

October 22

**THE INTERIOR LIFE OF MARY**

*Memorial*

THIS FEAST, CLOSELY RELATED TO THAT OF THE INTERIOR LIFE OF OUR SAVIOR, DATES, LIKE IT, TO THE FIRST DAYS OF THE SEMINARY OF SAINT-SULPICE. AN AUTOGRAPH TEXT OF JEAN-JACQUES OLIER, WHICH ECHOES HIS PRAYER *O JESUS LIVING IN MARY*, ARTICULATES PERFECTLY THE UNION WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN THE INTERIOR DISPOSITIONS OF MARY AND THOSE OF HER SON: " O JESUS, LIVING IN MARY, IN THE BEAUTY OF YOUR VIRTUES, IN THE EMINENCE OF YOUR POWERS, IN THE SPLENDOR OF YOUR RICHES , ETERNAL AND DIVINE, GRANT US PART OF THAT HOLINESS WHICH GOD UNIQUELY GAVE TO HER. COMMUNE US WITH THE SAME ZEAL SHE HAS FOR HIS CHURCH. FINALLY, RE-CLOTHE US FULLY WITH YOURSELF, THAT BEING NOTHING IN OURSELVES, WE MAY LIVE UNIQUELY IN YOUR SPIRIT, AS SHE DOES , TO THE GLORY OF YOUR FATHER."

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary. Our Lord has made his dwelling in you.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Lord, by showering the Blessed Virgin Mary  
with the spiritual gifts of your grace,  
you made her the faithful image of your Son.  
Grant that we,  
by imitating her virtues,  
may also be filled with traits of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever.**

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

**Lord,  
we present this offering of praise and peace  
to You  
and we humbly beg you:  
through the example of the Virgin of Nazareth,**

**we may offer ourselves to you  
as a holy and pleasing sacrifice.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.**

## **PREFACE**

*The Interior Life of the Virgin Mary*

- V. The Lord be with you.  
R. And also with you.  
V. Lift up your hearts.  
R. We lift them up to the Lord.  
V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**Truly, it is right to give you thanks,  
it is just and good to glorify you, Father most holy,  
as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**In faith she received the message of the Angel,  
and lives in deepest union with you.  
Thus, she conceived your only Son,  
eternally begotten,  
that he might be our Savior and our brother  
in the fullness of time.**

**By sharing in the hidden life of Jesus,  
she prepared the beginnings of the Church  
and gathered for us  
precious memories of his life.**

**By becoming the disciple of her Son,  
she received the beginnings of the Gospel,  
and treasured them,  
pondering them in her heart.**

**And so, with the angels and saints,**

**we sing the hymn of your glory  
and proclaim without ceasing:**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**CF. LK 2, 51**

**Mary remembered all these things,  
and pondered them in her heart.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Father most holy,  
look with kindness upon those  
who have been renewed by these sacraments:  
Inspired by the interior life of the Virgin Mary,  
may we, like her, work in silence  
to build your kingdom here on earth  
and come to enjoy the blessings of heaven forever  
with your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever.**

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## THE INTERIOR LIFE OF THE VIRGIN MARY

### Memorial

THIS FEAST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT OF THE INTERIOR LIFE OF OUR SAVIOR AND GOES BACK, LIKE IT, TO THE FIRST DAYS OF THE SEMINARY OF SAINT SULPICE. AN AUTOGRAPH TEXT OF MONSIEUR OLIER WHERE ONE CAN FIND THE PRAYER, O JESUS LIVING IN MARY, GIVES A PERFECT ACCOUNT OF THE UNION WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN THE INTERIOR DISPOSITIONS OF MARY AND THOSE OF HER SON: "O JESUS, LIVING IN MARY, IN THE BEAUTY OF YOUR VIRTUES, IN THE EMINENCE OF YOUR POWERS, IN THE SPLENDOR OF YOUR RICHES ETERNAL AND DIVINE, ENABLE US TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT HOLINESS BELONGS UNIQUELY TO HER IN GOD, COMMUNION US IN THE ZEAL SHE HAS FOR HIS CHURCH. FINALLY, CLOTHE US FULLY IN YOURSELF, THAT BEING NOTHING IN OURSELVES, WE MIGHT LIVE UNIQUELY IN YOUR SPIRIT AS SHE, TO THE GLORY OF YOUR FATHER.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Happy are you, O Virgin Mary, for the Lord has made his dwelling in you

### OPENING PRAYER

Lord, in abundantly filling the Virgin Mary with the spiritual gifts of your grace, you have made her the image of your Son. Grant that we, by imitating her virtues, may replicate in ourselves the traits of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Col 3: 12-17

*To live together in Christ*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe your hearts with tenderness and goodness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another, and forgive one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. Let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. Be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in your richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, with gratitude in your hearts to God. Whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The Word of the Lord

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 119: 97-104**

R. Forever I will do your will

How I love your Law, O Lord!  
It is my meditation all the day.  
Your command has made me wiser than my enemies  
forever I will do your will.

I have more understanding than all my teachers  
when your decrees are my mediation,  
I have more discernment than the elders,  
because I observe your precepts.

From every evil way I withhold my feet,  
that I may keep your word.  
From your ordinances I turn not away,  
for you have instructed me.

How sweet to my palate are your promises,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth!  
Through your precepts I gain discernment,  
therefore I hate every false way.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Ps 119: 15**

Alleluia. Alleluia.

I will meditate upon your precepts and contemplate your ways.

Alleluia.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Lk 2: 41-52**

*The parents of Jesus found him in his Father's house*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Each year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Think that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among

their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. 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." He said to them, "Where were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. Jesus advanced in wisdom, age and grace before God and men.

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Lord, we present you this offering of praise and peace, and we humbly ask that, following the example of the Virgin of Nazareth, we may give ourselves to you as a pleasing offering. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord

### **PREFACE**

It is truly right and just to praise and glorify you, Father most holy, as we celebrate the blessed Virgin Mary. In faith she received the message of the Angel at Nazareth, and living in your intimacy, she conceived your eternally begotten Son so that in the fullness of time he might be our Lord and savior. Living in the intimacy of Jesus she prepared the beginnings of the Church and gather for us the precious memories of his life. Made the disciple of your Son, she received the first fruits of the Gospel and kept them, meditating upon them in her heart. Because of this, with the angels and all the saints, we sing the hymn of your glory and proclaim unceasingly.

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

See Lk 2: 51

Mary remembered all these things and meditated upon them in her heart

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Most holy Father, look with goodness upon those you have renewed by your sacraments. Inspired by the interior life of the Virgin Mary, may we, like her, work in silence to build your kingdom here and to taste without end the happiness of heaven with your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.