

Respect Life First Sunday Cenacle

Our Lady

of

The Eucharist

Alba House Chapel

1:00 to 3:00 PM

We dedicate these prayers to the memory of Jane Bernadette Thompson (April 7, 1928-July 14, 2001)

"Gentle, but fearless, defender of life"





Opening Prayer:

O Jesus, kneeling in your presence, united with all the faithful on earth, and Mary, our Mother, with all the saints and angels in heaven, we adore and pay homage to you, true God true Man present here in the Holy Eucharist.

We come to pray particularly for the Pro- Life intention. We lay all these concerns before you now. Guide and strengthen your wayward children, so that the work of your redemption will come to full fruition in all men at this present age of darkness. Amen.

Act of Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

O Heart of Jesus, full of anguish in Gethsemane and on the cross in Calvary, come to our assistance for the waters of tribulation and let loose upon the earth. We wish to offer you reparation for the many sins committed against the poor and the innocent who are unable to defend themselves.

(RESPONSE: WE WILL CONSOLE THEE, O LORD)

- For the crimes of sinners;
- For their contempt for life;
- For others who are oblivious for the struggle of life;
- For the unjust laws promulgated against the unborn;
- For doctors who ignore their oath to save and foster life;
- For healthcare workers involved in abortions, fetal experimentations and euthanasia;
- For mothers contemplating abortion;
- For fathers who choose to ignore their responsibility;
- For those who value human respect more than God's law;
- For those contemplating suicide;
- For those who insist that they are Catholic but are pro-abortion

The Holy Rosary:

(At the end of each decade say the Intercession Prayer)

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, together with St. Michael and the heavenly army of angels, protect the unborn. Ask out Heavenly Father to forgive and convert those who advocate or practice abortion, and to instill in them respect and reverence for all human life.

Give this world peace and justice that can only come from following your Son, Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

<u>Let Us Pray for our Pro-Life Intentions:Lord</u> God, make us realize that the contraception, abortion and euthanasia mentality and activity can only lead to cultural suicide. Fetal experimentation, human cloning and other such activities lead to degradation of human dignity and their right to life. Amen.

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

1st Joyful Mystery: The Annunciation. When Mary said 'yes' to God, she knew that she was taking a risk, but Mary trusted God. May those who choose abortion to escape humiliation and disgrace learn from Mary! May they decide to bring forth these priceless babies to profit from the salvation won by Mary's Son! Amen.

 2^{nd} Joyful Mystery: The Visitation. Many women resort to abortion because they have no one to help them in their time of need. We pray that generous and compassionate people offer their services in the spirit of our Lady of the Visitation. Amen.

<u>3rd Joyful Mystery: The Nativity</u>. Our Lord Jesus, the Christ, the King of heaven and earth, was born in poverty. Many people today consider poverty a disgrace and offer abortion as the means t relieve society of the burden of the care of the poor. Enlighten us O God, as to the dignity of all people regardless of their social status, May we overcome our greed and selfishness to become the instruments of your providence for those in need. Amen.

4th Joyful Mystery: The Presentation of the Infant Jesus in the Temple. Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the temple fulfilling the law. Mary observes the Mosaic Law of purification. Let us imitate the Holy Family by giving a good example to our neighbors not only with our religious observances but also in the way we care and teach our children about the things of God. Amen.

5th Joyful Mystery: Finding the Child Jesus in the Temple. The twelve year old Jesus was found in the temple among the scribes and rabbis. Parents and teachers have a very important role in the formation of the conscience of the youth. May they teach the truth that once a child is conceived in the womb of the mother, that embryo is a human being destined for eternity! Abortion is wrong at any stage of human development. Amen.

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

<u>1st Luminous Mystery: The Baptism of Jesus.</u> At our Lord's baptism in the river Jordan, he fulfilled all righteousness. In our baptism, Jesus procured for us a 'shortcut' to salvation according to our Catechism. Let us make every possible effort to baptize all babies but especially the victims of abortion. Amen.

<u>2nd Luminous Mystery:</u> <u>The Miracle at the Wedding Feast in Cana.</u> There are many reasons why mothers opt to abort their babies. As Catholics we are taught that we bring our needs to Mary who will take care of them with her Son. Let us pray and hope that these mothers will learn like Mary to rely on Jesus and others to help in their time of need. Amen.

<u>3rd Luminous Mystery: The Proclamation of the Kingdom.</u> Mary, star of the new evangelization, implore the Holy Spirit to enlighten the world especially during these troubled times when people are confused morally about what is the right way to live their lives. We pray for our civil and church leaders that they will be fearless in their efforts to promote and protect human life. Amen.

4th Luminous Mystery: The Transfiguration. This, Our Lord Jesus, who was transfigured, dazzling white, on Mt. Tabor whose Godhead the world cannot contain, weighed only a few grams in the womb of Mary. He therefore sanctified and elevated every maternal womb for all time and every human whose life is begun at conception. Amen.

5th Luminous Mystery: The Institution of the Eucharist. Jesus, begotten by God, was nourished by the substance and blood of his mother in her womb for nine months. Now he nourishes us with his own Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist. We beseech you, O God to bless all mothers and fathers and we pray that every infant in the womb receives your precious gift of life. Amen.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

- <u>1st Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony in the Garden.</u> In his agony in the garden, our Lord Jesus taught us by example. He prayed and suffered while his apostles slept. In prayer, let us adore and thank God, the Giver of lifer. Let us make reparation for the sins against this gift of life. May God's law be respected and observed! May those who favor, promote, seek or perform abortion, euthanasia or human cloning be converted. Amen.
- <u>2nd Sorrowful Mystery: The Scourging.</u> Our Lord Jesus, whose body was never the accomplice of sin suffered cruel scourging for our sins of the flesh. Les us beg the Holy Virgin to inspire the youth with the virtue of chastity. May the priests and religious maintain purity in their consecrated lives! May she protect the weak and defend them from the temptations of the flesh and the devil! Amen.
- <u>3rd Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns</u>. God is offended not only by the sins of the flesh but also by the sins of the intellect and will for which Jesus wore the crown of thorns. Let us pray for those who dare to defy God's law by promoting abortion and euthanasia. May they respond to the mercy of God and convert! Amen.
- 4th Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross. Let us pray for the handicapped, their families and caregivers. With the eyes of faith, may we see that the handicapped are the elect of God, called to the special vocation of suffering! Let us treasure them and realize that they can teach us patience and love. Amen.
- <u>5th Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion.</u> From the cross, Our Lord said to John, "Behold you Mother!" and we became Mary's adopted children. Let us pray that all unwanted children be allowed to live and find their way to the loving home of adoptive parents. Amen.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

