



Traditional
Marian Prayers



The dream of the first Marists: *A church renewed*

“The Marists understood their project to be a sharing in Mary’s work of bringing Christ-life to birth and being with the Church as it came be born”

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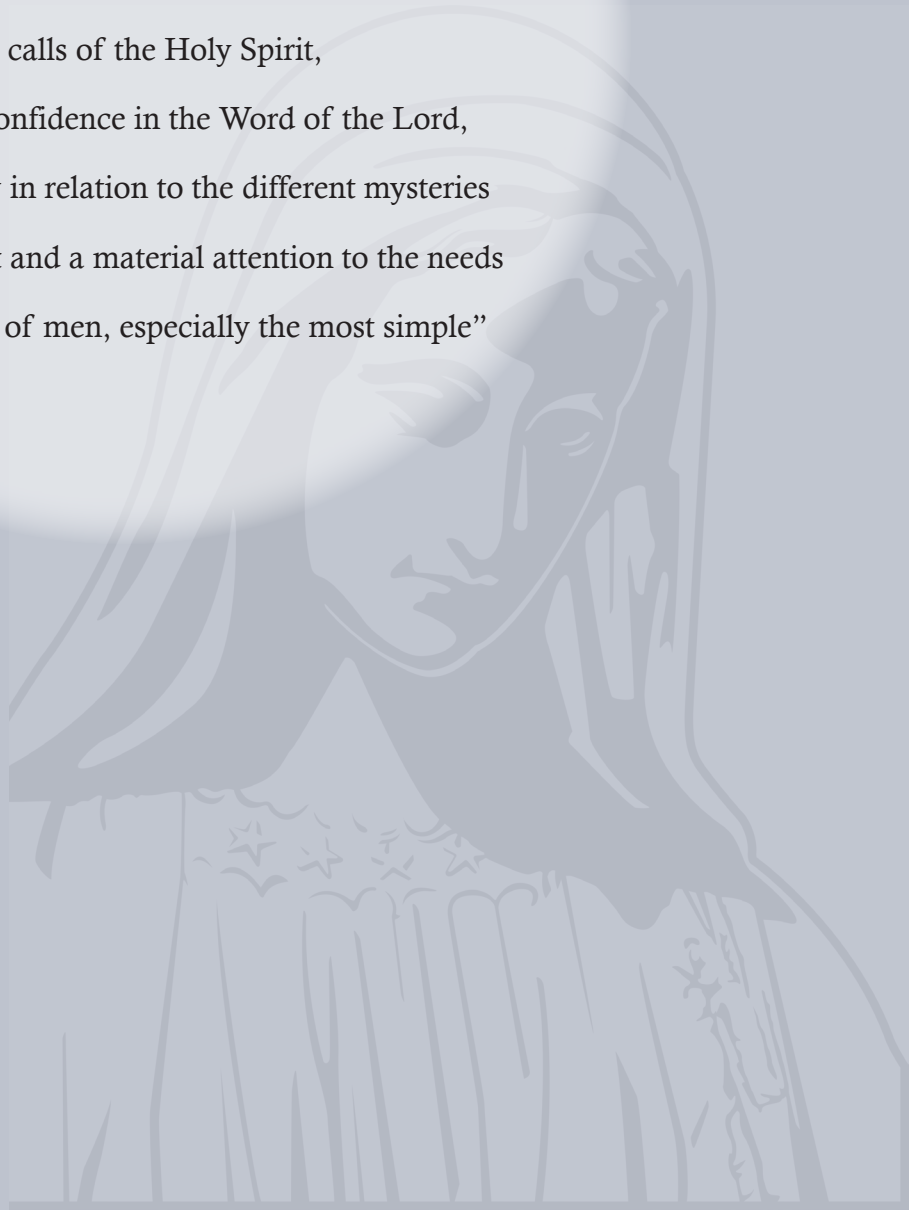
It is clear that Champagnat also participated fully in this project, but, as on so many occasions, in his own way. Practical man that he was, he wanted the ideals to be made concrete. In what way was he going to contribute to the renewal of the Church? According to the chroniclers, he repeated time and again in his meetings with his companions of the Society of Mary: We need brothers! His way of constructing a different Church, renewed, with a Marian face, became concrete through the foundation of the Little Brothers of Mary.



