

WOMAN OF MYSTERY

Woman of Mystery, woman of deep trust,
Answering Yes, Word became Flesh,
The one born of Wisdom, the Son you call Jesus,
The Son of the Father, a gift of our God.

Chorus: Ave Maria, Ave Maria, Ora pro nobis, Maria.

Woman of mystery, woman of passion,
At Bethlehem you cradled the Lamb,
The dream of the future, the dream
Crushed on Calvary, your kind heart
Was broken, you cradled your loss.

Woman of Mystery, Mother of Sorrow,
Your risen Son, truly the One who
Is our tomorrow, the light for our
Darkness, the joy of our future,
The hope of our pain

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Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



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PRAYER TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Mother of Perpetual Help, your very name inspires confidence. We come before your holy picture in praise and thanksgiving to God seeking your intercession with Jesus, your son for all the needs of our lives today. We celebrate your holy motherhood as we proclaim Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer.

You answered when called to be mother of our Lord. Obtain for us the grace to be alive to our baptismal call and especially to embrace the gospel of life and to respect all life on earth.

You wondered as your Son grew in wisdom, knowledge and grace. Intercede for us so that we may welcome the Word of God in our lives and be bearers of the good news to everyone.

You delighted as your Son healed the sick. Intercede for our sick that they may receive good health and that they in their turn may be healers to others.

You enjoyed peace as your Son comforted the afflicted. Intercede for all who suffer so that they may know that we carry their burdens with them and in this way we keep the law of Christ.

You rejoiced as your Son forgave sins. Obtain for us the forgiveness of our sins and lead us to unbind others and set them free.

You suffered at the wounds your Son endured for our salvation. Help us to bind up the broken hearted and to give hope to the down trodden.

You exulted in your Son's resurrection. Obtain for us the grace to persevere in His way all the days of our life and be granted a place in heaven.

You are the first of all the disciples and saints. We trust in your motherly love and care. Obtain for us all the graces we need to fulfill God's plan each day in our lives. Amen

IMMACULATE MARY

Immaculate Mary, thy praises we sing;
Who reign now in heaven with Jesus our King.

Refrain: Ave, ave, ave, Maria! Ave, ave, Maria!

In heaven, the blessed thy glory proclaim;
On earth we, thy children, invoke thy fair name.

We pray for God's glory; may His kingdom come;
We pray for His vicar, our father, and Rome.

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth,
And bless, dearest Lady, the land of our birth.

HAIL, QUEEN OF HEAVEN, THE OCEAN STAR

Hail, Queen of heaven, the ocean star,
Guide of the wandr'er here below,
Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care,
Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the sea
Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

God's chosen one, full blest with grace,
In Christ Your Son, we make our prayer
That troubled hearts may know his peace
On ocean swells, in trial, in fear.
Mother in faith, Star of the sea
Pray for the burdened, pray for me.

All praise to God who reigns above,
Creator, Word, and Spirit one,
The Source of life, of grace, of love,
Who guides the waves as earth and sun
Mother of all, Star of the sea,
Pray for God's people, pray for me.

SING OF MARY, PURE AND LOWLY

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly,
Virgin mother undefiled,
Sing of God's own Son most holy,
Who became her little child.
Fairest child of fairest mother,
God the Lord who came to earth,
Word made flesh, our very brother,
Takes our nature by his birth.

Sing of Jesus, son of Mary,
In the home at Nazareth.
Toil and labour cannot weary
Love enduring unto death.
Constant was the love he gave her,
Though he went forth from her side,
Forth to preach, and heal, and suffer,
Till on Calvary he died.

Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son;
Glory be to God the Spirit;
Glory to the Three in One.
From the heart of blessed Mary,
From all saints the song ascends,
And the Church the strain re-echoes
Unto earth's remotest ends.

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, at a word from Mary, your Mother, you changed water into wine at Cana in Galilee. Hear our prayers and grant our petitions in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

Reader: Grant wisdom and courage to all our religious and civil leaders, our Holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, and all who lead us, we pray:

People: **HEAR US, LORD, THROUGH MARY OUR MOTHER.**

Reader: Grant peace, unity and good harvests in all the world, especially in places of conflict, war, famine and need, we pray:

Grant married couples the grace of their Sacrament, wives and husbands a binding love for each other, parents the grace to welcome and cherish their children, single parent families unity and strength, and peace and blessings on all our homes, we pray:

Grant to our single adults fulfillment in their call, to our young people success in their endeavours and courage to witness to their faith, to our elderly vitality, security and contentment in their days, and to the separated and divorced the grace of your Spirit, we pray:

Grant workers, confidence in their work, dignity in their accomplishments, joy in their contributions, a just and living wage and to the unemployed, grant gainful work, we pray:

Grant to your church many labourers for the harvest – good priests, brothers, sisters and laity – who will dedicate their lives to your faithful people, we pray:

Grant eternal life to all the deceased and a place in the communion of the saints, where every tear shall be wiped away and where we shall meet You, our God, face to face, we pray:

Grant to each of us the grace to do justice, love, mercy and walk humbly with You each day of our lives, for whatever we do to the least of our sisters and brothers, we do to you, we pray:

LET US PRAY

Presider: Mother of Perpetual Help, we who call on Your most powerful name, thank you for the graces we have received through your intercession and for hearing our prayers today: for God, who is mighty has done great things through you, and God's mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him. Amen

FINAL BLESSING

Presider: May the Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of Mary of Perpetual Help, be with you to defend you, within you to sustain you, before you to lead you, behind you to protect you and above you to bless you all the days of your life.

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

O MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

O Mother of Perpetual Help
To thee we come imploring help.
Behold us here, from far and near,
To ask of thee our help to be;
Behold us here, from far and near,
To ask of thee our help to be.

Perpetual help we beg of thee;
Our souls from sin and sorrow free;
Direct our wandering feet aright,
And be thyself our own true light;
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And when this life is o'er for me,
This last request I ask of thee:
Obtain for me in heaven this grace,
To see my God there face to face;
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