

THE DEVOTION OF THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS

✠ MONSIGNOR JUAN RIO

CLOSE TO MARCH 25, 1933, WHEN MONSIGNOR JUAN RIO WAS FIFTEEN AND A HALF YEARS OLD, HIS CO-SEMINARIAN SAID, "RIU, THERE IS A PIOUS BELIEF ASSURING THAT ANY GRACE ASKED FROM THE VIRGIN MARY WILL BE GRANTED TO WHOEVER PRAYS THE 2000 HAIL MARYS." THOSE WORDS REMAINED DEEP IN HIS MIND AND SINCE THEN, EVERY MARCH 25, WHICH IS THE FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION, HE RECITED WITH GREAT DEVOTION, THE 2000 HAIL MARYS. HE HAD ASKED THREE FAVORS FROM OUR LADY: TO BECOME A SALESIAN, A PRIEST AND A MISSIONARY. AND THEN, HE WAITED TRUSTFULLY FOR OUR LADY TO GRANT HIS REQUESTS.

ON JUNE 27, 1935, HE MADE HIS VOWS AS A SALESIAN. ON JUNE 15, 1946, HE WAS ORDAINED A PRIEST IN MADRID, SPAIN. AND ON AUGUST 30, 1952, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO AND STARTED HIS MISSIONARY APOSTOLATE IN THE POOREST SLUM.

DURING HIS 45 YEARS AS A PRIEST, HE HAD BEEN PROMOTING THIS DEVOTION WITH GREAT SUCCESS. MANY PEOPLE, AS WELL, HAVE DONE THE SAME DEVOTION AND THEY HAVE TESTIFIED THAT THEIR PETITIONS HAVE BEEN GRANTED, SOME INSTANTLY WHILE OTHERS, AT A LATER TIME.

TODAY, YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY 2000 HAIL MARYS TO OUR LADY, ASKING HER FOR ANY KIND OF FAVORS, AND TRUST THAT GOD WILL GRANT THEM THROUGH OUR LADY'S POWERFUL INTERCESSION, IN JESUS' NAME. IF IT IS FOR THE GOOD OF OUR SOUL, GOD WILL GRANT OUR REQUEST(S).

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THE 2,000 HAIL MARY DEVOTION

PRAYING 2,000 HAIL MARYS IS A PRIVATE DEVOTION. IT IS A VERY POWERFUL INTERCESSORY PRAYER. IT IS PRAYING 2,000 HAIL MARYS WITH OUR BLESSED MOTHER TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. COMBINED WITH YOUR FAITH AND SINCERITY OF HEART, THESE ARE GRACES OR INTENTIONS WHICH OUR MOTHER MARY WILL INTERCEDE FOR YOU.

OPENING PRAYER OR SONG: "COME HOLY SPIRIT" (INVOKE THE HOLY SPIRIT AND PRAY THAT HE GIVES YOU THE GIFT OF FORTITUDE - SO THAT YOU MAY HAVE THE GRACE TO FINISH THE LENGTH OR DURATION OF PRAYING THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS. PRAY FOR THE GIFT OF PIETY SO THAT YOU CAN PRAY WITH YOUR HEART. OFFER EVERY WORD THAT YOU SAY, LET IT BE A PRAYER THAT RISE UP TO HIM FOR HIS BLESSINGS AND FOR WHATEVER YOUR INTENTIONS MAY BE. UPLIFT EVERYTHING TO THE LORD. OPEN AND LIFT YOUR HEART AND YOUR MIND, SO THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL COME AND OUTPOUR HIS SPIRIT ON YOU AND POSSESS YOU. SURRENDER YOURSELF FULLY TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AS YOU PRAY WITH MOTHER MARY. SHE WILL INTERCEDE FOR US TO HER SON, JESUS CHRIST.

YOU BEGIN PRAYING THE 15 MYSTERIES OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY - JOYFUL, SORROWFUL AND GLORIOUS. THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS FOLLOWS IF A PRIEST IS AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME.

START THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS. THERE ARE 20 GENERAL PETITIONS. EVERY PETITION IS READ BEFORE EACH 100 HAIL MARYS. IF YOU ARE IN A GROUP, DESIGNATE EACH PERSON TO LEAD THE PRAYER OF A ROUND OF 100 HAIL MARYS, I.E., IF THERE ARE 10 PEOPLE IN THE GROUP, EACH ONE MUST LEAD TWO ROUNDS OF THE ROSARY TO COMPLETE THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS. IF MORE THAN 20 ARE PRESENT OR ARE TO BE EXPECTED, EACH MEMBER MAY PRAY ONE ROUND OF THE HAIL MARYS FIRST. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 8 ½ HOURS TO COMPLETE THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS.

AT 3:00 P.M., PRAY THE DIVINE MERCY AND PAUSE SILENTLY TO IMPLORE OUR LORD'S MERCY AND MEDITATE ON HIS PASSION IN THIS HOUR OF GREAT MERCY. OUR LORD SAID, "IN THIS HOUR, I WILL REFUSE NOTHING TO THE SOUL THAT MAKES A REQUEST OF ME IN VIRTUE OF MY PASSION." THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY IS PRAYED

AND THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS CONTINUE UNTIL COMPLETED, INTERRUPTED AT 6:00 P.M. TO PRAY THE ANGELUS.

FOR DETAILS, PLEASE REFER TO THE SUGGESTED FORMAT OF THE DEVOTION ON THE NEXT PAGE.



SUGGESTED FORMAT OF THE 2,000 HAIL MARY DEVOTION

THE SCRIPTURAL ROSARY - JOYFUL, SORROWFUL AND GLORIOUS MYSTERIES (TO BE PRAYED SLOWLY FROM THE HEART, NOT MECHANICALLY, AND LOUD ENOUGH TO BE HEARD BY EVERYONE).

