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Advent
Prayer
Calendar

THE GAELIC LITANY OF MARY

*from an 8th century manuscript
lost for a thousand years*



O Great Mary, *Pray for us.*
 O Mary, greatest of Marys,
 O Greatest of women,
 O Queen of Angels,
 O Mistress of the heavens,
 O Woman full and replete
 with the grace of the
 Holy Spirit,
 O Blessed and most blessed,
 O Mother of Eternal Glory,
 O Mother of the Heavenly
 and earthly Church,
 O Mother of love and
 indulgence,
 O Mother of the Golden
 Heights,
 O Honor of the sky,
 O Sign of tranquility,
 O Gate of Heaven,
 O Golden Vessel,
 O Couch of Love and
 Mercy,
 O Temple of Divinity,
 O Beauty of virgins,
 O Mistress of the tribes,

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O Fountain of gardens,
 O Cleansing of sins,
 O Purifying of souls,
 O Mother of orphans,
 O Breast of infants,
 O Solace of the wretched,
 O Star of the Sea,
 O Handmaid of the Lord,
 O Mother of Christ,
 O Resort of the Lord,
 O Graceful like the dove,
 O Serene like the moon,
 O Resplendent like the sun,
 O Cancelling Eve's
 disgrace,
 O Regeneration of life,
 O Beauty of women,
 O Leader of virgins,
 O Garden enclosed,
 O Fountain sealed up,
 O Mother of God,
 O Perpetual Virgin,
 O Holy Virgin,
 O Prudent Virgin,
 O Serene Virgin,

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○ Chaste Virgin,
○ Temple of the Living
God,
○ Royal Throne of
the Eternal King,
○ Sanctuary of the Holy
Spirit,
○ Virgin of the Root of
Jesse,
○ Cedar of Mount Lebanon,
○ Cypress of Mount Sion,
○ Crimson Rose of
the Land of Jacob,
○ Blooming like the palm
tree,
○ Fruitful like the olive
tree,
○ Glorious Son-bearer,
○ Light of Nazareth,
○ Glory of Jerusalem,
○ Beauty of the world,
○ Noblest-Born of the
Christian flock,
○ Queen of Life,
○ Ladder of Heaven,

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Hear the petition of the poor;
spurn not the wounds and the
groans of the miserable.

Let our devotion and our
sighs be carried through thee to
the presence of the Creator, for
we are not ourselves worthy of
being heard because of our evil
deserts.

O powerful Mistress of
heaven and earth, wipe out our
trespasses and our sins.

Destroy our wickedness and
depravity.

Raise the fallen, the
debilitated, and the fettered.
Loose the condemned.

Repair through thyself the
transgressions of our immorality
and our vices. Bestow upon us
through thyself the blossoms
and ornaments of good actions
and virtues. Appease for us the
Judge by thy prayers and thy
supplications. Allow us not, for
mercy's sake, to be carried off

from thee among the spoils of
our enemies. Allow not our
souls to be condemned, but take
us to thyself for ever under thy
protection.

We, moreover, beseech and
pray thee, holy Mary, to obtain,
through thy potent supplication,
before thy only Son, that is,
Jesus Christ, the Son of the
living God, that God may
defend us from all straits and
temptations.

Obtain also for us from the
God of Creation the forgiveness
and remission of all our sins and
trespasses, and that we may
receive from Him further,
through thy intercession, the
everlasting habitation of the
heavenly kingdom, through all
eternity, in the presence of the
saints and the saintly virgins of
the world; which may we
deserve, may we enjoy, *in
saecula saeculorum*. Amen.