- <u>1st Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection</u>. Lord Jesus, you suffered and died for us accepting the human capacity for pain and grief, by your glorious Resurrection, we beg you to restore the beauty of motherhood, the dignity of human life and the protection of all people at every stage and condition of their lives. Amen.
- <u>2nd Glorious Mystery: The Ascension.</u> We profess in our Creed that Jesus who ascended into heaven will come again to judge the living and the dead. Let us ask God to instill a holy fear of divine justice in the hearts of those who favor, promote, seek or perform abortion and euthanasia. May they recognize God as the sole Lord of life and death, repent for the wrong they have done and do penance for the sins they committed or encouraged! Amen.
- <u>3rd Glorious Mystery: The Pentecost.</u> The Holy Spirit communicates to us the knowledge about God but on the human level knowledge comes to us through our senses, personal experience and through the communications media. Unfortunately the media glorifies pleasure and encourages false self- love thereby promoting a definite anti-life attitude. Abortion is openly promoted and the pro-life values are openly ridiculed. May the media uplift rather than corrupt the minds, hearts and consciences of the people, especially the youth! Amen.
- <u>4th Glorious Mystery: The Assumption.</u> While on earth, Mary suffered much. Let us offer God our little suffering, crosses and everyday trials in life in the hope that in some way we can draw down God's grace and guidance, especially on those who are contemplating abortion or suicide. Amen.
- 5^{th} Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary in Heaven. Created at the moment of conception, the human soul is immortal for it is meant to live eternally with God in heaven. May our Mother Mary, the Queen of heaven and earth, intercede for the right to life of all her children here on earth!

RESPECT LIFE PRAYERS

Although we are weak, dear Lord, we come to ask a great deal. Listen please to all our intentions. We are simply responding to your command to us, that we should ask to receive, knock and the door will be opened, and that we should seek, to find. And so we come to you, dear Lord, to pray for infants still in their mother's womb, here in our country, or anywhere in the world. Today, they are being persecuted beyond belief, treated in the most horrible fashion imaginable, denied the gift of developing their lives, of coming to birth, of being eligible for the waters of baptism, of working out their own vocation in the full development of their physical and spiritual gifts.

We ask, seek, and knock for the baby in the womb:

Dear Lord, we kneel before You to pray first and foremost for them. We ask you to end this frightful time of their persecution. We ask for a new understanding of their wonderful status as fellow human beings of ours, made in your image and likeness, sharing your creation, our intellectual gifts, and our common destiny to heaven. We ask that all those who should be caring for them will come to realize the wonderful gift of the baby in the womb, and respond with the utmost kindness, compassion, love and pass onto them the outpouring of all the gifts from You.

We ask, seek, and knock for the handicapped:

A particular target of abortionists, dear Lord, and a very special gift from you, is the handicapped baby. They are so liable to be sought out, identified, and put to death before birth precisely for being handicapped. Their newborn handicapped brothers and sisters also face rejection, neglect and death in the hands of those appointed to care for them. Show us the special love you have for them all, and your purpose for creating them. Help us to appreciate the special graces that you give to them and to those who care for them. Show the world that Satan hates them so much only because of the innocence which distinguishes their lives even into adulthood. Teach us to recognize the innocence of your holy childhood in them. Teach us to love them and help them in their marvelous work of binding families together with ties of sympathy and love. Teach us to magnify and reciprocate the joy which wells up from them, whatever crosses they may bear. We gladly make our own the teaching of our Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, "Let us keep the sick and the handicapped at the center of our lives. Let us treasure them and recognize with gratitude the debt we owe them. We begin by imagining that we are giving to them, we end by realizing that they have enriched us."

We ask, seek, and knock for mothers in pregnancy:

Dear Lord, we pray for mothers of all unborn babies today, particularly for those who are unhappy, misled, persecuted, denied the love, care and compassion, assistance of all kinds, which is their right. Bring at once the right kind of help to those tempted to seek an abortion. Please use us in whatever way you wish so that all such mothers receive the proper care from now on.

We ask, seek, and knock for fathers of the unborn:

Dear Lord, the fathers of the unborn can also be misled, abandoned, neglected, given false values, and completely led in wrong paths. They even think they are doing some good when they cooperate with or pressure the mother to destroy the new life within her. Dear Lord, grant them the right understanding and the grace to appreciate their true responsibilities and help them to discharge them to the utmost of their ability.

We ask, seek, and knock for doctors and nurses:

We pray also for the members of the medical profession. Many of them have abandoned the standards by which they ought to work. Mary of them fail to appreciate the patient they care for in the mother's womb. Restore to them sound values, so that once more doctors will do all that is in their power to safeguard the health and well being of both mother and child and all others entrusted to their care. May nurses cooperate with the doctors only when they work to preserve and promote life. Protect and console those of them who stand up for life and sound values. Help them to persevere in the apostolate that they have chosen.

We ask, seek, and knock for bishops and priests:

May bishops and priests have the grace to follow the example of the Holy Father. May they work to implement an effective prolife program in every parish.

We ask, seek, and knock for all pro-life workers:

We pray, dear Lord, for ourselves, and for all our fellow pro-life workers. Grant us to understand how to cooperate with one another in sound policies, effective strategies, in order to work out the redemption of the unborn baby and the salvation of the whole of society. Teach all pro-life workers to discharge the various areas of their apostolate, be it caring or educational, contemplative or active, or political, in harmony with one another, a harmony based on truth and justice, wisdom and love, so that our work can come rapidly to reach its full fruition. Amen.

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF LIFE

Lord have mercy on us Lord have mercy on us

Christ have mercy on us

Christ have mercy on us

Lord have mercy on us Lord have mercy on us

Mary, Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of divine grace,
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother inviolate,
Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother most admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Savior,

Pray for us.

Holy Mother, through whom the source of life came into the world, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, who watches over expectant mothers, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, inspiration for all who struggle for life, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, who calls the world to live the Gospel of her Son, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, who summons the nations to reform, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, who suffered for the deaths of the holy innocents, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, who shared in the passion of Christ, Pray for the unborn.

Holy Mother, Queen of the church, Pray for the unborn.

Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,
Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honor,

Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Our Lady of Czestochowa, Our Lady of Vladimir, Our Lady of Kazan, Our Lady of Knock, Our Lady of the Streets, Our Lady of La Salette, Our Lady of Aylesford, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Sorrows, Our Lady of the Assumption, Mary Queen of heaven and earth, Mary, Mother of Life,

Pray for us.

