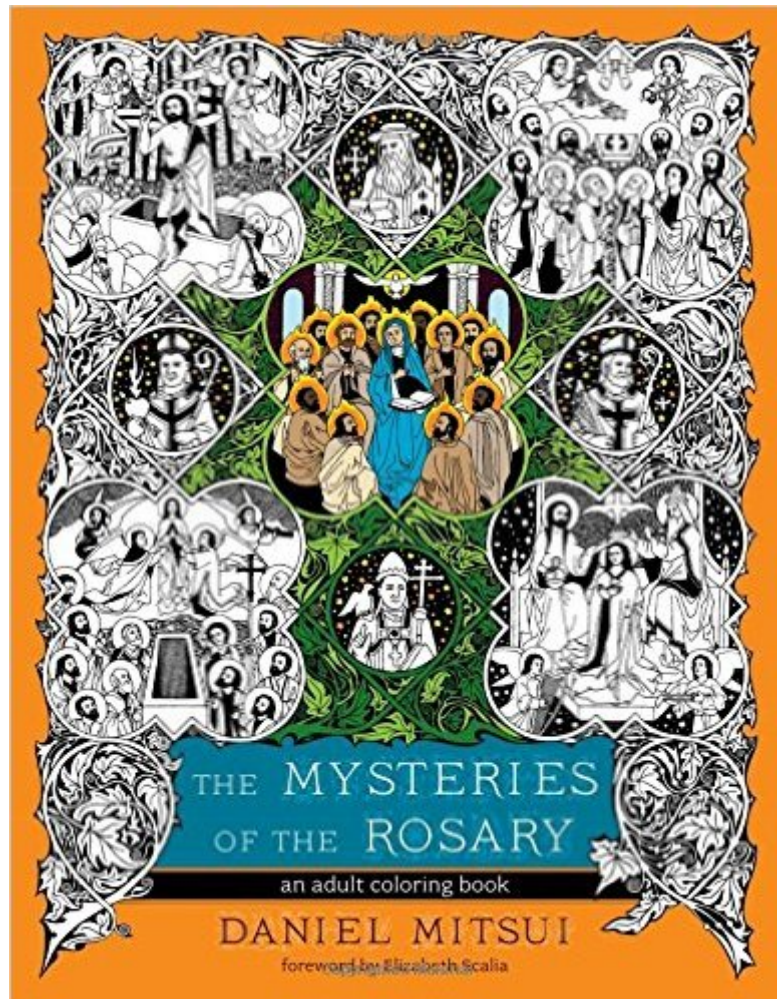


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The Mysteries Of The Rosary: An Adult Coloring Book



Synopsis

Experience spiritual calm with the first adult coloring book to focus on the Rosary as you color and reflect on the traditional Catholic prayer. Renowned artist Daniel Mitsui provides exquisitely detailed illustrations of the Glorious, Joyful, and Sorrowful Mysteries, suitable for meditative coloring and for reflecting on the lives of Jesus and the Blessed Mother. Adult coloring books were the fastest-growing book category last year, making up five of the top ten bestselling books in 2015. But of the hundreds of coloring books on the market, very few reflect Catholic themes. Daniel Mitsui's *The Mysteries of the Rosary* is the first adult coloring book to focus on the Rosary and draw inspiration from medieval illustrated manuscripts. Just as repetition of the Hail Mary during the Rosary can create a contemplative awareness of its mysteries, careful attention to coloring these captivating illustrations can open your heart to a deeper awareness of the Rosary's truths. Like the medieval monks who understood their artistic decoration of the gospels as a form of prayer and praise, you'll find yourself caught up in meditative wonder as you prayerfully color Mitsui's images. The artist specializes in hand-drawn ink illustrations on paper or vellum. Since his conversion to Catholicism in 2004, most of his pieces have focused on religious subjects. Mitsui decided to publish selections of his fine art as a coloring book because he believes that traditional Catholic art has the power to shape the imagination and heart of everyone who experiences it. This unique coloring book contains thirty illustrations--fifteen full-page drawings of the mysteries of the Rosary, each one beautifully bordered by traditional images of animals and flowers; twelve vignettes featuring prophets, evangelists, and Fathers of the Church; and three larger drawings with the artist's commentary. It also contains descriptive copy written by the author for the three sets of Mysteries.

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Customer Reviews

I love that adult coloring books are focused on so many genres. There is literally a coloring book out there to suit anyone's interests. And while this book may seem clearly focused to one specific group I'd suggest that it will appeal to most anyone who enjoys coloring religious-themed artwork. As stated in the Introduction "This coloring book is formatted to resemble one of the early devotional books dedicated to the Holy Rosary". It includes The Joyful Mysteries, The Sorrowful Mysteries, and the The Glorious Mysteries (see my colored example). The detail is exquisite, and you will want to use some finetip markers or pencils and really take your time with these drawings. Reflect, pray, or even just let your mind wander. The pages within will make you feel as if you are working on your own illuminated manuscript page. Add metallic and sparkle gels to give it that look, too! There are 30 images, each on one side of page only. No perforations, but the images all stop well before the spine. If you want to tear or cut out a page for hanging/framing it will be easy. The paper is medium weight. I used regular markers, gels, sparkle gels and alcohol markers. There is bleed-through, which is to be expected, but a blank page placed behind will serve. I highly recommend this book! It's absolutely gorgeous, and promises hours of contemplative coloring. I see the artist also has a book on The Saints coming out in November. Something to look forward to!

I have lots of adult coloring books but this one is one of the hardest I have seen. Most of the details are so tiny. There are some large pictures on some pages but those chop off other images on the page. I love the rosary but I don't understand why he put a lot of the pictures in this book. Sorry but I cannot recommend this book. I am going to give it to an art student. I wish I had not bought it.

I've been looking for a Catholic version ever since discovering "adult coloring books". Daniel Mitsui is an amazing artist, and this book does not disappoint. The pages only have art on one side, and blank on the reverse side. There are only about three extremely detailed pages to color as show on the cover--one for each set of mysteries of the rosary (this book does not have the Luminous mysteries in it). Then, there is a full page for each of the specific mysteries, 15 in all, which consists of a somewhat detailed page full of art surrounding the mystery, but not as detailed as what you see on the cover. In addition to those pages, there are more pages with pictures of apostles and saints,

but these pages appear to be sections of larger works, so when blown up to full page size are not nearly as detailed as the rest of the pages--but still nice and crisp for great coloring in less detail. A good mix of super detailed, somewhat detailed and kind of detailed art to color throughout the book. I'm buying multiple copies to color again and again!

Daniel Mitsui is an amazing artist and the pictures in this book are so beautiful. My children and I have enjoyed coloring AND I've been able to catechise them in the process. I can't wait for future coloring books from Mitsui.

Like everyone else, I quickly jumped on the adult coloring book craze and so asked for it for my birthday. One with a Catholic focus seemed to be a windfall. Unfortunately, it is impossible to color the small, practically invisible objects and details on the pages. Instead of relaxing, the minute illustrations make this incredibly stressful. By all means the artist is talented but there is no way this is a "coloring" book!

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