loop through the Miraculous Medal of the bottom twine as shown (if including Medal).

26 Loosely loop both strands of twine around your index finger (just like before) and make an "x"

shape. Make sure that they intersect as shown. Repeat this to make two.

27 Notice there are 4 strands all together. Next, place your left-hand thumb over where they intersect as shown.

28 Slowly pull the loops away from your fingers. The loops must line up and not overlap each other.

29 Your finished knot should look as shown. See how smooth it is?

30 Now, complete the rest of the Rosary by taking the shorter string of the two then snip one end off with the scissors.

31^A Next, take the lighter and light the end.

31^B Once the twine is slightly melted, lean your lighter against the end as it begins to harden.

32 Making the beginning section of the Rosary requires 1 "Our Father" bead, 3 "Hail Mary" beads, and another "Our Father" bead.

33 The only remaining part is the Cross. Begin by making an "Our Father" bead (the top part of the Cross). Leave a little space in between before making another "Our Father" bead. After completing

the second "Our Father" bead, make another one next to it (both beads will form the bottom part of the Cross). Make sure to tighten them together.

34^{A, B, C} Using your scissors, snip off the end of the knot and burn it like you did in 31A and 31B. The leftover will melt into the rest of the knot. Press the melted area to your lighter as it cools down.

35^{A, B} Next, make the arms of the Cross by using the twine string you snipped off. Place that twine string between the top and bottom part of the Cross (that open space between the two "Our Father" beads). Tie a knot.

36 For the arms of the Cross, make 1 "Our Father" knot on each side.

37^{A, B, C} Once the arms of the cross are done, snip off the excess ends and burn them with the lighter, so that they melt toward the knot as shown.