HOLY MASS - IF A PRIEST IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. IF NOT, YOU MAY START WITH A HYMN, FOLLOWED BY:

THE OPENING PRAYERS

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

CONSECRATION OF THE HUMAN RACE TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

PRAYER TO DEFEAT THE WORK OF SATAN

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

PRAYER TO OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL

ACT OF CONTRITION

START THE 2,000 HAIL MARYS UNTIL COMPLETED. PARTICIPANTS MAY INDIVIDUALLY TAKE BREAKS AT ANY TIME FOR BREAKFAST, SNACK, LUNCH OR DINNER. THE DEVOTION MAY BE INTERRUPTED ONLY AT:

3:00 PM - CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

6:00 PM - THE ANGELUS

OPTIONAL: (HOLY MASS, ADDITIONAL PRAYERS, HYMNS, LIGHTING OF CANDLES, COLLECTION AND BURNING OF PRIVATE PETITIONS.)

OPENING PRAYERS

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER, AMEN. GLORY BE TO THE FATHER WHO CREATED ME; GLORY BE TO THE SON, WHO REDEEMED ME; GLORY BE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO SANCTIFIES ME.

WE PRAY AND IMPLORE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO COME DOWN AND BESTOW UPON US HIS HOLY GIFTS, SO THAT WE WILL BE INFLAMED WITH THE POWER AND FIRE OF HIS LOVE.

AND ONCE AGAIN, WE GATHER OURSELVES TOGETHER BEFORE YOU, DEAREST BLESSED MOTHER, TO PRAY FOR ALL YOUR INTENTIONS. WE KNOW THAT YOU WILL BRING OUR HUMBLE PRAYERS, TOGETHER WITH YOURS, BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD AND YOUR BELOVED SON, AND THAT, IN YOUR LOVING HANDS, YOU WILL DISPENSE OF THEM, FOR YOU KNOW BEST TO APPLY THEM WHERE THEY ARE NEEDED MOST.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

ON MY KNEES BEFORE THE GREAT MULTITUDE OF HEAVENLY WITNESSES, I OFFER MYSELF, SOUL AND BODY TO YOU, ETERNAL SPIRIT OF GOD. I ADORE THE BRIGHTNESS OF YOUR PURITY, THE UNERRING KEENNESS OF JUSTICE AND THE MIGHT OF YOUR LOVE. YOU ARE THE STRENGTH AND LIGHT OF MY SOUL. IN YOU I LIVE AND MOVE AND AM. I DESIRE NEVER TO GRIEVE YOU BY UNFAITHFULNESS OF GRACE, AND I PRAY WITH ALL MY HEART TO BE KEPT FROM THE SMALLEST SIN AGAINST YOU. MERCIFULLY GUARD MY EVERY THOUGHT AND GRANT THAT I MAY ALWAYS WATCH FOR YOUR LIGHT AND LISTEN TO YOUR VOICE AND FOLLOW YOUR GRACIOUS INSPIRATIONS. I CLING TO YOU AND GIVE MYSELF TO YOU AND ASK YOU BY YOUR COMPASSION TO WATCH OVER ME IN MY WEAKNESS. HOLDING THE PIERCED FEET OF JESUS AND LOOKING AT HIS FIVE WOUNDS AND TRUSTING IN HIS PRECIOUS BLOOD, ADORABLE SPIRIT, HELPER OF MY INFIRMITY, SO TO KEEP ME IN YOUR GRACE OF THE FATHER AND THE SON TO SAY TO YOU ALWAYS AND EVERYWHERE: "SPEAK, LORD FOR YOUR SERVANT HEARETH." AMEN.

CONSECRATION OF THE HUMAN RACE TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

MOST SWEET JESUS, REDEEMER OF THE HUMAN RACE, LOOK DOWN UPON US HUMBLY PROSTRATE BEFORE YOUR ALTAR. WE ARE YOURS AND YOURS WE WISH TO BE; TO BE MORE PURELY UNITED WITH YOU, BEHOLD WE FREELY CONSECRATE OURSELVES TODAY TO YOUR MOST SACRED HEART.

MANY INDEED HAVE NEVER KNOWN YOU; MANY, TOO, DESPISING YOUR PRECEPTS, HAVE REJECTED YOU. HAVE MERCY ON THEM ALL, MOST MERCIFUL JESUS, AND DRAW THEM TO YOUR SACRED HEART.

BE KING, O LORD, NOT ONLY OF THE FAITHFUL WHO HAVE NEVER FORSAKEN YOU, BUT ALSO OF THE PRODIGAL CHILDREN WHO HAVE ABANDONED YOU. GRANT THAT THEY MAY QUICKLY RETURN TO THEIR FATHER'S HOUSE LEST THEY DIE OF WRETCHEDNESS AND HUNGER. BE KING OF THOSE WHO ARE DECEIVED BY ERRONEOUS OPINIONS, OR WHOM DISCORD KEEPS ALOOF, AND CALL THEM BACK TO THE HARBOR OF TRUTH AND UNITY OF FAITH, SO THAT SOON THERE MAY BE BUT ONE FLOCK AND ONE SHEPHERD.

GRANT, O LORD, TO YOUR CHURCH, ASSURANCE OF FREEDOM AND IMMUNITY FROM HARM; GIVE PEACE AND ORDER TO ALL NATIONS, AND MAKE THE EARTH RESOUND FROM POLE TO POLE WITH ONE CRY: PRAISE TO THE DIVINE HEART THAT WROUGHT OUR SALVATION; TO HIM BE GLORY AND HONOR FOREVER. AMEN.

A SOLEMN ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

BY
VENERABLE POPE PIUS XII

MOST HOLY VIRGIN MARY, TENDER MOTHER OF MEN, TO FULFILL THE DESIRES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE VICAR OF YOUR SON ON EARTH, WE CONSECRATE OURSELVES AND OUR FAMILIES TO YOUR SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART, O QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY, AND WE RECOMMEND TO YOU, ALL THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY AND ALL THE WORLD.

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR CONSECRATION, DEAREST MOTHER, AND USE US AS YOU WISH TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR DESIGNS IN THE WORLD.

O SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY, AND QUEEN OF THE WORLD, RULE OVER US, TOGETHER WITH THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR KING. SAVE US FROM THE SPREADING FLOOD OF MODERN PAGANISM; KINDLE IN OUR HEARTS AND HOMES THE LOVE OF PURITY, THE PRACTICE OF A VIRTUOUS LIFE, AN ARDENT ZEAL FOR SOULS, AND A DESIRE TO PRAY THE ROSARY MORE FAITHFULLY.

