

Mary

Mother of
Jesus

Mother of God

Mother of the
Church

Our Mother



Mary in Sacred Scripture



- From Genesis to Revelation – present throughout the Bible

The Woman

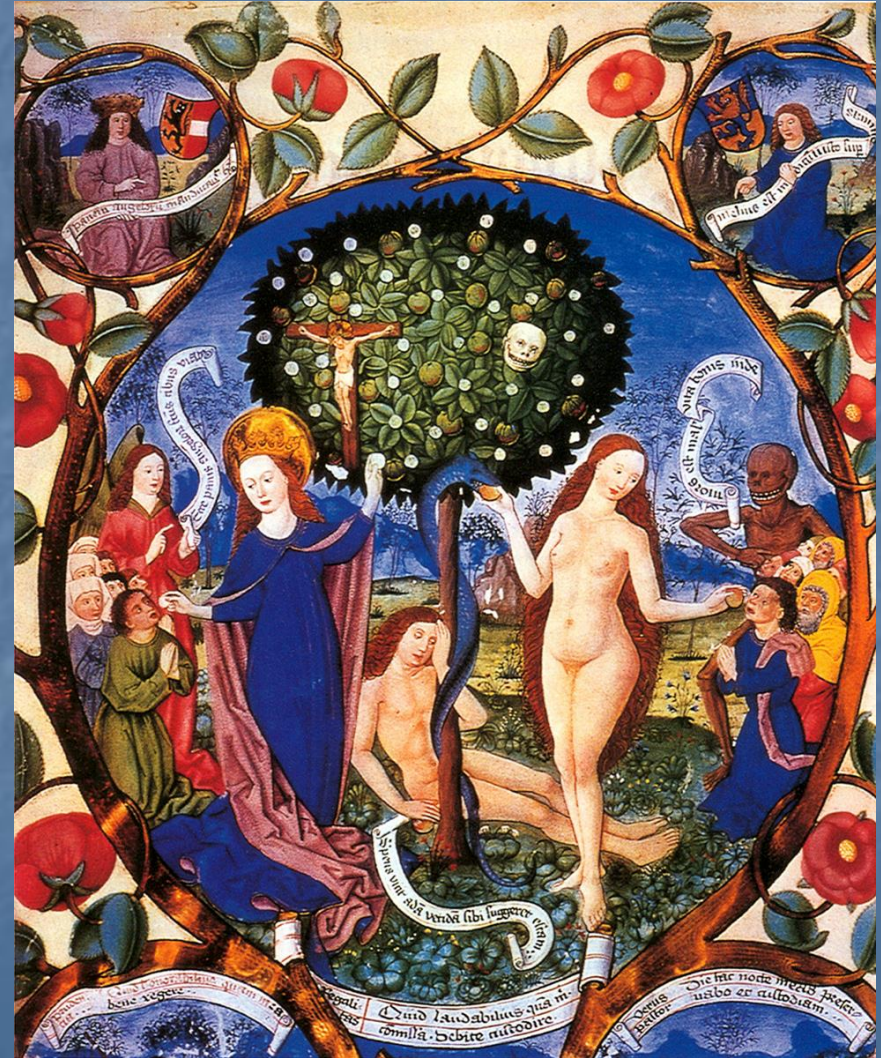
- *I will put enmity between you and **the woman**, and between your offspring and hers; They will strike at your head, while you strike at their heel. Genesis 3:15*
- *[And] Jesus said to her, "**Woman**, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." John 2:4*
- *When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "**Woman**, behold, your son." John 19:26*
- *A great sign appeared in the sky, a **woman** clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. Revelation 12:1*



Mary is the Second Eve

“Death through
Eve, life through
Mary” (CCC 494)

From Eva to Ave



Mary is the Ark of the Covenant



- Manna
 - The Bread of Life
- The Staff of Aaron
 - The Eternal High Priest
- The Ten Commandments
 - The Word of God; The Lawgiver Himself

Mary is the Queen Mother

- Queen of Heaven and earth
- In OT, the queen was not the king's wife, it was his mother.



