



Opening Prayers



Apostles' Creed

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of

God, the Father almighty; from there He will come again to judge the living

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth;

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

and the dead.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

• Three Hail Marys (three times, for the virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity)

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.

Glory Be

Glory Be, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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

The Annunciation

In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary...

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word."

Mother of God, pray with us that we and all those we elect to office may always be as calm, as sure, as humble, and as prompt in faithfully responding to God's call as you were, even when we are taken by surprise, so that we may be as prepared as you to carry Christ within us to the world.





The Visitation

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb....

Mother of God, pray with us that we and all those we elect to office may be as ready as you to move in haste, charity, and solidarity to assist those who need us, and to open our eyes to learn from them.



The Birth of Jesus

The time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord.

Mother, pray with us that we and all those we elect to office may always see and recognize the Holy Family in all those who need help, particularly in the homeless, and, in solidarity, to find room for them all that they require for life in dignity.



The Presentation

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord...

There was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon... when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation... and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Mother of God, pray with us that we too, along with those we elect to public office, may seek to abide in all God's ordnances, and that by doing so we might make plain to you the thoughts of our hearts, and be welcomed to share in the sorrows and the joys of your Immaculate Heart.





Jesus Teaching in the Temple

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety."

And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

Mother of God, pray with us that when we or any of those whom we elect have lost you or your Son, we may always remember to look for you where you belong, together in the Father's house.

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,

Our life, our sweetness and our hope!

To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward 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. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.



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

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that we may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate.

† We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.





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