

Intercessions for Memorial, **Mary, Mother of the Church**

Priest: Lord God, it was Your Will that Mary, Mother of the Church, would be present in the depths of pain at the crucifixion, in the exultant joy of the resurrection, and in the explosion of unity and mission on the day of Pentecost. Please provide for all our needs through her motherly intercession.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may true wisdom and courage be given to those ordained to lead Your Church. Lord hear us.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may peace and strength be given to all those who suffer and to all those who care for them. Lord hear us.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may special unction be placed upon the lips of those who proclaim the resurrection of Jesus and invite their listeners to respond in repentance. Lord hear us.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may members of the Church be protected and delivered from evil. Lord hear us.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may the extraordinary charisms of the Holy Spirit be bestowed where they are most needed. Lord hear us.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, may deceased members of the Church be swiftly released from Purgatory. Lord hear us.

Priest: Heavenly Father, we thank You for all the good that has flowed to us since Your Son Jesus on the Cross said, 'Behold your mother', and for the diligence with which Mary has fulfilled His request 'Behold your son' on behalf of each of us. Grant us the grace to live as true children of hers and as true children of the Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.