

Marian Thoughts of Pope Francis



May 2019

May 2 – Pope’s Apostolic Exhortation ‘CHRISTUS VIVIT’–Translated extract (May 2, 2019, Zenit.org).

In the heart of the Church, Mary shines forth. She is the supreme model for a youthful Church that seeks to follow Christ with enthusiasm and docility.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/christus-vivit-full-text/>

May 5 – Pope sent a message to participants in “The Common Good on our Common Seas” Conference taking place in Copenhagen from May 3-5, 2019 – Translated conclusion (May 5, 2019, Zenit.org).

As you consider these important questions, I willingly offer these thoughts as a contribution to your deliberations, which I entrust to the intercession of Our Lady Star of the Sea.

May 5 – Regina Coeli (Saint Alexander Nevsky Square (Sofia)) –Translated extract (May 5, 2019, Vatican.va).

Let us now turn to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of heaven and earth, asking her to intercede before the Risen Lord, that he may grant this beloved land the necessary impulse always to be *a land of encounter*.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2019/documents/papa-francesco_regina-coeli-bulgaria_20190505.html

May 8 – General Audience (Special Greetings) –Translated conclusion (May 8, 2019, Vatican.va).

Today is the day dedicated to the Supplication to Our Lady of Pompeii. We are joined in spirit with those gathered in that Marian Shrine as well as with those elsewhere who will gather

together at noon to faithfully recite the Supplication to our Lady, so that she may turn her gaze upon the world and intercede for the entire Church and for those who suffer in body and in spirit.

May 11 – Holy Father Thanks Papal Foundation for Contributions to Church (Audience) – Translated conclusion (May 11, 2019, Zenit.org).

I entrust all of you, together with your families, to the loving intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of joy and peace in Christ our Risen Saviour.

May 11 – Pope’s Address to International Union of Superiors General (Audience) – Translated conclusion (May 11, 2019, Zenit.org).

May the Virgin accompany you and protect you with her maternal intercession.

May 12 – Regina Coeli –Translated extract (May 12, 2019, Vatican.va).

Let us now turn to Mary, Mother of Christ the Good Shepherd. May she, who readily responded to God’s call, help in particular those who are called to the priesthood and to consecrated life to joyfully and willingly accept Christ’s call to be his more direct coworkers in proclaiming the Gospel and at the service of the Kingdom of God in this age of ours.

May 15 – General Audience (Special Greetings) –Translated conclusion (May 15, 2019, Vatican.va).

During this month of May dedicated to Our Lady, I ask you to imitate her.

May 16 – Meeting Lasallian Christian Brothers Celebrating 300-Year Anniversary (Audience) –Translated conclusion (May 16, 2019, Zenit.org).

May the Holy Virgin sustain you always and obtain for you abundant apostolic fruits.

May 17 – Pope to participants in the General Chapter of the Society of African Missions (Audience) –Translated conclusion (May 17, 2019, Zenit.org).

I entrust your missionary family to the intercession of the Virgin Mary, asking her to sustain your efforts.

May 17 – Pope to members of the Italian Catholic Association of Healthcare Workers (Audience) –Translated conclusion (May 17, 2019, Zenit.org).

I entrust you to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to which your Association is consecrated. May She, who practiced hospitality and charity, remain always for us refuge in toil and model of service to brothers.

May 19 – Regina Coeli –Translated extract (May 19, 2019, Vatican.va).

may the Virgin Mary help us to receive from her son Jesus the gift of his commandment, and from the Holy Spirit, the strength to put it into practice in everyday life.

May 22 – General Audience (The Holy Father’s Appeal) –Translated conclusion (May 22, 2019, Zenit.org).

Dear faithful in China, may our Mother in Heaven help you all to be witnesses of charity and fraternity, keeping yourselves always united in the communion of the universal Church.

May 26 – Regina Coeli Address –Translated conclusion (May 26, 2019, Zenit.org).

May Mary, who in this month of May we venerate and pray to with special devotion as our heavenly Mother, always protect the Church and the whole of humanity.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/regina-coeli-address-on-the-coming-of-the-holy-spirit-the-paraclete/>

May 27 – Pope to the participants in the 21st General Assembly of Caritas Internationalis (Audience) –Translated conclusion (May 27, 2019, Zenit.org).

May ... Our Lady keep you.

May 27 – Pope Francis' Message for 2019 World Day of Migrants and Refugees – Translated conclusion (May 27, 2019, Zenit.org).

In expressing this prayerful hope, and through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Way, I invoke God's abundant blessings upon all the world's migrants and refugees and upon all those who accompany them on their journey.

May 29 – Pope Francis Receives Pilgrimage of the Eparchy of Lungro of the Italian-Albanians of Continental Italy (Audience) –Translated conclusion (May 29, 2019, Zenit.org).

May the maternal protection of the Holy Mother of God, the Hodegitria accompany you in your daily path. May She, the obedient handmaid who received the word of the Lord, make you ever more docile to the Father's will and generous instruments of His plan of salvation.

May 29 – General Audience –Translated conclusion (May 29, 2019, Vatican.va).

As they awaited this gift, the Apostles, together with Mary, did so together as members of the Lord's family.

May 31 – Pope Francis to Romanian Orthodox (Palace of the Patriarchate, Romania) – Translated conclusion (May 31, 2019, Zenit.org).

From Easter to Pentecost: a time of gathering and praying together under the protection of the Holy Mother of God, a time of invoking the Spirit for one another.