Pray for our children. Pray for all of us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

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

LET US PRAY

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Your Mother, may we obtain by prayer and sacrifice the restoration of the beauty of motherhood, the dignity of human life, the protection of all our brothers and sisters at every stage and condition of their lives. And that through your infinite mercy the sins of our nation may be forgiven and your Holy Lord may be heard and accepted by all people. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

HELPERS LITANY TO JESUS IN THE WOMB OF MARY

Jesus, knit so wonderfully in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.(ALL)

Jesus, conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, uniquely human from the moment of conception in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, present at creation, created in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, word made flesh, taking on a human body in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, subject to human development in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, whose Precious Blood first flowed through tiny arteries and veins in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, hidden nine months in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, begotten by God, nourished by the substance and blood of His Most Holy Mother in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, leaping from eternity into time, in the womb of Mary Have mercy on us.

Jesus, revealing with His Father and the Holy Spirit all wisdom and knowledge to His Most Holy Mother, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, aware of His role as Redeemer in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us

Jesus, Sanctifier of His Precursor from the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Eternal Word, Divine Child, embraced by the Father, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, raising His Mother to the heights of sanctification, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, everlasting delight of heaven, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, manifesting His Incarnation to His Holy Mother, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, adored and contemplated by His Mother in the sanctuary of her womb Have mercy on us.

Jesus, before whom the angels prostrated themselves, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, in whom the very angels beheld the humanity of the Infant God and the union of the two natures of the Word in the virginal womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, whose Holy Limbs first budded in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, whose Godhead the world cannot contain, weighing only a few grams in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Divine Immensity, once meaning only tenths of an inch in the womb of Mary, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, Sacrificial Lamb, Docile Infant in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, who was to suffer the agony and passion of death, accepting the human capacity for pain ad grief, in the womb of Mary, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God in the womb of Mary Spare us, O Lord. Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Holy Innocent in the womb of Mary Graciously hear us, O Lord. Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Son of God and Messiah in the womb of Mary Have mercy on us, O Lord. Have mercy on us.

LET US PRAY

Jesus, notwithstanding your divine nature as son of God, equal and one with the Father, you deignd to become incarnated as the son of man, assuming the condition of a pre-born child in the womb of your holy Mother, the Blessed virgin Mary. You, therefore, sanctified and elevated every maternal womb for all time and every human whose life is begun at conception.

Jesus, manifest yourself in the hearts of your people as the eternal son of God who began your earthly life in the womb of a woman call Mary. You could have chosen to commence your messianic mission in another manner; however, you showed your love for us by becoming a pre-born infant in the womb of your Holy Mother. You took on the total human existence from conception to death, since you consented to be carried in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary and then, after birth, saved us by your suffering and death on the cross. From conception to death we live and have our being in you. Jesus, we adore and thank you for choosing to become incarnate in the womb of your mother, Mary. We beseech you to bless all mothers and intercede with the Holy Spirit and your Father that every infant in the womb receive your precious gift of life.

Jesus, conceived in the womb of Mary, grant that Mary's loving mantle overshadow these precious pre-born infants in the wombs of their mothers and assist in their birth. We ask this, Jesus, in your name, who with the Father and Holy Spirit, lives and reigns forever. Amen.

LITANY FOR LIFE

<u>Leader:</u> Let us join our prayers with our Holy Father and the whole Church as we seek to live the Gospel of Life:

<u>All:</u> O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life. Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made more difficult, of men and women who are victims of violence, of the elderly and sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son, may proclaim the Gospel of Life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

Leader:	Response: God be with them!

For mothers and fathers	God be with them!	
For the gift of compassion	u	u
For the gift of patient love	u	"
For a growing love of life	u	11
For new mothers	u	u
For teenage mothers	u	"
For mothers who are beaten	u	u
For mothers who are addicted	u	u
For mothers who are afraid	u	"
For mothers who are alone	"	u
For mothers whose hearts are broken	"	u
For mothers who have no one to love them	u	u
For mothers who need us	"	u
For unborn babies	u	u
For innocent children	u	u
For all who are tiny and frail	"	u
For all with fragile hearts	"	u
For new fathers	"	u
For fathers who are afraid	"	"
For fathers who are addicted	u	"
For fathers who are angry or confused	"	u
For fathers who are alone	u .	"
For fathers who love their children	u	ш
For fathers who have no one to love them	"	u
For fathers who have run away	u	u

For doctors who care	God be with them!	
For nurses whose hearts are gentle	u	u
For doctors who are afraid	u	u
For nurses who are confused	u	u
For researchers who seek to heal	u	u
For scientists who love true wisdom	u	u
For legislators who seek the common good	u	u
For legislators whose hearts are torn	u	u
For our President and those who advise him	"	u
For children, that we might love them	u	"
For children, that we might love them well	u	u
For children, that we might love them always	u	u

Leader: Let us pray:

From the beginning, O God, you have blessed creation with rich and abundant life. Pour out the same, rich blessings upon our families, so that, joined in mutual love, in holiness and commitment to each other we may proclaim the Gospel of Life in all that we do. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

SUPPLICATION

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Savior, deliver us from the hands of our oppressors, the evil inhabitants that rule the world. Wash our bodies and souls in your blood. Send us your Holy Spirit.

Please grant us your seven gifts, O Holy Spirit and help us to discern good from evil; to recognize Satan's devious ways and wisely choose the will of God.

Lord, rid us of the fallen angels that prey upon us for we are yours.

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the Heavenly Host by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits that prowl he face of the earth seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

O St. Raphael, guide us on our journey towards God and eternal life. Amen.

(One Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be for the intention of the Holy Father)

SAINT MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER
ANGEL OF GOD, MY GUARDIAN, DEAR

Closing Hymn:
HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME

PRAYERS FOR FAMILIES

O Divine Jesus, we firmly believe in your presence here. Although unworthy, we adore you, O Lord, in whom the Father has planned to re-establish all things. Make us profit by this holy hour, O Jesus that we may be useful to you in making families what you want them to be: schools where the children of God learn to live your life, a training ground for Christians, a sanctuary where you dwell, a little kingdom where you rule.

From the beginning O God, you have blessed creation with rich and abundant life. Pour out the same rich blessings upon our families so that, joined in mutual love, in holiness and mutual commitment to each other we may proclaim the Gospel of Life in all that we do. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

CONSECRATION OF OUR FAMILIES TO JESUS AND MARY

Most holy Hearts of Jesus and Mary, united in perfect love, as you look upon us with mercy and caring, we consecrate our hearts, our lives, our family to you.

We know the beautiful example of your home in Nazareth was meant to be a model for each of our families.

