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June 2 – Pope’s video message on the eve of his trip to Sarajevo – Translated conclusion (June 2, 2015, VIS).

As I await our encounter, I invoke upon Sarajevo and the entire country ... the maternal protection of the Virgin Mary.

June 5 – Pope’s Address to General Chapter of the Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Dehonians) – Translated conclusion (June 05, 2015, ZENIT.org).

I invoke the heavenly protection of the Virgin Mary

June 5 – Pope’s Address to Pontifical Missionary Works – Translated conclusion (June 08, 2015, ZENIT.org).

May the Virgin Mary, Star of Evangelization, obtain for you always a passion for the Kingdom of God, so that the joy of the Gospel reaches to the ends of the earth and no periphery is deprived of its light.

June 6 – Mass in Kosevo stadium: “Be artisans of peace” – Translated conclusion (June 6, 2015, VIS).

... today we ask the Lord together, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, for the grace to have a simple heart, the grace of patience, the grace to struggle and work for justice, to be merciful, to work for peace, to sow peace and not war and discord.

June 6 – Text of Pope’s Prepared Address to Bosnian Priests, Religious, Seminarians – (Bosnia And Herzegovina, June 06, 2015, ZENIT.org).

The Virgin Mary is always near us, as a caring mother. She is the first disciple of the Lord, the first example of a life dedicated to him and to his brothers. When we find ourselves in difficulty, or when faced with a situation that makes us feel the depth of our powerlessness, let us turn to her with childlike trust. Then she always says to us – as at the Wedding at Cana – “Do whatever he tells you” (Jn 2:5). She teaches us to listen to Jesus and to follow his word, but to do so with

faith! This is her secret, which as a mother, she wishes to transmit to us: faith, a genuine faith, enough so that even a grain of it can move mountains!

June 6 – Text of Pope’s Prepared Speech to Youth in Sarajevo -- Bosnia And Herzegovina, June 06, 2015 (ZENIT.org)

... we have ... Mary our Mother. May she protect you and always give you the joy and courage to witness to the Gospel.

June 6 – Pope’s Message to Macerata-Loreto Pilgrims – Translated conclusion (June 08, 2015, ZENIT.org).

May ... Our Lady protect you.

June 8 – Pope’s Address to Puerto Rican Bishops – Translated conclusion (June 08, 2015, ZENIT.org).

I entrust the work of evangelization of Puerto Rico to the Most Holy Virgin Mary

June 10 – On Sickness and Suffering of Family Members – Translated comments after the Angelus address (June 10, 2015, ZENIT.org).

Next Saturday we will celebrate the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. May it make you understand, dear young people, the importance of pure love; may it be your support, dear sick, in moments of great difficulty and may it support you, dear newlyweds, in your conjugal journey.

June 11 – Pope’s Address to Bishops of Latvia, Estonia – Translated conclusion (June 11, 2015, ZENIT.org).

I entrust you to the maternal intercession of Mary Most Holy

June 12 – Pope Francis’ to Participants of World Seminar of Catholic Civil Aviation Chaplains and Chaplaincy Members – Translated conclusion (June 12, 2015, ZENIT.org).

May Our Lady protect you.

June 12 – Pope Francis' Meditation at 3rd World Retreat of Priests (Part I) – Translated extract (June 16, 2015, ZENIT.org).

And these women who are here are an image and figure of the Church and of the Mother, Mary. I want to thank them in a special way for their collaboration, and in face of certain claims, -- I don't know, of feminists, they must not forget -- Mary is much more important than the Apostles.

June 12 -- Pope Francis' Meditation at 3rd World Retreat of Priests (Part II) – Translated extract (June 17, 2015, ZENIT.org).

There was a priest in Buenos Aires ... when I was a seminarian, he was a poet, he wrote lovely things, especially to the Virgin, and he expresses to the Virgin his sinful heart, in a poem he says to the Virgin that he is a sinner, and he promises that now, enough for today, he has a clean slate. The last verse is beautiful, it ends thus: "This afternoon, Lady, the promise is sincere, but, just in case, don't forget to leave me the key outside."

June 13 – Angelus: God entrusted his Word to the fruitfulness of “our earth” – Translated conclusion (June 14, 2015, VIS).

May the Holy Virgin, who received as 'fertile earth' the seed of the divine Word, sustain us in this hope that never lets us down.

June 15 – Pope’s Address to Aid Agencies for Eastern Churches – Translated conclusion (June 16, 2015, ZENIT.org).

I would like to end with the words of Saint Ephrem, invoking upon the Catholic Eastern Churches and upon each one of you here present the Lord’s Blessing through the intercession of the All Holy Mother of God

June 19 – Pope’s Address to Patriarch of Syrian Orthodox Church – Translated conclusion (June 19, 2015, ZENIT.org).

