

**THE  
CATHEDRAL  
OF THE  
RISEN  
CHRIST**

# **Cathedral Bible Study**

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# PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Ordination Schedule:

Holy Hour – Thurs @ 7PM

Diaconate – Friday @ 8PM

Priesthood – Saturday @ 11AM

**Pray for our Ordinandi!**

**Pray for Vocations!**

# BIBLE STUDY OBJECTIVES

- May → Month of Mary
- Marian: Holy Days of Obligation & Dogma's
- Learning to know Christ thru the *"School of Mary"*
- Have fun!



# Holy Days & Marian Dogma's

DATE	Holy Day	Marian Dogma <i>(or Themes)</i>
January 1	Mary, Mother of God	Divine Motherhood
6 <sup>th</sup> Thursday after Easter	Ascension of Jesus	<i>(Co-Redemptrix, Mediatrix of all Graces, &amp; Advocate)</i>
August 15	Assumption of Mary	Assumption
November 1	All Saint's Day	<i>(Queen of Heaven &amp; Earth)</i>
December 8	Immaculate Conception	Immaculate Conception
December 25	Christmas	Perpetual Virginity

# QUEEN OF HEAVEN & EARTH

**Jeremiah 13:18** → *“Say to the king and to the queen mother: come down from your throne; From your heads fall your magnificent crowns.”*

**1 Kings 2:18-20** → *“Very well,” replied Bathsheba, “I will speak to the king for you.” Then Bathsheba went to King Solomon to speak to him for Adonijah, and the king stood up to meet her and paid her homage. Then he sat down upon his throne, and a throne was provided for the king's mother, who sat at his right. “There is one small favor I would ask of you,” she said. “Do not refuse me.” “Ask it, my mother,” the king said to her, “for I will not refuse you.”*



The Crowning of the Virgin by the Trinity.  
Diego Velázquez, 1645

# QUEEN OF HEAVEN & EARTH

**Revelations 11:19-12:1** → *“Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, and peals of thunder, an earthquake, and a violent hailstorm. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.”*

**Hail Holy Queen!** → As our Mother, she guides us, prays for us, role models for us the path to Heaven, so that we too can become Saints!



# QUEENSHIP OF MARY

- **Ad caeli reginam** by Pope Pius XII (11OCT1954) established the Feast of the Queenship of Mary
- Mary should be called Queen, not only because of her Divine Motherhood of Jesus Christ, her only son, but also because God has willed her to have an exceptional role in the work of our eternal salvation.
- Pope Pius IX, *“With a heart that is truly a mother's,” does she approach the problem of our salvation, and is solicitous for the whole human race; made Queen of heaven and earth by the Lord, exalted above all choirs of angels and saints, and standing at the right hand of her only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, she intercedes powerfully for us with a mother's prayers, obtains what she seeks, and cannot be refused.”*

# QUEEN OF HEAVEN & EARTH

Teaches us about ...

- Intercessory Prayer
- Queen of the Angels
- Points to Christ the King
- Teaches about the *Davidic Kingdom* and that there is a Divine plan for Salvation!
- A Mother's Eternal Love
- Heaven is for Real!
- Develops a Longing for Sainthood!





# HOLY DAY: All Saint's Day

- **November 1st**
- **PURPOSE:** instituted to honor all the saints, known and unknown, and to supply any deficiencies in the celebration of Saints' feasts during the year. (Urban IV)
- Mention of a common day of celebration in a sermon of **St. Ephrem the Syrian** (373), (*Marian Doctor*) and in the 74th homily by **St. John Chrysostom** (407).
- **MARIAN ORIGIN:** The origin of the festival of All Saints celebrated in the West dates to May 13, 609 or 610, when Pope Boniface IV consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Blessed Virgin and all the martyrs.  
  
Pope Gregory III (731–741) moved the date to November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **MARIAN CUSTOMS:** In Mexico, All Saints Day coincides with the celebration of "*Día de los Inocentes*" (Day of the Innocents)

# **MARIAN PRAYER**

When Mary is found in Scripture  
praying or when she intercedes for us,  
How does Mary pray?

# MARIAN PRAYER

**Acts 1:14** → *“All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.”*

*Remember: Prayer is Union (communion) with God ...*

## **QUESTION:**

How does Mary pray?

## **St. Teresa of Avila**

### **On The Grades Of Prayer**

*Pope Paul VI proclaimed the first woman Doctor of the Church on Sept. 27, 1970.*

1. Self Knowledge
2. Detachment
3. Humility
4. Affective Recollection
5. Beginning Union with God
6. Mystical Betrothal
7. Spiritual Union

# MEDITATIONS

## November 1: All Saint's Day

Spiritual Reading about our  
Saint Consulting Team:

- Birth Saint (birthday)
- Name saint (birth name)
- Baptismal Saint (baptism day)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Communion / Reconciliation
- Marriage / Work
- Other devotion
- Discover what is the favorite  
Marian Devotion of these Saints!

