7. PRAYERS TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, OUR MOTHER, QUEEN, PROTECTRESS, MEDIATRIX AND FRIEND



OUR BLESSED VIRGIN MOTHER

Picture of our Lady drawn by an Italian mystic, whose hand was guided by our Lady.
A special blessing is given each day to the person who carries it and another blessing given each time one looks at it with love.
(Pieta Booklet)

7.1. Sub Tuum Praesidium[37]

SUB TUUM PRAESIDIUM confugimus, Sancta Dei Genitrix. Nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris, sed a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.	**WE FLY TO THY PATRONAGE, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.**

7.1.1. Thanksgiving Prayer

O BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, our Mother, our Queen, Protectress, Mediatrix and Friend, we thank thee for the Divine love, mercies, forgiveness, salvation, companionship, providence, patience, guidance, protection, liberality, tolerance, assistance, blessings, graces, benefits and favors that thou hast obtained for us throughout our lifetimes from our Ever-Powerful, Ever-Merciful, Ever-Compassionate, Ever-Generous, Ever-Provident and Ever-Loving God, especially during our times of greatest need.

WE BEG THEE, dearest Mother to keep on praying for us and keep on gathering the prayers that all the angels, saints, holy souls in Heaven, the poor, holy souls in Purgatory and all the faithful on earth are offering on our behalf. Together with thy prayers, please offer them all at the foot of the Blessed Trinity.

MAY OUR LORD God Almighty look with favor on all thy petitions for us and see it fit, in His great and tender mercies, to continually grant us His love and benefits, today and always. Amen.

Three Hail Mary's, In honor of Our Blessed Virgin Mother and in thanksgiving for all that she has done for us, which she offers for the greater glory of Our Almighty God, The ✝ Father, The Son and The Holy Ghost. (Use the 'Flame of Love' format as follows:)

AVE MARIA, gratia plena; Dominus tecum; benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. SANCTA MARIA, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, et diluvium totam humanitatem cum benedictionibus tuus ignis amoris, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.	**HAIL MARY, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. HOLY MARY, Mother of God, pray for us sinners and flood the whole humanity with blessings of thy fire of love, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

[37] Sub tuum praesidium - Wikipedia

Salve Regina (Hail Holy Queen)[38]

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 Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pía, O dulcis Virgo Maria.	**HAIL, HOLY QUEEN, Mother of Mercy; hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.**
V. Ora pro nobis, Sancta Christi Genetrix.	**V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of Christ.**
R. Ut *digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.*	**R. *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.***
Orémus	***Let us Pray***
OMNÍPOTENS SEMPITÉRNE DEUS, Qui gloriósæ Vírginis Matris Maríæ corpus et ánimam, ut dignum Fílii tui habitáculum éffici mererétur, Spíritu Sancto cooperánte, præparásti: da, ut, cujus commemoratióne lætámur, ejus pia intercessióne, ab instántibus malis et a morte perpétua liberémur. Per eúndem Christum Dóminum nóstrum. Amen.	**ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, Who by the coopera–tion of the Holy Ghost, didst prepare the body and soul of Mary, glorious Virgin and Mother, to become a worthy dwelling for Thy Son; grant that we, who rejoice in her commemoration may, by her gracious intercession, be delivered from present evils and from everlasting death. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

7.2. Additional Prayers to Our Blessed Virgin Mother

7.2.1. BLESSED BE THY PURITY, may it be blessed forever. For no less than God takes delight in such exalted beauty. To thee, Heavenly Queen, Holy Virgin Mary, we offer on this day, our hearts, lives and souls. Look upon my beloved spouse, our children, on all those for whom we pray for daily, particularly those in our Sunday List and this poor sinner with compassion. Do not leave us, O Dearest Mother.

7.2.2. Flower Prayer to The Blessed Virgin Mary (By St. Gertrude the Great)

HAIL! WHITE LILY of the Ever-peaceful and Glorious Trinity! Hail! Effulgent Rose, the Delight of heaven, of whom the King of Heaven was born, and by whose milk He was nourished! Do Thou

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[38] *Numerous authors have been proposed for what is said to be the most popular Marian antiphon: St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Adhemar de Monteil, Bishop of Le Puy (ca. 1080 AD) and Peter of Compostela (930 AD). Herman Contractus, who wrote a number of well-known Marian pieces, is the author favoured by current scholarship. An interesting story exists describing its last three invocations. The Chronicle of Spires tell us that the final three invocations were added by St. Bernard (1091-1153). The hymn, so the story goes, originally ended with the word ostende. However, when St. Bernard was the Papal Legate in Germany, he heard the hymn being sung in the Church of Spires, threw himself upon his knees, and with a fit of sudden inspiration rang out with the words: O Clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria. These three invocations have been repeated even since and for stones in the Church mark the place where the holy doctor knelt. Unfortunately for the story, the lines appear in early manuscripts before this event was supposed to have taken place.*

What we do know for certain is that the Salve Regina was used as a processional chant at Cluny by 1135. Around 1218 the Cistercians adopted it as a daily processional chant and in 1251 as an ending to Compline. Both the Dominicans and the Franciscans also adopted it around this same time and the Carmelites used it for a while in place of the last Gospel at Mass. Gregory IX (1227-1241) ordered it to be chanted after Compline on Fridays. From the 14th century down to today it has been a part of Compline for the Latin Rite. Traditionally this antiphon is recited at Compline from Trinity Sunday until Advent.

This hymn is said to be a favorite of our Lady herself by testimony of those who have reportedly seen her in visions. One account concerning this claim relates a vision St. Dominic had. He was entering a corridor of the monastery to resume his midnight prayer vigil when he chanced to raise his eyes and see three beautiful ladies approach him. He knelt before the principal lady, and she blessed him. Even though St. Dominic recognized her, he begged her to tell him her name. The lady replied: "I am she whom you invoke every evening: and when you say, "Eia ergo, advocata nostra." I prostrate myself before my Son, entreating Him to protect this Order." (From the Life of St. Dominic, Lacordaire).

Many writers have praised this hymn. St. Alphonsus comments upon the Salve Regina extensively in his Glories of Mary, and Father Taunton writes: "Its fragrance lingers over our soul when, at the end of a long day, or at the end of any Hour, we place our prayers in Mary's hands, that she, the pure and glorious one, may offer them with all the power of a Mother's love to her God, to that Son, the blessed Fruit of her womb. Our prayers coming through her hands will be doubly acceptable to her Son, and we shall be the sooner heard for the reverence He has for His Mother".

It has also been recorded that the Salve Regina was recited by Columbus' men the evening before they sighted the New World the next morning.

Today this prayer is one of the final Marian Antiphons that conclude Compline in the Divine Office, and it is also used in conjunction with the Rosary. A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who devoutly recite this prayer. The Traditional Collect, which is not part of the prayer proper, is given. (www. Preces latinae.org)

feed our souls by the effusions of thy divine influence.

7.2.3. Prayer to Our Lady Queen of The Angels *(Original text dictated by Our Mother to Fr. Cestac, Jan. 13, 1864)*

AUGUST QUEEN of the Heavens, heavenly Sovereign of the angels, thou who from the beginning received from God the power and mission to crush the head of Satan, we humbly beseech thee, to send thy holy Legions so that under thy command and through thy power, they may pursue the demons, combat them everywhere, suppress their boldness and drive them back into the abyss. Amen.

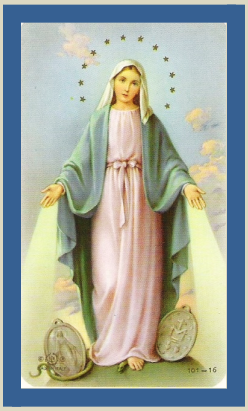
"Who is like unto God?" *(Silently say this: Nobody but nobody!)*

O GOOD and tender Mother, thou shalt always be our love and our hope!

O DIVINE Mother, send thy holy Angels to defend us and drive far away from us the cruel enemy!

HOLY ANGELS and Archangels, defend us and guard us. Amen.

7.2.4. An Act of Consecration To Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal[39]



O VIRGIN Mother of God, Mary Immaculate, we dedicate and consecrate ourselves to thee under the title of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. May this medal be for each one of us a sure sign of thy affection for us and a constant reminder of our duties towards thee. Ever while wearing it, may we be blessed by thy loving protection and preserved in the grace of thy Divine Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. O most powerful Virgin, Mother of our Savior, keep us close to thee every moment of our lives. Obtain for us, thy children, the grace of a happy death; so that, in union with thee, we may enjoy the bliss of heaven forever. Amen.