WE COME WITH CONFIDENCE TO YOU, O THRONE OF GRACE AND MOTHER OF FAIR LOVE. INFLAME US WITH THE SAME DIVINE FIRE WHICH HAS INFLAMED YOUR OWN SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART. MAKE OUR HEARTS AND HOMES YOUR SHRINE, AND THROUGH US, MAKE THE HEART OF JESUS, TOGETHER WITH YOUR RULE, TRIUMPH IN EVERY HEART AND HOME. AMEN.

PRAYER TO DEFEAT THE WORK OF SATAN

O DIVINE ETERNAL FATHER, IN UNION WITH YOUR DIVINE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND THROUGH THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, I BEG YOU TO DESTROY THE POWER OF OUR GREATEST ENEMY - THE EVIL SPIRITS.

CAST THEM INTO THE DEEPEST RECESSES OF HELL AND CHAIN THEM THERE FOREVER! TAKE POSSESSION OF YOUR KINGDOM WHICH YOU HAVE CREATED AND WHICH IS RIGHTFULLY YOURS. HEAVENLY FATHER, GIVE US THE REIGN OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY.

I REPEAT THIS PRAYER OUT OF PURE LOVE FOR YOU AND WITH EVERY BEAT OF MY HEART AND EVERY BREATH I TAKE. AMEN.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

SAINT MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL, DEFEND US IN THE DAY OF BATTLE. BE OUR PROTECTION AGAINST THE WICKEDNESS AND SNARES OF THE DEVIL. MAY GOD REBUKE HIM, WE HUMBLY PRAY, AND DO THOU, O PRINCE OF THE HEAVENLY HOSTS, BY THE DIVINE POWER OF GOD, CAST INTO HELL, SATAN AND ALL THE EVIL SPIRITS, WHO PROWL THROUGH THE WORLD SEEKING THE RUIN OF SOULS.

PRAYER TO GUARDIAN ANGEL

ANGEL OF GOD, MY GUARDIAN DEAR, TO WHOM GOD'S LOVE, COMMITS ME HERE. EVER THIS DAY BE AT MY SIDE, TO LIGHT AND GUARD, TO RULE AND GUIDE. AMEN.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O MY GOD, I AM HEARTILY SORRY FOR HAVING OFFENDED THEE AND I DETEST ALL MY SINS BECAUSE I DREAD THE LOSS OF HEAVEN, AND THE PAINS OF HELL. BUT MOST OF ALL, BECAUSE I OFFEND THEE MY GOD, WHO ART ALL GOOD AND DESERVING OF ALL MY LOVE. I FIRMLY RESOLVE, WITH THE HELP OF THY GRACE, TO CONFESS MY SINS, TO DO PENANCE, AND TO AMEND MY LIFE. AMEN.

THE THREE O'CLOCK PRAYER

YOU DIED JESUS, BUT THE SOURCE OF LIFE FLOWED OUT FOR SOULS AND THE OCEAN OF MERCY OPENED UP FOR THE WHOLE WORLD. O FOUNTAIN OF LIFE, IMMEASURABLE DIVINE MERCY, COVER THE WHOLE WORLD AND EMPTY YOURSELF OUT UPON US. O BLOOD AND WATER WHICH FLOWED OUT FROM THE HEART OF JESUS AS A FOUNTAIN OF MERCY FOR US, I TRUST IN YOU.

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

BEGIN WITH: "*OUR FATHER*" . . . "*HAIL MARY*" . . . AND "*I BELIEVE*"

"ETERNAL FATHER, I OFFER YOU THE BODY AND BLOOD, SOUL AND DIVINITY OF YOUR DEARLY BELOVED SON, OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST, IN ATONEMENT FOR OUR SINS AND THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD."

ON THE SMALLER BEADS, SAY: "FOR THE SAKE OF HIS SORROWFUL PASSION, HAVE MERCY ON US AND ON THE WHOLE WORLD."

IN CONCLUSION, SAY THREE TIMES: "HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY ONE, HOLY IMMORTAL ONE, HAVE MERCY ON US AND ON THE WHOLE WORLD." AMEN.

JESUS, KING OF DIVINE MERCY, WE TRUST IN YOU!

THE ANGELUS

- V. THE ANGEL OF THE LORD DECLARED UNTO 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 AMONGST US. HAIL MARY . . .
V. PRAY FOR US OF HOLY MOTHER OF GOD.
R. 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. AMEN.

THE MEMORARE OF SAINT BERNARD

REMEMBER, O MOST GRACIOUS VIRGIN MARY, THAT NEVER WAS IT KNOWN THAT ANYONE WHO FLED TO YOUR PROTECTION, IMploRED YOUR HELP OR SOUGHT YOUR INTERCESSION, WAS LEFT UNAIDED. INSPIRED WITH THIS CONFIDENCE, I FLY UNTO YOU, O VIRGIN OF VIRGINS, MY MOTHER! TO YOU I COME, BEFORE YOU I STAND, SINFUL AND SORROWFUL. O MOTHER OF THE WORD INCARNATE, DESPISE NOT MY PETITION, BUT IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR AND ANSWER ME. AMEN.

PETITIONS

Petition No. 1 BLESS US WITH THE GRACE OF PRAYER. IT IS OUR DIALOGUE AND COMMUNION WITH GOD. TEACH US HOW TO CULTIVATE AND EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF PRAYER IN OURSELVES. GIVE US THE GRACE TO PRAY IN EVERY OPPORTUNITY WE HAVE AND UPLIFT EVERY TASK THAT WE DO AS A PRAYER WHICH WE OFFER TO JESUS. LET US REMEMBER WHAT OUR MOTHER MARY SAID, "THAT GOD HAS CHOSEN TO USE US IN HIS GREAT PLAN OF SALVATION OF MANKIND." SO, LET US PRAY NOT JUST FOR OURSELVES BUT FOR ALL MANKIND, PARTICULARLY FOR THE CONVERSION OF THOSE WHO ARE NOT NOW IN GOD'S GRACE.