We hope to have, with your help, the unity and strong, enduring love you gave to one another

May our home be filled with joy.

May sincere affection, patience, tolerance and mutual respect be freely given to all.

May our prayers be filled with the needs of others, not just ourselves and may we always be close to your sacraments.

Bless those who are present, s well as those who are absent, both the living and the dead;

May peace be among us and when we are tested, grant us the Christian acceptance of God's will.

Keep our family close to your Hearts; may your special protection be with us always.

Most Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, hear our prayer.

PARDON PRAYER

My God,
I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee!
I beg pardon for those who do not believe,
do not adore, do not hope,
and do not love Thee.
(3X)

ANGELS PRAYER

Oh Most Holy Trinity,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
I adore Thee profoundly.
I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity
of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world,
in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and
indifferences by which He is offended.
By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
I beg the conversion of poor sinners.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord you told us that the harvest indeed is great but the laborers are few. We must pray therefore that the Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into his harvest. We ask you to strengthen us as we follow the vocation to which you have called us. We pray particularly for those called to serve as priests, deacons and consecrated religious; those whom you have called, those you are calling now and those you will call in the future. May they be open and responsive to the call of serving you by serving you people! We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

LET US PRAY FOR OUR FAMILIES:

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

<u>1</u>st <u>Joyful Mystery: The Annunciation.</u> The joyful mysteries were indeed joyful for Mary but for Joseph who was not aware of the angel's visit to Mary, it was the source of sad bewilderment. This storm of perplexity was finally dispelled when the angel appeared in his dream to reassure him. Let us imitate St. Joseph's trustful patience and entrust our families to his care. Amen.

<u>2nd Joyful Mystery: The Visitation</u>. The Holy Family of Nazareth is the model for our family life not because it was perfect but because Jesus was there. With Jesus in her, Mary was quick to aid her cousin Elizabeth. Like Mary, we should also be quick to bring Jesus to the homes of others. Then every family can discover the joy of knowing that he is with them also, though hidden and unseen. Amen.

<u>3rd Joyful Mystery: The Nativity.</u> O Mary, cause of our joy, help us to make Jesus the center of our family life. Lord Jesus, bless all families so that parents may treasure their children of all ages and children may grow in affection for their parents and one another. Amen.

4th Joyful Mystery: The Presentation of the Infant Jesus in the Temple. O God, bless all children that they may know the joy of being alive; being loved and cherished. May they find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and in love! Amen.

5th Joyful Mystery: Finding the child Jesus in the Temple. Jesus was obedient to his mother and legal father thus he fulfilled the 4th commandment perfectly. This mirrored his obedience to his Father in heaven. In his hidden years we learn the importance of silence, family life, work and the ordinary events of daily life. Mary's first apostolate was housework. Let us imitate the Holy Family in little things. Amen.

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

<u>1</u>ST <u>Luminous Mystery: The Baptism of Christ</u>. Our Catechism teaches us that the baptism of Jesus on his part was the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as "Gods Suffering Servant". Our baptism on the other hand is the sacrament of victory over the spiritual death of sin. Let us make every effort to baptize all children including the victims of abortion. Amen.

2nd Luminous Mystery: The Miracle at the Wedding Feast in Cana. Jesus chose to perform his first public miracle at the request of his Mother at a wedding to show his regard for marriage. We ask God to bless all couples preparing for marriage and those who are married that they may cherish and be faithful to each other for as long as they live. Amen.

<u>3rd Luminous Mystery: The Proclamation of the Kingdom.</u> We learn from our Catechism that everyone is called to enter the Kingdom of God but to do this we must become children in relation to God. We must humble ourselves and become little. Lord Jesus, use us to make families what you want it to be: a school where the children of God learn to live a holy life, a training ground for Christians, a sanctuary where God dwells, and a little kingdom where you rule. Amen.

4th Luminous Mystery: The Transfiguration. In Mt. Tabor, the three apostles saw your glory, in a wedding the couples see each other in a happy and glorious way. May the grace of marriage strengthen them in their commitment to each other! May their homes be filled with joy and sincere affection, patience, tolerance, and mutual respect! May God bless them, protect them and when trials come, may they accept God's will with love and humility amen.

 $\underline{5}^{th}$ Luminous Mystery: The Institution of the Eucharist. Heaven is like a big joyous wedding feast and it starts at Mass. Let us encourage families to go to mass and encounter Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist. Jesus within us and among us will bless and protect us especially during these turbulent times when society is openly hostile to family values. Amen.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

1ST Sorrowful Mystery: The Agony in the Garden. Lord Jesus, you prayed in the garden of Gethsemane while the apostles were sleeping. The only one awake was your betrayer. The distress and fear caused your bloody sweat but you obeyed the Father and were willing to suffer and die for us because of love. Lord Jesus, forgive us for all those times when we did not understand, betrayed and hurt each other. When we could not forgive or love each other and we ran away from the cross and those who were suffering around us were waiting for our help, forgive us! Amen.

<u>2nd Sorrowful Mystery. The Scourging.</u> Lord Jesus, they scourged you in the court of Pilate. You suffered in silence. This happens in families too, there are scourgings and wounds when there is lack of respect, anxiety, malice and violence. Family members avoid each other or utter wounding remarks. Infidelity and divorce are wounds that fester. Lord, by your stripes heal the wounds of our family and all families. Amen.

<u>3rd Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning with Thorns.</u> Lord Jesus, you were mocked and humiliated but you bore our crown of thorns patiently. Alcoholism, drugs, infidelity, abortion, blasphemy, slander, jealousy, sloth and corruption are the cruel thorns that crown our heads and family relationships. Help us to destroy every thorny crown that we have made for ourselves and each other with the strength of your love. Amen.

4th Sorrowful Mystery: The Carrying of the Cross. Lord Jesus, you carried the heavy cross across on your wounded shoulder patiently. Your suffering did not make you bitter because you forgave your persecutors immediately. Lord, give us the grace to forgive when we offend each other. Look with pity on those families who are bearing the cross of illness. Bless the sick especially those who are neglected and rejected by their families. Amen.

5th Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion. Lord Jesus, by your death on the cross, we pray for all those who have lost their husband, their wife, child or parent. For those who now live in disappointment, loneliness, anger, or despair, reach into their hearts and lives to heal and comfort them. We pray especially for those whose marriages are breaking up. Help them to do all that they can to prevent it. The Vatican is concerned about the "profound crisis currently buffeting matrimony and the family." Let us not forget the sacramentality of marriage and the sacredness of the family. Amen.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

1ST Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection. O risen Lord, bless our homes! Protect it from fire, storm, calamity, discord or any other evil or misfortune. May we please you in our family life making us truly the 'domestic church'! Amen.