O Mary, conceived without sin, *Pray for us who have recourse to Thee.*(3X)

St. Catherine Laboure, *Pray for us.*

7.2.5. A Green Scapular Prayer



O BLESSED Virgin Mother, through the merits of thy most Immaculate Heart and by the powers, blessings, graces and favors our Loving and True Ever-living God has given thee, particularly through the Green Scapular of thy same Immaculate Heart; please protect and guide thy children who has this *Scapular* in their persons or possessions, knowingly or unknowingly *(kiss the green scapular)*. For those who needs conversion from their evil, wicked, sinful, ungodly, worldly ways and wrong religions, please obtain for them God's mercy and grace that they may be converted by the Precious Blood of thy Dearly-Beloved Son, Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to the true Faith; and that we will all walk and stay in the only path to Heaven paved by His self-same Precious Blood. Then cover us all, thy children with thy virginal mantle to protect us from the wickedness and snares of the infernal enemy. That God will imbue us with holy perseverance to stay in this same path up to our last breath. That when our earthly sojourn is over and when we stand before God's judgment seat in our particular judgment, The Blessed Trinity may find us worthy of joining thee and thy court of angels, saints and holy souls in Heaven in giving Him glory, honor, praise and thanksgiving for all eternity. Amen.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, *Pray for us, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.* (7X, *in honor of Our Mother's Seven Sorrows, the seven swords in her loving heart.*) Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, *Have mercy on us.* (7X)

[39] Perpetual Novena in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, The Central Association of the Miraculous Medal, Philadelphia, PA

7.2.6. Prayer to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel *(500 days indulgence)*

(St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church Bulletin, Sunday, July 16, 2017, 4900 Rialto Road, West Chester, Ohio 45069)



O BLESSED VIRGIN, full of grace, Queen of all Saints, how sweet it is for us to venerate thee under the title of our Lady of Mount Carmel. It takes us back to the days of the prophet of Elias, when thou wast prefigured on Mount Carmel under the form of the little cloud, from which, as it increased, there fell a kindly rain, symbolic of the sanctifying graces that come to us from thee. Even from the days of the Apostles, thou hast been honored under this mystic title; and today we are filled with joy at the thought that we are united with those first clients of thine, and in union with them we salute thee, saying:

O Beauty of Carmel, glory of Libanus, thou purest of lilies, mystic rose in the flowering garden of the Church. O Virgin of virgins, be mindful of us in our misery, and show thyself as our Mother. Shed upon us ever more and more the living light of that faith which made thee, blessed; inflame us with that heavenly love wherewith thou didst love thy dear Son, Jesus Christ. We are filled with miseries both spiritual and temporal. We are straightened by many sorrows in body and soul, and we take refuge, like a child, in the shadow of thy motherly protection. Do thou, Mother of God, who hast such power and might, obtain for us from blessed Jesus, the heavenly gifts of humility, chastity, and meekness, which were the fairest ornaments of thine immaculate soul. Do thou grant us to be strong in the midst of the temptations and bitterness, which so often overwhelm our spirits. And when the days of our earthly pilgrimages are accomplished according to God's holy will, grant that our souls may obtain the glory of paradise, through the merits of Christ and thine intercession. Amen.

7.2.7 Prayer For The Conversion of Heretics and Schismatics

O MARY, Mother of Mercy and Refuge of sinners, we beseech thee to look with pitying eyes on heretics and schismatics, especially my heretical loved ones; those for whom we pray for daily and all those for whom the Lord willest we should pray for or knowest we ought to pray for, who are or have become as such. Do thou, who art the seat of wisdom, illuminate their minds, wretchedly involved in the darkness of ignorance and sin, that they may know the Traditional Holy, Catholic, Apostolic, Roman Church as the true Church of Jesus Christ, out of which no sanctity nor salvation can be found. Finally, complete their conversion by obtaining for them the grace to believe every truth of our Holy Faith, and submit to the doctrines of the Traditional Catholic Church, that thus, being soon united to us by the bonds of divine charity, they may make with us but one fold under one and the same pastor, that we may thus, O glorious Virgin, all sing exultingly forever, "*Rejoice! O Virgin Mary! Alone thou hast destroyed all heresies in the whole world.*" Amen. Ave...(3X)

7.2.8. Petitions to Our Blessed Mother

OUR Mother, *Our Hope.*

OUR Mother, *Our Trust!*

MOTHER of Mercy, *Pray for us.*

SWEET Heart of Mary, *Be our salvation.*

O MARY, *Make us to live in God, with God and for God.*

O MARY, Virgin Mother of God, *Pray to Jesus for us.*

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O MARY, Virgin Mother of God, *Intercede for us.*

HOLY Mary, *Deliver us from the pains of Hell.*

OUR Mother, *Protect us this day and every day from mortal sin.*

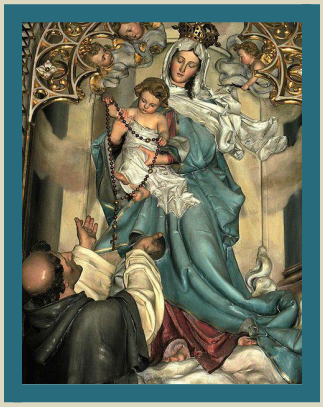
IN THY Conception, O Virgin Mary, thou wast immaculate; pray for us to The Father, Whose Son Jesus Christ, conceived of The Holy Ghost, thou didst bring forth.

TO THEE, O Virgin Mother, who was never defiled with the slightest stain of original or actual sin, we commend and entrust the purity of our hearts.

REMEMBER, O Virgin Mother of God, when thou standest in the presence of The Lord, that thou speak good things for us and turn His wrath from us. Amen.

OUR QUEEN! Our Mother! We give ourselves entirely to thee; and to show our devotion to thee, we consecrate to thee our eyes, our ears, our mouths, our hearts, our whole beings, without reserve. Wherefore, good Mother, as we are thine own, keep us, guard us as thy property and possession. Amen. *The New Roman Missal, Fr. LaSance, 1945 Edition, Christian Book Club of America, Palmdale, CA 93590*

7.2.9. Petition to The Queen of The Holy Rosary



O QUEEN of the most Holy Rosary, in these times of brazen impiety, show again thy power, with the signs which accompanied thy victories of old, and from the throne where thou art seated, dispensing pardon and grace, in pity watch over the Church of thy Son, His Vicar and every order of the clergy and laity, suffering in grievous warfare.

HASTEN, O Most Powerful Destroyer of heresy, hasten the hour of mercy, seeing that the hour of judgment is daily challenged by innumerable offenses. Obtain for us, the lowest of men, kneeling suppliant in thy presence, the grace which may enable us to live a just life on earth, and reign with the just in heaven, whilst with the faithful throughout the world, O Queen of the most Holy Rosary, we salute thee and cry out: *Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us! Amen.*

7.2.10. Prayers For Our Country and For The Preservation of Life

Election 2012 Prayer to Our Blessed Mother (modified by webmaster, LOP.org); (https://bostoncatholicinsider.wordpress.com/tag/election-2012/)

O MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust our country to thy loving care. Most Holy Mother, we beg thee to reclaim this land for the glory of thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Overwhelmed by the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to thee from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in thy motherly protection.

LOOK DOWN with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the sole foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O MERCIFUL MOTHER, give us: the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life for God's profit, pleasure and happiness; and the wisdom to recognize the infernal cockle and avoid them at all costs. Amen.

