

## Marian Thoughts of Pope Francis



September 2017

### **September 3 – Angelus –Translated conclusion (September 3, 2017, Vatican.va).**

May Mary Most Holy, who followed Jesus to Calvary, accompany us also and help us not to be afraid of the cross ...

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2017/documents/papa-francesco\\_angelus\\_20170903.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2017/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20170903.html)

### **September 5 – Colombia: First Stop, Basilica of St. Mary Major (video to the Colombia people) –Translated extract (September 5, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May our Mother, the Holy Virgin take care of you.

### **September 7 – Pope’s Condolence Telegram on Death of Cardinal Caffarra –Translated conclusion (September 7, 2017, Zenit.org).**

I raise fervent prayers to the Lord so that, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of Saint Petronius ...

### **September 7 – Colombia: “A goal not fully attained”: Address to Colombian Bishops (Bogota, Colombia) –Translated conclusion (September 7, 2017, Zenit.org).**

Let us now turn in spirit to Our Lady of the Rosary of Chiquinquirá, whose image you were thoughtful enough to bring from her Shrine to the magnificent Cathedral of this city, so that I too might venerate her.

### **September 7 – Latin America: Address to the Latin American Episcopal Conference (CELAM) (Bogota, Colombia) –Translated extract and conclusion (September 7, 2017, Zenit.org).**

Guadalupe and Aparecida are programmatic signs of the divine creativity that has bought this about and that underlies the popular piety of our people ...

I commend you, my brother bishops of CELAM, the local Churches that you represent, and all the people of Latin America and the Caribbean, to the protection of Our Lady under the titles of Guadalupe and Aparecida.

**September 8 – Pope in Colombia: “New dawn that proclaims joy to the whole world.” (Beatification Mass in Villavicencio, Colombia) –Translated extract (September 8, 2017, Zenit.org).**

Mary with her generous yes permitted God to take charge of history. Joseph, the just man, did not allow his pride, passions or zeal to expel him from this light ...

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/popes-homily-at-beatification-mass-in-villavicencio-colombia/>

**September 9 – Pope: You Must be Dwelling in Christ (La Maracana, Colombia) – Translated extract (September 9, 2017).**

Just as the Apostles, some women and Mary, the Mother of Jesus (cf. Acts 1: 13-14) continued to meet in that Upper Room, so too we are gathered here together to listen to him, and to listen to one another.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/popes-remarks-at-la-macarena-events-center-in-medellin/>

**September 9 – Pope Reminds Colombian Orphans that Jesus Never Leaves them (Hogar San José of Medellín, Colombia) –Translated conclusion (September 9, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May Jesus and Mary, together with Saint Joseph, accompany and protect you, and fill you with their tenderness, joy and strength.

**September 9 – Pope’s Homily during Mass in Medellín, Colombia –Translated extract (September 9, 2017, Zenit.org).**

Let us pray through the intercession of Our Mother, Our Lady of Candelaria, that she may accompany us on our path of discipleship, so that, giving our lives to Christ, we may simply be missionaries who bring the light and joy of the Gospel to all people.

**September 9 – Pope Francis’ Words at Apostolic Nunciature of Bogotá to Victims of Violence –Translated conclusion (September 9, 2017, Zenit.org).**

At the foot of the cross there was the Mother. And she had been stripped of her Son, and she had seen the torture, everything. May she accompany Colombian women and show them, like her, the way to go. Let us ask together: Hail Mary...

**September 10 – Angelus – (Cartagena de Indias, Colombia) –Translated extract (September 10, 2017, Vatican.va).**

As we pray the Angelus, recalling the incarnation of the Word, we also reflect on Mary who conceived Jesus and brought him into the world. We look to her this morning under the title of Our Lady of Chiquinquirá.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2017/documents/papa-francesco\\_angelus-colombia\\_20170910.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2017/documents/papa-francesco_angelus-colombia_20170910.html)

**September 13- General Audience: “Let’s take the first step” –Translated conclusion (September 13, 2017, Zenit.org).**

I again commend Colombia and her beloved people to the Mother, Our Lady of Chiquinquirá, whom I was able to venerate in the Cathedral of Bogotá. With Mary’s help, may every Colombian be able to take every day the first step towards their brother and sister, and in this way build together, day-by-day, peace in love, in justice and in truth.