Petition No. 2 WE PRAY FOR PEACE. LET PEACE BEGIN WITHIN US AND FROM US, SO THAT WE, IN TURN, MAY SPREAD PEACE IN THE WORLD TO ALL MANKIND. HEAL US OF OUR FAULTS AND WEAKNESSES AND LET US REALIZE THAT IF WE WANT TO BE CLEANSED AND BE HEALED, WE MUST FIRST HAVE TOTAL FORGIVENESS AND LOVE IN OUR HEARTS. LET US NOT DWELL IN THINGS THAT ARE NOT OF GOD, LIKE ANGER, PRIDE, ENVY, AND SELFISHNESS. BUT INSTEAD, POUR IN OUR HEARTS, THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE GIFT OF LOVE, HUMILITY, PATIENCE, FORGIVENESS, AND UNDERSTANDING. IT IS ONLY THROUGH DYING TO ONE'S SELF THAT WE CAN TRULY HAVE PEACE. AMEN.

Petition No. 3 WE PRAY FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS, THE UNBELIEVERS, AND FOR ALL THE SPIRITUALLY POOR, SO THAT THEY WILL BE FILLED WITH THE LOVE OF GOD. LET MEN TURN AGAINST SIN AND AGAINST THE ENEMY. GIVE THE GRACE OF GOING BACK TO JESUS BY TOUCHING THE HEARTS OF SINNERS, AND ESPECIALLY THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHO HAVE LEFT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH TO JOIN OTHER SECTS AND BELIEFS. WE PRAY FOR THE CONVERSION OF ATHEISTS, THE PAGANS, OUR MOSLEM BROTHERS AND OUR ELDERS OF THE JEWISH FAITH IN THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF JESUS AS THE MESSIAH. WE INVOKE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO ENLIGHTEN THE MINDS OF THE HERETICS AND SCHISMATICS, AND TO REVIVE THE HEARTS OF LUKEWARM SOULS THE FERVOR AND LOVE OF GOD.

Petition No. 4 WE PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION. DEAR GOD, LET THIS HORRIBLE CRIME STOP. LET ALL WHO CONTEMPLATE AN ABORTION FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE UNBORN CHILD IS A HUMAN BEING WHO HAS A SOUL, AND KILLING THE UNBORN IS A GRIEVOUS, MORTAL OFFENSE AGAINST GOD, THE CREATOR OF LIFE. LET YOUR GRACE FALL UPON ALL PEOPLE SO THAT THEY WILL RESPECT, DEFEND, AND UPHOLD THE SANCTITY OF LIFE, NOT ONLY OF THE UNBORN, BUT OF THE AGED, THE DYING, THE HANDICAPPED, AND THE UNWANTED AS WELL. ALSO, LET THE CONFUSED, WHO ARE ON THE VERGE OF COMMITTING SUICIDE VERY CAREFULLY WEIGH IN THEIR MINDS GOD'S 5TH COMMANDMENT, "THOU SHALT NOT KILL" AND AVOID THIS SERIOUS SIN AGAINST GOD.

Petition No. 5 WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN ANY FORM OF ADDICTION THAT DISRUPTS FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS, THOSE ADDICTED TO ALCOHOL AND DRUGS, THOSE ADDICTED IN THE FLESH, OR ADDICTED IN ANY KIND OF VICE. TOUCH THEM, O MOTHER MARY, AND FREE THEM FROM THE SNARES OF SATAN WHO NOW ENVELOP THEM. BRING THEM BACK, REUNITED, AND HEAL THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN BROKEN; AND BREAK INSTEAD THESE EVIL INFLUENCES THAT DESTROY FAMILIES.

Petition No. 6 WE PRAY FOR THE GRACE TO KNOW AND APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANCE AND VALUE OF THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS, AND PRAY FOR AN INCREASED FREQUENCY IN THE RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS OF PENANCE AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST. MAY EVERY PRAYER AND SPIRITUAL WORK WE DO LEAD US TO THE HOLY MASS, BECAUSE THE HOLY MASS IS THE HIGHEST FORM OF PRAYER AND THE GREATEST OFFERING FOR THE REPARATION OF SINS, AND JESUS IS THERE, HIS UNDYING LOVE FOR MANKIND MANIFESTED AS HE RELIVES HIS SACRIFICE IN CALVARY TO SAVE US. MAY THESE SACRAMENTS RENEW US EACH DAY, AND STRENGTHEN US SPIRITUALLY IN OUR CRUSADE TO SERVE JESUS AND MOTHER MARY, IN SPREADING THEIR MESSAGES TO WHOMEVER WE TALK AND SEE.

Petition No. 7 WE PRAY FOR MORE VOCATIONS. PLEASE PUT INTO THE HEARTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE THE AWARENESS OF SERVICE TO GOD THROUGH THE INCREASE IN VOCATIONS. LET PARENTS ENCOURAGE THEIR CHILDREN AND GIVE THEM AN UPBRINGING FILLED WITH AN AWARENESS OF THEIR BLESSED STATE IN LIFE. BLESS ALL SEMINARIANS WHO ARE NOW STUDYING AND PREPARING THEMSELVES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD. STRENGTHEN THEM AND GIVE THEM PERSEVERANCE. GUIDE THEM AND GUARD THEM FOR THEY BELONG TO YOU, LORD JESUS.

Petition No. 8 TEACH US THE DAILY READING OF THE HOLY BIBLE AND SPIRITUAL BOOKS BECAUSE GOD HIMSELF TALKS TO US WHEN WE READ THE SCRIPTURES OF HIS LIFE, HIS TEACHINGS AND HIS HOLY WORDS IN THE BIBLE. MAY THE HOLY SPIRIT ENLIGHTEN OUR MINDS AND GIVE US THE GRACE TO LIVE THE GOSPEL, AND TO PUT INTO PRACTICE ALL THAT WE'VE READ OF THE WORDS AND WAYS OF OUR LORD JESUS IN OUR DAILY LIVES, IN ESSENCE, "TO IMITATE JESUS AND LIVE THE WORD."