7.2.10.1 Prayer to Our Lady of America

(Given by Our Blessed Mother to Sis. Mary Ephrem in Rome, Indiana, September 25, 1956)

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O IMMACULATE MOTHER, Queen of our Country, open our hearts, our homes, and our land to the coming of Jesus, thy Divine Son. With Him, reign over us, O heavenly Lady, so pure and so bright with the radiance of God's light shining in and about thee. Be our Leader against the powers of evil set upon destroying the youth of our nation. Protect us from all harm. Watch over us as we struggle in the battle of life to keep our hearts, our homes, and our country devoted to thy Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord and to thee. Keep us close to thy Immaculate Heart where we will always be safe. Reign over us, dearest Mother, that we may be thine in life and in eternity. Amen. (200 days) (https://www.ourladyofamerica.com)

7.2.11. Pilgrim's Prayer

O VIRGIN Mary, Help of Christians, we dedicate ourselves to thy service. We consecrate to thee, our minds, hearts and bodies, and promise to work always for the greater glory of God and the salvation of all people. We pray for the Church throughout the world. Protect the young, particularly God's wheat from the infernal cockle and help the aged, save sinners and console the dying. Thou art our Hope, Mary, Mother of Mercy and Gate of Heaven. Pray to thy Son for us so that we may be filled with selfless charity and deep faith. Ask Jesus for those things which we cannot obtain through our own actions and help us in this our present necessity *(mention your needs)***. May we always see and obey the Will of the Eternal Father in our lives. We ask this of thee, Sweet Spouse of the Holy Ghost, so that we may come to thy Son in grace. Amen.**

7.2.12. Prayer to The Queen of Missions

HOLY MARY, Our Mother, today, each day and in our last hour, we entrust ourselves entirely to thy loving and singular care. We place in thy hands our entire hope and happiness, our every anxiety and difficulty, our whole lives. May our every endeavour be directed and guided according to the Will of thy Son, which is thy will: by the aid of thy prayers and special favor with God. Amen.

7.2.12.1. O Gloriosa Domina *(Our Mother's Favorite Prayer per Plinio Corrêa de Oliveira, Tradition in Action)*

**O Heaven's Glorious Mistress,
elevated above the stars,
thou feedest with thy sacred breast,
Him Who created thee.**

**What miserable Eve lost,
thy dear Offspring to man restores,
the way to glory is open to the wretched,
for thou has become the Gate of Heaven.**

**Thou art the door of the High King,
the gate of shining light.
Life is given through a Virgin:
Rejoice, ye redeemed nations.**

**Glory be to Thee, O Lord,
Born of a Virgin,
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
world without end. Amen.**

The 'O Gloriosa Domina' and Our Lady of the Privileges - January 9

In the year 1224 a miraculous event took place in the Franciscan Monastery of Alenquer, Portugal. There was a novice of innocent soul who committed a slight fault, and, for his penance, the Master of Novices told him not to leave the altar of Our Lady in the Chapter Hall until she had revealed to him the prayer she most liked. The novice is commanded to pray without ceasing until Our Lady gives her answer.

What caused the Master to give such a strange penance? Either he wanted to test the humility and obedience of the novice or, moved by some special grace, he was expecting some extraordinary fact.

The novice persevered all day, praying on his knees before the altar. As the night passed, he addressed Our Lady with heartfelt words and great affection, saying: "O Most Holy Virgin, Mother of Pity, I humbly beg Thee to manifest to this Thy servant what the Master commanded me by obedience to ask of Thee. Blessed Mother, I will not leave from this place without an answer."

O great marvel! Behold the Queen of the Angels, who, inclining forward from the altar where she stood, responded: "Go, beloved son, and tell your Master that the hymn O Gloriosa Domina that the Church sings to me is, amongst all the prayers, the one that most pleases me. And to prove that what I say you is true, this, my Infant, who until now I held in my right arm, I now pass to my left arm. For this reason, you may go with confidence and give my response, for when all will see such an extraordinary marvel, they will believe what you say. So go, and invite the Master and the other religious to come visit me."

The novice, consoled by such a great favor, thanked Our Lady and then went to tell what had happened to the Master of Novices. The latter, accompanied by all the religious of the Monastery, went to the altar in the Chapter Hall. Seeing that miracle, they all believed the words Our Lady had told the novice about the prayer O Gloriosa Domina.

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Thenceforth devotion to Our Lady grew a great deal even until this day. From that day forward the Infant remained in the left arm of Our Lady, giving testimony of the miracle, for the signs remained in the sculpture that before the Divine Child had rested in her right arm.

To commemorate this miracle, every Saturday after Compline and the ringing of the Great Bell, the entire Monastery goes in procession with lit candles to the Chapter. With solemnity and devotion they sing the hymn O Gloriosa Domina.

It seems that this was the origin of the great devotion St. Anthony had for this hymn. He would intone it in his grand difficulties, such as on the night when the Devil tried to drown him in revenge for the great success his preaching had produced in Italy. The Devil took flight when St. Anthony sang this hymn.

The gothic Monastery & Church of St. Francis in Alenquer were destroyed by an earthquake in 1755; baroque buildings replaced them.

7.2.13. Prayers to Our Blessed Virgin Mother for Each Day of The Week

NIHIL OBSTAT: † John M. Fearns, S.T.D., *Censor Librorum.*

IMPRIMATUR: † Francis Cardinal Spellman, *Archiepiscopus Neo Eboracensis.* Neo Eboraci February 19, 1947.

An indulgence of 3 years for each prayer. A plenary indulgence under the usual conditions if recited daily for a month. (No. 334.)

DOMINICA

Consequi Remissionem Peccatorum Nostrorum

MATER DEI NOSTRI, respice descendit super nos pauperes peccatores, qui habet eandem ad te, et ponit suam fiduciam in te. Nos sunt, non est dignus ut tu shouldst etiam mittitur oculis tuis super nos; sed scimus, quod tu, beholding Iesu, tua Filius, moriens pro peccatoribus, crédimus desiderium nimis salvare. O Mater Misericordiae, respice in nostra miseriae et misericordia super nos. Dicunt homines tu es Refugium peccatoris, Spes desperatis, Auxilio perdidit; tu es, tunc, nostra Refugium, Spes, et Auxilium. Est tua vota, quae debet, salva nos. Nam et in Jesum Christum esse nostrum auxilium; pervenire porro tua manus ad pauperes cecidit peccatores, qui suadeo se ad te. Scimus enim quod tua gaudium auxilium peccator cum tu potes; nobis autem, quia tu potes adiuva nos. A peccatis nostris nos subtracta gratia Dei et nostra animas. Nos ponimus in manus tuas; o, dic nobis, quid facere, ut possimus evadere, et ad gratiam Dei, et faciemus. Salvator noster iubet nos venire ad te ad auxilium; Ille vult, quod nos respicere ad tua misericordia; ut sic, non solum merita Fílius tuus, sed tua propria preces, nimis, ut, adunare, et salvabit nos. Tibi, ergo, nos recurrere: ora Jesum pro nobis; et notum facere magnum bonum, tu potes facere unum, qui confidit in te. Fiat nobis secundum spem. Amen. *Ave...* (3X, In vindicaret blasphemies contra nostra, Beata Virgo Mater.)

SUNDAY

To Obtain the Forgiveness of Our Sins

MOTHER OF OUR GOD, look down upon us poor sinners, who has recourse to thee and puts their trust in thee. We are not worthy that thou shouldst even cast thine eyes upon us; but we know that thou, beholding Jesus, thy Son, dying for sinners, dost yearn exceedingly to save them. O Mother of Mercy, look on our miseries and have pity upon us. Men say thou art the Refuge of the sinner, the Hope of the desperate, the Aid of the lost; thou art, then, our Refuge, Hope and Aid. It is thy prayers which must save us. For the love of Jesus Christ be our help; reach forth thy hand to the poor fallen sinners who recommend themselves to thee. We know that it is thy joy to aid the sinner when thou canst; help us now, for thou canst help us. By our sins we have forfeited the grace of God and our own souls. We place ourselves in thy hands; oh, tell us what to do so that we may regain the grace of God, and we will do it. Our Saviour bids us to come to thee for help; He wills that we should look to thy pity; that so, not only the merits of thy Son, but thine own prayers, too, may unite to save us. To thee, then, we have recourse: pray to Jesus for us; and make known the great good thou canst do for one who trusts in thee. Be it done unto us according to our hopes. Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X, In reparation for blasphemies against our Blessed Virgin Mother.)

LUNAE

Adipisci Sancta Perseverantia

SANCTISSIMA MARIA, Regina caelorum, nos, qui erant quondam servus unum malum nunc devotio tua servitium in perpetuum; et offerimus nos ad honorem et servire te quamdiu vivimus. Accipere, nos tui servi, et mittitur a nobis, non a te, sicut et nos digni. In te, O Mater nostra, nos loco, omnia sperat. Omni benedictione et gratiarum actio Deo, Qui in Sua magna misericordia dedit nobis hoc fiduciam in te. Verum est, quod in tempore praeterito habemus cecidit miserabiliter in peccatum; sed per merita Iesu Christi, et per tuas preces, speramus, quod Deus iniquos nobis.

