

## Consecration to Mary

As the Father has chosen you, O Mary, to be

His immaculate child,

Joseph's spouse, and

the mother of His beloved Son

and of the whole Church

in full communion with the Holy Spirit,

so we choose you this day

as mother and queen of our whole family;

and we consecrate to you our souls and our bodies,

all that we do and all that we have,

without exception.

Envelop each one of us

with your most maternal mercy.

Teach us to love Jesus and the Father

always more and,

in and through Them,

to love one another in the Holy Spirit,

discovering one another ever more profoundly

in the light of Jesus,

respecting one another, and

choosing one another each day

with a more divine and simple love.

O Mary, grant that each of us fulfill

the Father's will each day

in a more personal gift of ourselves,

so that our whole family may bear witness,

in the midst of the world,

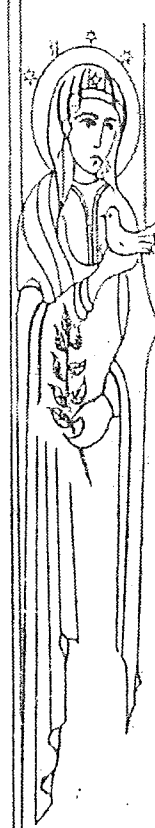
to the love of Jesus, victorious over evil. Amen.

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## LITANY OF MARY OF NAZARETH



Glory to You, God our Creator . . .  
Breathe into us new life, new meaning.  
Glory to You, God our Savior . . .  
Lead us in the way of peace and justice.  
Glory to You, healing Spirit . . .  
Transform us to empower others.

Mary, wellspring of peace . . . Be our guide.  
Model of strength  
Model of gentleness  
Model of trust  
Model of courage  
Model of patience  
Model of risk  
Model of openness  
Model of perseverance

Mother of the liberator . . . Pray for us.  
Mother of the homeless  
Mother of the dying  
Mother of the nonviolent  
Widowed mother  
Unwed mother  
Mother of a political prisoner  
Mother of the condemned  
Mother of the executed criminal

Oppressed woman . . . Lead us to life  
Liberator of the oppressed  
Marginalized woman  
Comforter of the afflicted  
Cause of our joy  
Sign of contradiction  
Breaker of bondage  
Political refugee  
Seeker of sanctuary  
First disciple  
Sharer in Christ's passion  
Seeker of God's will  
Witness of Christ's resurrection

Woman of mercy . . . Empower us.  
Woman of faith  
Woman of contemplation  
Woman of vision  
Woman of wisdom and understanding  
Woman of grace and truth  
Woman, pregnant with hope  
Woman centered in God

**Closing Prayer**

Mary, Queen of Peace,  
we entrust our lives to you.  
Shelter us from war, hatred,  
and oppression.

Teach us  
to live in peace,  
to educate ourselves for peace.  
Inspire us to act justly,  
to revere all God has made.  
Root peace firmly in our hearts  
and in our world.

Amen.



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