

Mary, Our Hope



Mary,
Mother of God,
Queen of Heaven,
Hope of those who
are in despair,
joy of Angels and
Saints, peacemaker
between sinner and
God,
we take refuge in your
protection.



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"Our Lady, a full participant in the work of our salvation, follows in the footsteps of her son: the poverty of Bethlehem, the everyday work of a hidden life in Nazareth, the manifestation of his divinity in Cana of Galilee, the tortures of his passion, the divine sacrifice on the cross, the eternal blessedness of paradise.

"All of this affects us directly, because this supernatural itinerary is the way we are to follow. Mary shows us that we can walk this path with confidence. She has preceded us on the way of imitating Christ; her glorification is the firm hope of our own salvation. For these reasons we call her 'our hope, cause of our joy.' "

Let us offer to our Mother today:

A smile ... when we do not feel like smiling!

And we say together ...

Hail Mary, full of Grace
The Lord is with Thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God
Pray for us, sinners,
Now, and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

