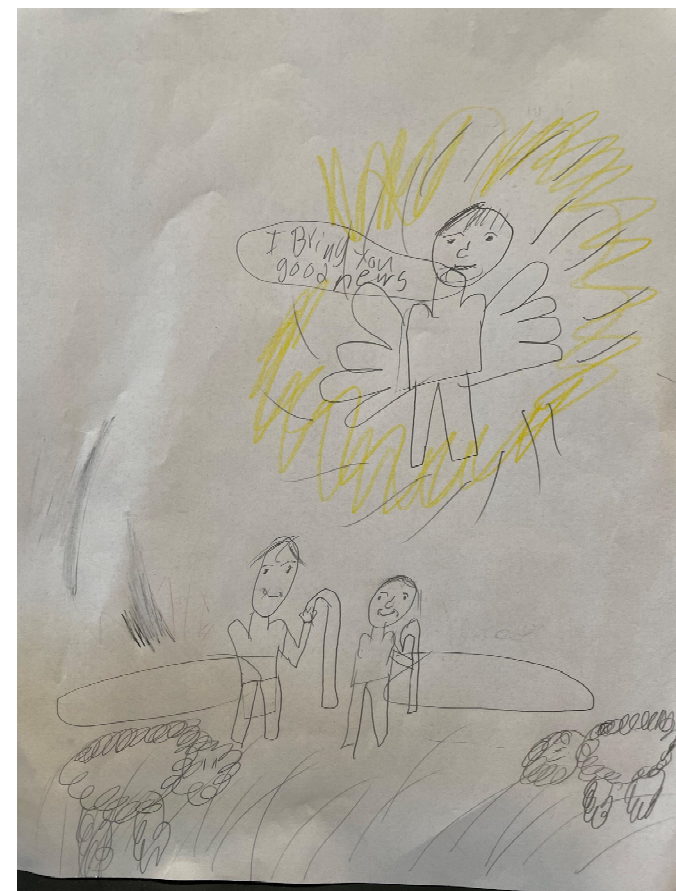
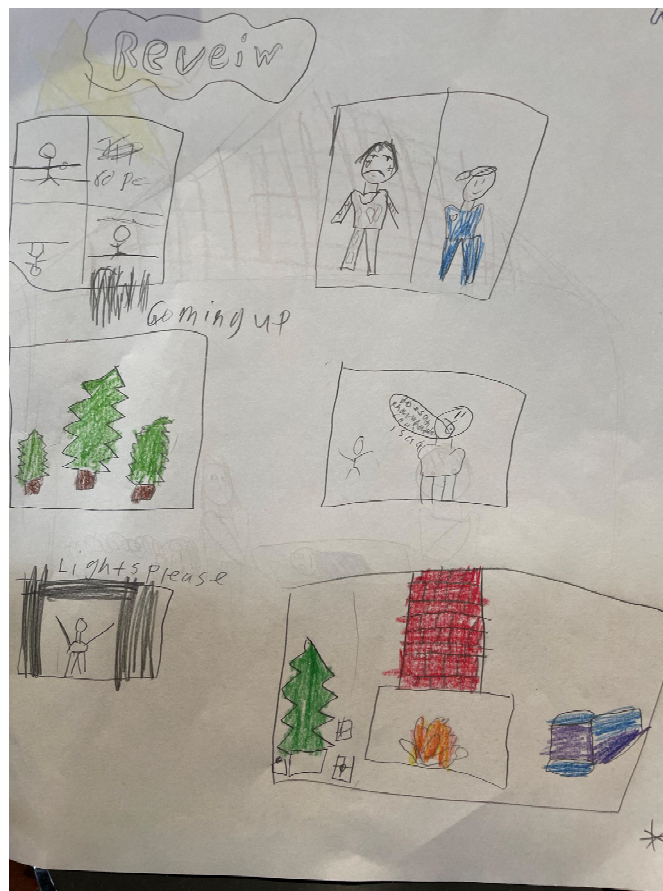


Lights, Please!



“Virgin”

Parthenos

A young, unmarried girl between the ages of 12 and 14.

Mark Strauss, “Zondervan Illustrated Bible Backgrounds Commentary: Luke”





“Greetings!”

Chairo – to rejoice, be glad, hail!

“You who are highly favored!”

