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Marian Thoughts of Pope Francis



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August 1 -- In-Flight Press Conference –Translated extract (August 1, 2016, Zenit.org).

I was looking at Our Lady and I forgot about the step.

August 3 – General Audience: On World Youth Day, Visit to Poland – Translated extract (August 3, 2016, Zenit.org).

During this Journey, I also visited the Shrine of Czestochowa. Before the icon of Our Lady, I received the gift of the gaze of the Mother, who, in a particular way, is Mother of the Polish people, of that noble nation that has suffered so much and, with the strength of faith and her maternal hand, has always risen again.....I thank the Lord and the Virgin Mary for all this.

August 4 – Visit to the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels on the Occasion of the Eighth Centenary of the “Pardon of Assisi”–Translated conclusion (August 4, 2016, Vatican.va).

Now let us pray together to our Lady....

August 4 – Pope’s Address to Dominican General Chapter – Translated conclusion (August 4, 2016, Zenit.org).

May Our Mother, the Virgin of the Rosary, intercede for you and protect you, so that you are courageous preachers and witnesses of the love of God.

August 6 -- Pope’s Address to French Pilgrimage of Poor People (‘Fourth World Movement’) – Translated extract (August 6, 2016, Zenit.org).

All together, now, under the gaze of our Heavenly Father, I entrust you all to the protection of the Mother of Jesus and St. Joseph,...

August 7-- Angelus - Translated conclusion (August 7, 2016, Vatican.va).

May the Virgin Mary help us not to be people and communities dulled by the present, or worse, nostalgic for the past, but striving toward the future of God, toward the encounter with him, our life and our hope.

August 7-- After the Angelus – Translated conclusion (August 7, 2016, Vatican.va).

“...and let us entrust them to the maternal protection of the Virgin Mary.”

August 14 – Angelus- Translated conclusion (August 14, 2016, Vatican.va)

Let us ask the Virgin Mary to pray with us and for us to the Heavenly Father, that he dispense upon all believers the Holy Spirit, the divine flame which warms hearts and helps us to be in solidarity with the joys and the sufferings of our brothers and sisters..

August 15 -- ANGELUS: On the Feast of the Assumption – Translated extract (August 15, 2016, Vatican.va).

The Gospel passage (Lk 1:39-56) of today's Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven describes the encounter between Mary and her cousin Elizabeth, emphasizing that “Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a city of Judah” (v. 39)...

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2016/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20160815.html

August 15 -- After the Angelus -Translated conclusion (August 15, 2016, radiovaticana.va).

May Mary obtain for all people sentiments of compassion and understanding and the desire for peace and harmony!

August 21-- Angelus – Translated conclusion (August 21, 2016, Vatican.va).

Let us ask the Virgin Mary, the Gate of Heaven, to help us seize the opportunities the Lord gives us in order to cross the threshold of faith and thus to enter a broad path: it is the path of salvation that can embrace all those who allow themselves to be enraptured by love.

August 21 -- Life is no Video Game, the goal of Salvation is Serious -Translated conclusion (August 21, 2016, radiovaticana.va).

To the Virgin Mary, Door of Heaven, we ask help so that we seize the opportunities that the Lord gives us to cross the threshold of faith and thus to enter into a wide road: it is

the path of salvation that can accommodate all those who allow themselves to love and be loved.

August 22 -- Pope Sends Thank You Notes to Church of Poland After WYD – Translated conclusion (August 22, 2016, Zenit.org).

I pray, through the intercession of Mary, the Lord for an abundance of gifts and graces for you and all who are entrusted to your pastoral care, especially for the young, that they may grow in an increasingly solid commitment to the Gospel.

August 22 -- Papal Message to ‘Liturgy Week’ in Italy – Translated conclusion (August 22, 2016, Zenit.org).

He entrusts to the maternal intercession of Mary, Mater Misericordiae, the works and expectations of this important national liturgical event ...

August 24 – General Audience: On Tragic Earthquake in Central Italy – Translated extract (August 24, 2016, Zenit.org).

I ask you to join me in praying to the Lord Jesus, who is always moved by compassion before the reality of human suffering, that he may console the broken hearted and, by the intercession of the Virgin Mary, bring them peace.

August 28 – Angelus – Translated conclusion (August 28, 2016, Vatican.va).

Let us ask the Virgin Mary, who was humble throughout her whole life, to lead us every day along the way of humility, and to render us capable of free gestures of welcome and solidarity with those who are marginalized, so as to become worthy of the divine reward.

August 31-- Pope Francis Pleased over Finalization of Peace talks in Colombia – Translated extract of the Statement of the Secretariat of State (August 31, 2016, radiovaticana.va).

Pope Francis commends the peace process in Colombia to the maternal protection of the Most Holy Mother of God, Queen of Peace....