Petition No. 9 WE PRAY FOR POPE BENEDICT XVI, THE VISIBLE REPRESENTATIVE OF CHRIST IN THE CHURCH AND THE 266TH SUCCESSOR OF PETER. ONLY IN PETER HAS CHRIST BUILT HIS CHURCH. SO, WITH THE FAITH OF PETER IN THESE TIMES OF GREATEST DARKNESS AND APOSTASY, LET US PRAY FOR SUPPORT AND PROTECTION OF THE VICAR OF CHRIST, THE POPE. MAY PRIESTS AND BISHOPS REMAIN LOYAL TO THE TRUE FAITH THROUGH THEIR OBEDIENCE TO THE POPE, PREACH LOUDLY IN WORD AND EXAMPLE WHAT JESUS HIMSELF HAS INSTRUCTED PETER TO BE, THE FOUNDATION OF HIS CHURCH AND THE IRREPROACHABLE PRESENCE OF THE TRUTH, AND MAY THEY REMAIN UNITED WITH THE POPE AND HELP HIM CARRY HIS LARGE CROSS TO CALVARY.

Petition No. 10 WE PRAY FOR THE INCREASE OF PRAYER GROUPS AND CENACLES. MAY WE HAVE THE GRACE TO LIVE THE MESSAGES OF OUR MOTHER MARY IN OUR HEARTS, THAT WE MAY GIVE EXAMPLES BY LIVING THEM IN OUR DAILY LIVES, SO THAT WE MAY IN TURN WORK AND INSPIRE THE FORMATION OF MORE PRAYER GROUPS. BLESS AND PROTECT THE PRAYER GROUPS AND CENACLES FROM DISUNITY AND DISCORD, AND BESTOW UPON THEM YOUR SPECIAL GRACES - TO WORK IN LOVE AND UNITY.

Petition No. 11 WE PRAY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF OUR OWN CROSS - AND ABANDON OURSELVES COMPLETELY TO JESUS CHRIST AND HIS DIVINE WILL. AS HE HIMSELF SAID, "IF YOU WANT TO BE WITH ME, PICK UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME, FOR WHOEVER PICKS UP HIS CROSS AND LOOKS BACK, IS NOT WORTHY TO FOLLOW ME." SO, WHATEVER TRIALS AND SUFFERINGS WE ENCOUNTER, MAY WE OFFER THEM TO JESUS AND NOT BE AFRAID, BECAUSE HE IS WITH US WHEN WE PUT OUR FAITH, TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN HIM.

Petition No. 12 WE PRAY FOR OUR DELIVERANCE FROM THE ENEMY, THE DEVIL. MOTHER MARY, PLEASE RESCUE US THE MOMENT SATAN OR ANY OTHER EVIL SPIRIT TRIES TO TEMPT US TO FALL INTO SIN AND DELIVER US FROM ALL DISTRACTIONS THAT PULL US AWAY FROM THE PATH THAT LEADS TO YOU AND JESUS. GRANT US THE WISDOM TO DISCERN, SO THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO DISTINGUISH RIGHT FROM WRONG, GOOD FROM EVIL. YOU HAVE OBTAINED FROM YOUR DIVINE SON THAT ALL THE ADVOCATES OF THE ROSARY SHALL HAVE FOR INTERCESSORS THE ENTIRE CELESTIAL COURT DURING THEIR LIFE AND AT THE HOUR OF DEATH. SO, IN THIS GREAT BATTLE FOR SOULS, LET US ARM OURSELVES WITH THE POWER OF THE ROSARY AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST, WEAR THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL AND THE SCAPULAR WITH FAITH, TO SAVE US FROM THE ETERNAL FIRES OF HELL.

Petition No. 13 WE PRAY FOR THE GRACE OF FASTING, NOT ONLY FROM FOOD, BUT FROM WORLDLY AND MATERIAL THINGS AND OFFER THEM TO YOU IN SACRIFICE. LET OUR FASTING FROM FOOD AND THE MATERIALISM OF THIS WORLD BE OUR OFFERING FOR THE ATONEMENT OF OUR SINS AND IN REPARATION FOR THE SINS OF MANKIND. MAKE US AWARE OF OUR PRIORITIES IN LIFE, WHICH IS THE SALVATION OF SOULS, AND THE DETACHMENT FROM THE MATERIALISM THAT THIS WORLD FALSELY OFFERS. ALL THESE HINDER US FROM THE LOVE, KNOWLEDGE AND SERVICE OF GOD.

Petition No. 14 WE PRAY FOR THE INFIRM, THE AGED, THE SICK AND THE DYING. COMFORT AND BLESS THEM IN THEIR LAST DAYS. MAY THEY LIFT AND OFFER THEIR LIFE'S SUFFERINGS TO GOD, RECEIVE THE LAST SACRAMENTS, OBTAIN PARDON FOR THEIR SINS, AND THEREBY MERIT THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S GRACE. IN THE END, MAY OUR LORD AND HIS BLESSED MOTHER TAKE THEM SAFELY HOME TO THEIR ETERNAL ABODE IN HEAVEN.

Petition No. 15 WE PRAY FOR THE POOR, THE HUNGRY, THE HOMELESS, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE WIDOWS AND THE ORPHANS, FOR IT IS ESPECIALLY IN THEM THAT WE SEE THE LORD. BLESS THEM IN THEIR NEEDS, O LORD, AND GIVE THEM THEIR MEANS OF SUPPORT. WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN PRISON. TOUCH THEIR HEARTS FOR TOTAL CONVERSION AND GRANT THEM YOUR PEACE. WE PRAY THAT THESE BELOVED CHILDREN OF GOD MAY BE SPARED FROM OPPRESSION, AND MAY WE NEVER REFUSE THEIR CRY FOR HELP.