Charitao – to be the recipient of a benefit

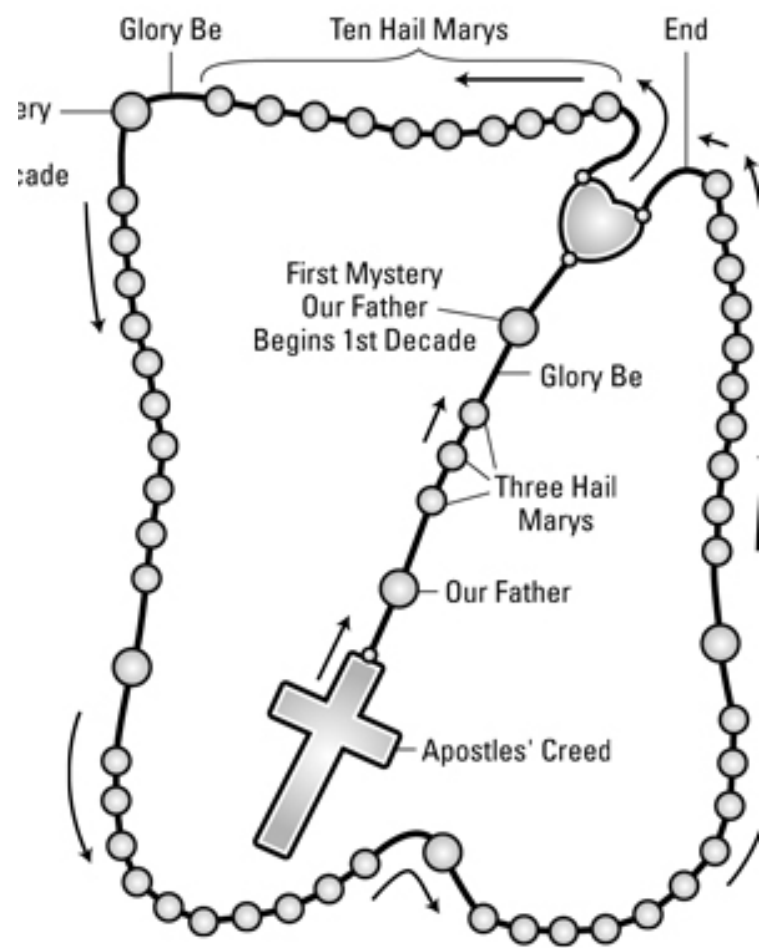
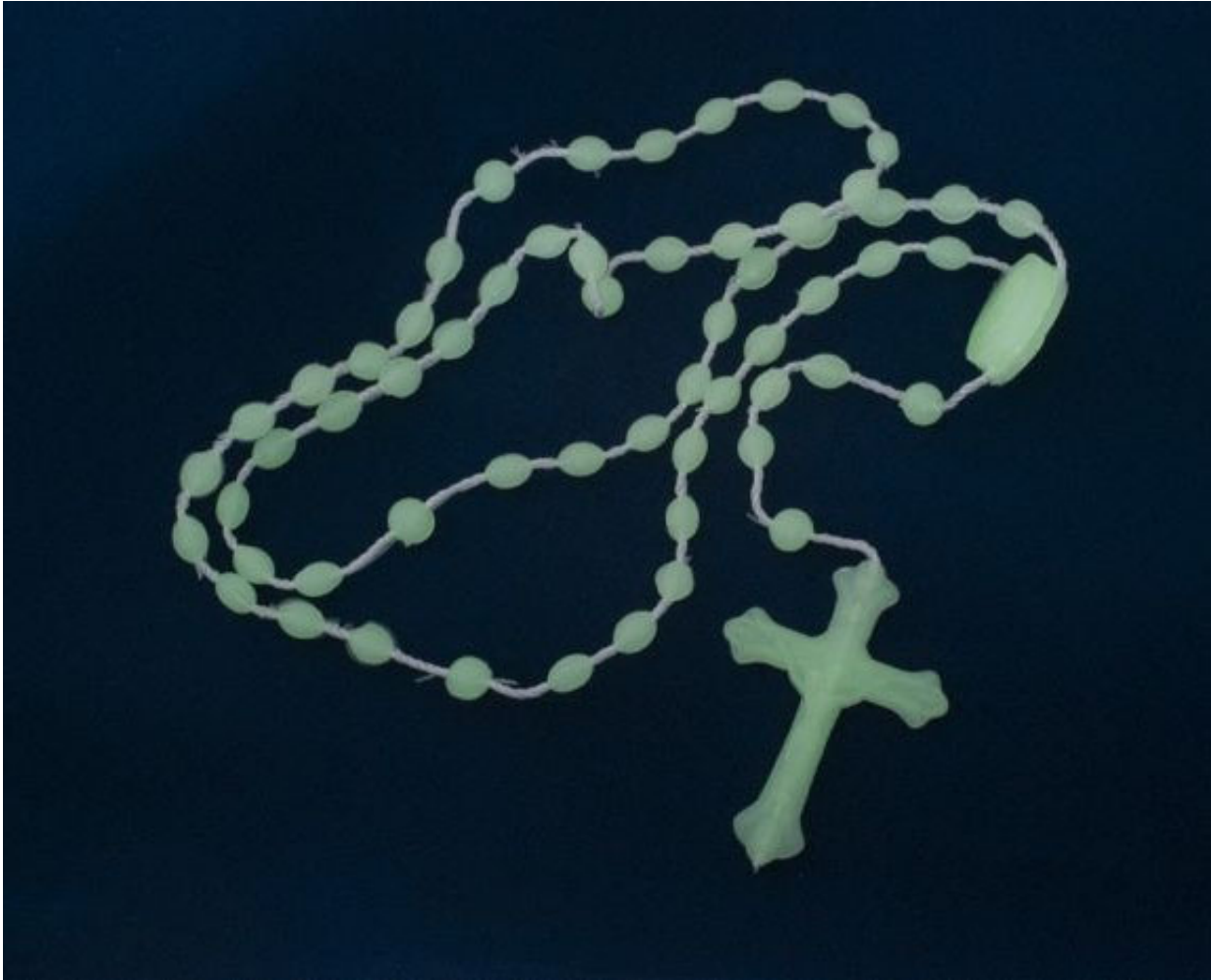
“You have found favor with God”

