



Memo

Date: May 7, 2018
To: Priests, Deacons and Directors of Liturgy
From: Dr. Patricia DeJarnett, Liturgy Coordinator, Office for Divine Worship
Re: Presidential Prayers and Readings for Mary, Mother of the Church

The presidential prayers for the new Obligatory Memorial - Mary, Mother of the Church - to be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost is Votive Mass 10 B Our Lady, Mother of the Church. The readings for this memorial are proper.

First Reading – Genesis 3:9-15, 20

The mother of all the living.

or: Acts 1:12-14

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

Gospel Acclamation

O happy Virgin, you gave birth to the Lord;

O blessed mother of the Church,

you warm our hearts with the Spirit of your Son Jesus Christ.

Gospel – John 19:25-34

Behold, your Son. Behold, your mother.

Please see the attached readings and additional information. For questions, please contact the Office for Divine Worship at pdejarnett@archatl.com or 404-920-7339.

Monday after Pentecost
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
Memorial

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FIRST READING

First Option

The mother of all the living.

A reading from the Book of Genesis

3:9-15, 20

After Adam had eaten of the tree,
the LORD God called to him and asked him, “Where are you?”
He answered, “I heard you in the garden;
but I was afraid, because I was naked,
so I hid myself.”
Then he asked, “Who told you that you were naked?
You have eaten, then,
from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!”
The man replied, “The woman whom you put here with me—
she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it.”
The LORD God then asked the woman,
“Why did you do such a thing?”
The woman answered, “The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it.”

Then the LORD God said to the serpent:
“Because you have done this, you shall be banned
from all the animals
and from all the wild creatures;
On your belly shall you crawl,
and dirt shall you eat
all the days of your life.
I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
He will strike at your head,
while you strike at his heel.”

The man called his wife Eve,
because she became the mother of all the living.

The word of the Lord.

OR:

Second Option

*All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer
together with Mary, the mother of Jesus.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

1:12-14

After Jesus had been taken up to heaven,
the Apostles returned to Jerusalem
from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem,
a sabbath day's journey away.

When they entered the city
they went to the upper room where they were staying,
Peter and John and James and Andrew,
Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew,
James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot,
and Judas son of James.

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer,
together with some women,
and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7

R. (3) Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

His foundation upon the holy mountains
the LORD loves:
The gates of Zion,
more than any dwelling of Jacob.

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

Glorious things are said of you,
O city of God!
And of Zion they shall say:
“One and all were born in her;
And he who has established her
is the Most High LORD.”

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

They shall note, when the peoples are enrolled:
“This man was born there.”
And all shall sing, in their festive dance:
“My home is within you.”

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

O happy Virgin, you gave birth to the Lord;
O blessed mother of the Church,
you warm our hearts with the Spirit of your Son Jesus Christ.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Woman, behold your son. Behold your mother.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

19:25-34

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother
and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas,
and Mary of Magdala.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved,
he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son."

Then he said to the disciple,
"Behold, your mother."

And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

After this, aware that everything was now finished,
in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled,
Jesus said, "I thirst."

There was a vessel filled with common wine.

So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop
and put it up to his mouth.

When Jesus had taken the wine, he said,
"It is finished."

And bowing his head, he handed over the spirit.

Now since it was preparation day,
in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath,
for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one,
the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken
and they be taken down.

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first
and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus.

But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead,
they did not break his legs,
but one soldier thrust his lance into his side,
and immediately Blood and water flowed out.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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10 B
Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Acts 1: 14

The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

Collect

O God, Father of mercies,
whose Only Begotten Son, as he hung upon the Cross,
chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother,
to be our Mother also,
grant, we pray, that with her loving help
your Church may be more fruitful day by day
and, exulting in the holiness of her children,
may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

Receive our offerings, O Lord,
and transform them into the mystery of salvation,
so that by its power we may be set aflame
with the charity of the Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
and with her may be united more closely
to the work of redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: Mary, Model and Mother of the Church.

Text without music:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
and to proclaim your greatness with due praise,
as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Receiving your Word in her Immaculate Heart,
she was found worthy to conceive him in her virgin's womb
and, giving birth to the Creator,
she nurtured the beginnings of the Church.

Standing beside the Cross,
she received the testament of divine love
and took to herself as sons and daughters
all those who by the Death of Christ
are born to heavenly life.

As the Apostles awaited the Spirit you had promised,
she joined her supplication to the prayers of the disciples
and so became the pattern of the Church at prayer.

Raised to the glory of heaven,
she accompanies your pilgrim Church with a mother's love
and watches in kindness over the Church's homeward steps,
until the Lord's Day shall come in glorious splendor.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints,
we praise you, as without end we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts . . .

Communion Antiphon**Cf. Jn 2: 1, 11**

A wedding was held in Cana of Galilee,
and the mother of Jesus was there;
then Jesus performed the first of his signs
and manifested his glory,
and his disciples believed in him.

Or:**Cf. Jn 19: 26-27**

As he hung upon the cross,
Jesus said to the disciple whom he loved:
Behold your mother.

Prayer after Communion

Having received the pledge of redemption and of life,
we humbly pray, O Lord,
that, with the Blessed Virgin's motherly help,
your Church may teach all nations
by proclaiming the Gospel
and, through the grace of the outpouring of the Spirit,
fill the whole earth.
Through Christ our Lord.