

# Our Blessed Mother Mary

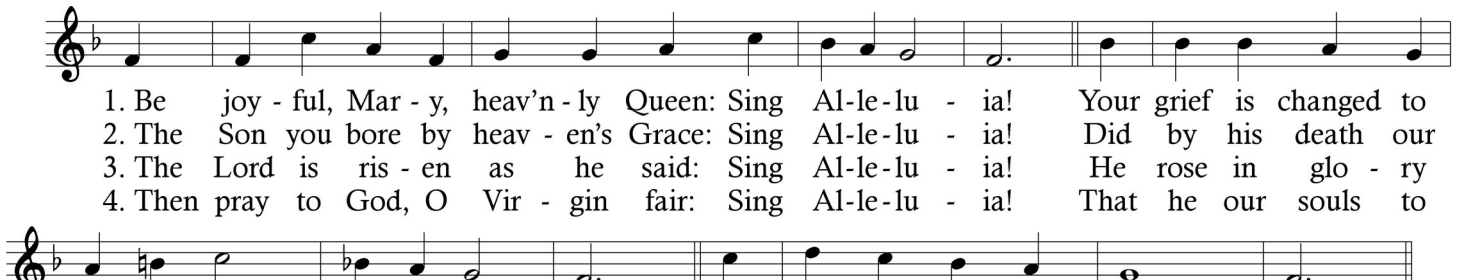
A Holy Hour of Intercession and Reconsecration

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Welcome and Opening Remarks

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Entrance Hymn: Be Joyful, Mary, Heavenly Queen



1. Be joy - ful, Mar - y, heav'n - ly Queen: Sing Al-le-lu - ia! Your grief is changed to  
2. The Son you bore by heav - en's Grace: Sing Al-le-lu - ia! Did by his death our  
3. The Lord is ris - en as he said: Sing Al-le-lu - ia! He rose in glo - ry  
4. Then pray to God, O Vir - gin fair: Sing Al-le-lu - ia! That he our souls to

joy se - rene: Al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice, O Moth - er Ma - ry!  
guilt e - rase: Al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice, O Moth - er Ma - ry!  
as he said: Al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice, O Moth - er Ma - ry!  
heav - en bear: Al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice, O Moth - er Ma - ry!

Tune: REGINA CAELI, 85. 84. 7; *Leisentritt's Gesangbuch*, 1584, alt.  
Text: *Regina Caeli Iubila*; Latin, 17th C.; tr. Anonymous, 1901

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟ Amen.

When our Risen Lord appeared to his disciples on Easter Sunday,  
he said: "Peace be with you."

We can be confident that he desires this same peace  
for all the members of his body, the Church,  
and for the people of the entire world.

In this difficult time, we turn to the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of the Church and Queen of Peace,  
to ask that she intercede with her Son  
for all those who are affected in any way by this pandemic.

As we renew the consecration of our country  
and of ourselves to the Mother of the God,  
we implore her maternal care for her children.

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Music: *O Salutaris Hostia*

Ignace Xavier Joseph Leybach (1817-1891)

*O Saving Victim, Who expandest the gate of heaven,  
Hostile armies press: Give strength; bear aid.*

*To the One and Triune Lord be everlasting glory;  
may he who gives life without end, grant us life in our eternal home.*

## Opening Prayer

✠ Let us pray.

O God, Father of mercies,  
whose Only Begotten Son, as he hung upon the Cross,  
chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother,  
to be our Mother also,  
grant, we pray, that with her loving help  
your Church may be more fruitful day by day,  
and, exulting in the holiness of her children,  
may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

℟ Amen.

## Gospel Reading: John 19:25-27

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Standing by the cross of Jesus  
were his mother and his mother's sister,  
Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala.

When Jesus saw his mother  
and the disciple there whom he loved,  
he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son."  
Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother."  
And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

℟ Thanks be to God.