- *The Virgin Mary is resplendent at the center of the Assembly of the Saints, "Created beings all in lowliness surpassing, as in height, above them all. By putting our hand in hers, we feel encouraged to walk more enthusiastically on the path of holiness."* (BXVI)
- How is Mary (as a mother) leading to Sainthood?

# MEDITATIONS

## November 1: All Saint's Day

- How are we progressing to Sainthood through our prayer life?
- Mary as Queen plays a role in Divine Salvation. What is our role?
- How does our Queen, along with the Angels & Saints, help us on the path to Salvation?



# **MARIAN FEAST DAYS**

DATE	MARIAN FEAST DAY
1-Jan	Mary, Mother of God
8-Jan	Our Lady of Prompt Succor
2-Feb	Purification of the Virgin
11-Feb	Our Lady of Lourdes
25-Mar	Annunciation by Archangel Gabriel
26-Apr	Our Lady of Good Counsel
1-May	Queen of Heaven
13-May	Our Lady of Fatima
24-May	Mary Help of Christians
31-May	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
27-Jun	Our Lady of Perpetual Help
16-Jul	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
15-Aug	Assumption into Heaven
21-Aug	Our Lady of Knock
22-Aug	Queenship of Mary
8-Sep	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12-Sep	The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary
15-Sep	Our Lady of Sorrows
24-Sep	Our Lady of Walsingham
7-Oct	Most Holy Rosary
21-Nov	Presentation of Mary
28-Nov	Our Lady of Kibeho "Mother of the Word"
8-Dec	Immaculate Conception
12-Dec	Our Lady of Guadalupe

## Marian Devotions:

- ♥ Rosary
- ♥ 7 Sorrows Chaplet
- ♥ Saturday Mass
- ♥ Liturgical Feast Days
- ♥ The Angelus
- ♥ Litany of the BVM
- ♥ Scapular
- ♥ Act of Consecration
- ♥ Marian Medals
- ♥ Reading
- ♥ Artwork



# **MARIAN APPARITIONS**



# PRIVATE REVELATION

## Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) #67

Throughout the ages, there have been so-called "private" revelations, some of which have been recognized by the authority of the Church.

They do not belong, however, to the deposit of faith.

It is not their role to improve or complete Christ's definitive Revelation, but to help live more fully by it in a certain period of history.

Guided by the Magisterium of the Church, the *sensus fidelium* knows how to discern and welcome in these revelations whatever constitutes an authentic call of Christ or his saints to the Church.

Christian faith cannot accept "revelations" that claim to surpass or correct the Revelation of which Christ is the fulfillment, as is the case in certain non-Christian religions and also in certain recent sects which base themselves on such "revelations".

# APPARITION MESSAGES

## **Biblical Examples of Good Apparitions:** *(Apparitions of God, Jesus, Angels, Prophets)*

Abraham & Isaac (Genesis 22:11-19)

Jacob wrestles with God (Genesis 32:22-30)

Moses & Burning Bush (Exodus 3:2-6)

Balaam and his Donkey (Numbers 22)

The Birth of Samson (Judges 13)

Transfiguration of Jesus (w/Moses & Elijah)  
(Matthew 17:1-3)

Archangel Gabriel & Mary (Luke 1:26-36)

Announcing the Birth of Jesus to Shepherds  
(Luke 2:8-15)

Vision of Cornelius (Acts 10:1-8)

Vision of Saint Peter (Acts 10:9-33)

Apostle Paul Encouraged by an Angel  
(Acts 27:21-25)

## **MARIAN THEMES:**

**John 2:5** → His mother said to the servers, *“Do whatever he tells you.”*

**PEACE**

**FAITH**

**CONVERSION**

**PRAYER**

**FASTING**

**CONFESSION**

YEAR	TITLE	LOCATION	NOTE:	#
1531	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Mexico	St. Juan Diego	5
1608-1612	Our Lady of Siluva	Lithuania		Many
1664-1718	Our Lady of Laus	France	Ven. Benoîte Rencurel	Many
1830	Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal	Paris	St. Catherine Labouré	2
1842	Our Lady of Zion	Rome		1
1846	Our Lady of La Salette	France		1
1858	Our Lady of Lourdes	France	St. Bernadette	18
1871	Our Lady of Hope	France		1
1879	Our Lady of Knock	Ireland		1
1917	Our Lady of Fátima	Portugal	Sr. Lúcia, Jacinta & Francisco	6
1932-33	Our Lady of Beauraing	Belgium		33
1933	Our Lady of Banneux	Belgium		8
1973	Our Lady of Akita	Japan	<i>No official Vatican Statement</i>	3
1981	Our Lady of Kibeho	Rwanda	Mother of the Word	Many

# MESSAGES FROM HEAVEN

## OUR LADY OF KIBEHO:

“I speak to you, but you do not hear.

I want to lift you up, but you remain lying down.

I am calling you, but your ears are closed.

When are you going to do what I am asking of you?

When are you going to understand?

When are you going to show any interest in what I have been  
telling you?

I gave you many signs, but you will not believe.

How long will you remain deaf to my appeals?”

*“If Only We Had Listened”* by Immaculee Ilibagiza

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