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**Order of Malta American Association**

*The Glorious Mysteries*



# Daily Prayer of the Order of Malta

Lord Jesus, thou hast seen fit to enlist me for thy service in the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. I humbly entreat Thee, through the intercession of the most holy Virgin of Philermo, of St. John the Baptist, Blessed Gerard, and all the saints, to keep me faithful to the traditions of our Order:

Be it mine to practice and defend the Catholic, the Apostolic, the Roman faith against sacrilege. Be it mine to practice charity towards my neighbors, especially the poor and sick.

Give me the strength I need, to carry out this my resolve, forgetful of myself, learning ever from Thy Holy Gospel a spirit of deep and generous Christian devotion, striving ever to promote God's Glory, the world's peace, and all that may benefit the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Amen.





Lord, whether in our strength or frailty, our joy or anxiety, our confidence or fear, we come to you for support, encouragement, and direction, knowing full well we may rely on your sustenance and comfort.

Lord, we ask that you hear our petitions given with humble heart in this rosary, and may your words give us strength, as we hear you say, “Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my right hand” (Isaiah 41:10). Amen



# Opening Prayers

**Sign of the Cross:** *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Apostles' Creed:** *I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. \* I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.*



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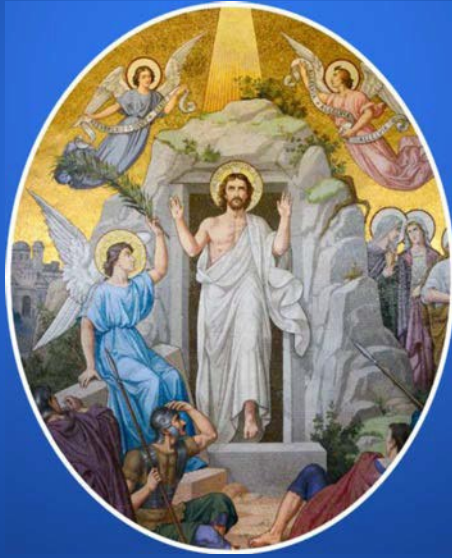
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# The First Glorious Mystery

## *The Resurrection*



“I desire strong Faith.”

**THE RESURRECTION.** And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from Heaven, and drawing near, rolled back the stone and sat upon it. (Matt. 28:2)

**THE WOMEN AT THE SEPULCHRE.** And they were saying to one another: “Who will roll back the stone at the entrance of the tomb for us?” and looking up they saw that the stone had been rolled back. (Mark 16:3-4)

**THE ANGEL AT THE SEPULCHRE.** He said to them, “Do not be terrified. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified. He has risen. He is not here. Behold the place where they laid him.” (Mark 16:5-6)

**“Knights and Dames take this cross and this habit in the name of the Holy Trinity, in which you will find rest and the salvation of your soul, for an increase of the Catholic Faith...”**

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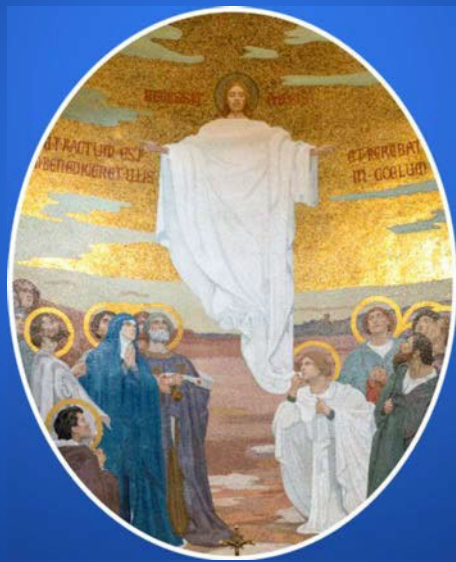
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## The Second Glorious Mystery

### *The Ascension*



“I desire the virtue  
of Hope.”

**MISSION TO THE APOSTLES.** “Go into the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, but he does not believe shall be condemned.” (Mark 16:15-16)

**THE ASCENSION.** He lifted up His hands and blessed them. And it came to pass as he blessed them that he parted from them and was carried up into Heaven. (Luke 24:50-51)

**APPARITION OF THE ANGELS.** “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking to heaven? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will come in the same way you have seen Him go up to Heaven.” (Acts 1:11)

**“It is normal for a Knight or Dame, won by faith and given to love, to want to possess the object of that faith and love. This is hope. The soul yearns for that beatific reward and pines for the fulfillment of its perfection, its life become love—God.”**

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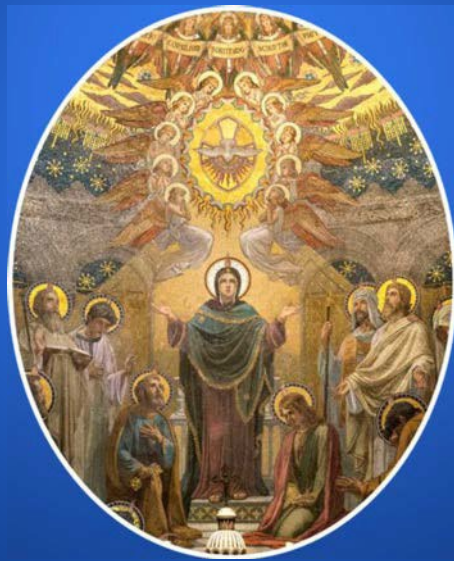
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## The Third Glorious Mystery

*Descent of the Holy Spirit*



“I desire zeal for the glory of God.”