<u>2nd Glorious Mystery: The Ascension.</u> Lord Jesus, may our families proclaim and live the Gospel life! Give us grace to build together the civilization of truth and love to the praise and glory of God. Amen.

<u>3rd Glorious Mystery: The Pentecost.</u> All powerful and ever living God, we ask you to forgive us for failing so many people in our journey through life. May the Holy Spirit bless those who work with families to help them in their temporal, emotional and spiritual needs! Amen.

4th Glorious Mystery: The Assumption. Lord, we thank you for having given us Mary, our Mother and teacher. You did not spare her the suffering and difficulties in life. In death, she was assumed into heaven body and soul to share in her Son's glory. We ask you now through her powerful intercession, to remove from us pride, envy, selfishness, sadness and other disorders that disturb our inner peace. Grant us those virtues that we need during our earthly pilgrimage so that we will ultimately reach our homeland, heaven. Amen.

<u>5th Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary.</u> O Mary, now crowned Queen of Heaven, intercede for the whole world through the strength of your love and prayers. Your life as well as those of other saints reflects the goodness of God. We entrust ourselves and our families to you, O Mary, Queen of the families. May God be glorified in our lives! Amen.

The Holy Family of Nazareth is the model for family life, not because it was perfect but because Jesus was there. We pray that every family can discover the joy of knowing that He is with them also.

FOR FAMILIES

Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Spirit, we praise You and worship You. You are the origin of all life.

You are the source of all love.

We thank You for sharing Your life and Your love with us, your people.

We pray for all families made in your image.

Unite all couples and fill them with enthusiasm for their love.

Bless all families so that parents may treasure their children of all ages and that children may grow in affection and love for their parents and one another.

Be with those who are alone.

Help them to know their beauty and goodness and give them peace in their times of loneliness or isolation.

Fill every home with Your love.

May each of our homes be a place of Your presence and a source of Your peace.

Amen.

FOR MARRIED COUPLES

God of Love,

In Your wonderful love for us, You have made the love of woman and man the mirror of your everlasting love. May we reverence all married couples and make it possible for them to grow in their love every day.

Bless all young married couples.

May their passion for each other grow through their lives.

Be with couples who are a number of years into marriage.

Give them a great commitment to each other as they learn to cope with and master every-changing decision they need to make together.

Keep them faithful to each other and to You.

Journey with all married couples who are entering mid-life together.

Give them a deep affection for one another.

Keep them open to one another and all those around them.

May their love become an ever greater gift to the Church.

And we pray for couples who are entering old age together.

Keep them young at heart and confident, in their love for each other and, in Your presence in their lives.

Keep all couples aware of the importance of loving fully in the present so that our world may be transformed by the radiance of married love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE

God of love, we praise and thank You for the wonderful gift of life. Help us to cherish that gift in ourselves and in all whom we meet.

Bless all children that they may know the joy of being alive And that we may help them towards a great future.

Bless all young men and women.

Be with them through these years of change in their bodies,

Their priorities, their relationships,

So that nothing may damage their joy and hope.

Bless older single people as they discern their way forward in life.

Fill them with a deep sense of their personal goodness and the awareness that the source of marital loveGod's love- is the same source at the heart of their lives right now.

Bless all couples preparing for marriage.
Help them to cherish each other more very day.
Give them the courage to put their love for each other first,
So that their lives may be full
And their marriages happy.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR MARRIED PEOPLE WHO ARE ALONE

God of love and compassion,
We ask Your special blessing on those among us
Who have lost a wife or husband in any way.
They all set out with high ambitions.
Many now live in disappointment or deep loneliness,
Or anger or despair.
Reach into their hearts and lives and bring them to healing.

We ask You to comfort those who are alone through death.

We ask You to strengthen those whose spouse is seriously ill;

To inspire those whose communication has broken down and give them courage to begin again.

We pray for those whose marriages have irrevocably broken down.

Help them to find the way back to health of body and spirit.

Give those around them a generous love

And a caring understanding so that they will be supported as they need.

Prompt those moving in the direction of break-up

To see what is happening and to do everything that is needed to prevent it.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THOSE WHO SUPPORT MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

All powerful and ever living God,
Your will is that no one should have to go through life without knowing how special they are.,
How treasured and loved they are.
We ask You to forgive us for failing
So many people in their journey through life.

Bless all those who give themselves
So generously in helping husbands and wives to renew love constantly,
So that each other may know Your love.

We ask Your blessing on those who work at helping parents and their children develop good communication,

So that understanding and love may grow in our homes and the reverence for each person be nurtured.

We pray for an outpouring of Your spirit

On those who are engaged in bringing healing to the people who are damaged because

Of their experiences in marriage or family life.

Inspire all leaders of the church and state to know more clearly,

That it is in marriage and family life especially

That human life has its greatest potential, and that it is in these relationships

That we can come to know Your presence and love in a special way.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

STABAT MATER

At the cross her station keeping, Stood the mournful Mother weeping, Close to Jesus to the last.

Through her heart, His sorrow sharing, All His bitter anguish bearing, Now at length the sword had pass'd.

Oh, how sad and sore distress'd Was that Mother highly blest Of the sole-begotten One!

Christ above in torment hangs; She beneath beholds the pangs Of her dying glorious Son.

Is there one who would not weep, Whelm'd in miseries so deep Christ's dear Mother to behold?

Can the human heart refrain From partaking in her pain, In that Mother's pain untold?

Bruis'd, derided, curs'd, defil'd, She beheld her tender child All with bloody scourges rent.

For the sins of His own nation, Saw Him hang in desolation, Till His spirit forth He sent.

O thou Mother! fount of love! Touch my spirit from above; Make my heart with thine accord.

Make me feel as thou hast felt; Make my soul to glow and melt With the love of Christ our Lord. Holy Mother, pierce me through, In my heart each wound renew Of my savior crucified.

Let me share with thee His pain, Who for all my sins was slain, Who for me in torments died.

Let me mingle tears with thee, Mourning Him who mourned for me. All the days that I may live.

By the cross with thee to stay, There with thee to weep and pray, Is all I ask of thee to give.

Virgin of all virgins best, Listen to my fond request. Let me share thy grief divine.

Let me, to my latest breath, in my body bear the death Of that dying Son of thine.

Wounded with His every wound Steep my soul till it hath swooned, In His very blood away.

