



Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

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intercession
of the Virgin
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Introduction to Marian Consecration...

St Louis de Montfort predicted about his book 'True Devotion to Mary', that on his death, the manuscript would be lost. WHY? Because he knew of the influence this devotion would have on the soul of the person undertaking its consecration to the Blessed Virgin, Mary. His prediction was correct as it was lost for over a century!

There is much recorded about the depth and breadth of the graces which is tilled in the hearts of those who undertake a devotion to Mary, Mother of God. Her essential mission has always been to bring us to her Son, Jesus.

I am offering a very short contemplation which I hope will lead you to a deeper search of Marian Consecration to *Jesus through Mary*. I have completed both of the following author's consecrations: St Louis-Marie de Montfort's 'True Devotion to Mary' and Fr Michael E Gaitley's '33 Days to Morning Glory.' I can truly recommend either or both devotions as a way to guard not only your faith and that of your family's, but to provide a protection for your family and a sure way to travel towards a life lived in co-operation to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

It is also true from my experience, that the more time you spend in reflection and making space in your head and your heart to experience the love of Mary, the closer you come in to contact with her Son, Jesus Christ. Her perfect union with the Holy Spirit and her YES to God the Father, places her not only in a moment of history but in the greater salvation of all that God permits in His plan for all humanity.

Does this introduction have you excited by the prospect of starting a study and a movement of the heart to go DEEPER? I hope so... So how does it work?

EACH DAY there will be a *short reflection on scripture* both from the New Testament (Gospel passages) and from Psalms. Both in text and on the Podcast! This is to give you an opportunity to listen to the audio when you only have a short time and then in text, so that you can extend the time of prayer with questions and journaling. The meditation will follow a 33-day path towards Mary's heart and ultimately to her Son, Jesus.

The suggestion is that you set up a small prayer space, a dedicated space. It will be easier to set time aside every day. Know that you are not alone; *Mary, Mother of Divine Grace (LL)*, her Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit will be there with you, loving you and caring for you...

Prayer to begin...

REGINA CAELI

Queen of Heaven, rejoice Alleluia.
For He Whom thou did merit to bear. Alleluia.
Has risen as He said. Alleluia.
Pray for us to God, Alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary! Alleluia.
R. Because Our Lord is truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us pray:

O God, Who by the resurrection of Thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, has vouchsafed to make glad the whole world, grant we beseech Thee, that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.