

# SUPPLICATION TO THE QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY

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**+ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

O August Queen of Victories, O Sovereign of Heaven and Earth, at whose name the heavens rejoice and the abysses tremble. O Glorious Queen of the Rosary, we your devoted children, gathered in your Temple of Pompei (on this solemn day\*), pour out the feelings of our hearts, and with filial confidence express our miseries to you. From the throne of clemency where you are seated as Queen, turn, O Mary, your pitiful eyes on us, on your families, on Italy, on Europe and on the whole world. Take pity on the worries and trials which embitter our lives. See, O Mother, how many dangers of soul and body, how many calamities and afflictions press upon us. O Mother, implore mercy for us from your Divine Son, and win by your clemency the hearts of sinners. They are brothers and sisters, and your children, who cost the blood of our sweet Jesus and sadden your most sensitive heart. Show yourself to all as you are, the Queen of Peace and of Pardon.

## Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

It is true that we, although your children, are the first who crucify Jesus again in our hearts by our sins, and wound anew your heart. We confess it: we deserve the severe chastisements, yet remember that you did receive, on Golgotha, the Divine Blood and the testament of the dying Saviour, who declared you as our Mother, the Mother of sinners. Thus, as our Mother, you are our advocate and our hope. And groaning we lift up our pleading hands to you crying: have mercy! O good Mother, have pity on us, on our souls, on our families, on our relatives, on our friends, on our deceased, and above all on our enemies, and on so many who call themselves Christians, yet offend the loving heart of your Son. Today, we beg for mercy on perverted nations, on the whole of Europe, on the whole world that repentant they return to your Heart. Be merciful to us all, O Mother of Mercy!

## Hail Mary

Graciously deign, O Mary, to hear us! Jesus has entrusted to your hands all the treasures of His graces and His mercies. You are seated, as crowned Queen, at the right hand of your Son, shining with immortal glory, over all the choirs of angels. You extend your dominion as far as the heavens expand, and the earth and all creatures are subject to you. You are omnipotent by grace, therefore you can help us. Were you not willing to help us, because we are ungrateful children, unworthy of your protection, we would not know to whom to turn. Your Mother's heart will not allow seeing us, your children, lost. The Child we behold on your knees and the mystical Rosary we admire in your hand, both inspire us with confidence that we shall be heard. And we confide totally in You, we abandon ourselves like helpless children into the arms of the most tender of mothers, and on this very day, we expect from you, the desired graces.

## Hail Mary

### Let us ask Mary for her Blessing

One last grace we ask of You, O Queen, that you cannot deny us (on this most solemn day\*). Grant to us all your constant love, and



in a special way, your maternal blessing. We will not depart from you, until you have blessed us. Bless O Mary, at this moment, the Supreme Pontiff. To the ancient splendours of your Crown, to the triumphs of your Rosary, when you are called Queen of Victories, add also this, O Mother: grant triumph to faith and peace to humanity. Bless our bishops, the priests and particularly all those who zealously work for the honour of your shrine. Bless finally all those who are associated with your Temple of Pompei, and those who cultivate and promote devotion to the Holy Rosary.

O blessed Rosary of Mary, sweet chain that binds us to God, bond of love that unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of hell, sure haven in the universal shipwreck, we shall never again leave you. You will be our comfort at the hour of agony, to you the last kiss of our dying life. And the last word on our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary of Pompei, O our dear Mother, O Refuge of Sinners, O Sovereign Comforter of the afflicted. Be blessed

everywhere, now and forever, on earth and in heaven. Amen

## Hail Holy Queen

Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to you do we send up our sighs mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V: Pray for us O holy Mother of God,  
R: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

(\* The Supplication, or Supplica, is prayed only on the 8th May and on Rosary Sunday – the first Sunday of October - feast of Our Lady of Pompei).

## Rosarium Virginis Mariae

On 16 Oct 2002, Pope St. John Paul concluded his encyclical on the Rosary, in which he gave the catholic world the Luminous Mysteries, with these words:

I look to all of you, brothers and sisters of every state of life, to you, Christian families, to you, the sick and elderly, and to you, young people: confidently take up the Rosary once again. Rediscover the Rosary in the light of Scripture, in harmony with the Liturgy, and in the context of your daily lives. May this appeal of mine not go unheard! At the start of the twenty-fifth year of my Pontificate, I entrust this Apostolic Letter to the loving hands of the Virgin Mary, prostrating myself in spirit before her image in the splendid shrine built for her by Blessed Bartolo Longo, the Apostle of the Rosary. I willingly make my own the touching words with which he concluded his well-known Supplication to the Queen of the Holy Rosary: **O Blessed Rosary of Mary, sweet chain that binds us to God, bond of love that unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of hell, sure haven in the universal shipwreck, we shall never again leave you. You will be our comfort at the hour of agony, to you the last kiss of our dying life. And the last word on our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary of Pompei, O our dear Mother, O refuge of sinners, O Sovereign Comforter of the afflicted. Be blessed everywhere, now and forever, on earth and in heaven. Amen.**"

On 7th October 2003, Pope St. John Paul returned to the Basilica of The Blessed Virgin of The Rosary in Pompei, to close the year of The Rosary. He prayed The Rosary and the Supplication to Our Lady, Queen of The Holy Rosary as a "heart-felt cry for world peace".