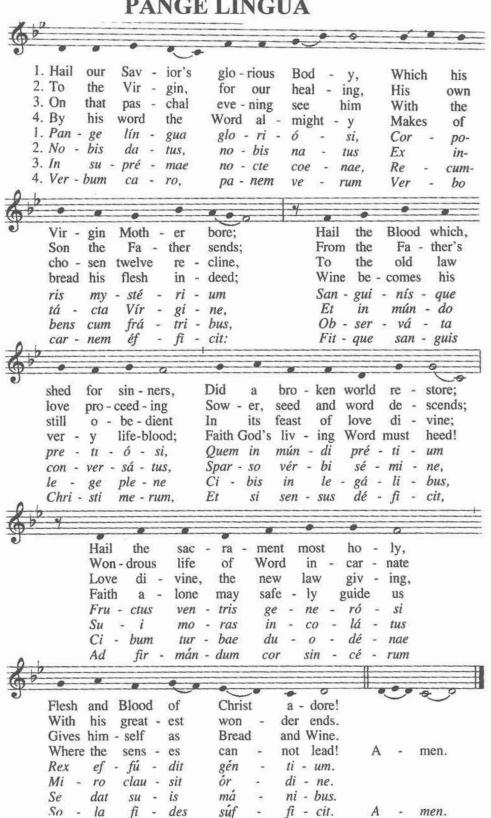
Be to me,, O virgin, nigh, Lest in flames, I burn and die, In the awful judgment day..

Christ, when thou shall call me hence, Be thy mother my defence, Be thy cross my victory.

While my body here decays, May my soul thy goodness praise, Safe in Paradise with thee.

AMEN

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THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

"Whoever will recite the Chaplet will receive great mercy at the hour of death. When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, *I will stand between My Father and the dying person*, not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior."

From the writings of Saint Faustina:

Begin with:

One Our Father -----One Hail Mary-----The Apostle's Creed

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, His only son, Our Lord who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We 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

On each large bead of the Rosary, the following prayer is recited-----

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity Of your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On each of the ten small beads, the following prayer-----

For the sake of His sorrowful passion Have mercy on us, and on the whole world.

After reciting the prayers on the beads for five decades, the following prayer is recited----three times

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us and on the whole world. AMEN

Let us pray:

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit our selves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

AMEN



Come, Thou almighty King

Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy Name to sing, help us to praise! Father all glorious, over all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword, our prayer attend! Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou Who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be, hence, evermore. Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore!

The Savior is Waiting

The Savior is waiting to enter your heart Why don't you let Him come in? There's nothing in this world to keep you apart What is your answer to Him?

Chorus:

Time after time
He has waited before
And now He is waiting again
To see if you are willing
To open the door
Oh, how He wants to come in.

If you'll take one step
Toward the Savior, my friend,
You'll find His arms open wide.
Receive Him, and all of your darkness will end
Within your heart He'll abide.(Chorus)

Spirit Song

O let the Son of God enfold you
With His Spirit and His love
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
O let Him have the things that hold you
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Jesus, O Jesus Come and fill Your lambs Jesus, O Jesus Come and fill Your lambs

O come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name
O give Him all your tears and sadness
Give Him all your years of pain
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

No Mas Amor Que el Tuyo

No mas amor que el Tuyo O corazon divino, El pueblo Filipino, Te da su corazon. En templos y en hogares, Te invoque nuestra lengua, Tu reinaras sin mengua De Aparri hasta Jolo.

Ha tiempo que esperamos
Tu imperio en el Oriente,
La fe de Filipinas
Es como el sol ardiente,
como la roca firme,
Inmensa como el mar.
La iniquidad no puede
Ser de estas islas duena
Que izada en nuestros montes,
Tu celestial ensena,
Las puertas de infierno
No prevaleceran.

Heart of Jesus meek and mild

Heart of Jesus meek and mild, Hear, oh hear thy feeble child, When the tempest's most severe, Heart of Jesus hear.

Refrain:

Sweetly we'll rest on thy Sacred Heart, Never from Thee, oh, let us part, Hear then thy loving children's pray'r, Heart of Jesus hear.

Make me Jesus wholly thine, Change this wayward heart of mine, Lead me through this world so drear, Heart of Jesus hear!

Refrain

Soul of my Savier The Sweetest Name of AH

Soul of my Savior sanctify my breast, Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest, Blood of my Savior, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with waters gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be, O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign, in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me and bid me come to thee on high where I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

O Sacred Heart

O Sacred Heart! O Love Divine! Do keep us near to Thee; And make our love so like to Thine That we may holy be.

Refrain: Heart of Jesus hear! O heart of Love Divine! Listen to our Prayer;

Make us alway Thine.

O Temple pure! O House of gold! Our heaven here below What sweet delight, what wealth untold, From Thee do ever flow.

Refrain

O Wounded Heart, O Font of tears! O Throne of grief and pain! Whereon for the eternal years, Thy love for man does reign. Refrain

To Jesus' Heart All Burning

To Jesus' Heart all burning with fervent love for men, My heart with fondest yearning, Shall raise its joyful strain.

Refrain: While ages course along,
Blest be, with loudest song, the Sacred Heart of Jesus
By ev'ry heart and tongue,
The Sac-red Heart of Jesus
By ev'ry heart and tongue.

Heart for me on fire with love no man can speak My yet untold desire God gives me for Thy sake.

Refrain

Let All that is Within Me

Let all that is within me cry Holy Let all that is within me cry Holy Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lamb that was slain

Let all that is within me cry Glory Let all that is within me cry Glory Glory, Glory, Glory to the Lamb that was slain

Let all that is within me cry Jesus Let all that is within me cry Jesus Jesus is the Lamb that was slain.

THE SWEETEST NAME OF ALL

Jesus, You're the sweetest Name of all.
Jesus, You always hear me when I call.
Oh Jesus, You pick me up each time I fall,
You're the sweetest, the sweetest Name of all.

Jesus, how I love to praise Your Name.
Jesus You're still the first, the last, the same.
Oh, Jesus, You died and took away my shame.
You're the sweetest, the sweetest Name of all.

Jesus, You're the soon and coming King.
Jesus, we need the love that You can bring.
Oh Jesus, we lift our voices up and sing.
You're the sweetest, the sweetest Name of all.

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all! How can I love Thee as I ought? And how revere this wondrous gift, So far surpassing hope or thought?

Refrain:

Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore! Oh, make us love Thee more and more. Oh, make us love Thee more and more.