MONDAY

To Obtain Holy Perseverance

MOST HOLY MARY, Queen of heaven, we who were once the slave of the evil one now dedicate ourselves to thy service forever; and we offer ourselves to honor and to serve thee as long as we live. Accept us for thy servants, and cast us not away from thee, as we deserve. In thee, O our Mother, we place all our hopes. All blessing and thanksgiving be to God, Who in His great mercy gave us this trust in thee. True it is, that in time past we have fallen miserably into sin; but by the

Sed hoc non est satis, Mater nostra. Unum cogitari distresses nos; id est, quod nos, ut tamen amittere gratiam Dei. Periculum est, semper prope; et diabolus, qui dormit non; nova tentationes vincit in nobis. Protege nos, igitur, nostra Regina; adiuva nos contra insultus nostra spiritualis hostis. Numquam nobis peccare, vel offendit Iesus Fílius tuus. Venite, non per peccatum amittere animas nostras, et Caelum, et Dei nostri. Hoc unum gratia, Maria, quaeritur de te; hoc est cupiditas, ad hoc ut tui precibus impetrare pro nobis. Talis est nostra spes. Amen. *Ave...* (3X)

MARTIS

Adipisci a Sancta Mors

SANCTISSIMA MARIA, Mater Bonitatis, Mater Misericordiae, cum nos reflectere super peccata nostra et in momento mortis nostrae, nos formidabunt, et confundit. O nostri suavissima Matre, in sanguine Christi et in tua intercessione, est spes nostra. Comforter tristique, deserere nos non in illa hora; non, non ad consolandum nos in tribulatione. Si etiam nunc Dominus Veniam Ordo nos sunt, ita qui est à remorse peccata commisimus, incerto nostrae ignosce, periculum relapsus, et austeritas Iudicium, quid erit nobis igitur?

O MATER nostra, ante mortem vincere nobis, da nobis magnum dolorem pro peccatis nostris, verum emendatione, et constans fidelitas Deo reliquum vitae nostrae. Et cum tandem nostra venit hora, tunc tu, Maria, spes nostra, auxilium nostrum in eos magnam molestias qua animae erit circumdatum. Confirma in nobis, ut possimus non desperatio, cum hostium

occidit nostra peccata nobis ante facies. Adipisci nobis eo tempore gratiam invocare te saepe, ut cum tua dulcis, et est nomen, quod sanctissimae Filius in ore nostro ut respirare porro animas nostras. Hoc gratia tu habes concessit, utmulti servorum tuorum; hoc quoque est spes nostra, et nostra cupiditas. Amen. *Ave...* (3X)

MERCURII

Obtinere Liberationem ab Inferno

DEI MATREM sanctissimam Mariam, quam saepe a peccatis nostris nos meruit Infernum! Pridem, fortasse, iudicium fuisset porro contra nostrum primum peccatum mortale, utinam tu non, in tua tenera misericordia, moram iustitiam Dei, et postea attrahitur a nobis dulcedinis tuae, ut confido in tuas orationes. Et o, quam saepissime, ut et nos ceciderunt in pericula, quae circumdare nostri vestigia utinam tu non, pia Mater, quod tu es, et custodivit nos per gratia tu dixísti da nobis per tuas preces. Sed, nostra Regina, quid tua misericordia et beneficiis, valere nos, si post omnes nos adhuc pereat in flammis Gehennae?

merits of Jesus Christ, and by thy prayers, we hope that God has pardoned us. But this is not enough, our Mother. One thought distresses us; it is that we may yet lose the grace of God. Danger is ever near; the devil sleeps not; fresh temptations assail us. Protect us, then, our Queen; help us against the assaults of our spiritual enemy. Never let us sin again, or offend Jesus, thy Son. Let us not by sin lose our souls, Heaven, and our God. This one grace, Mary, we ask of thee; this is our desire; this may thy prayers obtain for us. Such is our hope. Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X)

TUESDAY

To Obtain a Holy Death

MOST HOLY MARY, Mother of Goodness, Mother of Mercy, when we reflect upon our sins and upon the moment of our death, we tremble and are confounded. O our sweetest Mother, in the blood of Jesus and in thy intercession, is our hope. Comforter of the sad, abandon us not at that hour; fail not to console us in that affliction. If even now we are so tormented by remorse for the sins we have committed, the uncertainty of our pardon, the danger of a relapse, and the strictness of the Judgment, how will it be with us then?

O OUR MOTHER, before death overtakes us, obtain for us great sorrow for our sins, a true amendment, and constant fidelity to God for the remainder of our lives. And when at length our hour has come, then do thou, Mary, our hope, be our aid in those great troubles wherewith our souls will be encompassed. Strengthen us, that we may not despair when the enemy sets our sins before our faces. Obtain for us at that moment grace to invoke thee often, so that with thy sweet name and that of thy most Holy Son upon our lips we may breathe forth our souls. This grace thou hast granted to many of thy servants; this, too, is our hope and our desire. Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X)

WEDNESDAY

To Obtain Deliverance from Hell

MOTHER OF GOD, most holy Mary, how often by our sins have we merited Hell! Long ago, perhaps, judgment would have gone forth against our first mortal sin, hadst thou not, in thy tender pity, delayed the justice of God, and afterward attracted us by thy sweetness to have confidence in thy prayers. And oh, how very often should we have fallen in the dangers which beset our steps hadst thou not, loving Mother that thou art, preserved us by the grace thou didst obtain for us by thy prayers. But, our Queen, what will thy pity and favors avail us, if after all we still perish in the flames of Hell?

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SI FUIT aliquando tempus, cum nos dilexit te, et non, nunc, deinde ad Deum, diligamus te ante omnes. Quare, amodo et usque in sempiternum, et nos non vertimus terga super te et super Deum nostrum, Qui per te habes concessa nos toto sancta et favet.
O DOMINA, dignissimos omnis amor, sit non esse nos filii tui, ut acribus odio detestari te in aeternum in Inferno. Tu misereberis certe numquam per- miserit placuerunt servis tuis, ut pereant, qui amat te. O Maria, dicere non quod non semper potest esse perdidit! Tamen perdidit dicemus utique esse, si nos deserere te. Sed quis unquam in cor, ut relinquam te? Qui potest umquam oblivisci tui amor? Non, impossibile est enim quod homo pereat, qui fideliter commendat se ad te et recursus ad te. Tantum relinquere, et nos non, Mater nostra, in manibus nostris, aut perimus! Nos autem adhaerere ad te! Salva nos, nostra spes! Salva nos ab Inferno; vel potius, nisi a nobis peccatum, quod solum potest iudicet nos ad Infernum. Amen. *Ave...* (3X)

JOVIS

Adipisci Caelo

O REGINA caelorum, tu sedet sedes super omnes choros angelorum proximum Deo; ex hac valle de miseriae, nos, pauperes, peccatores, dico tibi, "Ave Maria," orantes ad te in tuo amore verto super nos tua suavis oculi.
VIDE, MARIA, periculis in quibus habitant, et erit semper ad habitandum, dum nos vivere super Terram. Nos potest tamen perdere animas nostras, Caelum et Deus. In te, O cara Mater, est spes nostra. Nos diligunt te; et nos desiderantibus tempore, cum videbimus nos, securus in tua pedes. Et quid nos osculum, quod manu, quod habet, tamen nobis multis gratias? Heu, nimis verum, Mater nostra, quia nos semper ipsum caelites, per totam vitam; sed si nos adepto ad Caelum, et nos amare te omni tempore sempiternum et fac vindicaret in aliqua parte nostra ingratitudo per semper benedictione et laude te. Gratias autem Deo quod Ipse concessit nobis hanc spem per Pretiosum Sanguinem Iesu, et per tuam potens intercessione. Hoc fuerit, spes omnes tuas verum amatores; et non est in eis fuerit fraudavit de hoc spes. Nulla, nec erimus fraudavit de hoc spem. O Maria, ora, ad tua propria Filio Iesu, ut nos quoque ora Eum, per merita Suae passionis, firmare et augere hanc spem. Amen. *Ave...* (3X)

VENERIS

Adipisci Amore erga Beatam Matrem et Dominus Noster Iesus Christus

O MARIA, TU es nobilissimum, summum, purissimo, pulchra creatura Dei, sanctissimum omnium creaturarum! O, quod omnes homines novi te, et