### **THE GATHERING IN THE CHAMBER.**

All the Apostles with one mind continued steadfastly in prayer with the women and Mary, the mother of Jesus, and with His brethren. (Acts 1:14)

### **DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

They were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. (Acts 2:12)

### **THE APOSTLES RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire which settled upon each of them and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:3-4)

**“The Order is preoccupied with the thought of remaining true religious, and acting as such for the glory of God! They saw this God present according to His word, in their neighbors and especially in the poor, in the orphans, and in all those who suffer...”**

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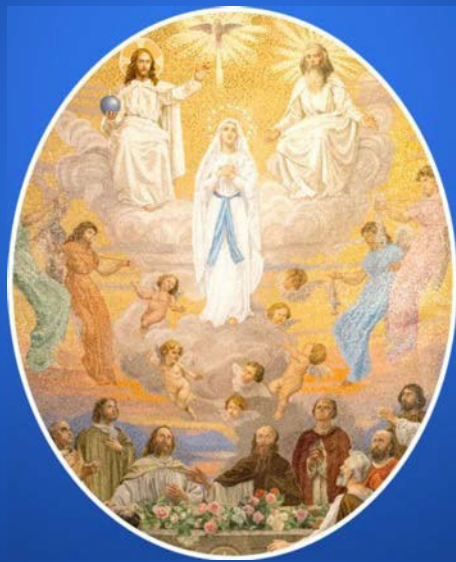
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# The Fourth Glorious Mystery

## *The Assumption*



“I desire the grace of  
a Holy death.”

**MOTHER OF CHRISTIANITY.** And you, O children of Sion, rejoice, and be joyful in the Lord your God. (Joel 2:23)

**THE END DRAWS NEAR.** Shall I not open to you the floodgates of heaven, to pour down blessings upon you without measure. (Mal. 3:10)

**THE ASSUMPTION.** All glorious is the King’s daughter as she enters. Her raiment is threaded with gold. (Psalm 45:14)

**MARY IS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN.** “Arise my beloved, my beautiful one and come! For see, the winter is past.” (Cant. 2:10-11)

**GATES OF HEAVEN.** Lift up your gates, O you princes, and be you lifted up O eternal gates, and the Queen of Glory shall enter in. (Psalm 23:7)

**“Charity within the Order extends to deceased members as much as the living...Those who have died need the attention of our love as part of the mysterious process of purification. Not that the grace of God is insufficient, but that in His mercy God allows us to take a share in the work.”**

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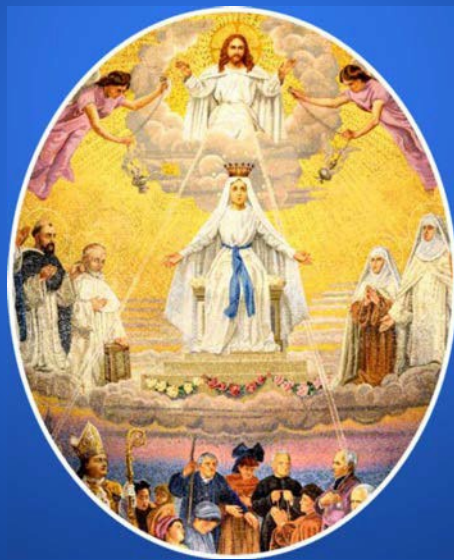
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# The Fifth Glorious Mystery

## *The Coronation*



“I desire a greater love for  
the Blessed Virgin Mary.”

**JESUS ESCORTS MARY TO HER THRONE.** Thou are all fair, O my love, and there is not a spot in you. Come you shall be crowned (Cant. 4:7-8)

**THE CORONATION OF MARY.** She had favor and kindness before Him above all women, and He set the royal crown on her head (Esther 2:17)

**THE GLORY OF JERUSALEM.** You are the joy of Israel. You are the honor of our people. You are all beautiful, O Mary; happy are you O Holy Virgin most worthy of all praise. (Judith 15:10)

**“Above all, devotion to Our Lady should be cultivated. Our Lady remains the sign of Hope, the mother of the Church, and the one who shows the world the fruit of her womb, and our lords the sick poor gather under the protection of her mantle.”**

\* Intentions and Scripture verses derived from the “Rosary Album” by Michael C. Buccino, 9th Edition (2015), with quotes from “The Spiritual Heritage of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta” (by Msgr. Francois Ducaud-Bourget, Tipografia Poliglotta Vaticana, 1958)

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# Closing Prayers

**Hail, Holy Queen:** *Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. \* Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and, after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

*Pray for us O holy mother of God, \* that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

**Rosary Prayer:** *Let us pray. O God, whose only-begotten Son by his life, death and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech thee, that by meditating upon these mysteries of the most holy rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*





# The Pope Prays for Peace in Ukraine

(This is the Holy See translation of a prayer for peace Pope Francis recited at his general audience on March 16. The prayer was composed by Archbishop Domenico Battaglia of Naples.)

Forgive us for war, O Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners! Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, who still behold armed hands in the shadow of your Cross, have mercy on us!

Forgive us, O Lord. Forgive us, if we are not satisfied with the nails with which we crucified Your hands, as we continue to slake our thirst with the blood of those mauled by weapons. Forgive us, if these hands which You created to tend have been transformed into instruments of death. Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother. Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel. Forgive us, if we continue to justify cruelty with our labors, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our pain. Forgive us for war, O Lord. Forgive us for war, O Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You! Hold fast the hand of Cain! Illumine our consciences. May our will not be done. Abandon us not to our own actions! Stop us, O Lord, stop us! And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him. He is our brother. O Lord, put a halt to the violence! Stop us, O Lord! Amen

**Sign of the Cross:** *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*



**Thank you for praying with us  
together this evening!**

**Please join us again!**