The Four Defined Marian Doctrines

- **Mother of God** (431 AD, The Council of Ephesus)
- **Mary, Ever-Virgin** (649 AD, The Lateran Council)
- **Immaculate Conception** (Dogma, 1854, Pope Pius IX)
- **Assumption** (Dogma, 1950, Pope Pius XII)

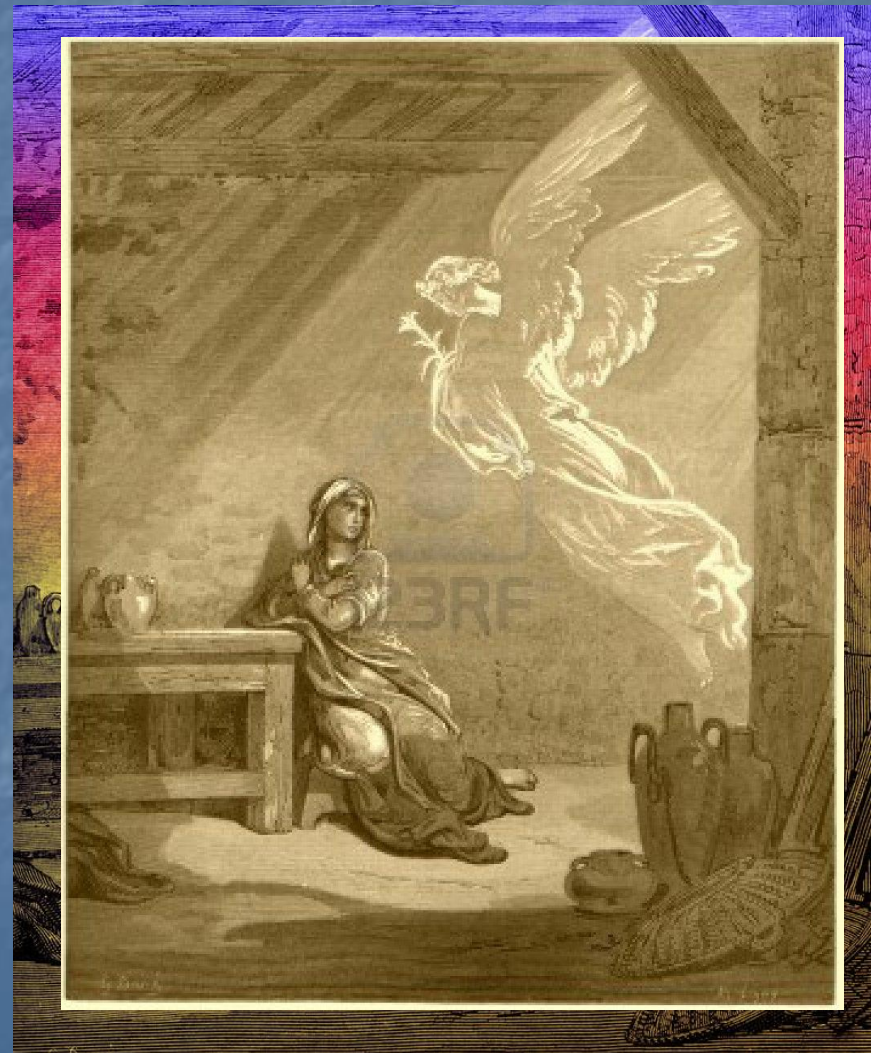
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- *And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. Lk 1:31-32*
- The Incarnation
- *And why is this granted me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? Luke 1:43*



Perpetual Virginity

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a virgin...and the virgin's name was Mary. Luke 1:26-27



Immaculate Conception

- *I am the Immaculate Conception - Lourdes*



The School of Mary



Our Lady of Guadalupe



Bodily Assumption



Mother of the Church

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.

John 19:26-27

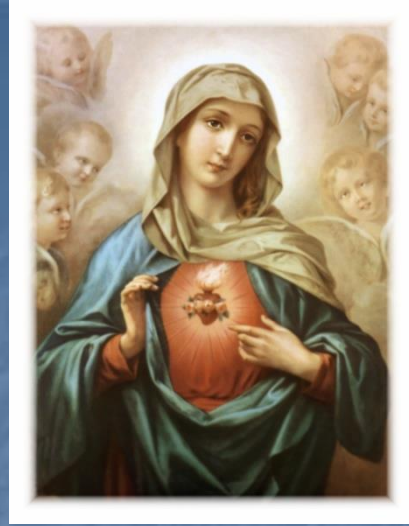


Answering Common Objections

- “Such love and devotion for her is pleasing to the Father and in no way detracts from our love for Jesus.”
- “Mary was the temple of God, not the God of the temple” ~ St. Ambrose
- Mary always leads us to her Son



Mary's Words in Scripture



- “How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?” Luke 1:34
- “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be done to me according to thy word.” Luke 1:38
- The Magnificat Luke 1:46-55
- “Do whatever He tells you.” John 2:5

The Magnificat



My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly
servant.
From this day all generations will call me
blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their
thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children forever.

(Lk 1:46-55)

Marian Prayers

- Hail Mary
- The Rosary
- Litanies
- Consecration



The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.