Charis – unmerited grace

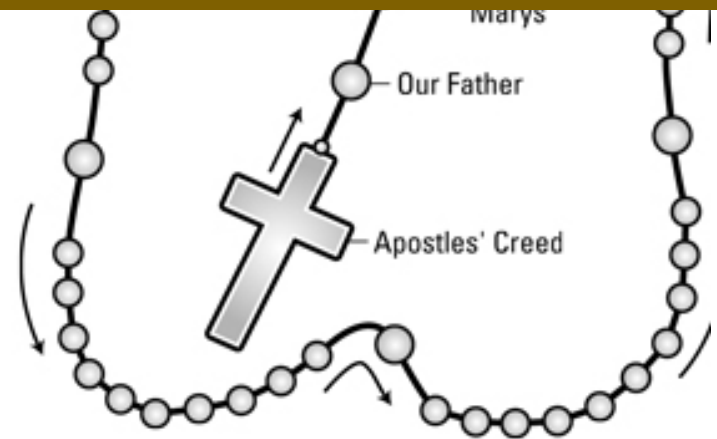
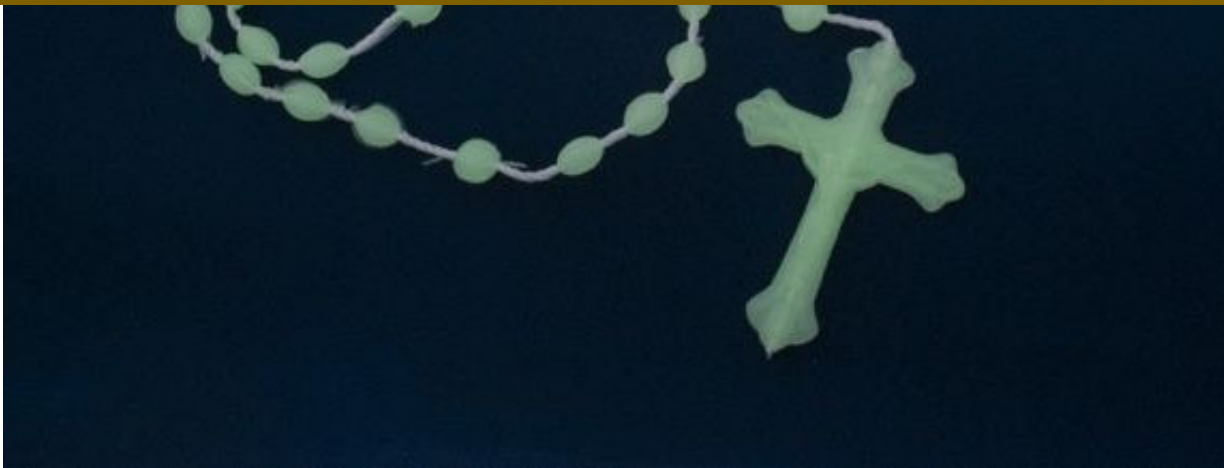
Luke 1:28 in the King James Version

“Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.”





“Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen.”



Hail Mary, Receiver of Grace

“Mary is a vessel to receive, not a fountain to dispense.”

R.C.H. Lenski, “The Interpretation of St. Luke’s Gospel”



Humble Mary

“My soul glorifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me - holy is his name.”

Luke 1:46-49



The Messiah is the Eternal King

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.”

Isaiah 9:6-7

The Messiah Born of a Virgin

“Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel.”

Isaiah 7:14



God's Omni-Potence

“The laws of nature are not chains which the Divine Legislator has laid upon Himself; they are threads which He holds in His hand, and which He shortens or lengthens at will.”

J.J. Van Oosterzee



Christ our Savior

“But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.”

Galatians 4:4-6



Important of the Virgin Birth

1. Born of a woman – identify with us
2. Sinless – a perfect offering for us
3. Son of God – giver of life



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