Called to build the Marian face of the Church

(John Paul II to the General Chapters of the Marist Family, 2001)

“It is up to you to manifest in an original and specific way the presence of Mary in the life of the Church and of mankind, developing for this purpose a Marian attitude, characterised by a joyful disposability to the calls of the Holy Spirit, an unshakable confidence in the Word of the Lord, a spiritual journey in relation to the different mysteries of the life of Christ and a material attention to the needs and the sufferings of men, especially the most simple”





Mary walks with us

1. Mary was able to turn a stable into a home for Jesus, with poor swaddling clothes and an abundance of love.
2. She is the handmaid of the Father who sings his praises.
3. Mary is the friend who is ever concerned that wine not be lacking in our lives.
4. She is the woman whose heart was pierced by a sword and who understands all our pain.
5. As mother of all, she is a sign of hope for people suffering the birth pangs of justice.
6. She is the missionary who draws near to us throughout life, opening our hearts to faith by her maternal love.
7. As a true mother, she walks at our side, she shares our struggles and she constantly surrounds us with God's love.



The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children forever.

The Angelus

V. The angel spoke God's message to Mary

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary ...

V. "I am the lowly servant of the Lord:

R. Let it be done to me according to your word."

Hail Mary ...

V. And the Word became flesh

R. and lived among us.

Hail Mary ...

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God,

R. That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Lord, fill our hearts with your grace:

once, through the message of an angel

you revealed to us the incarnation of your Son;

now, through His suffering and death

lead us to the glory of His resurrection.

We ask this through Christ our Lord

Amen



Sub Tuum Praesidium

LATIN

Refrain

Sub tuum praesidium confugimus, confugimus,

Sancta Dei Genetrix, Sancta Dei Genetrix.

Verses

1. Nostras deprecationes ne despicias,

ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris.

2. Sed a periculis cunctis

libera nos semper,

Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.



ENGLISH

We fly to your patronage, O Holy Mother of God,

Despise not our prayers in our necessities,

But deliver us from all dangers,

O every glorious and blessed Virgin.

Amen

Mary

Help of Those in Need

Holy Mary,
help those in need,
give strength to the weak,
comfort the sorrowful,
pray for God's people,
assist the clergy,
intercede for religious.

Mary, all who seek your help
experience your unfailing protection.

Amen



Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy,

hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope.

To you we cry, the children of Eve;

to you we send up our sighs,

mourning and weeping in this land of exile.

Turn, then, most gracious advocate,

your eyes of mercy toward us;

lead us home at last

and show us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus:

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.



The Memorare



Remember, most loving Virgin Mary,
never was it heard
that anyone who turned to you for help
was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence,
though burdened by my sins,
I run to your protection
for you are my mother.

Mother of the Word of God,
do not despise my words of pleading
but be merciful and hear my prayer.

Amen



Mother of the Living Gospel

(Pope Francis "Evangelii Gaudium")