IF THERE was once a time when we loved thee not, now, next to God, we love thee before all. Wherefore, henceforth and forever, let us not turn our backs upon thee and upon our God, Who through thee hast granted to us so many mercies and favors.
O LADY, most worthy of all love, let it not be we thy children, should be doomed to hate and to curse thee forever in Hell. Thou wilt surely never permit thy servants to be lost who loves thee. O Mary, say not that we ever can be lost! Yet lost we shall assuredly be, if we abandon thee. But who could ever have the heart to leave thee? Who can ever forget thy love? No, it is impossible for that man to perish who faithfully recommends himself to thee and has recourse to thee. Only leave us not, our Mother, in our own hands, or we are lost! Let us but cling to thee! Save us, our hope! Save us from Hell; or, rather, save us from sin, which alone can condemn us to Hell. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

THURSDAY

To Obtain Heaven

O QUEEN OF HEAVEN, thou sittest enthroned above all the choirs of the angels nearest to God; from this vale of miseries, we, poor sinners, say to thee, “Hail Mary,” praying to thee in thy love to turn upon us thy gracious eyes.
SEE, MARY, the dangers among which we dwell, and shall ever have to dwell while we live upon this Earth. We may yet lose our souls, Heaven and God. In thee, O dearest Mother, is our hope. We love thee; and we yearn for the time when we shall see ourselves safe at thy feet. What shall we kiss that hand, which has dispensed to us so many graces? Alas, it is too true, our Mother, that we have ever been very ungrateful during our whole lives; but if we get to Heaven, there we will love thee every moment for all eternity and make reparation in some part for our ingratitude by ever blessing and praising thee. Thanks be to God that He has granted us this hope through the Precious Blood of Jesus, and through thy powerful intercession. This has been the hope of all thy true lovers; and not one of them has been defrauded of this hope. No, neither shall we be defrauded of this hope. O Mary, pray to thine own Son, Jesus, as we too pray to Him, by the merits of His passion, to strengthen and increase this hope. Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X)

FRIDAY

To Obtain Love towards Our Blessed Mother and Our Lord Jesus Christ

O MARY, THOU art the noblest, highest, purest, fairest creature of God, the holiest of all creatures! Oh, that all men knew thee, loved thee,

tantum dilexit te, nostra Regina, ut tu meretur! Sed magna est nostra consolatio, Maria, in illo sunt beatae animae in atria Caeli, et iustus animas adhuc in Terris, quorum corda sunt conpeditorum tua et pulchritudine bonitas. Sed supra omnes nos gaudere hoc, quod Dei nostri et Ipse amat te, solus plus quam omnes homines et angeli simul.

NOS QUOQUE, O maxime pulchra Regina, nos, miseri peccatores, audet amare te, si noster amor est parum; utinam et nos habebat maior amor, magis tenera amor; hoc tu, oportet lucrum pro nobis, quoniam ad amorem, te, magnum est signum praedestinatione, et gratia, quam Deus concedit, ut qui hic salvus erit. Insuper, O Mater nostra, cum nos reflectere super debitis debemus Fílium, videmus Ipse meruit de nobis, mensura caret caritate.

TU, IGITUR, qui habes nihil aliud cupiditas, sed ad Eum dilexit, ora, nos ut hoc gratia: magnus amor Iesu Christi. Donec consectetur, tu qui crédimus adipisci quid tu desirest. Nos concupiscunt, non bona terra, nec honores, nec divitias, sed volumus, quod, quae tua propria desideria cordis maxime: ut amor noster Deus solus. O, potest fieri, ut tu misereberis non auxilium nobis in desiderium sic accepta tibi? Non, impossibile est! Etiam nunc sentimus auxilium tuum; etiam nunc tu crédimus Dominus Veniam Ordo ora pro nobis. Ora pro nobis, Maria, ora; nec unquam desinit orare, donec tu vides nobis tutum est, in Caelo, ubi erimus quibusdam possidentes, et amare Deum nostrum, et te, carissime Mater nostra, in saecula saeculorum. Amen. *Ave...* (3X)

SATURNI

Adipisci Nostrum Matris Patrocinio

SANCTISSIMA MARIA, scimus gratias, quae tu habes consecutus est pro nobis, et nos scire ingratitudo, quod nos ostenditur te. In caelites, homo est indignos favet, et tamen haec omnia non diffidentia in tua misericordia. O nostra magna Advocatus, misertus super nos.

TU, MARIA, gratia es in omnibus, quae est ministra aeria nobis Dominus donare dignatur peccatorum; et hoc ergo fac quod tibi nimis est, et dives, ut succurrere nobis. Nos, ut nos salvi sitis: in manus tuas nos locus aeternae salutis nostrae; in animabus nostris damus tibi. Nos ad societatem cum iis, qui sunt tua specialis servi; rejiciunt nobis non. Tu semper miseros calicis ad consolandum super quaerimus. Nolite ergo peccatorum nos delubra deum miseri, qui decurrit ad te. Dic nobis, María, Filium tuum: et vocabitur tibi det quid petatis ab eo. Accipe nos sub tuum praesidium, et sufficit nobis; nam cum te ad custodiam nobis, nos timor non male nulla, non quidem peccatis nostris, quia tu misereberis obtinere Dei, ignosce eis; nec mali spiritus, quia tu es longe fortior inferno; nec nostra, Iudice Christo Iesu, quia in tua oratione, et pone seorsum iram. Protege nos, igitur, Mater nostra;

our Queen, as thou deservest! Yet great is our consolation, Mary, in that there are blessed souls in the courts of Heaven, and just souls still on Earth, whose hearts are enthralled by thy beauty and goodness. But above all we rejoice in this, that our God Himself loves thee alone more than all men and angels together.

WE TOO, O loveliest Queen, we, miserable sinners, dare to love thee, though our love is too little; would that we had a greater love, a more tender love; this thou must gain for us, since to love thee is a great mark of predestination, and a grace which God grants to those who shall be saved. Moreover, O our Mother, when we reflect upon the debts we owe thy Son, we see He deserves of us an immeasurable love.

DO THOU, then, who hast no other desire but to see Him loved, pray that we may have this grace: a great love for Jesus Christ. Obtain it, thou who dost obtain what thou desirest. We covet not the goods of earth, nor honors, nor riches, but we desire that which thine own heart desires most: to love our God alone. Oh, can it be that thou wilt not aid us in a desire so acceptable to thee? No, it is impossible! Even now we feel thy help; even now thou dost pray for us. Pray for us, Mary, pray; nor ever cease to pray, till thou seest us safe in Heaven, where we shall be certain of possessing and of loving our God and thee, our dearest Mother, forever and ever. Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X)

SATURDAY

To Obtain Our Mother's Patronage

MOST HOLY MARY, we know the graces which thou hast obtained for us, and we know the ingratitude which we have shown thee. The ungrateful man is unworthy of favors, and yet for all this we will not distrust in thy mercy. O our great Advocate, have pity upon us.

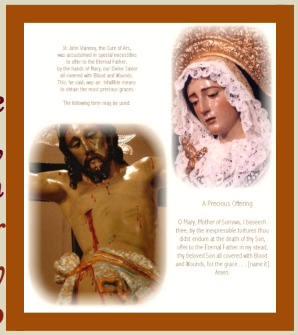
THOU, MARY, art the stewardess of every grace which God vouchsafes to give us sinners, and therefore did He make thee so mightily rich and kind, that thou mightest succor us. We will that we may be saved: in thy hands we place our eternal salvation; to thee we consign our souls. We will to be associated with those who are thy special servants; reject us not. Thou art always seeking the wretched to console them. Cast not away, then we wretched sinners who has recourse to thee. Speak for us, Mary; thy Son will grant what thou shalt ask Him. Take us under thy protection, and it is enough for us; for with thee to guard us, we fear no ill – no, not even our sins, because thou wilt obtain God's pardon for them; neither evil spirits, because thou art far mightier than Hell; nor our Judge Jesus Christ, for at thy prayer He will lay aside His wrath. Protect us,

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impetret nobis veniam de peccatis nostris, amore Iesu, sanctorum perseverantia, bonam mortem, de Caelo et. Verum est, nos meritum non haec gratiam; sed tu, nisi rogare eos Deo nostro et erit obtinere eos. Ora ergo ad Jesum pro nobis. Maria, nostra Regina, in te confidimus; in hoc confidunt, nos reliqua, nos vivere; et cum hac spe nos velle mori. Amen. *Ave...* (3X) *(www.OLRL.org)*	**then, our Mother; obtain for us pardon of our sins, love of Jesus, holy perseverance, a good death, and Heaven. It is true, we merit not these graces; yet do thou only ask them of our God, and we shall obtain them. Pray, then, to Jesus for us. Mary, our Queen, in thee we trust; in this trust, we rest, we live; and with this hope we wish to die. Amen.** *Hail Mary...* (3X)

7.2.14. Devotion to The Seven Tears and Dolours of The Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother of Sorrows (*Approved by Pope Pius VII in 1815; See Appendix For Graces Derived from this Devotion*)

7.2.14.1 THE PRECIOUS OFFERING PRAYER



O BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, our Mother of Sorrows, we beseech thee, by the inexpressible tortures thou didst endure at the death of thy dearly beloved Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, offer to The Eternal Father in our stead, thy beloved Son, all covered with blood and wounds, for the grace of (Name it or final perseverance and a holy death for this poor sinner, my beloved spouse and children, those the Lord willest we should pray for and those in our Sunday list. Suffer not that anyone should be lost to thee specially to Our Almighty God.) Amen. *Hail Mary...* (3X)

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7.2.14.2. Prayers in Honor of The Seven Dolours of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Short Form)



OUR LADY OF SORROWS



Detail of Our Mother's Tears

This miraculous image of Our Blessed Mother, with the Seven swords through her heart and holding Jesus' Crown of Thorns and three Nails, wept in the Jesuit School of San Gabriel, Quito, Ecuador, on April 29, 1906.