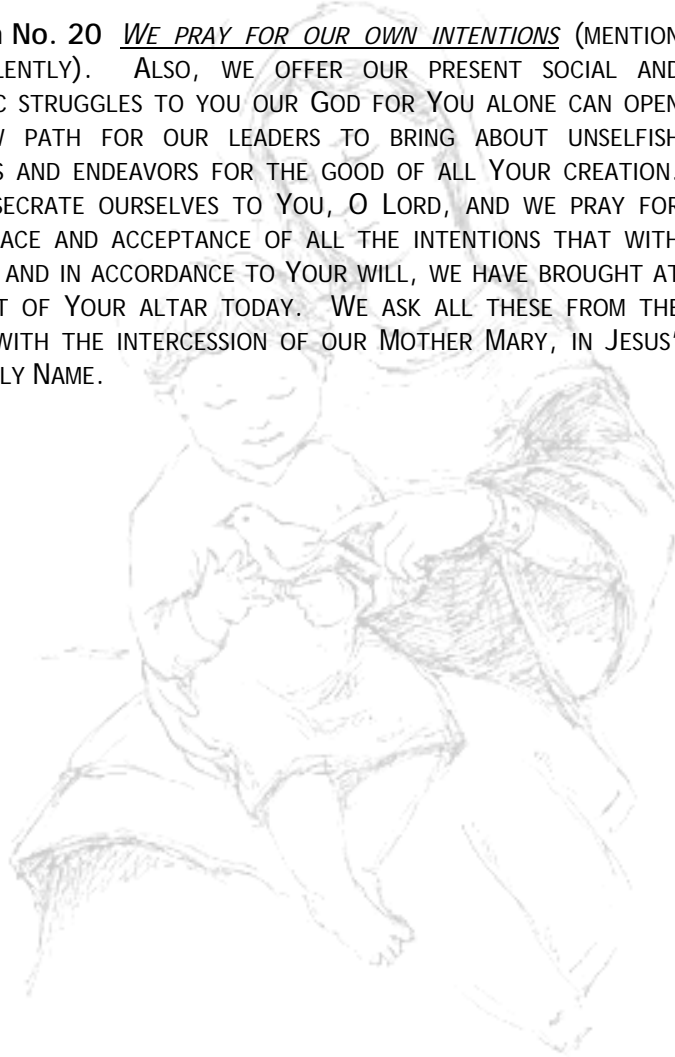
Petition No. 16 WE PRAY FOR THE POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE STAYED THERE THE LONGEST AND WHO HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY OR MAKE SACRIFICES FOR THEM. WE ALSO PRAY IN PARTICULAR FOR THE SOULS OF (MENTION THEIR NAMES SILENTLY). MAY THEY, WHO SUFFER SUCH DREADFUL TORMENTS, BY OUR CONSTANT PRAYERS, BE FREED FROM THEIR SUFFERINGS AND FINALLY RELEASED FROM THEIR PAINS. MAY THEY ENJOY THE BEATITUDE OF HEAVEN, WHERE, PROSTRATE BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD, THEY NEVER CEASE TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HELPED THEM UNTIL THEY SEE THEIR BENEFACTORS SAFELY IN HEAVEN.

Petition No. 17 WE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS, THE RELIGIOUS AND THE MISSIONARIES WHO HAVE CONSECRATED THEIR LIVES TO SERVE YOUR PEOPLE SPIRITUALLY IN LOVE AND DILIGENCE. MAY THEY BE RENEWED IN SPIRIT AND REMAIN FAITHFUL TO THEIR VOWS AND COMMITMENT TO GOD. KEEP THEM FROM SICKNESS, TEMPTATION AND HARM, SO THAT THEY COULD GIVE MORE OF THEMSELVES UNSELFISHLY AND BECOME MORE ZEALOUS TO THEIR APOSTOLATE.

Petition No. 18 WE PRAY FOR ALL FAMILIES AND OUR OWN FAMILIES, TOO. MAY FAMILIES ALWAYS BE TOGETHER IN LOVE AND IN PRAYER. LET CHILDREN HONOR AND OBEY THEIR PARENTS AND LET PARENTS LOVE AND PROTECT THEIR CHILDREN THE WAY GOD LOVES AND PROTECTS HIS CHILDREN. WE PRAY THAT WIVES AND CHILDREN BE SPARED FROM ABUSE AND MOLESTATION OF ALL SORTS. MAY ALL FAMILIES GROW SPIRITUALLY IN UNITY AND FAITH WITH JESUS AND MARY, AND MAY GOD BESTOW ON US HIS BLESSING AND HIS DIVINE MERCY AND PROTECT US FROM THE TERRIBLE CHASTISEMENT THAT IS TO COME.

Petition No. 19 WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN PILGRIMAGE TO SEEK YOU. MAY ALL WHO SEEK YOU, JESUS, THROUGH OUR MOTHER MARY, FIND HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN THEIR SEARCH FOR YOU. WE ALSO PRAY FOR ALL TRAVELLERS THAT THEY MAY BE PROTECTED FROM HARM AND SAFELY REACH THEIR DESTINATION IN YOUR GRACE.

Petition No. 20 WE PRAY FOR OUR OWN INTENTIONS (MENTION THEM SILENTLY). ALSO, WE OFFER OUR PRESENT SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STRUGGLES TO YOU OUR GOD FOR YOU ALONE CAN OPEN THE NEW PATH FOR OUR LEADERS TO BRING ABOUT UNSELFISH DECISIONS AND ENDEAVORS FOR THE GOOD OF ALL YOUR CREATION. WE CONSECRATE OURSELVES TO YOU, O LORD, AND WE PRAY FOR YOUR GRACE AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALL THE INTENTIONS THAT WITH HUMILITY AND IN ACCORDANCE TO YOUR WILL, WE HAVE BROUGHT AT THE FOOT OF YOUR ALTAR TODAY. WE ASK ALL THESE FROM THE FATHER WITH THE INTERCESSION OF OUR MOTHER MARY, IN JESUS' MOST HOLY NAME.



