# **MARIAN PRAYERS**

#### Hail Holy Queen

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope, to thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this, our 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. Amen.

#### **Memorare** (by Saint Bernard of Clairvaux)

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

#### **Morning Offering**

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day, in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart: for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the reunion of all Christians, and for the intentions of our Holy Father. *Amen*.

#### Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of thy grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. *Amen*.

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#### **BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS' STORY**

Born in London and raised in Milan, Carlo's wealthy parents were not particularly religious. Upon receiving his First Communion at age seven, Carlo became a frequent communicant, making a point of praying before the tabernacle before or after every Mass. In addition to Francis of Assisi, Carlo took several of the younger saints as his role models, including Bernadette Soubirous of Lourdes, Jacinta and Francisco of Fatima, and Dominic Savio.

At school, Carlo tried to comfort friends whose parents were undergoing divorce, as well as stepping in to defend disabled students from bullies. After school hours he volunteered his time with the city's homeless and destitute. Considered a computer geek by some, Carlo spent four years creating a website dedicated to cataloguing every reported Eucharistic miracle around the world. He also enjoyed films, comics, soccer, and playing popular video games.

Diagnosed with leukemia, Carlo offered his sufferings to God for the intentions of the sitting Pope—Benedict XVI—and the entire Church. His longtime desire to visit as many sites of Eucharistic miracles as possible was cut short by his illness. Carlo died in 2006 and was beatified in 2020.

As he had wished, Carlo was buried in Assisi at St Mary Major's "Chapel of the Stripping", where Francis had returned his clothes to his father and began a more radical following of the Gospel.

Among the thousands present for Carlo's beatification at Assisi's Basilica of St Francis were many of his childhood friends. Presiding at the beatification service, Cardinal Agostino Vallini praised Carlo as an example of how young people can use technology to spread the Gospel "to reach as many people as possible and help them know the beauty of friendship with the Lord."

Carlo Acutis did not strive to become famous but rather to cooperate as generously as possible with God's grace. That journey brought him many experiences, all united by a burning desire to serve God and others as generously as possible. — **Franciscan Media** 

Blessed Carlo Acutis — to be canonised 7<sup>th</sup> September —

- "The Virgin Mary is the only woman in my life."
- "The more Eucharist we receive, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."
- "The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy."

## **CALENDAR**

#### **MONDAY**

August 18 *Weekday* Jgs 2:11–19 Mt 19:16–22

#### **TUESDAY**

August 19 *Weekday* Jgs 6:11–24a Mt 19:23–30

#### WEDNESDAY

August 20 St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Jgs 9:6-15 Mt 20:1-16

#### **THURSDAY**

August 21 St. Pius X, Pope Jgs 11:29-39a Mt 22:1-14

#### FRIDAY

August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Mt 22:34-40

# **SATURDAY** August 23

Weekday Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12

#### SUNDAY

August 24 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 66:18-21 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

Lk 13:22-30

# **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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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
 : 08:30 - noon

 Other public holidays
 : Closed

# Dear Padre

August 17, 2025

# Is "co-redemptrix" a title for the Blessed Virgin Mary?

The Church does not officially regard Mary as a co-redemptrix with Christ. Her "'unique holiness'...'from the first instant of her conception' comes wholly from Christ: she is 'redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 492).

According to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the title "co-redemptrix" would "obscure" the origin that "everything comes through Christ," as written in Ephesians and Colossians. "Mary, too, is everything she is through Him," stated the future Pope Benedict XVI, adding that "co-redemptrix" is a departure "from the language of Scripture and of the Fathers, and therefore gives rise to misunderstandings."

Likewise, in 2019, Pope Francis quoted St. Bernard, who said that no praise is sufficient to talk about Mary, but, ultimately, her title as a humble "disciple" best represents Mary's faithfulness to "her Son, the only Redeemer." "She never wanted for herself something that was of her Son," explained the pontiff. "She never introduced herself as co-redemptrix. No. Disciple."

Pope Francis reiterated the Church's position on this matter in 2021, saying that Jesus entrusted the universal Church and all the faithful to Mary, "Not as a goddess. Not as a co-redemptrix. As a mother." Incidentally, "Mother of God" (Greek: *Theotokos*, "God-bearer") is Mary's oldest title, established in 431 by the Council of Ephesus. ●

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

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

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 in the highest. PLEASE KNEEL

#### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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**

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.

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

#### LAMB OF GOD

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

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

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.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my

soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION: EAT THIS BREAD (No. 941) HAIL MARY: GENTLE WOMAN (No. 889)

FINAL: SALVE REGINA (No. 880) HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE (No. 879) PLEASE STAND

## SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sunday, 17th August 2025

## ENTRANCE: ON THIS DAY, O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER 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.

On this day we ask to share, Dearest Mother, thy sweet care; Aid us ere our feet astray, Wander from thy guiding way. (R)

Queen of angels, deign to hear, Lisping children's humble pray'r Young hearts gain, O Virgin pure, Sweetly to thyself allure. (R)

#### INTRODUCTORY RITE

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

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.

Amen.

## KYRIE. ELEISON / LORD. HAVE MERCY

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#### **GLORY TO GOD**

Refrain: 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.

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 mercyu 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.

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:

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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 PLEASE STAND

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.

Priest: A reading from the Good News according to Luke.

All: And with your spirit.

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 Good News of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# PLEASE BE SEATED

# THE APOSTLES' CREED PLEASE STAND

Priest: I believe in God,

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: "Hear our prayer."

# PLEASE BE SEATED

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS** 

OFFERTORY: IMMACULATE MARY (No. 886)

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS PLEASE STAND