V. Lord, ✠ open my lips. ***R.*** *And my mouth shall declare Thy praise.*

V. O God, ✠ come to my assistance. ***R.*** *O Lord, make haste to help me.*

V. Glory be to the ✠ Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

R. *As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

First Sorrow: The Prophecy of Simeon, the High Priest. (Luke 2:34-35)

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in the affliction of thy tender heart at the prophecy of the holy and aged Simeon. Dearest Mother, by thy heart so afflicted, obtain for us the virtue of humility and the gift of holy fear of God.

We thank thee dearest Mother for accepting this sword, which for the next thirty three years, daily gives thee the vision of the brutalities, atrocities and savagery thy beloved Son will be inflicted with, on that scheduled first Good Friday. Alas, dearest Mother thou sufferest 12,045 Good Fridays until it fully transpires. Innocuous as this prophecy may seem at that time, little

did mankind know that this is the most persistent and excruciating sorrow thou has to bear as our Co-Redemptrix. As the Queen of Prophets, little was left for thee to see as to the future violence Jesus will accept in the body and blood thou gave Him. A man in his lifetime might contemplate the self-same Passion of Jesus every Good Friday, but that only adds up to the number of years of his adulthood. His Good Fridays do not even come close to one percent of yours.

No wonder all the saints and ancient fathers were all unanimous in declaring that any man who takes an iota of thy sorrows will die. Thou dearest Mother was the only one who can take this ineffable sorrow: fueled by thy love for God, for thy Son and all of mankind. Dearest sorrowful Mother, forgive us who never understood what this prophecy did to thy most tender and loving heart. Hail Mary... Our Mother of the Sorrowful Heart, *Pray for us now at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Second Sorrow: The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-14)

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in the anguish of thy most affectionate heart during thy escape into Egypt and thy sojourn there. Dearest Mother, by thy heart so troubled, obtain for us the virtue of generosity, especially towards the poor and the Gift of Piety.

We thank thee dearest Mother for accepting this sword filled with frightful uncertainties, apprehensions, discrimination, ostracism, rejection and wage theft in thy sojourn in this land of pagans and idolaters. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Third Sorrow: The Loss of The Child Jesus in the Temple. (Luke 2:43-45)

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in those anxieties which tried thy troubled heart at the loss of thy dear Jesus. Dearest Mother, by thy heart so full of anguish, obtain for us the virtue of chastity and the Gift of Knowledge.

We thank thee dearest Mother for accepting this sword full of worried anxiety and the unsettling sense of loss that knifed through thy heart for our salvation. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Fourth Sorrow: The Sorrowful Meeting of Jesus and Mary on His Way to Calvary.

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in the consternation of thy heart at meeting Jesus as He carried His Cross. Dearest Mother, by thy heart so troubled, obtain for us the virtue of patience and the Gift of Fortitude.

We thank thee dearest Mother for accepting this sword filled with the agonizing realization of the full extent of thy beloved Son's Passion for our salvation. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Fifth Sorrow: The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross.

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in the martyrdom which thy generous heart endured in standing near Jesus in His agony and death. Dearest Mother, by thy afflicted heart in such wise, obtain for us the virtue of temperance and the Gift of Counsel.

We thank thee dearest Mother for receiving this sword that was thrust through thy heart as many times as the nails were hammered through Jesus' hands and feet, for our salvation. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Sixth Sorrow: The Taking Down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross.

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, in the wounding of thy compassionate heart, when the lance struck the side of Jesus and pierced His heart before His body was

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lowered from the Cross. Dearest Mother, by thy heart thus transfixed, obtain for us the virtue of fraternal charity and the Gift of Understanding.

We thank thee dearest Mother for accepting this sword of inconsolable grief that rent thy heart for our salvation. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Seventh Sorrow: The Burial of Jesus.

We compassionate thee, our Mother most sorrowful, for the pangs that wrenched thy most loving heart at the burial of thy dear Jesus. Dearest Mother, by thy heart sunk in the bitterness of desolation, obtain for us the virtue of diligence and the Gift of Wisdom.

We thank thee dearest Mother, for accepting this sword that filled thy heart with gloomy loneliness, for our salvation. Hail Mary... Our Mother...

Let Us Pray

LET INTERCESSION be made for us, we beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death, before the throne of Thy divine mercy, by the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thine and our most loving, merciful, indefatigable and sorrowful Mother, whose compassionate heart was pierced by seven swords of sorrow starting in Thy Presentation in the Temple, and culminating in Thy excruciating Passion and death on Calvary; grant, we beseech Thee, that we who reverently commemorate her sorrows, may by her intercession, may worthily obtain the happy effect of Thy Passion. Who livest and reignest in unity with The Father and The Holy Ghost, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

7.2.15. Novena To Our Mother of Perpetual Help (W)

THE NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP is a booklet containing a set of prayers including the Roman Catholic novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help, that was originally published in Jaén, Spain in 1899. It was then widely republished by American Redemptorist priests in 1927, then ultimately revised by Irish and Australian Redemptorist priests on 23 June 1948. The present booklet was mainly co-authored by the Australian priest, the Rev Leo James English, C.Ss.R, and Fra Gerard O'Donnell, and is officially presently used at the Church of San Alphonsus Ligouri in Rome each week, where the original icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help is permanently enshrined.

IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH in the Philippines, the novena was first recited at the Redemptorist-run St. Clement's Church in La Paz, Iloilo following World War II[3] and is still recited every Wednesday. The practice of Wednesday novena has since spread to the Baclaran Church, a Redemptorist-run church in Metro Manila, elsewhere in the Philippines, and in the Filipino diaspora. The popularity of the novena became known due to the authorisation granted by the Holy See to propagate the icon, along with prayers which addressed the strengthening of marriages, healing of sicknesses, and helping find employment, thus earning it a quick following from the masses. In the United States, a 9-day televised novena is hosted at the Basilica and Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help hosted by Catholic TV. St. Alphonsus Di Liguori is the Founder of the Redemptorist Order and Author the Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion. (Perpetual Help Redemptorist Fathers, Liguori, MO)

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PERPETUAL HELP HYMN

O MOTHER of Perpetual Help
To thee we come imploring help.
Behold us here, from far and near,
To ask of thee our help to be.
PERPETUAL HELP we beg of thee;
Our souls from sin and sorrow free;
Direct our wandering feet aright,
And be thyself our own true light.
AND WHEN this life is o'er for me,
This last request I ask of thee:
Obtain for me in Heaven this grace,
To see my God there face to face.

