

beseech thee obtain for us, through thine intercession, the grace to lead such pure and holy lives in this world, that we may become worthy to sing without ceasing the mercies of thy Son, and his benefits to us by thee. Amen.

---

4. Let us contemplate, in the fourth joyful mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, on the day of her purification, presented the child Jesus in the Temple, where holy Simeon, giving thanks to God, with great devotion received him into his arms.

*Our Father once. Hail Mary ten times. Glory be to the Father.*

*Let us pray.*

O holy Virgin, most admirable mistress and pattern of obedience, who didst present the Lord of the Temple in the Temple of God ; obtain for us, of thy blessed Son, that with holy Simeon and devout Anna, we praise and glorify him for ever. Amen.

---

Let us contemplate, in the fifth joyful mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, after having lost her beloved Son in Jerusalem [through no fault of hers], sought him for the space of three days ; and at length found him in the Temple, sitting