

# *Immaculate Conception Marian Center*

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For the Devotion to the Holy Eucharist and the Holy Rosary

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## **Celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary**

## **Pray the Rosary**

## **Newsletter – March 2024**

### *Our Mission*

The mission of the Marian Center is the salvation of souls by the promotion of the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary through the praying of the Holy Rosary.

## Prayer List

*Please remember in your prayers those who need prayers  
in our Parish Family and Community.*

### **Parishioners**

Anna Bode Family	Rufe Brewton
Martina Cerda	Sharon Deangelo
Mary Dorgan	Dawn Fuquay
Fred Griffin	Troy Hines
Lorraine Jolin	Darrell Lensch
Judith Lensch	Linda McCollim
Jo Miller	Wayman Moore
Amil Murray	Sandra Remedies
Yvonne Thompson	Rebecca Cornett Sistrunk
The Watts Family	Ken Vrla

### **Family & Friends**

#### March 2024

Karm Cartin                      Lynna Hubley

#### February 2024

Jackie Lloyd

#### January 2024

Rev. Joseph Nasser              Bo Dylan Jordan  
Haden Bayleigh Simmons

*The Virgin Mary's Immaculate Conception Be our  
Health and our protection.*



### Hail Holy Queen

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy.  
Hail 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,  
your eyes of mercy towards us;  
and after this our exile,  
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb Jesus.  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

*Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God  
that we may be made worthy of the promises of  
Christ*



### 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.*

## **Pope's Monthly Intention FOR THE MARTYRS OF OUR DAY, WITNESSES TO CHRIST - MARCH 2024**

**We pray that those who  
risk their lives for the  
Gospel in various parts of  
the world inflame the  
Church with their courage  
and missionary  
enthusiasm.**

## **Feast Days of Mary**

March 25	Annunciation
June 27	Our Mother of Perpetual Help
July 16	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
August 15	The Assumption
August 22	Queenship of Mary

#### *\* Holy day of Obligation*

The Month of Mary is May.

The Month of the Rosary is October.

The Feast of the Immaculate Heart is the Saturday following the  
Second Sunday after Pentecost.

The First Saturday of each Month is also dedicated to Marian

# Rosary Schedule and Marian Feast Days

## March 2024



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>**

**ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.**

**THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.**

**HOLY THURSDAY**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**HOLY SATURDAY**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**





## OUR LADY OF LORETO (the cathedral was built in 1586)

The church of Loreto, one of the finest in Italy, has been adorned, according to their taste, by the popes, who have often come thither on a pilgrimage like the common faithful; three gates of chased bronze give entrance into the holy temple, in the center of which arises the Santa Casa in its clothing of white marble, adorned with magnificent bas-reliefs, designed by Bramante, and executed by Sansovino, Sangallo, and Bandinelli.

La Sala Del Tesoro no longer displays enough riches to pay the ransom of all Italy; but it has still received, in our days, very magnificent gifts of princes and popes. Among these pious gifts we observe a gold monstrance, enriched with diamonds, a chalice, and a thurible, offered by the Emperor Napoleon to the Madonna; an enameled chalice, set with rubies and aqua marinas, offered, in 1819, by Prince Eugene Beauharnais; another chalice, adorned with brilliants, by the Princess of Bavaria, his spouse; a large cross of gold and diamonds, and a crown of amethysts, rubies, and diamonds, offered in 1816, by the King and Queen of Spain, at the time of their pilgrimage to Loreto; a nosegay of diamonds, offered, in 1815, by Maria Louisa, sister of the King of Spain, Queen of Etruria, and Duchess of Lucca; an immense heart of very fine gold, with a precious stone in the center, suspended from a chain of emeralds and amethysts, the gift of the Emperor of Austria to the Madonna. It would be impossible to enumerate the precious stones and rich presents of all kinds offered by princes and kings, under the simple title of dono de una pia persona, in the register containing the names of benefactors to the Santa Casa.

The miraculous statue of the Madonna is thirty-three inches high; it is carved in cedar wood, covered with magnificent drapery, and placed on an altar glittering with precious stones. We are assured that the niche which it occupies is covered with plates of gold. A number of lamps, of massive silver, burn before it.

The beautiful litany of Our Lady of Loreto was the votive offering with which a celebrated Florentine composer, of the early years of the eighteenth century, repaid a miracle of the Blessed Virgin. This composer, whose name was Barroni, all at once lost his hearing, like Beethoven; after having exhausted the succor of art without success, he invoked that of Mary, and set out on a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Loreto. There he was cured, after praying with faith, and in his gratitude to the Holy Madonna, he composed, by inspiration, in her praise, a chorus, which, under the title of Litanie della Santa Casa, was performed for the first time on the 15th of August, 1737. This litany was repeated every year afterwards for the feast of the Madonna; Rossini, happening to pass by Our Lady of Loreto, was struck with the charm of this composition, and is said to have introduced it into his Tancredi (Gazette Musicale).

The front area of the church was constructed during the pontificate of Pope Sixtus V in 1586, and it was he who founded the order of Knights of Loreto, who were a company of knights especially devoted to defend the shores of the Italian Mediterranean against the incursions of barbarians.

The popes have delighted to testify their respect for Mary, by making her miraculous sanctuary of Loreto the object of their devout solicitude. Pope Pius V offered to the Santa Casa two silver statues of Saints Peter and Paul; he did still better by diverting from its natural channel a river, the waters of which, sluggish and in great measure stagnant, sent up the most unwholesome exhalations to the top of the hill, where a small town has been formed, under the shadow of the magnificent church of Mary.

Pope Benedict XIV, embellished this sanctuary with truly persevering generosity, where Pius VII, having recovered his liberty, came to kneel, before his entrance into Rome, and where he left, as a memorial of his visit, a superb gold chalice, with this inscription: "Pius VII, sovereign pontiff, restored to liberty on the day of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and coming from France to Rome, left at Loreto this monument of his devotion and gratitude." His holiness Gregory XVI also made a pilgrimage to Loreto.