2. Had I but Mary's sinless heart With which to love Thee, dearest King, Oh, with what ever fervent praise, Thy goodness, Jesus, would I sing! Refrain

Humbly, Lord, We Worship You

Humbly Lord, we worship You Our Eternal King You who died to give us life Hear us as we sing \

(Refrain) Jesus, God and Lord of all Come to us, we pray Thus united in Your love May we live this day

Jesus, Lord, we offer you every act this day. May we live our love for You and your will obey

Refrain

Lord, forgive us all our faults
Others we forgive
May we strive with all our souls
Christian lives to live

Refrain

May we love You in each soul, and each soul in You. One in our eternal goal One in all we do

Refrain

O Sacrament Most Holy

O Jesus, we adore you, Who, in your love divine, Conceal your mighty Godhead In forms of bread and wine.

Refrain: O sacrament most holy, O sacrament divine, All praise and all thanksgiving Be ev'ry moment thine!

O Jesus, we adore you, our victim and our priest, Whose prrecious blood and body Become our Sacred feast. (Ref.)

O Jesus, we adore you, Our Savior and our King, And with the saints and angels Our humble homage bring. (Ref.)

O Jesus, we adore you; Come, live in us we pray, That all our thoughts and actions Be yours alone today. (Ref.)

O come, all you who labor In sorrow and in pain; Come, eat this bread from heaven; Your peace and strength regain. (Ref.)

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Singing bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, Which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife, Joyful music leads us Sunward In the triumph song of life.

Gather Us In

Here in this place, new light is streaming now is the darkness vanished away, see, in this space, our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in the lost and forsaken gather us in the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young – our lives are a mystery we are the old – who yearns for your face. we have been sung throughout all of history called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in the rich and the haughty gather us in the proud and the strong give us a heart so meek and so lowly give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water here we will take the bread of new birth here you shall call your sons and your daughters call us anew to be salt of the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion give us to eat the bread that is you nourish us well and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Maranatha

Refrain: Come Lord, Come Lord Jesus. Give your people hope. Come Lord, Come Lord Jesus, and lead your people home.

O Lord of light, fill the night.

Many have lost their way.

O Rising Dawn, shine upon us,
darkness shall be no more. (Refrain)

- O King of Kings, love you bring.
 The world is made anew.
 O Prince of Peace, make us free, justice for humankind. (Refrain)
- 3. Emmanuel, Emmanuel, promised so long ago. Emmanuel, Emmanuel, God is with us at last.(Refrain)

He is Lord

He is Lord, He is Lord
He has risen from the dead
And He is Lord
Every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord

You are Lord, You are Lord You have risen from the dead And You are Lord Every knee shall bow Every tongue confess That Jesus Christ is Lord

Praise the Name of Jesus

Praise the name of Jesus Praise the name of Jesus He's my rock, He's my fortress He's my deliverer In Him will I trust

Anima Cristi

Soul of Christ Sanctify me Body of Christ save me Water from the side of Christ Wash me, Passion of Christ Give me strength

Hear me Jesus
Hide me in thy wounds
That I may never leave thy side
From all the evil that surrounds me
Defend me and when the call of death arrives
Bid me come to thee
That I may praise thee
With thy saints forever

I Love You, Lord

I love You, Lord And I lift my voice To worship You O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, My King, in what You hear, Let it be, Let it be a sweet, sweet sound In Your ear.

Lift Up Your Hands

Life is not all that bad, my friend, hmmm
If you believe in yourself
If you believe there's Someone
Who walks through life without you
You'll never be alone
Just learn to reach out,
And open your heart
Lift up hands to God,
And He'll show you the way.

And He said, "Cast your burdens upon Me Those who are heavily laden, Come to Me, all of you who are tired Of carrying heavy loads, For the yoke I will give you is easy And My burden is light, Come to Me and I will give you rest."

When you feel the world
Is tumblin' down on you,
And you have no one
That you can hold on to,
Just face the rising sun
And you'll see hope,
And there's no need to run
Lift up your hands to God,
And He'll make you feel all right.

O What a Mighty God We Serve

O what a mighty God we serve (4X) Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King of Kings! Sing hosanna, sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King!

Peace Prayer of St. Francis

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness only light,
And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand, To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; In giving of ourselves that we receive, And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;

His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat:

He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat:

Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! be jubilant, my feet:

Our God is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Our God is marching on.

America

My country, 'tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty Of thee I sing; Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims' pride, From every mountain side Let Freedom ring.

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills,
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above.

America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet
Whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare of freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Oh, come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant!
Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the king of angels:
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Highest, most holy,
Light of light eternal,
Born of a virgin,
A mortal he comes;
Son of the Father
Now in flesh appearing!
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God
In the highest:
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Oh, come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be glory given! Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing! Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And Peace to men on earth

How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may his His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him still,
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born to us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel

Silent Night

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour is born
Christ, the Saviour is born

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth "

O Holy Night

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining.
Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, the night when Christ was born;
O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!
O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.
O'er the world a star is sweetly gleaming,
Now come the wisemen from out of the Orient land.
The King of kings lay thus lowly manger;
In all our trials born to be our friends.
He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger,
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother.
And in his name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
With all our hearts we praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we,
His power and glory ever more proclaim!
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What Child is This

What Child is this who, laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom Angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

[CHORUS]

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and Angels sing; Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate, Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christians, fear, for sinners here The silent Word is pleading.

O Lord I am Not Worthy

O Lord, I am not worthy that Thou should'st come to me;

But speak the word of comfort, my spirit healed shall be.

And humbly I'll receive Thee, the bridegroom of my soul,

No more by sin to grieve Thee, or fly Thy sweet control.

Eternal Holy Spirit, unworthy though I be, Prepare me to receive Him, and trust the Word to me.Increase my faith, dear Jesus, in Thy real presence here,

And make me feel most deeply, that Thou to me art near.

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all! How can I love Thee as I ought? And how revere this wondrous gift, So far surpassing hope or thought?

Refrain:

Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore! Oh, make us love Thee more and more. Oh, make us love Thee more and more.

2. Had I but Mary's sinless heart With which to love Thee, dearest King, Oh, with what ever fervent praise, Thy goodness, Jesus, would I sing! Refrain

Salve Regina

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 lesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis, post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens: O pia: O dulcis
Virgo Maria.

Soul of My Savior

Soul of my Savior sanctify my breast, Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest, Blood of my Savior, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with waters gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be, O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign, in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me and bid me come to thee on high where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Panis Angelicus

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum; Dat panis caelicus figuris terminum: O res mirabilis! manducat Dominum Pauper, servus, et humilis.

Te trina Deitas unaque poscimus: Sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus; Per tuas semitas duc nos quo tendimus, Ad lucem quam inhabitas. Amen.

