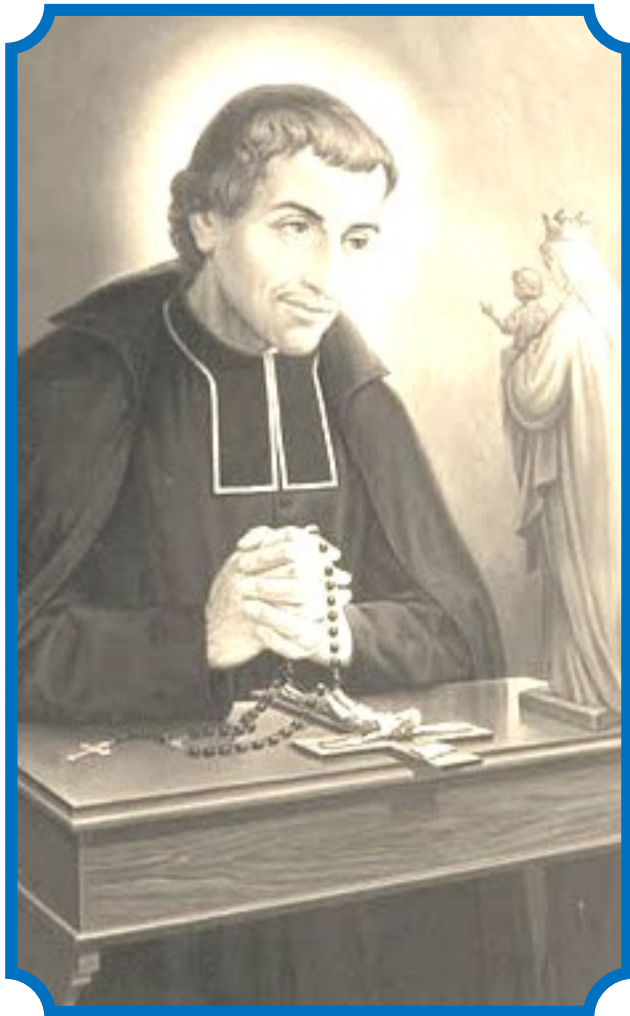


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THE LITTLE CROWN OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

—*Saint Louis de Montfort*



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INTRODUCTORY PRAYER

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of
Thy faithful and enkindle
within them the fire of Thy love!
V. Send forth Thy Spirit and they
shall be created.

R. And Thou shalt renew the face
of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, Who by the
light of the Holy Spirit dost
instruct the hearts of the faithful,
grant us by this same Spirit to
relish what is right and ever to
rejoice in His consolation, through
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

I. CROWN OF EXCELLENCE

*To honor the Divine Maternity of the
Blessed Virgin, her ineffable
Virginity, her purity without stain
and her innumerable virtues.*

1. **Our Father, Hail Mary.**

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary,
who didst bear the Lord, the
Creator of the world; thou didst
give birth to Him Who made thee,
and remainest a Virgin forever.

Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a
thousand times!

2. **Hail Mary.**

O holy and immaculate Virgin, I
know not with what praise to
extol thee, since thou didst bear in
thy womb the very One Whom
the Heavens cannot contain.
Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a
thousand times!

3. **Hail Mary.**

Thou are all fair, O Virgin Mary,
and there is no stain in thee.
Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a
thousand times!

4. **Hail Mary.**

Thy virtues, O Virgin, surpass the
stars in number. Rejoice, O Virgin
Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!
Glory be to the Father . . .

II. CROWN OF POWER

*To honor the royalty of the Blessed
Virgin, her magnificence, her
universal mediation and the strength
of her rule.*

5. **Our Father, Hail Mary.**

Glory be to thee, O Empress of the

world! Bring us with thee to the joys of Heaven. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

6. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee, O treasure house of the Lord's graces! Grant us a share in thy riches. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

7. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee, O Mediatrix between God and man! Through thee may the Almighty be favorable to us. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

8. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee who destroyest heresies and crushest demons! Be thou our loving guide. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

Glory be to the Father . . .

III. CROWN OF GOODNESS

To honor the mercy of the Blessed Virgin toward sinners, the poor, the just and the dying.

9. Our Father, Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee, O refuge of sinners! Intercede for us with God. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

10. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee, O Mother of orphans! Render the Almighty favorable to us. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

11. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee, O joy of the just! Lead us with thee to the joys of Heaven. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

12. Hail Mary.

Glory be to thee who are ever ready to assist us in life and death! Lead us with thee to the kingdom of Heaven! Rejoice, O Virgin Mary; Rejoice a thousand times!

Glory be to the Father . . .

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let Us Pray.

Hail, Mary, Daughter of God the Father; Hail, Mary, Mother of God the Son; Hail, Mary, Spouse of the

Holy Ghost; Hail, Mary, Temple of the most Holy Trinity; Hail, Mary, my Mistress, my treasure, my joy, Queen of my heart; my Mother, my life, my sweetness, my dearest hope ---- yea, my heart and my soul! I am all thine and all that I have is thine, O Virgin blessed above all things! Let thy soul be in me to magnify the Lord; let thy spirit be in me to rejoice in God. Set thyself, O faithful Virgin, as a seal upon my heart, that in thee and through thee I may be found faithful to God.

Receive me, O gracious Virgin, among those whom thou lovest and teachest, whom thou leadest, nourishest and protectest as thy children. Grant that for love of thee I may despise all earthly consolations and ever cling to those of Heaven until, through thee, His faithful spouse, Jesus Christ thy Son be formed in me for the glory of the Father. Amen.