Prayer in Spiritual Wants

O MOTHER of Perpetual Help, with the greatest confidence, we come before thy sacred Picture in order to invoke thine aid. Thou hast seen the wounds which Jesus has been pleased to receive for our sake; thou hast seen the Blood of thy Son flowing for our salvation; thou knowest how thy Son desires to apply to us the fruits of His Redemption. Behold, we cast ourselves at thy feet, and pray thee to obtain for our souls the graces we stand so much in need of. O Mary, most loving of all mothers obtain for us from the Heart of Jesus, the Source of every good these graces *(here mention them)*. O Mother of Perpetual Help, thou desirest our salvation far more than we ourselves: thy Son has given thee to us for our Mother; thou hast thyself chosen to be called Mother of Perpetual Help. We trust not in our merits, but in thy powerful intercession; we trust in thy goodness; we trust in thy motherly love. Mother of Perpetual Help for the love thou bearest for Jesus, thy Son and our Redeemer, for the love of thy great servant Alphonsus, for the love of our souls, obtain for us the graces we ask from thee. Amen. Ave... (3X)

MOTHER DEAR, OH PRAY FOR ME

MOTHER Dear, O pray for me!
Whilst far from heaven 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, O pray for me!
And never cease thy care,
'Till in heaven 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.
When thorns beset life's devious way,
And darkling waters flow.
Then Mary aid thy weeping child,
Thyself a mother show. *Refrain*

Prayer in Temporal Wants

O MOTHER of Perpetual Help, numerous clients continually surround thy holy Picture, all imploring thy mercy. All bless thee as the assured help of the miserable; all feel the benefit of thy motherly protection. With confidence, then, do we present ourselves before thee in our misery. See, dear Mother, the many evils to which we are exposed; see how numerous our wants are. Trials and sorrows often depress us; reverses of fortune and privations, often grievous, bring misery into our lives; everywhere we meet the cross. Compassionate Mother, have pity on us and on our dear ones, especially in this our necessity *(here mention it)*. Help us dear Mother, in our distress; deliver us from all our ills; or, if it be the will of God that we should suffer still longer, grant that we may endure all with love and patience. These graces we expect of thee with confidence, because thou art our Perpetual Help. Amen. Ave... (3X)

MOTHER DEAREST, MOTHER FAIREST

MOTHER Dearest, Mother fairest
Help of all who call on thee,
Virgin purest, whitest, rarest,
Help us, help, we cry to thee.
Ref: Mary help us, help, we pray;
Mary help us, help, we pray;
Help us in all care and sorrow,
Mary Help us, help, we pray
LADY, help in pain and sorrow,
Soothe those racked on bed of pain.
May the golden light of 'morrow
Bring them health and joy again. *Ref.*

Prayer for Graces of Salvation

O MOTHER of Perpetual Help, thou art the dispenser of all the goods which God grants to us miserable sinners, and for this reason, has He made thee so powerful, so rich, so bountiful, that thou mayest help us in our misery. Thou art the advocate of the most wretched and abandoned sinners who have recourse to thee; come, then, to our help, dearest Mother, for we recommend ourselves to thee. In thy hands, we place our eternal salvation and to thee do we entrust our souls. Count us among thy most devoted servants; take us under thy protection, and it is enough for us; for, if thou protect us, dear Mother, we fear nothing: not from our sins, because thou wilt obtain for us the pardon of them; nor from the devils, because thou art more powerful than all Hell together; nor even from Jesus, our Judge Himself, because, by one prayer from thee, He will be appeased. But one thing we fear; that, in the hour of temptation, we may neglect to call on thee, and thus perish miserably. Obtain for us, then, the pardon of our sins, love for Jesus, final perseverance, and the grace always of having recourse to thee, O Mother of Perpetual Help.

Ave... (3X)

V. **Thou hast been made for us, O Lady, a refuge.** ***R. A helper in need and tribulation.***

Let us Pray

O LORD Jesus Christ, Who hast given us Thine own Mother Mary, whose glorious image we venerate, to be a Mother ever ready to help us; grant, we beseech Thee, that we who constantly implore her help may merit always to experience the fruits of Thy redemption, Thou Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE

HAIL, HOLY Queen enthroned above, O Maria.
Hail, mother 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!

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!

Prayer of St. Alphonsus

MOST HOLY and Immaculate Virgin and our Mother, Mary, to thee who art the Mother of our Lord, the Queen of the world, the Advocate, the Hope, and the Refuge of sinners, we have recourse today, we who are the most miserable of all. We render thee our most humble homage, O Great Queen, and we thank thee for all the graces thou hast obtained for us until now, and in particular for having saved us from hell which we have so often deserved. We love thee, O most amiable Lady; and for the love which we bear thee, we promise to serve thee always and to do all in our power to make others also love thee. We place in thee all our hopes and we confide our salvation to thy care. Accept us for thy servants and receive us under thy mantle, O Mother of Mercy. And since thou art so powerful with God, deliver us from all temptations, or rather, obtain for us the strength to triumph over them till death. Of thee we ask a perfect love for Jesus Christ; through thee we hope to die a good death. O our Mother, by the love which thou bearest to God, we beseech thee to help us at all times, especially at the last moment of our lives. Leave us not, we beseech thee, until thou seest us safe in Heaven, blessing thee and singing thy mercies for all eternity. Amen, so we hope, so may it be.

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.

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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 prayer,
Young hearts gain, O virgin pure,
Sweetly to thyself allure. *Refrain*

Act of Consecration *(Once a month, preferably the 1st Wednesday)*

DESIRING TO consecrate ourselves entirely to the service of the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, from whom, after God, we expect all help and assistance in life and in death, we unite ourselves with the members of this pious confraternity, which has been established in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

AS OUR special patron, we choose the glorious St. Alphonsus, that he may obtain for us a true and lasting devotion to the ever-Blessed Virgin, who is honored by so sweet a name.

WE PROMISE, moreover, to renew this consecration to the Mother of God and to St. Alphonsus, at least, once a month and frequently to receive the holy sacraments.

O MOTHER of Perpetual Help, receive us as thy servants, and grant that we may ever experience thy constant motherly protection. We promise to have recourse to thee in all our spiritual and temporal necessities. Our holy patron, St. Alphonsus, obtain for us the grace of an ardent love for Jesus Christ, and the grace of ever invoking our Mother of Perpetual Help. Amen.

MOTHER OF CHRIST

MOTHER OF CHRIST, Mother of Christ
What shall I ask of thee?
I do not sigh for the wealth of earth
For the joys that fade and flee, but
MOTHER OF CHRIST, Mother of Christ
This do I long to see
The bliss untold which thine arms enfold
The treasure upon thy knee.

MOTHER OF CHRIST, Mother of Christ
I toss on a stormy sea,
Oh lift thy Child as a beacon light
To the port where I fain would be, and
MOTHER OF CHRIST, Mother of Christ
This do I ask of thee,
When the voyage is o'er, O stand on the shore
And show Him at last to me.

Act of Thanksgiving

LORD JESUS Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Eucharist, we adore Thee. It has pleased The Eternal Father that in Thee all His fullness should dwell and that through Thee He should reconcile all things to Himself.

THROUGH THEE, we thank The Eternal Father for the gift of life. He has created all the wonderful things of this world for us. May we use them well so that through them we may be able to return Him profit, pleasure, joy and happiness in having created us. Grant us the grace to be truly grateful for all that our Father has done for us.

ABOVE ALL, we thank our Eternal Father for sending Thee to us as the greatest expression of His love for us, to save us and all of mankind by Thy death and resurrection. Grant that we may be truly sorry for our sins and do perfect penance for them.

WE THANK Thee, Lord, for giving us Thy own Mother to be our Mother of Perpetual Help. May the countless favours we have received through her intercession, especially through this novena, inspire us to greater confidence in God's loving mercy and her perpetual help. Grant that we may always do the Will of God and persevere in His love.

TO THE MOST Holy Trinity, The ✝ Father, The Son and The Holy Ghost, be honour, glory, praise and thanksgiving forever and ever. Amen.

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;
Infinite Thy vast domain
Everlasting is Thy reign.

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HARK The loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising:
Cherubim and Seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord;

7.2.16. Consecration to Jesus Christ, The Wisdom Incarnate, Through The Hands of Our Blessed Virgin Mother, Mary *(By St. Alphonsus Di Liguori)*[40]

ETERNAL AND INCARNATE WISDOM, most lovable and adorable Jesus, True God and True Man, only Son of The Eternal Father and of Mary always Virgin, I adore Thee profoundly, dwelling in the splendour of Thy Father from all eternity and in the virginal womb of Mary, Thy most worthy Mother, at the time of Thine Incarnation.

I THANK Thee for having emptied Thyself in assuming the condition of a slave to set me free from the cruel slavery of the evil one. I praise and glorify Thee for having willingly chosen to obey Mary, Thy Holy Mother, in all things, so that through her I may be a faithful slave of love. But I confess that I have not kept the vows and promises which I made to Thee so solemnly at my baptism. I have not fulfilled my obligations, and I do not deserve to be called Thy child or even Thy loving slave.

SINCE I cannot lay claim to anything except what merits Thy rejection and displeasure, I dare no longer approach the holiness of Thy majesty on my own. That is why I turn to the intercession and the mercy of Thy holy mother, whom Thou Thyself have given me to mediate with Thee. Through her I hope to obtain from Thee contrition and pardon for my sins, and that wisdom whom I desire to dwell in me always.

