

# THE SAINT ANTHONY ROSARY OF HEALING



**“Our David, the Son of God, a merciful and gracious Lord... opens the Scriptures that we might understand.”**

-Saint Anthony of Padua (Sermons)

*Son of David, have pity on me!*

This was the cry that the wayside blind man shouted out to Jesus. It is also, according to Saint Anthony, “our proper prayer as Christians.” Why should that be so?

Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel, often preached about the name of David, which he understood to mean merciful. The blind man’s cry, then, is one that begs Jesus’ mercy. Saint Anthony teaches how this mercy irrigates the heart when Christ, the divine gardener, waters the gardens of our souls.

The Saint Anthony Rosary opens the Scriptures for us, so that the gardens of our souls can receive the refreshing waters of Christ’s mercy. Then, through this grace of healing, we might better bear the fruit of witnessing to God’s merciful goodness in our world.

## First Decade: Jesus Heals the Blind

Read: Mark 10:46-52; Matthew 20:29-34; or Luke 18:35-43

Prayer said on center medal of your rosary: ***Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel, pray for us to see goodness.***

Prayer said on the next ten beads: ***Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!***

Ten seconds of silence to be refreshed in God’s mercy.

## Second Decade: Jesus Heals the Deaf and the Mute

Read: Mark 7:31-37; Matthew 9:32-33; or Luke 11:14

Prayer said on the single bead: ***Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel, pray for us to hear truth & speak justice.***

Prayer said on the next ten beads: ***Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!***

Ten seconds of silence to be refreshed in God’s mercy.

## Third Decade: Jesus Heals the Lame

Read: Mark 2:1-12; Matthew 9:1-8; or Luke 5:17-26

Prayer said on the single bead: ***Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel, pray for us to walk humbly.***

Prayer said on the next ten beads: ***Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!***

Ten seconds of silence to be refreshed in God’s mercy.



### Fourth Decade: Jesus Heals the Suffering

Read: Mark 7:24-30; Matthew 15:22-28; or Luke 8:41b-48

Prayer said on the single bead: **Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel**, pray for us to savor relief.

Prayer said on the next ten beads: **Jesus, Son of David**, have pity on me!

Ten seconds of silence to be refreshed in God's mercy.

### Fifth Decade: Jesus Heals the Sick

Read: Mark 1:29-31; Matthew 8:14-16; or Luke 4:38-39

Prayer said on the single bead: **Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel**, pray for us to get up and serve others.

Prayer said on the next ten beads: **Jesus, Son of David**, have pity on me!

Ten seconds of silence to be refreshed in God's mercy.

### Concluding Prayers: Jesus Heals Us

Read: Mark 3:10; Matthew 15:29-31; or Luke 4:40

Prayer said on the first bead: **Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel**, pray for us to find healing  
(add your personal intentions).

Prayer said on the next three beads: **Jesus, Son of David**, have pity on me!

Saint Anthony Prayer for Healing said on the final bead.

## SAINT ANTHONY PRAYER FOR HEALING

Dear Saint Anthony, you experienced disappointments and sicknesses in your short life, please assist me in my present difficulties.

Sickness forces us to depend on others, leaves undone our daily tasks, upsets our self-confidence, and can make us feel less useful.

Help me, Saint Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel, to tend to my ailments of body, mind, and spirit. Teach me how vulnerability leads to strength. Show me how to carry the cross of sickness.

Saint Anthony, pray for me and my loved ones. May Jesus, the Son of David, have pity on us all, thereby making us better witnesses to the Gospel of God's merciful goodness in our world.

Amen.