## Personal Prayer and Meditation

Music during Meditation: *Ave Maria*

William Gomez (1939-2000)

## Intercessions for an End to the Coronavirus

✠ God our Father,  
we thank you for the gift of our Blessed Mother, Mary,  
who is a powerful intercessor at the side of your Son Jesus,  
please accept these petitions that we offer and she brings,  
for an end to the tribulation of the Coronavirus.

Blessed Mother of the Church,  
we pray for the whole Church,  
suffering from isolation from one another  
and separation from the sacraments:  
may our merciful Lord bring us comfort and strength  
in our spiritual communion with him,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:

℟ Hear our prayer.

Queen of Angels, we pray for healthcare workers  
who are selflessly treating coronavirus patients during this pandemic;  
may God grant them fortitude  
and deliver them safely at the end of each day,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:

℟ Hear our prayer.

Mother of Good Counsel,  
we pray for civic and healthcare leaders who are coordinating responses to the crisis;  
may God give them wisdom, strength and compassion,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:                   ℟̕ Hear our prayer.

Holy Mother of God,  
we pray for those infected with or recovering from the coronavirus;  
may Jesus, the Divine Physician,  
offer them hope and provide healing,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:                   ℟̕ Hear our prayer.

Our Lady of Sorrows,  
we pray for those who have died from the coronavirus,  
may they know the peace and joy  
of God's love and mercy through all eternity,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:                   ℟̕ Hear our prayer.

Our Lady of the Americas,  
we pray for our country and for those who face economic uncertainty because of the pandemic;  
may God graciously look upon their needs and bring them relief and peace,  
we pray, holy Mother of God:                   ℟̕ Hear our prayer.

Almighty and merciful Father,  
we know that you hear our petitions as we cry out to our loving and caring Mother Mary.  
Grant us all that is good and in keeping with your Divine will for us,  
through Jesus Christ our Risen Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.                   ℟̕ Amen.

#### Veneration of the Statue of Our Blessed Mother (incensing)

#### **Prayer to the Holy Virgin of Guadalupe**

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,  
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.  
We fly to you today as your beloved children.  
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,  
and gain for our nation and world,  
and for all our families and loved ones,  
the protection of your holy angels,  
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,  
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.  
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,  
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,  
teach all of us in the Church to love one another  
and to be patient and kind.  
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,  
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,  
health of the sick and cause of our joy.  
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

℟̕ Amen.

## THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

The Agony in the Garden  
The Scourging at the Pillar  
The Crowning with Thorns  
The Carrying of the Cross  
The Crucifixion

### **Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (also called the Litany of Loreto)**

Lord, have mercy.	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>
Christ, have mercy.	<b>Christ, have mercy.</b>
Lord, have mercy.	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>
Christ, hear us.	<b>Christ, hear us.</b>
Christ, graciously hear us.	<b>Christ, graciously hear us.</b>
God the Father of Heaven,	<b>have mercy on us.</b>
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	<b>have mercy on us.</b>
God the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, one God,	<b>have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Mary,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Holy Mother of God,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Holy Virgin of virgins,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of Christ,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of the Church,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of divine grace,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother most pure,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother most chaste,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother inviolate,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother undefiled,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother immaculate,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother most amiable,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother most admirable,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of good counsel,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of our Creator,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mother of our Savior,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most prudent,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most venerable,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most renowned,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most powerful,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most merciful,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Virgin most faithful,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mirror of justice,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Seat of wisdom,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Cause of our joy,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Spiritual vessel,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Vessel of honor,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Singular vessel of devotion,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Mystical rose,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Tower of David,	<b>pray for us.</b>

Tower of ivory,	<b>pray for us.</b>
House of gold,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Ark of the covenant,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Gate of heaven,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Morning star,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Health of the sick,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Refuge of sinners,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Comforter of the afflicted,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Help of Christians,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of angels,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of patriarchs,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of prophets,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of apostles,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of martyrs,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of confessors,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of virgins,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of all saints,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen conceived without original sin,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen assumed into heaven,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of the most holy rosary,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of families,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Queen of peace,	<b>pray for us.</b>
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	<b>spare us, O Lord.</b>
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	<b>graciously hear us, O Lord.</b>
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	<b>have mercy on us.</b>

☩ 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 you, O Lord God,  
that we, your servants, may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body;  
and by the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin,  
may be delivered from present sorrow, and obtain eternal joy.