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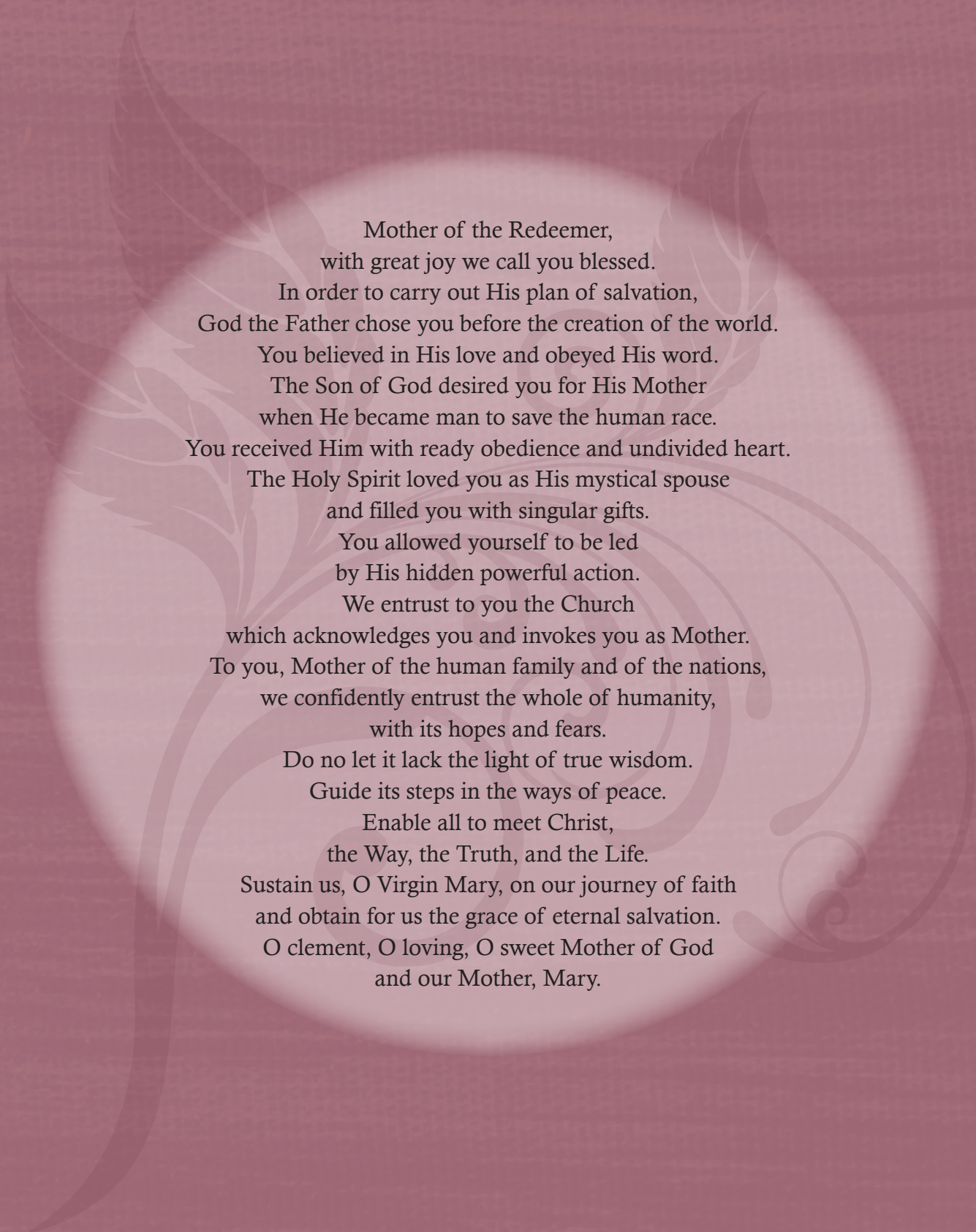
Mary, Virgin and Mother,
you who, moved by the Holy Spirit,
welcomed the word of life
in the depths of your humble faith:
as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One,
help us to say our own "yes"
to the urgent call, as pressing as ever,
to proclaim the good news of Jesus.
Filled with Christ's presence,
you brought joy to John the Baptist,
making him exult in the womb of his mother.
Brimming over with joy,
you sang of the great things done by God.
Standing at the foot of the cross
with unyielding faith,
you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection,
and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit
so that the evangelizing Church might be born.
Obtain for us now a new ardour born of the resurrection,
that we may bring to all the Gospel of life
which triumphs over death.
Give us a holy courage to seek new paths,
that the gift of unfading beauty
may reach every man and woman.
Virgin of listening and contemplation,
Mother of love, Bride of the eternal wedding feast,
pray for the Church, whose pure icon you are,
that she may never be closed in on herself
or lose her passion for establishing God's kingdom.
Star of the new evangelisation,
help us to bear radiant witness to communion,
service, ardent and generous faith,
justice and love of the poor,
that the joy of the Gospel
may reach to the ends of the earth,
illuminating even the fringes of our world.
Mother of the living Gospel,
wellspring of happiness for God's little ones,
pray for us.



Amen. Alleluia!

The Marian Prayer of Pope John Paul II

(adapted)



Mother of the Redeemer,
with great joy we call you blessed.
In order to carry out His plan of salvation,
God the Father chose you before the creation of the world.
You believed in His love and obeyed His word.
The Son of God desired you for His Mother
when He became man to save the human race.
You received Him with ready obedience and undivided heart.
The Holy Spirit loved you as His mystical spouse
and filled you with singular gifts.
You allowed yourself to be led
by His hidden powerful action.
We entrust to you the Church
which acknowledges you and invokes you as Mother.
To you, Mother of the human family and of the nations,
we confidently entrust the whole of humanity,
with its hopes and fears.
Do not let it lack the light of true wisdom.
Guide its steps in the ways of peace.
Enable all to meet Christ,
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
Sustain us, O Virgin Mary, on our journey of faith
and obtain for us the grace of eternal salvation.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother of God
and our Mother, Mary.

