May Crowing



Madonna of the Magnificat by Sandro Botticelli, 1481

Church of the Holy Ghost

316 Judson Street Tiverton, Rhode Island

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Opening Hymn:

Immaculate Mary (Lourdes Hymn)

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing. You reign now in Heaven with Jesus our King.

Ref. Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria!

> In Heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth we your children invoke your sweet name. (ref.)

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth, And bless, Holy Mary, the land of our birth. (ref.)

V. In the Name

of the Father...

R. Amen.

V. Mary, dear Mother of our God!

R. Sweet flowers we bring to thee Upspringing from the willing sod, Types of thy purity, Protect us from the world's foul breath, Great Queen Immaculate! In joy and sorrow, life and death, Be thou our advocate.

V. All fair art thou, O Mary.

R. All fair art thou, O Mary.

V. The original stain is not in thee.

R. The original stain is not in thee.

V. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem.

R. Thou art the joy of Israel.

V. The art the honor of our people.

R. Thou art the advocate of sinners.

V. O Mary.

R. O Mary.

V. Virgin most prudent.

R. Mother most clement.

V. Pray for us.

R. Intercede for us with our Lord Jesus (†) Christ.

R. Pray for us to the Father, Whose Son was born of thee.

V. Let us pray. O God, Who through the Immaculate Conception of a Virgin didst prepare a worthy dwelling- place for Thy Son, we beseech Thee, Who by the death of that Son, foreseen by Thee, didst preserve her from all stain of sin, to grant that by her intercession we also may be purified, and so may come to Thee. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

V. O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, graciously look down upon Supreme Pontiff, whom Thou hast chosen to be the Pastor of Thy Church; and grant him, we beseech Thee, both by word and example, so to direct those over whom Thou hast placed him, that together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may attain eternal life.

R. Amen.

V. O God, our refuge and strength, Who art the Author of all holiness, listen to the pious prayers of Thy Church, and grant that what we ask in faith we may effectually obtain, though Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer, Ave Augustissima

- V. Hail, thou that art most venerable, Queen of peace, most holy Mother of God;
- R. Through the Sacred Heart of Jesus (†), * thy Son, the Prince of peace, * procure for us the cessation of His anger, * that so He may reign over us in peace.
- R. That never was it known * that anyone who sought thy prayers was forsaken by God. * Inspired with this confidence, I come unto Thee. * Despise not my petitions, O Mother of the Incarnate Word; * but in thy loving kindness hear and answer me, * O merciful, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Prayer for the Month of May

- V. O most august and blessed Virgin Mary! Holy Mother of God!
- R. Glorious Queen of heaven and earth! *
 Powerful protectress of those who love
 thee, and unfailing advocate of all who
 invoke thee!
- V. Look down, we beseech thee, from thy throne of glory, on thy devoted children:
- R. Accept the solemn offering we present thee * of this month especially dedicated to thee, * and receive our ardent, humble desire, * that by our fervent love we may worthily honor thee, * who next to God, art deserving of all honor.
- V. Receive us, O Mother of mercy,
- R. Among thy best beloved children; * extend to us thy maternal tenderness and solicitude; * obtain for us a place in the

Heart of Jesus (†) * and a special share in the gifts of His grace.

- V. Oh, deign we beseech thee,
- R. To recognize our claims on thy protection, * to watch over the spiritual and temporal interests of ourselves and of all who are dear to us; * to infuse into our souls the spirit of Christ * and to teach us thyself * to become meek, humble, charitable, patient and submissive to the will of God.
- V. May our hearts burn with the love of thy divine Son, and of thee, His blessed Mother,
- R. Not for a month alone, but for time and eternity; * may we thirst and labor for the promotion of His glory * and for thy greater veneration.
- V. Receive us, O Mary, thou refuge of sinners,
- R. Grant us a mother's blessing and a mother's care, * now and at the hour of our death. * Amen.

THE CROWNING

Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Refrain:

O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May. O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,

Oueen of the Angels and Queen of the May.

Bring flowers of the rarest Bring blossoms the fairest, From garden and woodland and hillside and dale;

Our full hearts are swelling,

Our glad voices telling

The praise of the loveliest flower of the vale! (Ref.)

Their lady they name thee,
Their mistress proclaim thee,
Ah, grant that thy children on earth be as true
As long as the bowers
Are radiant with flowers,
As long as the azure shall keep its bright hue.
(Ref.)

Sing gaily in chorus;
The bright angels o'er us
Re-echo the strains we begin upon earth;
Their harps are repeating
The notes of our greeting,
For Mary herself is the cause of our mirth.
(Ref.)

Consecration to Our Lady by The Saints

(St. Francis de Sales, St. Aloysius Gonzaga and St. Louis de Montfort)

- V. Most holy Mary, Virgin Mother of God,
- R. Most unworthy though I am * to be thy servant, * yet moved by thy motherly care for me, * and longing to serve thee, * I choose thee this day * in the presence of my guardian angel * and all the court of heaven * to be my Queen, my Advocate, and my Mother. * I firmly resolve to serve thee always * and to do what I can * that all may render faithful service to thee.

V. Most holy Mary, my Lady,

R. Into thy blessed trust and special custody, * and into the bosom of thy tender mercy, * this day, every day of my life * and at the hour of my death, * I commend my soul and body: * to thee I entrust all my hopes and consolations, * all my trials and miseries, * my life and the end of my life, * that through thy most holy intercession and thy merits, * all my actions may be ordered and disposed * according to thy will * and that of thy divine Son.

V.! Most dear and beloved Mother,

R. Grant that I may have no other spirit but thy spirit, * to know Jesus (†) Christ and His divine and holy Will; * that I may have no other soul but thy soul, * to praise and glorify the Lord; * that I may have no other heart but thy heart, * to love God with a pure and burning love like thine.

- V.! Therefore, most devoted Mother, through the Precious Blood of thy Son shed for me,
- R. I beg thee to take me among thy clients * and receive me as thy servant forever. * Aid me in my every action, * and beg for me the grace * never, by word or deed or thought, * to be displeasing in thy sight * and that of thy most holy Son. * Think of me, my dearest Mother, * and do not abandon me at the hour of death. * Amen.

Recessional:

Salve Regina

The Madonna of the Magnificat

The image on the Cover is The Madonna of the Magnificat, Italian: Madonna del Magnificat, is a painting of circular or tondo form by the Italian Renaissance painter Sandro Botticelli. It is now in the galleries of the Uffizi, in Florence.

The work portrays the Virgin Mary crowned by two angels. She is writing the opening of the Magnificat on the right-hand page of a book; on the left page is part of the Benedictus. In her left hand she holds a pomegranate. Mary is thought to be a portrait of Lucrezia Tornabuoni, wife of Piero de' Medici, and the two angels holding the book to be her sons Lorenzo and Giuliano. In his book 'The Agony and The Ecstasy', about Michelangelo's life, the writer Irving Stone, who spent several years living in Florence, Italy, claims that the painting was actually made for Medici family at the time.

BRING FLOWERS OF THE RAREST