SONGS OF MARY

ON THIS DAY, O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER

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.*

REFRAIN

*QUEEN OF ANGELS, DEIGN TO HEAR,
LISPING CHILDREN'S HUMBLE PRAY'R;
YOUNG HEARTS GAIN, O VIRGIN PURE,
SWEETLY TO THYSELF ALLURE.*

REFRAIN

O SANCTISSIMA (O MOST HOLY ONE)

*O SANCTISSIMA, O PISSIMA, DULCIS VIRGO MARIA!
MATER AMATA, INTEMERATA.
ORA, ORA PRO NOBIS.*

*TOTA PULCHRA EST, O MARIA, ET MACULA NON EST IN TE
MATER AMATA INTEMERATA
ORA ORA PRO NOBIS*

*SICUT LILIUM INTER SPINAS, SIC MARIA INTER FILIAS
MATER AMATA INTEMERATA
ORA ORA PRO NOBIS*

*IN MISERIA IN ANGSTIA, ORA VIRGO PRO NOBIS
PRO NOBIS ORA IN MORTIS HORA
ORA ORA PRO NOBIS*

IMMACULATE MARY

IMMACULATE MARY, YOUR PRAISES WE SING;
YOU REIGN NOW IN SPLENDOR WITH JESUS, OUR KING.

REFRAIN
AVE, AVE, AVE MARIA!
AVE, AVE, AVE MARIA!

WE PRAY FOR OUR PEOPLE, YOUR CHILDREN ON EARTH
AND BLESS AND WATCH OVER THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH.

REFRAIN

WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, OUR TRUE MOTHER ON EARTH;
AND BEG YOU TO WATCH O'ER THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH.

REFRAIN

IN HEAVEN THE BLESSED, YOUR GLORY PROCLAIM;
ON EARTH WE, YOUR CHILDREN, INVOKE YOUR SWEET NAME.

REFRAIN

BRING FLOWERS OF THE RAREST

BRING FLOW'RS OF THE RAREST, BRING FLOW'RS OF THE FAIREST,
FROM GARDEN AND WOODLAND, AND HILLSIDE AND VALE.

OUR FULL HEARTS ARE SWELLING, OUR GLAD VOICES TELLING
THE PRAISE OF THE LOVELIEST ROSE OF THE DALE.

REFRAIN
O MARY! WE CROWN THEE WITH BLOSSOMS TODAY,
QUEEN OF THE ANGELS, QUEEN OF THE MAY,
O MARY, WE CROWN THEE WITH BLOSSOMS TODAY,
QUEEN OF THE ANGELS, QUEEN OF THE MAY.

OUR VOICES ASCENDING, IN HARMONY BLENDING,
OH! THUS MAY OUR HEARTS TURN DEAR MOTHER, TO THEE,
OH! THUS SHALL WE PROVE THEE HOW TRULY WE LOVE THEE,
HOW DARK, WITHOUT MARY LIFE'S JOURNEY WOULD BE.

REFRAIN

O VIRGIN MOST TENDER, OUR HOMAGE WE RENDER,
THY LOVE AND PROTECTION, SWEET MOTHER, TO WIN;
IN DANGER DEFEND US, IN SORROW BEFRIEND US,
AND SHIELD OUR HEARTS FROM CONTAGION OF SIN.

REFRAIN

SALVE REGINA (HAIL HOLY QUEEN)

SALVE REGINA, MATER MISERICORDIAE
VITA, DULCEDO, ET SPES NOSTRA SALVE.
AD TE CLAMAMUS, EXSULES FILII HEVAE.
AD TE SUSPIRAMUS, GEMENTES ET FLENTES,
IN HAC LACRIMARUM VALLE.
EIA ERGO, ADVOCATA NOSTRA
ILLOS TUOS MISERICORDES OCULOS AD NOS CONVERTE.
ET JESUM BENEDICTUM FRUCTUM VENTRIS TUI,
NOBIS POST HOC EXSILIUM OSTENDE.
O CLEMENS, O PIA, O DULCIS, VIRGO MARIA.

HAIL MARY, GENTLE WOMAN

HAIL MARY FULL OF GRACE, THE LORD IS WITH YOU.
BLESSED ARE YOU AMONG WOMEN,
AND BLEST IS THE FRUIT OF YOUR WOMB, JESUS.

HOLY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US SINNERS
NOW AND AT THE HOUR OF DEATH. AMEN.

REFRAIN
GENTLE WOMAN, QUIET LIGHT
MORNING STAR, SO STRONG AND BRIGHT,
GENTLE MOTHER, PEACEFUL DOVE,
TEACH US WISDOM, TEACH US LOVE.

YOU WERE CHOSEN BY THE FATHER,
YOU WERE CHOSEN FOR THE SON.
YOU WERE CHOSEN FOR ALL WOMEN
AND FOR WOMAN, SHINING ONE.

REFRAIN

*BLESSED ARE YOU, AMONG WOMEN,
BLEST IN TURN, ALL WOMEN, TOO.
BLESSED THEY WITH PEACEFUL SPIRITS,
BLESSED THEY WITH GENTLE HEARTS.*

REFRAIN

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE

*HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE, O MARIA.
HAIL, QUEEN OF MERCY AND OF LOVE, O MARIA*

REFRAIN

*TRIUMPH, ALL YE CHERUBIM;
SING WITH US, YE SERAPHIM.
HEAV'N AND EARTH RESOUND THE HYMN:
SALVE, SALVE, SALVE REGINA!*

*OUR LIFE AND SWEETNESS HERE BELOW, O MARIA.
OUR HOPE AND SORROW AND IN WOE, O MARIA.*

REFRAIN

*O GENTLE, LOVING HOLY ONE, O MARIA.
SHOW US THY SON, OUR JESUS SWEET, O MARIA.*

REFRAIN

*THE SPRING THROUGH WHICH ALL GRACES FLOW, O MARIA
O VIRGIN MARY, WE ENTREAT, O MARIA.*

REFRAIN

AVE MARIA

*AVE MARIA, GRATIA PLENA, DOMINUS TECUM.
BENEDICTA TU IN MULIERIBUS,
ET BENEDICTUS FRUCTUS VENTRIS TUI, JESU
SANCTA MARIA, SANCTA MARIA, MARIA
ORA PRO NOBIS PECCATORIBUS
NUNC ET IN HORA MORTIS NOSTRAE. AMEN.*

DAILY, DAILY SING TO MARY

*DAILY, DAILY SING TO MARY,
SING WITH JOY HER PRAISES DUE!
ALL HER FEASTS, HER ACTIONS HONOR,
WITH THE HEART'S DEVOTION TRUE.
LOST IN WOND'RING CONTEMPLATION,
BE HER MAJESTY CONFESSED!
CALL HER MOTHER, CALL HER VIRGIN,
HAPPY MOTHER VIRGIN BLEST!*