**September 14 – Pope’s Full Address to Newly Appointed Bishops –Translated conclusion (September 14, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May the Virgin, who keeps her gaze firmly on her Son, keep and bless you and your particular Churches.

**September 15 – Pope’s Address to Italian National Association of Traveling Show People (70th anniversary of the Association’s activity) –Translated conclusion (September 15, 2017, Zenit.org).**

I entrust you all to the maternal protection of Mary our Mother. May she accompany you always in your going and staying. I bless you all from my heart, your dear ones and your work.

**September 15 – Pope at Santa Marta: Contemplate the Virgin Mary at the Cross (Homily) –Translated extract (September 15, 2017, Zenit.org).**

Contemplate the Mother of Jesus, contemplate this sign of contradiction because Jesus is the winner, but [is] on the Cross, on the Cross. It’s a contradiction, one does not understand.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/pope-at-santa-marta-contemplate-the-virgin-mary-at-the-cross/>

**September 17 – Angelus –Translated conclusion (September 17, 2017, Vatican.va).**

May the Virgin Mary help us to become ever more aware of the gratuitousness and the greatness of the forgiveness received from God, to become merciful like him, Good Father, slow to anger and great in love.

**September 18 –The Holy Father’s Letter to the Bishops of Japan (Pastoral visit of Cardinal Fernando Filoni) –Translated conclusion (September 18, 2017, Zenit.org).**

I entrust each one of you to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and I assure you of my closeness and prayer.

**September 18 – Pope’s Address to the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (General Chapter of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart) –Translated conclusion (September 18, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May the Virgin Mary, whom you invoke under the title of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, keep you ever close to her Son, ready to do whatever he tells you, and may she protect you with her maternal intercession.

**September 20 – Mexico: The Pope’s Closeness and Prayer after the Earthquake – Translated conclusion (September 21, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May our Mother, the Virgin of Guadalupe, be close with great tenderness to the beloved Mexican nation.

**September 21 – Pope to Members of Pontifical Commission – Protection of Minors (Meeting) –Translated conclusion (September 21, 2017, Zenit.org).**

I entrust you to the Most Holy Virgin Mary, the Mother who remains close to us throughout our lives.

**September 24 – Angelus –Translated conclusion (September 24, 2017, Vatican.va).**

May Mary Most Holy help us welcome into our lives the logic of love, which frees us from the presumption of deserving God’s reward and from the critical judgement of others.

**September 25 – Pope Thanks Swiss Guard Benefactors (Audience) –Translated conclusion (September 25, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May the Holy Virgin and Saint Nicholas of Flüe protect you and your families and make you increasingly witnesses of faith and of goodness.

**September 25 – Pope’s Address to Cistercians of the Strict Observance (General Chapter) –Translated conclusion (September 25, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May the Virgin Mary, Mother of God and of the Church, model of every consecrated life, accompany the works of your Chapter and the path of the Order with her maternal intercession.

**September 27– Pope’s General Audience: On Christian Hope, Enemies of Hope – Translated extract (September 27, 2017, Zenit.org).**

God had need of them to enter in the world: of Joseph, of Mary, of the shepherds of Bethlehem.

**September 29 – Pope: “Evangelization Belongs to the People of God” (Plenary of the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization) –Translated conclusion (September 27, 2017, Zenit.org).**

May the Lord bless you and Our Lady keep you.

**September 29 –The Archangels: “Our Fellow Travelers” (homily at Mass at Santa Marta on the feast day of the archangels) –Translated extract (September 29, 2017, Zenit.org).**

He has indeed brought the announcement of salvation “to Mary, to Zachariah, to Joseph,” ...