I make my own the words of your beautiful Syrian prayer: “O Lord, through the intercession of your mother and of all the saints, sanctify our and our dearly departed. May the memory of the Virgin Mary be a blessing for us; may her prayers be strength for our souls.”

June 21 – Pope’s Homily During Mass at Piazza Vittorio in Turin – Translated conclusion (June 21, 2015, ZENIT.org).

My dear ones, yesterday you celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of Consolations, la Consola’, “who is there: low and solid, without pomp: like a good Mother.”

Let us entrust to our Mother the civil and ecclesial path of this earth: May She help us to follow the Lord so that we may be faithful, to ourselves be renewed and remain firm in love.

June 21 – Pope’s Angelus Address in Turin – Translated beginning (June 21, 2015, ZENIT.org).

At the end of this celebration, our thoughts turn to the Virgin Mary, loving mother and caring towards all her children whom Jesus entrusted to Her on the Cross, while He offered Himself in the act of greatest love.

For more of what the Pope said about Mary:

http://www.zenit.org/en/articles/pope-s-angelus-address-in-turin?utm_campaign=dailyhtml&utm_medium=email&utm_source=dispatch

June 21 – Text of Pope’s Prepared Address to Turin Young People – Translated conclusion (Turin, June 22, 2015, ZENIT.org).

Dear young people, together with these older brothers and sisters that the Saints are, in the Church’s family we have a Mother, let us not forget it! I hope you will entrust yourselves fully to this tender Mother, who indicated the presence of the “greatest love” precisely amid young people, at a wedding celebration. Our Lady “is the always attentive friend so that wine will not be lacking in our life” (Apostolic Exhortation *Eveangelii gaudium*, 286).

June 21 -- Pope’s Address to the Sick and Disabled in Turin – Translated conclusion (Turin, June 22, 2015, ZENIT.org).

May Our Lady protect you.

... And now we pray together to Our Lady and then I will give you the blessing. {Hail Mary}.

June 25 – Pope’s Address to the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy – Translated conclusion (June 25, 2015, ZENIT.org).

May Our Lady follow you in your path and in your preparation, teach you that profound love for the Church that will be so necessary and profitable for you in the mission that awaits you.

June 26 – Pope’s Address to International Catholic Conference of Guiding – Translated conclusion (June 26, 2015, ZENIT.org).

The Virgin Mary is the model of woman according to the Gospel and according to the heart of God, of which the Church and our societies are in need. May she be for you source of encouragement and inspiration. I entrust you all to her intercession

June 26 – Pope's video message on the eve of his trip to Ecuador, Bolivia and Paraguay – Translated conclusion (June 27, 2015, VIS).

May the Blessed Virgin, Mother of America, protect you,

June 27 – Pope sends video-message to Ecuador, Bolivia and Paraguay – Translated conclusion (June 27, 2015, Vatican Radio).

May the Blessed Virgin take care of you, as Mother of America ...

June 27 – Pope’s Message at Funeral for Patriarch Nersex Bedros XIX Tarmouni – Translated conclusion (July 01, 2015, ZENIT.org).

Upon the family of His Beatitude and upon all those taking part in his funeral rites, I impart my heartfelt Apostolic Blessing on invoking the protection of the Mother of God ...

June 28 – Pope's Angelus Address – Translated conclusion (June 28, 2015, ZENIT.org).

We ask the Lord, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, for the gift of a strong faith and courage that pushes us to spread hope and life among our brothers.

[Comments after the Angelus] I cordially salute a group of Bolivian residents in Italy that have brought here some of the images of the Virgin of Urkupina, the Virgin of Copacabana, among others. Our Heavenly Mother protects us.

June 29 – Angelus: the legacy of Sts Peter and Paul is a source of pride for Rome – Translated extract (June 29, 2015, VIS).

In the Angelus prayer ... we associate the memory of Saints Peter and Paul with that of Mary, the living image of the Church, Christ's spouse, whom the two Apostles made fruitful with their blood". Peter personally knew Mary and, conversing with her, especially in the days preceding Pentecost, he was able to deepen his knowledge of the mystery of Christ. Paul, in announcing the fulfilment of the salvific plan 'in the fullness of time', does not neglect to mention the 'woman' to whom the Son of God was born in time. In the evangelisation of the two apostles here in Rome there are also the roots of the Romans' deep, centuries-long devotion to the Holy Virgin, invoked in particular as *Salus Populi Romani*. Mary, Peter and Paul: they are our travelling companions in our search for God, they are our guides on the path of faith and holiness; they drive us towards Jesus, to do all that He asks of us. Let us invoke their help, so that our heart may always be open to the suggestions of the Holy Spirit and encounter with our brothers.