*SHE IS MIGHTY IN HER PLEADING,
TENDER IN HER LOVING CARE;
EVER WATCHFUL, UNDERSTANDING,
ALL OUR SORROWS SHE WILL SHARE.*

*ADVOCATE AND LOVING MOTHER,
MEDIATRIX OF ALL GRACE!
HEAVEN'S BLESSINGS SHE DISPENSES
ON OUR SINFUL HUMAN RACE.*

*SING MY TONGUE, THE VIRGIN'S HONORS,
WHO FOR US HER MAKER BORE.
FOR THE CURSE OF OLD INFLICTED,
PEACE AND BLESSING TO RESTORE.*

*SING IN SONGS OF PRAISE UNENDING;
SING THE WORLD'S MAJESTIC QUEEN;
WEARY NOT NOR FAINT IN TELLING,
ALL THE GIFTS THAT EARTH HAS SEEN.*

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME

*MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME!
WHILST FAR FROM HEAV'N AND THEE,
I WANDER IN A FRAGILE BARK
O'ER LIFE'S TEMPESTUOUS SEA.*

*O VIRGIN MOTHER, FROM THY THRONE,
SO BRIGHT IN BLISS ABOVE,
PROTECT THY CHILD AND CHEER MY PATH,
WITH THY SWEET SMILE OF LOVE.*

REFRAIN

*MOTHER DEAR, REMEMBER ME,
AND NEVER CEASE THY CARE,
TILL IN HEAV'N ETERNALLY,
THY LOVE AND BLISS I SHARE.*

*MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME!
SHOULD PLEASURE'S SIREN LAY,
E'ER TEMPT THY CHILD TO WANDER FAR
FROM VIRTUE'S PATH AWAY.*

*OR SORROW'S GLOOM UPON ME FALL
AND DARKEN ALL BELOW.*

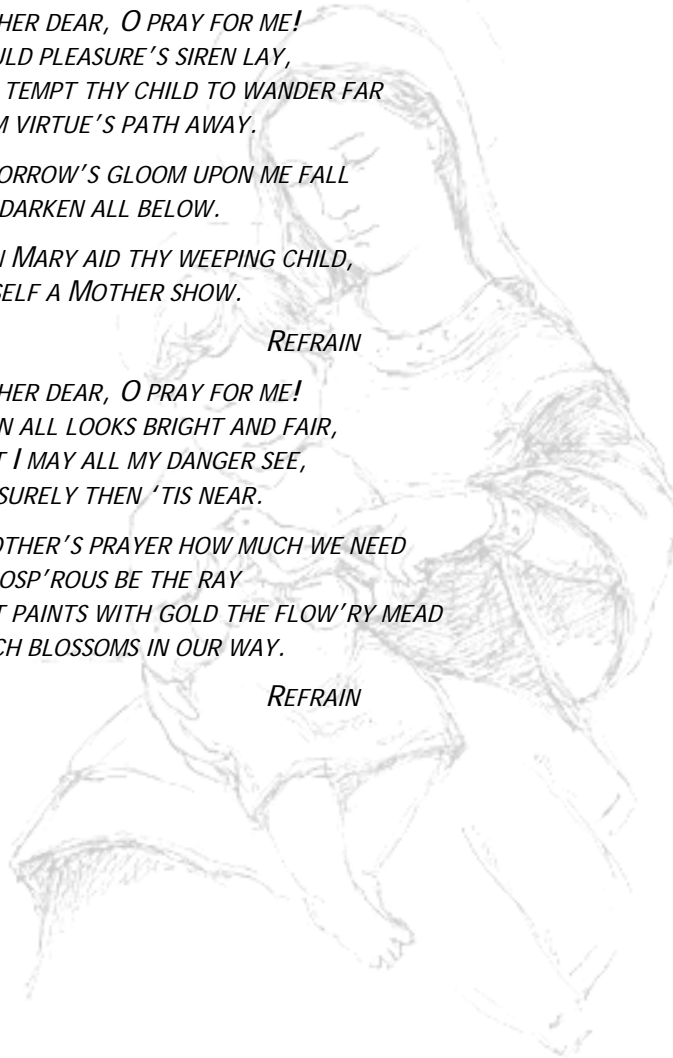
*THEN MARY AID THY WEeping CHILD,
THYSELF A MOTHER SHOW.*

REFRAIN

*MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME!
WHEN ALL LOOKS BRIGHT AND FAIR,
THAT I MAY ALL MY DANGER SEE,
FOR SURELY THEN 'TIS NEAR.*

*A MOTHER'S PRAYER HOW MUCH WE NEED
IF PROSP'ROUS BE THE RAY
THAT PAINTS WITH GOLD THE FLOW'RY MEAD
WHICH BLOSSOMS IN OUR WAY.*

REFRAIN



MOTHER, AT YOUR FEET IS KNEELING

*MOTHER AT YOUR FEET IS KNEELING,
ONE WHO LOVES YOU 'TIS YOUR CHILD
WHO HAS SOUGHT SO OFT TO SEE YOU.*

*BLESS ME MOTHER BLESS YOUR CHILD
MOTHER WHEN MY JESUS CALLS ME
FROM THIS WORLD SO DARK AND DREAR
FROM THE WILY SNARES OF SATAN, SHIELD ME,
MOTHER, MOTHER DEAR.*

*DEAREST MOTHER TELL MY JESUS
HOW I LOVE HIM FOND AND TRUE
AND OH MARY, DEAREST MOTHER
TELL HIM I BELONG TO YOU.*

*PLEAD FOR ME WHEN JESUS JUDGES,
ANSWER FOR ME WHEN HE ASKS
HOW I SPENT SO MANY MOMENTS
HOW I PERFORMED SO MANY TASKS
MARY, OH MY DEAREST MOTHER
MAY IT E'ER TO ME BE GIV'N
AS ON EARTH I FONDLY LOVE THEE,
SO, TO LOVE THEE STILL IN HEAV'N.*

