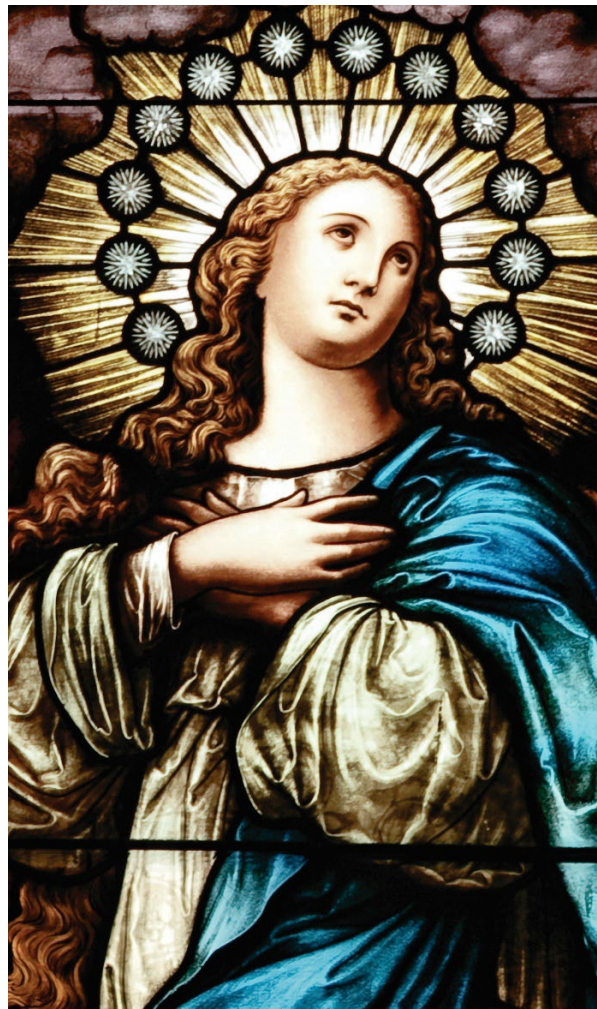




MARIAN TRIDUUM OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD



**IN PREPARATION FOR THE FAITHFUL
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO
FOR THE ACT OF CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY
ON THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

DAY THREE

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

You are the glory of Jerusalem, the joy of Israel.
– You are the fairest honour of our race.

OPENING PRAYER

God our Father,
you gave the Holy Spirit to your apostles
as they joined in prayer with Mary, Mother of Jesus.
By the help of her prayers
keep us faithful in your service
and let our words and actions be so inspired
as to bring glory to your name.
Grant this 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.

WORD OF GOD

Acts 1.13-15

† A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

SILENT REFLECTION

OR

COMMENTARY

From the *General Audience* of Pope Francis on 10 May 2017.

“We will find her again on the first day of the Church; she, *mother of hope*, in the midst of that community of such fragile disciples: one had denied, many had fled, all had been afraid (cf. Acts 1:14). She simply stood by, in the most natural of ways, as if it were something completely normal: in the first Church enveloped in the light of the Resurrection, but also in the trepidation of the first steps that had to be taken in the world.

For this reason we all love her as Mother. We are not orphans: we have a Mother in heaven who is the Holy Mother of God. Because she teaches us the virtue of waiting, even when everything seems to lack meaning: she is ever confident in the mystery of God, even when he seems to have eclipsed himself due to the evil of the world. In the most difficult moments, may Mary, the Mother that Jesus gave to all of us, always support our steps, may she always say to our hearts: “Arise! Look forward, look to the horizon”, because she is the Mother of Hope.”

LITANY OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy,
Christ, hear us,

*Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, graciously hear us.*

God the Father of Heaven,
God the Son, redeemer of the world,
God, the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

*have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.*

Heart of Mary,
Heart of Mary, after God's own Heart,
Heart of Mary, in union with the Heart of Jesus,
Heart of Mary, the vessel of the Holy Spirit,
Heart of Mary, shrine of the Trinity,
Heart of Mary, home of the Word,
Heart of Mary, immaculate in your creation,
Heart of Mary, flooded with grace,
Heart of Mary, blessed of all hearts,
Heart of Mary, Throne of glory,

*pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.*

Heart of Mary, Abyss of humbleness,
Heart of Mary, Victim of love,
Heart of Mary, nailed to the cross,
Heart of Mary, comfort of the sad,
Heart of Mary, refuge of the sinner,
Heart of Mary, hope of the dying,
Heart of Mary, seat of mercy,

*pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.*

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

*spare us, O Lord.
graciously hear us, O Lord.
have mercy on us.*

Christ, hear us,
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

*Christ, graciously hear us.
Christ, have mercy.*

Immaculate Mary, meek and humble of heart.

*Conform our hearts to the
heart of Jesus.*

Let us pray:

Lord our God,
you made the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
the home of your eternal Word
and the sanctuary of the Holy Spirit.
Give us a heart that is free from sin
and attentive to your will,
that, faithful to your commandments,
we may love you above all things
and seek to help others in their need.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

HAIL MARY

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,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

God of Glory, Lord of Light,
shine the radiance of your love upon your fallen people.
May we ever have the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary
to accompany us as we walk through danger and strife,
and through her prayers bring us
to the happiness of eternal life with you,
who live and reign in unity with the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. Amen.

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

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