I TURN to thee then, Mary Immaculate, living tabernacle of God, in whom Eternal Wisdom willed to receive the reverence of both men and angels. I greet thee as Queen of Heaven and Earth, for all that is under God has been made subject to thy sovereignty. I call upon thee, the unfailing Refuge of sinners, confident in thy mercy that has never forsaken anyone. Grant my desire for Divine Wisdom and, in support of my petition, accept the promises and the offering of myself which I now make, conscious of my unworthiness.

I, an unfaithful sinner, renew and ratify today, through thee, my baptismal promises. I renounce forever Satan, his empty promises, and his evil designs, and I give myself completely to Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Wisdom, to carry my cross after Him for the rest of my life, and to be more faithful to Him than I have been till now. This day with the whole court of heaven as witness, I choose thee, Mary, as my Mother and Queen. I surrender and consecrate myself to thee, body and soul, with all that I possess, both spiritual and material, even including the spiritual value of all my actions, past, present and to come. I give thee the full right to dispose of me and all that belongs to me, without any reservations, in whatever way thou pleases, for the greater glory of God in time and throughout eternity. Accept, gracious Virgin, this little offering of my slavery to honour and imitate the obedience which Eternal Wisdom willingly chose to have towards thee, His Mother. I wish to acknowledge the authority which both of Thee have over this little worm and pitiful sinner. By it I wish also to thank God for the privileges bestowed on thee by the Blessed Trinity. I solemnly declare that for the future, I will try to honour and obey thee in all things as thy true slave of love. O admirable Mother, present me to thy dear Son as His slave now and forever, so that He Who redeemed me through thee, will now receive me through thee.

MOTHER OF MERCY, grant me the favour of obtaining the true Wisdom of God, and so make me one of those whom thou lovest, teach and guide, whom thou nourish and protect as thy child and slave. Virgin most faithful make me in everything so committed a disciple, imitator and slave of Jesus, thy Son, Incarnate Wisdom, that I may become, through thy intercession and example, fully mature with the fullness which Jesus possessed on Earth, and with the fullness of His glory in Heaven. Amen.

[40] From The Internet

7.2.16.1. Act of Consecration To The Immaculate Heart of Mary *(By St. Louis De Montfort)*

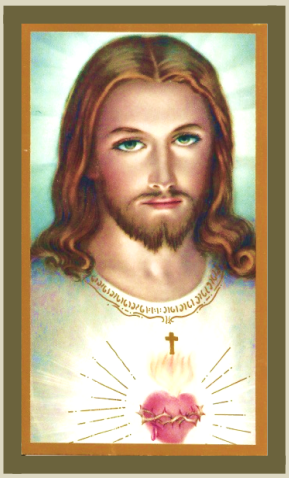
This consecration is actually a renewal of baptismal promises and a consecration to Our Lord through the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is more than simply a prayer; by making this consecration a person embarks on a complete program of life, which St. Louis De Montfort calls a way of salvation and holiness which is short, easy, secure and perfect. St. Louis recommends a period (12 days plus three weeks) of prayers, readings and spiritual exercises in preparation for making this consecration. (This is explained in his spiritual classic, 'True Devotion to Mary').

I, *(Name)*, a faithless sinner, renew and ratify today in thy hands, O Immaculate Mother, the vows of my Baptism, I renounce forever Satan, his pomps and works; and I give myself entirely to Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Wisdom, to carry my cross after Him all the days of my life and to be more faithful to Him than I have ever been before. In the presence of all the heavenly court, I choose thee this day for my Mother and Mistress. I deliver and consecrate to thee, as thy slave, my body and soul, my goods, both interior and exterior, and even the value of all my good actions, past, present, and future; leaving to thee the entire and full right of disposing of me, and all that belongs to me, without exception, according to thy good pleasure, for the greater glory of God, in time and in eternity. Amen.

7.2.16.2. Solemn Act of Consecration to The Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary



OUR LADY of OLLIGNIES
SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
Pray for us and save us.



The MOST SACRED HEART of JESUS
SACRED HEART OF JESUS, *Have pity on us*

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thus cooperating in the work of our redemption – a title due to thee in justice, and dear, we believe, to Jesus and to thine own Heart, torn by the wound in His. We consecrate therefore, O Mary, to thy Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart: ourselves, our families, all those for whom the Lord willest we should pray for and knowest we ought to pray for, for our country and those who are fighting for its honour. Have pity on us; see our tribulations, and the anguish of our hearts in the midst of the mourning and calamities that lay waste the world. Deign, O Mother of God, to obtain mercy for us that, being converted and purified by sorrow, and made strong in faith, we may henceforth be devoted servants of Jesus Christ and His Church, for whose triumph we pray. O Mary Immaculate, we promise to be faithful clients of thy Sorrowful Heart. Intercede for us, we beseech thee, with thy Son, that at the cry of thy Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart, His divine Power may speedily bring to pass the triumph of right and justice. Amen.

7.2.17. Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, the Mother of the Americas, to thee I consign the salvation of my brothers, my relatives, my in-laws and their families, especially my Apos; their closest friends and their families. Please obtain for them God's mercy and grace that our Lord Jesus Christ may cleanse them with His Precious Blood – to wash away their sinful natures and make them true and faithful servants of God that they may always serve, adore and love God with all their strength, minds, bodies and souls, be docile to His will and be protected from the wickedness and snares of the infernal enemy always and everywhere – that they all could make it to God's kingdom when their earthly sojourn is finally over. Amen. **Three Hail Mary's**; **Our Lady of Guadalupe,** *Pray for them now till the hour of their death. Amen.* **(5X)**

7.2.17.1 Prayer to The Madonna of the Americas[41]



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, Mystical Rose, make intercession for Holy Church; protect our Most Reverend Bishop, help all those who invoke thee in their necessities; and since thou art the ever Virgin Mary, and Mother of the true God, obtain for us from thy most Holy Son, the grace of keeping our faith, sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, burning charity, and the precious gift of final perseverance and a holy death. Amen.

7.2.17.2 Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Captive Nations



O LADY OF GUADALUPE, patroness and advocate of the humble and oppressed, we commend to thee ourselves and all the peoples of the captive nations of the world, suffering under the heel of Godless Communism and militant Islam. Be with us and comfort us in our hour of desolation. Grant us the grace and courage to resist the vicious attacks made against us, solely on account of being named as Catholics and Christians. We commend to thee especially, dearest Mother, all the members of the Mystical Body of Christ yet surviving today, that we may remain faithful to thy Divine Son and His Church in the face of persecution, threats, and even death. Immaculate Heart of Mary, be our refuge, hope and victory for all of us suffering and living under the oppression of anti-God Socialism, enduring cruel Islamic tyranny, or undergoing any other form of persecution. Protect our own beloved country and the remnant Catholic Church from the persecutions of a looming police state, as well as the scourge of Islamic terrorism. Holy Army of God, Saints, Martyrs, Angels and Archangels, hasten to our assistance, and bring us safely through this dark night of incessant
persecution. Amen. *Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us*

[41] https://salvemariaregina.info/Prayers/Advent.html#Daily%20Advent%20Psalms%20and%20Prayers

7.2.18. Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima



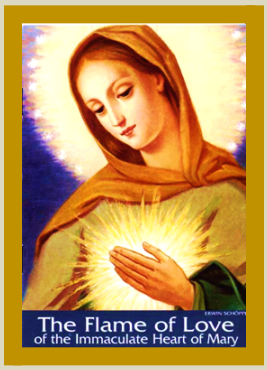


OUR LADY OF FATIMA, Pray for us.

With Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco
at Cova da Iria, Fatima. Portugal, 1917

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, to thee we consign the safety, guidance, success and salvation of God's elect, His Latter-day Apostles and His Traditional Orthodox Catholic children throughout the world. Protect them all from the infernal enemy and his snares. Obtain for them God's mercy and the graces necessary for them to complete their appointed tasks that they may bring about the greater glory of God here on earth together with the triumph of thy Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Amen. Three Hail Mary's; Our Lady of Fatima, *Pray for us.* (7X); Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, *Have mercy on us.* (7X)

7.2.19. Flame of Love Prayer *(See Appendix B for the FLAME of LOVE Story)*



MOTHER of GOD, Flood the whole humanity with the blessings of thy Flame of Love, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. (5X)

7.2.20. The Memorare

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

