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## MARIAN PRAYER

— *Saint Catherine  
of Siena*



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O Mary, temple of the Trinity.  
O Mary, bearer of fire.  
O Mary, dispenser of mercy.  
O Mary, restorer of human  
generation, because the world  
was repurchased  
by means of the sustenance  
that your flesh  
found in the Word,  
Christ repurchased the world  
with his Passion  
and you with your suffering.  
O Mary, peaceful ocean.  
O Mary, giver of peace.  
O Mary, fruitful land.  
You, O Mary,  
are that new plant  
from which we have the fragrant  
flower of the Word,  
only-begotten Son of God,  
because this Word  
was sown in you,  
O fruitful land.  
You are the land and the plant.  
O Mary, vehicle of fire  
you bore the fire hidden  
and veiled beneath the ash  
of your humanity.

O Mary, vase of humility,  
in which there burns the light  
of true knowledge  
with which you lifted yourself  
above yourself  
and yet were pleasing  
to the eternal Father;  
hence he took  
and brought you to himself,  
loving you  
with a singular love.  
With this light  
and fire of your charity  
and with the oil  
of your humility,  
you drew and inclined  
His divinity  
to come into you,  
although He was first drawn  
to us by the most ardent fire  
of His inestimable charity.

Today, O Mary,  
you have become a book  
in which our rule is written.  
In you, today,  
is written the wisdom  
of the eternal Father.

In you, today,  
is manifested the strength  
and freedom of all mankind.  
I say that the dignity of mankind  
is manifested because  
when I look at you, O Mary,  
I see that the hand of the Holy  
Spirit has written the Trinity  
in you, forming in you  
the Incarnate Word,  
the only begotten Son of God.  
He has written for us  
the wisdom of the Father,  
that is, the Word.  
He has written for us his power,  
because he was powerful  
in effecting this great mystery.  
And He has written for us  
the clemency of that Holy Spirit,  
because only through grace  
and the Divine clemency  
was so great a mystery ordained  
and accomplished.  
But today I ardently  
make my request,  
because it is the day of graces,  
and I know that nothing is  
refused to you, O Mary.

Today, O Mary,  
your land has generated  
the Saviour for us.  
O Mary, blessed are you  
among women  
throughout the ages.  
Amen.

*Read more: Marian Prayer Of Saint  
Catherine of Siena  
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### **A Prayer for Priests**

Father, I beseech You,  
direct the hearts  
and wills of the servants  
of Your Bride, the Holy Church,  
unto yourself so that they may  
follow the poor, bleeding,  
humble, and gentle Lamb of God  
on the way of the Cross.  
Make them angels  
in the shape of men;  
for after all, they have  
to administer  
and distribute  
the Body and Blood  
of Your Only Begotten Son!  
Amen.

### **From the Writings of St. Catherine of Siena**

This Word was engrafted in her  
flesh, this blessed and sweet field  
of Mary, as the seed that is cast on  
the earth. Through the warmth of  
the sun, it germinates and draws  
out the flower and the fruit and  
the shell remains on the earth. So,  
truly, [it was] through the warmth  
and the fire of divine charity  
which God had for the human  
race, casting the seed of His Word  
in the field of Mary. O blessed and  
sweet Mary, you have given us  
the flower of the sweet Jesus! And  
when did this blessed flower  
produce the fruit? When He was  
grafted on the wood of the most  
holy cross. Then we received  
perfect life. [Letter 144]  
Praised be Jesus Christ crucified,  
dear son of the glorious Virgin  
Mary. . . . Praised be Christ  
crucified, and His most sweet  
Mother, glorious Virgin, Our  
Lady Holy Mary. Sweet Jesus,  
Jesus love. [Letter 15]