

FEBRUARY 11, THE APPARITION OF OUR BLESSED LADY AT LOURDES

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Our Blessed Lady appeared to Bernadette Soubirous on February 11, 1858, and said "I am the Immaculate Conception." Pope Pius X in 1908 ordered that this feast be kept in the Universal Church on this day. The miracles at Lourdes have continued to the astonishment of the world down to the present time. In 1933 Bernadette was canonized and her feast fixed on this day.

INTROIT Apocalypse 21: 2

Vidí civitátem sanctam, Jerúsalem novam, descendéntem de cælo a Deo, parátam sicut sponsam ornátam viro suo. (Ps 44: 2) Eructávit cor meum verbum bonum: dico ego ópera mea Regi. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erati in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Vidí civitátem sanctam, Jerúsalem novam, descendéntem de cælo a Deo, parátam sicut sponsam ornátam viro suo.

COLLECT

Deus, qui per immaculátam Vírginis Conceptionem dignum Filio tuo habitáculum præparásti: súpplices a te quæsumus; ut, eiúsdem Vírginis Apparitionem celebrántes, salútem mentis et córporis consequámur. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

LESSON Apocalypse 11: 19; 12: 1, 10

Apértum est templum Dei in cælo: et visa est arca testaménti eius in templo ejus, et facta sunt fúlgura et voces et terræmótus et grando magna. Et signum magnum appáruit in cælo: Múlier amícta sole, et luna sub pédibus ejus, et in cápite ejus coróna stellárum duódecim. Et audívi vocem magnam in cælo dicéntem: Nunc facta est salus et virtus, et regnum Dei nostri et potéstas Christi ejus.

GRADUAL Song of Solomon 2: 12

Flores apparuérunt in terra nostra, tempus putatiónis advénit, vos túrturis áudita est in terra nostra. (Song: 10, 14) Surge, amíca mea, speciósá mea, et veni: colúmba mea in foramínibus petræ, in cavérna maceríaz.

TRACT Judith 15: 10

Tu glória Jerúsalem, tu lætítia Israëli, tu honorificéntia pópuli nostri. (Song 4: 7) Tota pulchra es, María: et mácula originális non est in te. Felix es, sacra Virgo María, et omni laude digníssima, quæ serpéntis caput virgíneo pede contrivísti.

GOSPEL Luke 1: 26-31

In illo témpore: Missus est Angelus Gábriel a Deo in civitátem Galiléaz, cui nomen Náza-reth, ad Vírginem desponsátam viro, cui nomen erat Joseph, de domo David, et nomen Vírginis María. Et ingressus Ángelus ad eam dixit: Ave, grátia plena; Dóminus tecum: benedícta tu in muliéribus. Quæ cum audísset, turbáta est in sermóne ejus: et cogitábat, qualis esset ista salutatio. Et ait Ángelus ei: Ne tímeas, María, invenísti enim grátiam apud Deum: ecce, concípies in útero et páries fílium, et vocábis nomen ejus Jesum.

OFFERTORY Luke 1: 28

Ave, grátia plena; Dóminus tecum: benedícta tu in muliéribus.

SECRET

Hóstia laudis, quam tibi, Dómine, per mérita gloriósæ et immaculátæ Vírginis offérimus, sit tibi in odórem suavítatis, et nobis optátam cónferat córporis et ánimæ sanitátem. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

PREFACE OF THE BVM

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutáre, nos tibi semper et ubique grátias ágere: Dómine sancte, Pater omnípotens, ætérne Deus: Et te in Festivítate beátæ Maríæ semper Vírginis collaudáre, benedícere et prædicáre. Quæ et Unigénitum tuum Sancti Spíritus obumbratióne concépit: et, virginitátis glória permanénte, lumen ætérnum mundo effúdit, Jesum Christum, Dóminum nostrum. Per quem maiestátem tuam laudant Ángeli, adórant Dominatiónes, tremunt Potestátes. Cæli cælórúmque Virtútes ac beáta Séraphim sócia exsultatióne concélebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces ut admitti iúbeas, deprecámur, súplici confessióne dicétes:

COMMUNION Psalms 64: 10

Visitásti terram et inebriásti eam, multiplicásti locupletáre eam.

POSTCOMMUNION

Quos cælésti, Dómine, aliménto satiásti, súblevet dextera Genetrícis tuæ immaculátæ: ut ad ætérnam pátriam, ipsa adjuvánte, perveníre mereámur: Qui vivis et regnas, cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. (Ps 44: 2) My heart overflows with a goodly theme; as I sing my ode to the King. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin didst prepare a worthy habitation for Thy Son; we humbly beseech Thee, that we who celebrate the feast of the Apparition of the same holy Virgin, may obtain health both of soul and body. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

The temple of God in heaven was opened, and there was seen the ark of His covenant in His temple, and there came flashes of lightning, and peals of thunder, and an earthquake, and great hail. And a great sign appeared in heaven: a women clothed with the sun, and the moon was under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars. And I heard a loud voice in heaven saying, Now has come the salvation, and the power of the kingdom of our God; and the authority of His Christ.

The flowers have appeared in our land, the time of pruning is come, the voice of the turtle is heard in our land. (Song: 10, 14) Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come; my dove in the clefts of the rock, in the hollow places of the wall.

You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israhel, you are the honor of our people. (Song 4: 7) You are all beautiful. O Mary, and there is in you no stain of original sin. Happy are you, O holy Virgin Mary, and most worthy of all praise, who with your virgin foot have crushed the serpent's head.

In those days, the angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David : and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel being come in, said unto her : Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Who having heard, was troubled at his saying and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God. Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a Son : and thou shalt call His name Jesus.

Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou amongst women.

May the sacrifice of praise, which we offer Thee, O Lord, by the merits of the glorious and Immaculate Virgin, rise up to heaven as a sweet savor: and may it obtain for us that physical and moral health which we desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation that we always and everywhere give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God: and that we should praise and bless, and proclaim Thee, in this feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, ever Virgin: Who also conceived Thine only-begotten Son by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, and the glory of her virginity still abiding, gave forth to the world the everlasting Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through whom the Angels praise Thy majesty, the Dominations adore, the Powers tremble: the heavens and the hosts of heaven, and the blessed Seraphim, together celebrate in exultation. With whom, we pray Thee, command that our voices of supplication also be admitted in confessing Thee saying:

Thou hast visited the earth, and hast plentifully watered it; thou hast in many ways enriched it.

O Lord, may the right hand of Thine Immaculate Mother uplift us whom Thou hast satisfied with this heavenly food: that by her help we may deserve to come to our eternal fatherland. Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.