

October 2018

Let the children come to me ... for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. (Mark 10: 2-16)

No one is good but God alone ... With God all things are possible. (Mark 10: 17-30)

Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant. (Mark 10: 35-45)
Master I want to see ... Go your way; your faith has saved you. (Mark 10: 46-52)

Holy Virgin Mary, there is none like you born in the world among women. Daughter and handmaid of the most high King, the Heavenly Father, Mother of our most holy Lord Jesus Christ, Spouse of the Holy Spirit! Pray for us with St. Michael the Archangel and all the Virtues in heaven and all the saints to your most holy beloved Son, our Lord and Master! Hail, holy Lady, most holy Queen, Mary, Mother of God, you are forever chosen by the most holy Father in heaven, whom he consecrated with his most beloved Son and the Paraclete Spirit! You in whom was and is all fullness of grace and all good! Hail, his palace! Hail, his tabernacle! Hail, his dwelling! Hail, his vesture! Hail, his handmaid! Hail, his Mother!
(St. Francis of Assisi)

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May Jesus give you the strength to overcome all the snares of our common enemy.

2

Listen to Jesus alone who comes to you in His own name.

3

I pray... that you may have clearer knowledge of the divine mysteries and of God's immensity.

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Ask the Spirit the Comforter to enlighten (you).

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Be aware of the excellence of our Christian vocation.

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Pray to be enlightened as to the immensity of the eternal inheritance reserved for us.

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Pray to be enlightened... how sinners like ourselves have been led to salvation.

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Justification is such an enormous miracle...Scripture compares it to the Resurrection of our divine Master.

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God revealed His power more fully in our justification than in drawing heaven and earth from nothing.

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Non-existence is less far from God than is the sinner.

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If we could only perceive...the state to which God's grace has raised us.

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(We are) nothing less than (God's) own children, destined to reign with His Son for all eternity.

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May Satan's kingdom come to an end once and for all and may justice triumph everywhere.

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The first virtue required by the person who is striving for perfection is charity.

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The first movement of our hearts is a movement towards God.

16

Joy is born of happiness at possessing what we love.

17

By loving God the soul is certain of possessing Him.

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He who loves God possesses Him at once.

19

The soul devoted to God out of love belongs entirely to God, while God gives himself entirely to that soul.

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If joy is to be true and perfect it must be accompanied inseparably by peace...

21

Our Divine Master assures us that no one will take our joy from you.

22

as long as we are wayfarers on this earth we can never be perfect, hence we can never enjoy perfect peace.

23

Love, joy and peace are virtues which perfect the soul with regard to what it possesses.

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Patience perfects (the soul) as to what it endures.

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As regards the virtues to be practiced in dealing with others, the first is kindness.

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Kindness is a virtue that leads us to be helpful to others.

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We must arm ourselves (against the snares of the Evil One) by the noble virtue of forbearance.

28

We must protect our-selves by cultivating meekness, which makes us stifle our anger.

29

All the fine virtues are not sufficient if we do not add to them the virtue of faithfulness.

30

Three virtues perfect the devout person with control of the senses: modesty, continence and chastity.

31

To ensure that the Holy Spirit may dwell in our souls...all can be sum-med up in the mortification of the flesh...

October - Month of the Holy Rosary

Memorare

(Prayer composed by St. Bernard)

**Remember,
O most compassionate Virgin Mary,**

that never was it known,
that anyone who fled to your protection,
implored your assistance,
or sought your intercession,
was left unaided.
Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you,
O virgin of virgins, my mother,
to you I come, sinful and sorrowful.
Mother of the Word Incarnate
Despise not my request,
but in your clemency, hear and answer me. Amen.

(Padre Pio's love for the Rosary that he recited so often in the course of each day, urges us to reflect upon the Rosary.

Each day choose one mystery of the Rosary.

During the day, offer the following simple aspiration with the virtue of the day:)

Good Jesus, through the... *(here mention the mystery of the Rosary you will carry with you during the day)* **may the example of Our Blessed Mother Mary who lived this moment with you,**
and the devotion of Padre Pio who meditated on this mystery each day, obtain for me the grace of... *(here mention the virtue of the mystery)* **today.**

JOYFUL

**Annunciation and Incarnation
HUMILITY**

**Visit of Mary to Elizabeth
CHARITY**

**Birth at Bethlehem
POVERTY of SPIRIT**

**Presentation and Purification
OBEDIENCE**

**Finding in the Temple
FIDELITY TO THE GOSPEL**

LUMINOUS

**Baptism in the Jordan
ACCEPTING GOD'S WILL**

**Presence at the Wedding in Cana
CELEBRATING LIFE AS A CHILD OF GOD**

**Preaching the Kingdom/Repentance
REPENTANCE**

**Transfiguration
SEEING GOD AT ALL TIMES**

**Institution of the Eucharist
EUCCHARISTIC LOVE**

SORROWFUL

**Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane
FERVOR**

**Scourging at the Pillar
PENANCE**

**Crowning with Thorns
MORAL COURAGE**

**Carrying of the Cross
PATIENCE**

**Death on the Cross
SELF-SACRIFICE**

GLORIOUS

**Resurrection
FAITH**

**Ascension
HOPE**

**Descent of the Holy Spirit
LOVE & ZEAL**

**Assumption of Our Lady
DEVOTION TO MARY**

**Crowning of Mary
FINAL PERSEVERANCE**

Concluding Prayer:

**Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, through life's joys and sorrows, enlighten me to live your Word,
that I may come, one day, as Mary,
to the glory you have promised all who hear your Word and keep It. You live forever. Amen.**

Prayer to Our Lady

**Mary, my Most Holy Mother, with Padre Pio as my companion in coming to you, I pray that you intercede
for me before the Blessed Trinity Whose Daughter, Mother and Spouse you are.**

Prayer to Padre Pio

**Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, pray for me, that with childlike confidence in Our Lady, I can say with you: *thank
you, Mary, my Mother, for the many graces I obtain through your almighty intercession.***

Blessed Father of those *Spiritual Children* who seek to deepen their relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through your loving intercession and powerful counsels, pray for me that I always be available to God's Most Holy Will. Following Jesus, Whose blessed wounds you bore, may I bear my daily challenges hopefully with a joyful heart. In the Holy Spirit Whose gifts were so powerfully manifested in your life, may I know God's Will and have the courage to live what I have come to know. Keep me as your *Spiritual Child* and lead me ever closer to Jesus, our Lord and Savior, Who lives with the Eternal Father and the Holy Spirit, one God living and reigning forever. Amen.