

# MARIAN PRAYERS

## ***The Angelus***

V. The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary ...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

V. And the Word was made Flesh:

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

## ***The Memorare***

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen

## ***Hail, Holy Queen***

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.



## ***FABC50 Document continued – Part Two: Looking at Asia's Emerging Realities***

### Recognising the challenges confronting the Church in Asia

The breadth and depth of Asia make it truly difficult to understand the diversity of issues that impact this vast continent. So we focused on what struck us as the most impactful realities in Asian societies. From these we identified nine major priorities:

- A. Migrants, Refugees and Indigenous People, displaced from their homelands**
  - Asia is the scene for a booming migration industry, which operates both legally and illegally, at a very high cost to human values; so family life is disrupted and injustices abound.
- B. Families, the bedrock of society**
  - Families in Asia are currently facing many challenges that threaten their tranquility, stability and unity: family values, education, poverty, inequality and regional conflicts are concerns.
- C. The evolving role of Women in the fast-changing Asian societies**
  - Asian women are often marginalised in the Church and in society due to patriarchy.
- D. Gender Issues confronting the Church and society**
  - LGBTQI+ people are highly marginalised, facing discrimination and social stigma.
- E. Youth confronting a new world**
  - Asia-Pacific Region has witnessed a 'youth bulge'. Youth are not the future; they are the present. Let them find their place in Church and society, and make their contribution.
- F. The impact of Digital Technology**
  - Digitalisation has impacted almost all aspects of life, offering benefits and challenges.
- G. Promoting an equitable Economy in the face of Urbanisation and Globalisation**
  - The challenge is how to direct the economy for the good of all, not just of a few.
- H. The Climate Crisis which endangers our common home**
  - Listen to the cry of the earth and the poor.
- I. Interreligious Dialogue to bring about harmony and peace on the Asian continent**
  - Our pastoral work is to open new pathways on our common journey towards a better Asia and the wellbeing of humankind.

## CALENDAR

### Monday

August 21  
St. Pius X, Pope  
Jgs 2:11-19  
Mt 19:16-22

### Tuesday

August 22  
Queenship of the  
Blessed Virgin  
Mary

Jgs 6:11-24a  
Mt 19:23-30

### Wednesday

August 23  
Weekday

Jgs 9:6-15  
Mt 20:1-16

### Thursday

August 24  
St. Bartholomew,  
Apostle

Rev 21:9b-14  
Jn 1:45-51

### Friday

August 25  
Weekday

Ru 1:1, 3-6,  
14b-16, 22  
Mt 22:34-40

### Saturday

August 26  
Weekday  
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11;  
4:13-17

Mt 23:1-12

### Sunday

August 27  
Twenty-first Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Is 22:19-23  
Rom 11:33-36  
Mt 16:13-20

## HOSPITALITY

### Communion

We are the Body of Christ. This is who we are as Church. It is our profound mystery that we take and eat, take and drink at Communion. In doing so, we give expression to our identity.

If we are not in communion with the Catholic Church, it makes no logical sense for those to receive because simply, it is not their identity.

If you are Buddhist, from another Christian tradition or just our welcome guest, please feel free to come forward, not to receive communion but to ask for a blessing.

The simple practice of asking for a blessing is through the bodily posture of bowing one's head and crossing one's arms across one's chest when before the minister distributing communion.

If you are a parent with a child not receiving Communion, please take personal responsibility in asking the minister for a blessing for your child.

*John P. Murray osa*  
Pastoral Leader, 10 am Mass Community

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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon-Fri : Thai 06:00 hrs.  
Sat : Thai 06:00; 17:00 novena followed by  
mass  
Sun : Thai 07:00; 08:30 and 17:00 hrs.  
English 10:00 hrs.

#### BAPTISM:

Thai : **First Sunday** during 8:30 am mass.  
English : **Second Sunday** during 10:00 am  
mass.

#### CONFESSION:

Sundays : Before all masses (Thai).  
English before 10:00 am mass.

