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May 3 – Regina Caeli (Angelus) –Translated conclusion (May 3, 2020, Vatican.va).

May Our Lady, Mother of Good Counsel, guide and accompany our discernment.

May 3 – Regina Caeli (Greetings) –Translated conclusion (May 3, 2020, Vatican.va).

We have just started May, the quintessential Marian month, during which the faithful love to visit the Shrines dedicated to Our Lady. This year, because of the health situation, let us visit these places of faith and devotion spiritually, to place in the heart of the Blessed Virgin our worries, expectations and plans for the future.

May 6 – General Audience –Translated extract (May 6, 2020, Zenit.org).

A short time ago we began the month of May, which Christian popular devotion dedicates to the Mother of the Lord. I exhort you to entrust yourselves to Her, who was given to us as Mother under the Cross.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/popes-general-audience-on-prayer-full-text/>

May 7 – Morning Homily –Translated extract (May 7, 2020, Zenit.org).

Ask the Lord for this awareness <of being> a people, may Our Lady who sang beautifully her Magnificat (Cf. Luke 1:46-56); may Zechariah who sang his Benedictus so beautifully (Cf. vv. 67-79), canticles that we pray every day, in the morning and in the evening.

May 10 – Regina Caeli (Angelus) –Translated conclusion (May 10, 2020, Vatican.va).

May Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, help us to follow Jesus, who opened Heaven for us.

May 10 – Regina Caeli (Greetings) –Translated conclusion (May 10, 2020, Vatican.va).

I would like to remember all mothers with gratitude and affection, entrusting them to the protection of Mary, our heavenly Mother.

May 13 – General Audience: greetings –Translated extract (May 13, 2020, Zenit.org).

I invite you to invoke the Virgin Mary so that She renders each one perseverant in love of God and neighbor.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/popes-focus-on-prayer-during-general-audience-full-text/>

May 15 – Pope Francis’ Message for 2020 World Day of Migrants and Refugees – Translated conclusion (May 13, 2010, Zenit.org).

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, whom Saint Joseph saved by fleeing to Egypt, and trusting in the intercession of the Virgin Mary, whom he loved as a faithful husband in accordance with your will.

May 17 – Regina Caeli (Angelus) –Translated conclusion (May 17, 2020, Vatican.va).

May the Virgin Mary, model of the Church, who knows how to listen to the Word of God and to welcome the gift of the Holy Spirit, help us to live the Gospel with joy, knowing that we are sustained by the Spirit, the divine fire that warms our hearts and illuminates our steps.

May 21 – Pope Francis’ Message to Pontifical Mission Societies (Annual General Assembly) – Translated conclusion (May 21, 2020, Zenit.org).

May Our Lady watch over you and the Pontifical Mission Societies, and may her Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, bless you.

May 24 – Regina Caeli (Angelus) –Translated conclusion (May 24, 2020, Vatican.va).

May the Virgin Mary accompany our journey with her maternal protection. May may we learn from her the gentleness and courage to be witnesses in the world of the Risen Lord.

May 24– Regina Caeli (Greetings) –Translated conclusion (May 24, 2020, Vatican.va).

Let us join spiritually with the Catholic faithful in China, who today celebrate with particular devotion the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Help of Christians and Patroness of China, worshipped in the Shrine of Sheshan in Shanghai.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/regina-caeli-address-solemnity-of-the-ascension-on-the-seventh-sunday-of-easter/>

May 31 – Pope to the Priests of Rome (message in the context of Covid-19) –Translated extract (May 31, 2020, Zenit.org).

His gestures give form to Mary’s beautiful song: “He has shown might with His arm, dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart.

For more of what the pope said about Mary:

<https://zenit.org/articles/pope-writes-to-the-priests-of-rome/>

May 31 – Regina Caeli (Angelus) –Translated conclusion (May 31, 2020, Vatican.va).

Let us now raise our thought to Mary: she was there, with the apostles, when the Holy Spirit came, protagonist of the first community who experienced the wonders of Pentecost, and let us pray that she obtain for the Church an ardent missionary spirit.

May 31 – Regina Caeli (Greetings) –Translated extract (May 31, 2020, Vatican.va).

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Amazon, I pray for the poorest and those who lack defences in that precious Region, but also for others throughout the world ...

May 31 – Holy Father's Message for World Mission Day 2020 –Translated conclusion (May 31, 2020, Zenit.org).

May the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of Evangelization and Comforter of the Afflicted, missionary disciple of her Son Jesus, continue to intercede for us and sustain us.