Mary

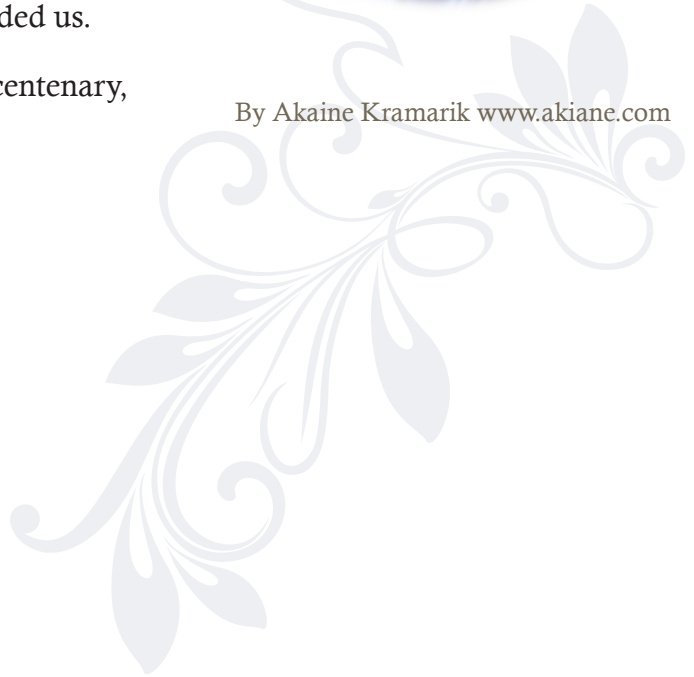
Dawn of the New Times

Mary, dawn of the new times,
I thank you because you have always done
everything among us
and you continue doing it today.
I place myself confidently in your hands,
I abandon myself to your tenderness.
I also entrust to you each of the persons who,
like me, feel privileged to bear your name.
I renew this day my consecration to you
as well as my firm intention to contribute
to building a Church which reflects your face.
You, source of our renewal, accompany my fidelity,
as you accompanied those who preceded us.
As we journey towards the Marist Bicentenary,
I feel your presence next to me
And for that I give you thanks.

Amen



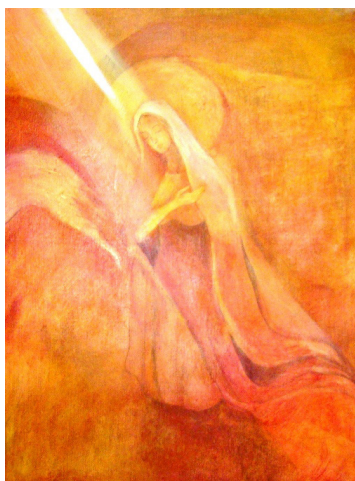
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Mary Woman

(Pope Francis 31/05/2013)

Mary, woman of listening, open our ears,
grant us to know how to listen to the word of your Son Jesus
among the thousands of words of this world;
grant that we may listen to the reality in which we live,
to every person we encounter,
especially those who are poor, in need, in hardship.



Mary, woman of decision, illuminate our mind and our hearts,
so that we may obey, unhesitating, the word of your Son Jesus;
give us the courage to decide,
not to let ourselves be dragged along, letting others direct our life.

Mary, woman of action,
Obtain that our hands and feet will move “with haste” towards others,
to bring them the charity and love of your Son Jesus,
to bring the light of the Gospel to the world, as you did.

Amen

Marist Way

God, Lord, in you we place our
prayers.

Brothers and sisters, we walk the
road to travel together,
forever with Mary, our Guide.

Near you, always near you,
In the footsteps of Mary,
ready to do your will,
we are in your hands.

Come, Jesus, teach us
to be supportive, to serve and love
young children in their walk.
And together we will build the
Church of Mary
Our Marian faith: from a dream
to reality.

Amen





Mary

Mystics and Prophets

Spirit of God, courage is among your many gifts to us;

Bless all who are prophets of the new world that is to come.

Mary, Mother of God, you held all things in your heart;

We feel privileged to bear your name.

Be with us this day as we strive

to give birth to the new.

St Marcellin Champagnat, you said that:

“Even when the whole world is against us,
we have nothing to fear if God is with us”;

We ask that your spirit be always with us,

And we ask that you help us to be mystics.

Amen

