

Marian Thoughts of Pope Francis



January 2019

January 1 – Angelus –Translated extract (January 1, 2019, Vatican.va).

Today, the eighth day after Christmas, we celebrate the Holy Mother of God. Like the shepherds of Bethlehem, we remain with our gaze focused on her and on the Child she holds in her arms.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2019/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20190101.html

January 1 – Pope’s Message for 52nd World Day of Peace –Translated extract (January 1, 2019, Zenit.org).

The politics of peace, conscious of and deeply concerned for every situation of human vulnerability, can always draw inspiration from the Magnificat, the hymn that Mary, the Mother of Christ the Saviour and Queen of Peace, sang in the name of all mankind: ...

January 1 – Pope’s New Year’s Day Homily in St. Peter’s Basilica –Translated extract (January 1, 2019, Zenit.org).

Today is also a day to be amazed by the Mother of God. God appears as a little child, held in the arms of a woman who feeds her Creator.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/god-himself-needed-a-mother-how-much-more-so-do-we/>

January 6 – Angelus –Translated conclusion (January 6, 2019, Vatican.va).

May the Virgin Mary — star who guides us to Jesus and Mother who shows Jesus to the Magi and to all those who approach her — support us on this journey.

January 6 – Pope’s Homily on Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord –Translated extract (January 6, 2019, Zenit.org).

... Mary and Joseph, the shepherds. Like the Magi, they left home and became pilgrims on the paths of God.

January 8 – Pope’s Message for 27th World Day of the Sick –Translated conclusion (January 8, 2019, Zenit.org).

I entrust all of you to Mary, Salus Infirmorum. May she help us to share the gifts we have received in the spirit of dialogue and mutual acceptance, to live as brothers and sisters attentive to each other’s needs, ...

January 11 – Pope Releases Video to Accompany January Prayer Intention –Translated extract (January 11, 2019, Zenit.org).

You young people have, in the Virgin Mary, a reason for joy and a source of inspiration.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/pope-releases-video-to-accompany-january-prayer-intention/>

January 13 – Angelus –Translated conclusion (January 13, 2019, Vatican.va).

May the Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, be our guide and our model.

January 17 – Pope Thanks Public Security Workers of Vatican –Translated conclusion (January 17, 2019, Zenit.org).

Dear friends, I entrust each of you to the maternal intercession of Mary Most Holy. May she always be close to your work and support your families, to whom I address a special thought.

January 20 – Angelus –Translated extract (January 20, 2019, Vatican.va).

And then, let us turn to Mary. The words that Mary addresses to the servants crown the spousal picture of Cana: “Do whatever he tells you” (Jn 2:6). Today too, Our Lady tells all of us to “Do whatever he tells you”.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2019/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20190120.html

January 24 – Pope’s Address to Bishops of Central America (Panama City, World Youth Day 2019) –Translated conclusion (January 24, 2019, Zenit.org).

May Jesus bless you and may Our Lady protect you.

January 24 – Pope’s Address to Panamanian Authorities, Diplomatic Corps (Panama City) –Translated conclusion (January 24, 2019, Zenit.org).

May Our Lady, Santa Maria La Antigua, bless and protect Panama.

January 24 – Pope’s Address at Opening of World Youth Day 2019 (Campo Santa Maria la Antigua – Cinta Costera, Panama) –Translated conclusion (January 24, 2019, Zenit.org).

Dear friends, may Jesus bless you and Santa Maria Antigua ever accompany you so that we can say without fear, as she does: “I am here. Let it be done”.

January 25 – Pope Francis Speaks to Youth on the Way of the Cross (Panama) – Translated extract (January 25, 2019, Zenit.org).

Let us look to Mary, woman of strength.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/wyd-pope-francis-speaks-to-youth-on-the-way-of-the-cross-full-text/>

January 26 – Holy Father’s Speech at Saturday’s Prayer Vigil (World Youth Day, Campo San Juan Pablo II – Metro Park, Panama) –Translated extract (January 26, 2019, Zenit.org).

That was how he surprised Mary, and asked her to be part of this love story.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/wyd-holy-fathers-speech-at-saturdays-prayer-vigil-full-text/>

January 27 – Pope Tells Young People to Make God Their Treasure (Closing WYD Mass, in Panama) –Translated extract (January 27, 2019, Zenit.org).

Mary’s fiat has been whispering like a kind of music in the background. She not only believed in God and in his promises as something possible, she believed God himself and dared to say “yes” to taking part in this now of the Lord. She felt she had a mission; she fell in love and that decided everything.

January 27 – Angelus (Casa Hogar El Buen Samaritano in Panama) –Translated extract (January 27, 2019, Vatican.va).

Now that we are about to pray the Angelus, I entrust you to our Blessed Lady. We ask her, as a good Mother, full of tender love and closeness, to teach us to make an effort each day to discover who our neighbours are, and to help us go out quickly to meet them, to give them a home, an embrace, where care and fraternal love meet.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2019/documents/papa-francesco_angelus-panama_20190127.html

January 27 – Pope’s Address to World Youth Day Volunteers (Rommel Fernandez Stadium, Panama) –Translated conclusion (January 27, 2019, Zenit.org).

Let us also place ourselves under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin. May Our Lady accompany you always.

January 27– Pope’s Comments After Angelus at the Good Samaritan Home, Panama – Translated conclusion (January 27, 2019, Zenit.org).

To Christ and to the Virgin we also entrust the victims of the terrorist attack perpetrated this Sunday in the Cathedral of Jolo in the Philippines, while the Eucharist was being celebrated.

January 30 – General Audience –Translated extract (January 30, 2019, Vatican.va)

his word had a weighty *Marian imprint* because its theme was expressed in the Virgin's words to the Angel: "*I am the servant of the Lord: May it be done to me according to your word*" (Lk 1:38). It was great to hear these words uttered by representatives of young people from all five different continents, and above all, to see them shine on their faces.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2019/documents/papa-francesco_20190130_udienza-generale.html