#### CATHOLIC CENTER:

For religious articles, please visit the center opposite  
the entrance of the Cathedral.

#### Opening Hours:

Mon-Fri : 08:30 – 17:00 hrs.  
Sat, Sun : Closed  
& public holidays

# Dear Padre

August 20, 2023

***Why are the Scripture readings for Mass so piecemeal? We read part of a verse then jump to another part. Doesn't reading it like this distort the meaning of the passage?***

The readings for Mass are in a book called the *Lectionary*. Our current *Lectionary* was set up after the Second Vatican Council. It uses a three-year cycle for the Sunday readings, so over three years we hear the majority of the Bible at Mass. Its introduction states, "The present Order of Readings for Mass, then, is an arrangement of biblical readings that provides the faithful with a knowledge of the whole of God's word, in a pattern suited to the purpose" (*General Introduction to the Lectionary, Second Edition, 60*).

So the readings are not "piecemeal" but rather arranged so that we are exposed to the whole of God's word within three years. At times a given reading may not be complete—for example, the second reading for today is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, chapter eleven, verses 13–15 and 29–32. This is done not only for brevity but for clarity. Those who organized the *Lectionary* thought that this excerpt made the message clearer or gave better emphasis to a point in the reading. It certainly is good to get out your Bible and read the whole section so you can see what is missing, but when the word is proclaimed at Mass, the current arrangement is most effective. ●

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**Priest:** Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**All:** May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**HOLY (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 5)**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. **PLEASE KNEEL**

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 5)**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**DOXOLOGY **PLEASE STAND****

**Priest:** Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**GREAT AMEN (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 6)**

Amen. Amen. Amen.

**COMMUNION RITE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (No. 387)**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

**Priest:** Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil; graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.

**LAMB OF GOD (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 6)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (Repeat)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

**PLEASE KNEEL**

**Priest:** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All:** Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**COMMUNION HYMN: TAKE AND EAT (No. 950)**

**FINAL HYMN: HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE (No. 879) **PLEASE STAND****

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

*Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> August 2023*

**ENTRANCE HYMN:**

**ON THIS DAY, O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 15)**

**PLEASE STAND**

**REFRAIN:** On this day, O beautiful Mother, On this day we give thee our love.

Near thee, Madonna, fondly we hover, Trusting thy gentle care to prove.

1. On this day we ask to share, Dearest Mother, thy sweet care;  
Aid us ere our feet astray, Wander from thy guiding way. (R)
2. Queen of angels, deign to hear, Lispering children's humble pray'r  
Young hearts gain, O Virgin pure, Sweetly to thyself allure. (R)

**INTRODUCTORY RITE**

**Priest:** I confess to almighty God,

**All:** and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

*– and, striking their breast, they say –*

Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Priest:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**All:** Amen.

**KYRIE, ELEISON / LORD, HAVE MERCY**

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**GLORY TO GOD (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 3)**

**Refrain:** Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace, on earth peace to people of good will.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. (R)
2. Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayers;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. (R)
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. (R)

**FIRST READING:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

*A reading from the Book of Revelation:*

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple.

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One."

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 45: THE QUEEN STANDS AT YOUR RIGHT HAND**



1. The queen takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir. (R)
2. Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear, forget your people and your father's house. (R)
3. So shall the king desire your beauty; for he is your lord. (R)
4. They are borne in with gladness and joy; they enter the palace of the king. (R)

**SECOND READING: 1 Cor 15:20-27**

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians:**

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA (SUPPLEMENTAL HYMNAL PAGE 4)**

**PLEASE STAND**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Repeat)

**All: Mary is taken up to heaven; a chorus of angels exults.**

**GOSPEL: Lk 1:39-56**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, Lord.**

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever."

Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**THE APOSTLES' CREED PLEASE STAND**

**Priest:** I believe in God,

**All:** the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**RESPONSE TO THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:**

**"Lord of glory, hear our prayer."**

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY HYMN: HAIL MARY, GENTLE WOMAN (No. 889)**

**PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS PLEASE STAND**