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DEDICATIONS TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

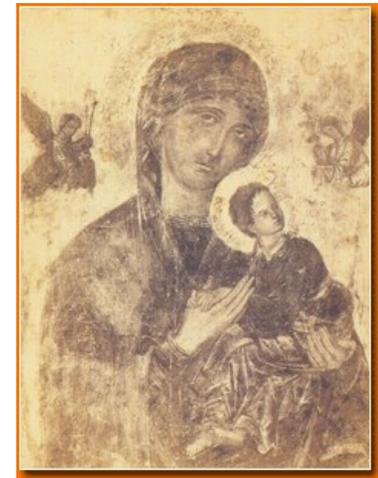
—*St. Alphonsus Liguori*



DEDICATION OF ONESELF TO MARY.

Oh most holy virgin mother of God, Mary, I, N., although most unworthy of being thy servant, yet moved by thy wonderful mercy and by the desire to serve thee, choose thee today, in presence of my guardian angel, and of the whole celestial court, for my especial Lady, Advocate, and mother, and make the firm resolution that I always will love and serve thee for the future, and do whatever I can to induce also others to love and serve thee. I pray thee, mother, of God, and my most kind and amiable mother, by the blood of thy divine Son which was shed for me, that thou wilt receive me into the number of thy servants for thy child and servant forever; assist

me in all my thoughts, words, and actions, at every moment of my life, that every step and breath may be directed to the greater glory of my God, and through thy most powerful intercession obtain for me that I may never more offend my beloved Jesus, that I may glorify and love him in this life, and that I may also love thee, my most beloved and dear mother, that I may love thee and enjoy thee through eternity in holy paradise. Amen. My mother Mary, I recommend to thee my soul, especially at the hour of my death.



**DEDICATION OF A FAMILY
TO THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY.**



Oh blessed
and immaculate Virgin,
our queen and mother,
refuge and consolation
of all those
who are in misery,
I, prostrate before thy throne
with all my family, choose
thee for my Lady, Mother,
and Advocate with God.

I, with all who belong to
me, dedicate myself forever
to thy service,
and pray thee,
oh mother of God,
to receive us into the
number of thy servants,
taking us all
under thy protection,
aiding us in life,
and still more,
at the hour of our death.

Oh mother of mercy,
I choose thee Lady
and ruler

of my whole house,
of my relatives,
my interests,
and all my affairs.

Do not disdain to take care
of them; dispose of them all
as it pleases thee.

Bless me, then,
and all my family,
and do not permit that any
of us should offend thy Son.

Do thou
defend us
in temptations,
deliver us
from dangers,
provide for us
in our necessities,
counsel us
in our doubts,
console us
in afflictions,
be with us
in sickness,
and especially in
the agonies of death.

Do not permit the devil
to glory in having in his
chains any of us who are
now consecrated to thee;
but grant that we may come
to thee in heaven to thank
thee, and together with thee
to praise and love
our Redeemer Jesus
for all eternity. Amen,
thus may it be.