Pange Lingua

Pange lingua gloriosi Corporis mysterium, Sanguinisque pretiosi, Quem in mundi pretium Fructus ventris generosi, Rex effudit gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus Ex intacta Virgine Et in mundo conversatus, Sparso verbi semine, Sui moras incolatus Miro clausit ordine.

In supremae nocte coenae Recumbens cum fratribus, Observata lege plene Cibis in legalibus, Cibum turbae duodenae Se dat suis manibus

Verbum caro, panem verum Verbo carnem efficit: Fitque sanguis Christi merum, Et si sensus deficit, Ad firmandum cor sincerum Sola fides sufficit.

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Spirit Song

O let the Son of God enfold You With His Spirit and His love Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul O let Him have those things that hold You And His Spirit like a dove Will descend upon your life And make you whole

(chorus)
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your Lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your Lambs

O come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender
To His name
O give Him all your tears and sadness
Give Him all your years of pain
And you'll enter into life
In Jesus' name

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow before thee; all on earth thy scepter claim; all in heaven above adore thee. Infinite thy vast domain; everlasting is thy reign.

Hark the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Lo! the apostolic train joins thy sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow. And from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit: three we name thee,
though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim thee,
and adoring bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

O Sacred Heart

O Sacred Heart! O Love Divine! Do keep us near to Thee; And make our love so like to Thine That we may holy be.

Heart of Jesus hear! O heart of Love Divine! Listen to our Prayer; Make us alway Thine.

O Temple pure! O House of gold! Our heaven here below What sweet delight, what wealth untold, From Thee do ever flow.

Heart of Jesus hear! O heart of Love Divine! Listen to our Prayer; Make us alway Thine.

Humbly We Adore Thee

Humbly we adore Thee, Christ Redeemer King; Thou art Lord of heaven, Thou to whom we sing. God the Mighty, Thou hast come, bearing gifts of grace; Son of Adam still Thou art, Savior to our race.

Jesus, Lord, we thank Thee for this wondrous bread; In our land Thou dwellest, by Thee we are fed. We who share this mystery in Thee are made one; Every act we offer Thee in Thy Name is done.

Thou who died to save us livest as our light; Though our eyes are blinded, yet our faith gives sight. Christ, do Thou be merciful, Lamb for sinners slain. We in grief confess our guilt; cleanse our souls of stain.

Christ, our God and brother, hear our humble plea; By this holy banquet, keep us joined to Thee. Make us one in loving Thee, one in mind and heart, Till in heaven we are Thine, nevermore to part.

I am the Bread of Life

am the bread of life
He who comes to Me shall not hunger
He who believes in Me shall not thirst
No one can come to Me
Unless the Father draw him

And I will raise him up
And I will raise him up
And I will raise him up on the last day

The bread that I will give
Is My flesh for the life of the world
And he who eats of this bread
He shall live for ever
He shall live for ever

Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of His blood
And drink of His blood
You shall not have life within you

I am the resurrection
I am the life
He who believes in Me
Even if he die
He shall live for ever

Yes, Lord, we believe That You are the Christ The Son of God Who has come Into the world

Kyrie Eleison/Sanctus/ Agnus Dei

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Salutarias Hostia

O salutaris Hostia,
Quae caeli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.
Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria.
Amen.

Translation:

O salutary Victim,
Who expandest the door of the sky,
Hostile wars press.
Give strength; bear aid.
To the Lord One in Three,
May there be sempiternal glory;
for life without end
he gives to us in our homeland.
Amen.

Tantum Ergo

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Priest: Thou hast given them bread from heaven.

People: Containing in itself all delight!

Priest: Let us pray: O God, who to us in this wonderful Sacrament, bequeathed a memorial of your Passion: grant, we beseech, that we, in the Holy Mysteries of your body and blood, may within ourselves continually, sensibly perceive the fruit of your redemption. You who live and reign into ages of ages. Amen.

The Divine Praises

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time. Amen.

Mother, At Your Feet

Mother at your feet is kneeling,
One who love 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 perform 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

O Purest of Creatures

O purest of creatures! Sweet mother, sweet maid: the one spotless womb wherein Jesus was laid. Dark night hath come down on us, mother, and we look out for thy shining, sweet star of the sea. Deep night hath come down on this rough-spoken world. And the banners of darkness are boldly unfurled; and the tempest-tossed Church, all her eyes are on thee. They look to thy shining, sweet star of the sea. He gazed on thy soul, it was spotless and fair; for the empire of sin, it had never been there; none ever had owned thee. dear mother, but he, and he blessed thy clear shining, sweet star of the sea. Earth gave him one lodging; 'twas deep in thy breast, and God found a home where the sinner finds rest, his home and his hiding-place, both were in thee: he was won by thy shining, sweet star of the sea. Oh, blissful and calm was the wonderful rest that thou gavest thy God in thy virginal breast; for the heaven he left he found heaven in thee, and he shone in thy shining, sweet star of the sea.y Queen enthroned above, O Maria. Hail, Queen of mercy and of love, O Maria.

Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim,

Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

Our life, our sweetness, here below, O Maria! Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

To thee we cry, poor sons of Eve, O Maria!

To thee we sigh, we mourn, we grieve, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

Turn then most gracious Advocate, O Maria!
Toward us thine eyes compassionate, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

The cause of joy to men below, O Maria!

The spring through which all graces flow, O Maria!

Angels, all your praises bring, Earth and heaven, with us sing,
All creation echoing:
Salve, salve, salve Regina!

How the "Our Lady of Emmitsburg" painting (on the back cover) came to be----

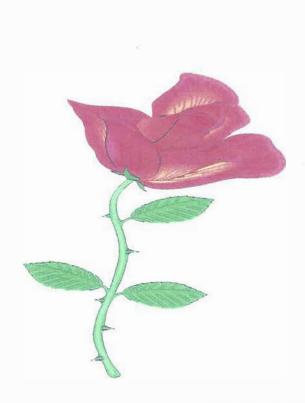
In January of 1995, Peter Bianchi, a former professional artist for National Geographic magazine, came to Giana Talone Sullivan to ask if he could submit some questions to her about what the Blessed Mother looks like when she sees her in an apparition, ------and from Giana's answers, create a life size painting.

Over the next nine months he worked on a pencil sketch of the Blessed Mother's face from the 35 to 55 questions he had submitted.

After nineteen attempts and twenty five visits to Giana, he submitted three sketches to her and was told that each had "some" features correct.

Returning to Giana with a combined picture he was told, "That's our Blessed Mother, that's what she looks like."

This is a copy of that original pencil sketch, from which the artist proposed to make a full size color oil painting.





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