Through Christ our Lord.

☩ **Amen.**

✠ Let us pray.

O God, whose only-begotten Son,  
through his life, death and resurrection,  
has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life,  
grant, we beseech Thee, that by meditating  
upon these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
we may imitate what they contain, and obtain what they promise,  
through the same Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Prayer of Renewal of our Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Let us now entrust our country and ourselves  
once again to the Virgin Mary's care:

Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,  
you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love;  
you sing of the Father's mercy and accompany us with a mother's love.  
In this time of pandemic, we come to you, our sign of sure hope and comfort.

Today we renew the act of consecration and entrustment  
carried out by those who have gone before us.

So we ask you Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
with the love of a Mother and Handmaid,  
embrace us as we renew our consecration to you,  
together with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

In a special way we commend to you those particularly in need of your maternal care.  
Mary, Health of the Sick, sign of health, of healing, and of divine hope for the sick,  
we entrust to you all who are infected with the coronavirus.

Mary, Mother of Consolation, who console with a mother's love all who turn to you,  
we entrust to you all those who have lost loved ones in the pandemic.

Mary, Help of Christians, who come to our rescue in every trial,  
we entrust to your loving protection all caregivers.

Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy,  
who embrace all those who call upon your help in their distress,  
we entrust to you all who are suffering in any way from the pandemic.

Mary, Seat of Wisdom, who were so wonderfully filled with the light of truth,  
we entrust to you all who are working to find a cure to this pandemic.

Mary, Mother of Good Counsel, who gave yourself wholeheartedly  
to God's plan for the renewing of all things in Christ,  
we entrust to you all leaders and policymakers.

Accept with the benevolence of a Mother the act of consecration  
that we make today with confidence, and help us to be your Son's instruments  
for the healing and salvation of our country and the world.

Mary, Mother of the Church, you are enthroned as queen at your Son's right hand:  
we ask your intercession for the needs of our country,  
that every desire for good may be blessed and strengthened,  
that faith may be revived and nourished, hope sustained and enlightened,  
charity awakened and animated; guide us, we pray, along the path of holiness.

Mary our Mother, bring everyone under your protection  
and entrust everyone to your beloved Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

℟ Amen.

### **Concluding Prayer**

✠ Let us pray.  
Bestow the grace of your kindness  
upon your supplicant people, O Lord,  
that, formed by you, their creator,  
and restored by you, their sustainer,  
through your constant action they may be saved.

℟ Amen.

## BENEDICTION

### Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Hymn: *Tantum Ergo Sacramentum*

Anton Bruckner (1824-1892)

*Tantum ergo Sacramentum veneremur cernui  
Et antiquum Documentum novo cedat ritui;  
Præstet fides supplementum sensum defectui.*

Therefore let us venerate such a great Sacrament  
with bowed heads; and let the old covenant give way  
to the new. Faith will supply what the senses cannot  
see.

*Genitori Genitoque laus et iubilatio;  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque sit et benedictiô;  
Procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio.  
Amen.*

To Begetter and Begotten be praise and jubilation;  
hail, honor and power to them, as well as blessing;  
and to the One proceeding from both be equal praise.  
Amen.

— St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

Recessional Hymn: *Regina Cœli*

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**R** Egína caéli \* laetáre, alle-lú-ia : Qui- a quem me-  
  
ru- ísti portáre, alle-lú-ia : Resurréxit, sic-ut dixit, alle-  
  
lú-ia : Ora pro nó-bis Dé-um, alle-lú- ia.

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