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## Marian Thoughts of Pope Francis



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**October 1-- Homily at Mass in Tbilisi, Georgia – Translated conclusion (October 1, 2016, Tbilisi, Georgia, [radiovaticana.va](http://radiovaticana.va)).**

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, icon of gratuitous love, guide you and protect you.

**October 2 – Homily at Mass in Baku, Azerbaijan – Translated conclusion (October 2, 2016, Baku, Azerbaijan, [Vatican.va](http://vatican.va)).**

May we be aided by the intercession of the Immaculate Virgin Mary and by the saints....

**October 2 – Angelus – Translated extract (October 2, 2016, Baku, Azerbaijan, [Vatican.va](http://vatican.va)).**

Our thoughts turn now to the Virgin Mary, who is venerated in this country not only by Christians. To her we address the words of the Angel Gabriel who brought her the good news of salvation, prepared for humanity by God....

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2016/documents/papa-francesco\\_angelus-azerbaijan\\_20161002.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2016/documents/papa-francesco_angelus-azerbaijan_20161002.html)

**October 3 – Meeting with Priests, Religious, Seminarians, and Pastoral Workers -- Translated conclusion, Apostolic Journey to Georgia and Azerbaijan (October 3, 2016, Tbilisi, Georgia, [Vatican.va](http://vatican.va)).**

Mary, the Holy Mother of God...And it will be Mary, the Church, the grandmother, the mother, to defend the faith. Your ancient monks used to say – and listen well: “When there is spiritual turmoil, we need to take refuge under the mantle of the Holy Mother of God”. And Mary is the model of the Church, she is the model of womanhood, yes, because the Church is a woman and Mary is a woman.

**October 4 -- On His Feast Day, Pope Makes Surprise, Private Visit to Earthquake Victims – Translated extract (October 4, 2016, Amatrice, Italy, Zenit.org).**

May the Lord bless you all; may Our Lady watch over you in this moment of sadness, pain, and trial.

**October 5 – Special Greetings (General Audience) --Translated extract (October 5, 2016, Vatican.va).**

The month of October is the month of missions, in which we are invited to pray intensely to Our Lady, Queen of the Missions.

**October 7 -- Address to Participants in the General Chapter of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate -- Translated conclusion (October 7, 2016, Vatican.va).**

May Our Lady support your steps, especially in trying moments. I ask you, please, to pray to her also for me.

**October 9 – Marian Vigil: meditation of his Holiness – Translated extract (October 8, 2016, Vatican.va).**

On this Jubilee day, we are given a model, indeed the model, to whom we can look: Mary, our Mother. After hearing the message of the Angel, she lifted up her heart in a song of praise and thanksgiving to God: “My soul magnifies the Lord...” Let us ask our Lady to help us recognize that everything is God’s gift, and to be able to say “Thank you”. Then, I assure you, our joy will be complete. Only those who know how to say “Thank you”, will experience the fullness of joy...

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2016/october/documents/papa-francesco\\_20161008\\_giubileo-veglia-mariana.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2016/october/documents/papa-francesco_20161008_giubileo-veglia-mariana.html)

**October 9 – Angelus – Translated conclusion (October 9, 2016, Vatican.va).**

I would like to repeat with you the words of St John Paul II pronounced on 8 October 2000, in the Act of Entrustment to Mary for the Jubilee: “Mother, we wish to entrust to you the future that awaits us. Humanity can turn this world into a garden, or reduce it to a pile of rubble”.

**October 10 -- Address to Participants in the General Chapter of the Society of Catholic Apostolate (Pallotine) -- Translated conclusion (October 10, 2016, Vatican.va).**

I entrust you all to the protection of Mary Most Holy, whom Saint Vincent Palloti venerated in a particular way as Queen of the Apostles. She, effective example of apostolic zeal and perfect charity, invites us to incessant prayer to invoke the gifts of the Holy Spirit on today’s apostles, so that her Son’s Gospel is proclaimed in every part of the world.

**October 10 – Pope’s Telegram for Hurricane Matthew in Haiti --Translated conclusion (October 10, 2016, Zenit.org).**

...the Holy Father entrusts all Haitians to the maternal protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and imparts to them, as a sign of consolation and hope, a special apostolic blessing.

**October 16 – Angelus – Translated conclusion (October 16, 2016, Vatican.va).**

Let us entrust to the Virgin Mary all our intentions, especially our persistent and heartfelt prayer for peace.

**October 17-- Pope’s Address to Senior Citizens, Caregivers –Translated extract (October 17, 2016, Zenit.org).**

It does me so much good to read when Joseph and Mary took the Baby Jesus – the Baby was 40 days old – to the Temple; and they found two grandparents there [Simeon and Anna], and these grandparents were the wisdom of the people; they praised God that this wisdom could go forward with this Baby. It was grandparents who received Jesus in the Temple, not the priest: he came later. It was the grandparents; read this in Luke’s Gospel, it’s very beautiful!

**October 20 – Address to Participants in the General Chapter of the Order of Augustinian Recollects (55th General Chapter of the Order) --Translated conclusion (October 20, 2016, Vatican.va).**

I entrust the intentions and plans of your Order to the protection of our Mother, the Virgin Mary: may she watch over and direct them.

**October 21 – Address to the Members of John Paul II Foundation (35th anniversary) – Translated conclusion (October 21, 2016, Vatican.va).**

May the Virgin Mary, Mater Misericordiae, protect and guide you.

**October 23 – Angelus Address – Translated conclusion (October 23, 2016, Vatican.va).**

May the Virgin Mary, model of the Church “that goes forth” and of docility to the Holy Spirit, help us all to be, in the strength of our Baptism, missionary disciples in order to bring the message of salvation to the entire human family.

**October 24 – Pope Francis’ Address to Members of Jesuits 36th General Congregation – Translated conclusion (October 24, 21016, Zenit.org).**

... we beg Our Lady of la Strada to intercede for us before the “Father of mercies and God of all consolation” (2 Cor 1:3), to constantly place us with her Son, with Jesus who carries, and invites us to carry the cross of the world with Him. We entrust to Her “our way of proceeding” that it should be ecclesial, inculturated, poor, attentive, free from all worldly ambition. We beg Our

Mother to direct and accompany every Jesuit along with that part of the people faithful to God whom he has been sent, along these paths of consolation, of compassion and discernment.

**October 26 – Pope Invites Newlyweds, Families to Pray the Rosary (General Audience) – Translated conclusion (October 26, 2016, Vatican.va).**

At the end of this month of October I would like to recommend the prayer of the Rosary. This simple Marian prayer shows you, dear young people, the way to interpret God's will in your lives; love this prayer, dear sick people, as it brings consolation to the mind and to the heart.

**October 30 – Angelus --Translated conclusion (October 30, 2016, Vatican.va).**

May the Virgin Mary help us to see the good that there is in the people we encounter each day, so that everyone may be encouraged to bring out the image of God imprinted in their hearts. In this way we can rejoice in the surprises of the mercy of God! Our God, who is the God of surprises!... May the Risen Lord give them strength and may Our Lady protect them.