

MONTHLY PROCESSION OF
THE CONFRATERNITY OF
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL



TRADITIONAL THIRD ORDER
DISCALCED CARMELITES

VI - THE MONTHLY PROCESSION OF THE CONFRATERNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

This Procession, at which a relic or a status of Our Blessed Lady is solemnly carried, may take place either within the church or (servatis servandis) outside.

At the hour appointed the members of the confraternity and the Tertiaries assemble in the church. Then the Priest (accompanied by ministers if possible), vested with Amice, Cotta, white Stole and Cope, and preceded by the Thurifer with Thurible, and Acolytes with Lighted candles, proceeds to the status of the Blessed Virgin, or to the altar upon which the relic has been already exposed.

The ministers and others having made a genuflection, and the Celebrant a profound inclination or genuflection if the Blessed Sacrament is reserved at the altar, the Celebrant puts incense in the Thurible in the accustomed manner, and all the others kneeling, he, standing with the ministers, incenses the cross on the altar three times, and twice the relic or statue, making a profound inclination before the alter. Then the following hymn may be sung.

AVE MARIS STELLA

Ave, maris stella,
Dei mater alma,
atque semper virgo,
felix cœli porta.

Sumens illud «Ave»
Gabrielis ore,
funda nos in pace,
mutans Evæ nomen.

Solve vincla reis,
profer lumen cæcis,
mala nostra pelle,
bona cuncta posce.

Monstra te esse matrem,
sumat per te precem
qui pro nobis natus
tulit esse tuus.

Virgo singularis,
inter omnes mitis,
nos culpis solutos
mites fac et castos.

Vitam præsta puram,
iter para tutum,
ut videntes Jesum
semper collætetur.

Sit laus Deo Patri,
summo Christo decus,
Spiritui Sancto
tribus honor unus. Amen.

Hail, star of the sea,
Nurturing Mother of God,
And ever Virgin
Happy gate of Heaven

Receiving that "Ave" (hail)
From the mouth of Gabriel,
Establish us in peace,
Transforming the name of "Eva" (Eve).

Loosen the chains of the guilty,
Send forth light to the blind,
Our evil do thou dispel,
Entreat (for us) all good things.

Show thyself to be a Mother:
Through thee may he receive prayer
Who, being born for us,
Undertook to be thine own.

O unique Virgin,
Meek above all others,
Make us, set free from (our) sins,
Meek and chaste.

Bestow a pure life,
Prepare a safe way:
That seeing Jesus,
We may ever rejoice.

Praise be to God the Father,
To the Most High Christ (be) glory,
To the Holy Spirit
(Be) honor, to the Three equally. Amen.

LITANY OF LORETTO

Lord have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

God, the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of the Church,
Mother of Mercy,
Mother of Divine Grace,
Mother of Hope,
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother inviolate,
Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Savior,
Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,
Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honor,
Singular vessel of devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of ivory,
House of gold,
Ark of the covenant,
Gate of heaven,
Morning star,
Health of the sick,
Refuge of sinners,
Solace of migrants,
Comfort of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,
Queen of Angels,

Christ have mercy.

Christ graciously hear us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Pray for us.

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Queen of Patriarchs,
Queen of Prophets,
Queen of Apostles,
Queen of Martyrs,
Queen of Confessors,
Queen of Virgins,
Queen of all Saints,
Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen assumed into Heaven,
Queen of the most Holy Rosary,
Queen of families,
Queen of peace.

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Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
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Spare us, O Lord.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Have mercy on us.

That we may be made worthy
of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord God, that we, your servants, may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body; and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, may be delivered from present sorrow, and obtain eternal joy. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FLOS CARMELI

FLOS Carmeli,
vitis florigera,
splendor caeli,
virgo puerpera
singularis.

Mater mitis
sed viri nescia
Carmelitis
esto propitia
stella maris.

FLOWER of Carmel,
Tall vine blossom laden;
Splendor of heaven,
Childbearing yet maiden.
None equals thee.

Mother so tender,
Who no man didst know,
On Carmel's children
Thy favors bestow.
Star of the Sea.

SALVE REGINA

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae:
Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Hevae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte.
Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis, post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens: O pia: O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.
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Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!
Our life, our sweetness, and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve,
to thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley, of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this our exile show unto us the
blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus;
O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

Spare us, O Lord.
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Have mercy on us.

*The Procession being finished, all kneel.
Then after the litany is sung comes the versicle response.*

V: Ora pro nobis, Regina Decor Carmeli, and
R: Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christ[1]

*[Note: on the feast of OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, the Versicle and Response are]
V. Regina Decor Carmeli. Alleluia
R. Dedisti nobis signum Protectionis tuae. Alleluia]*

and the celebrant continues.

Oremus
Deus qui Beatissimae semper Virginis et
Genitricis tuae Marie singulari titulo Carmeli
Ordinem decorasti: concede propitius; ut
cujus (hodie) commemorationem pio (solemni)
celebramus officio, ejus muniti praesidiis,
ad gaudia sempiterna pervenire mereamur.
Qui viviset regnas in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Let us pray.
O God, Who hast honored the Order of Mount
Carmel with the special title of the most
Blessed Mary ever Virgin and Thy Mother,
mercifully grant that strong in the protection
of her whose memory we piously venerate, we
may meritoriously attain to everlasting joys.
Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen

Then the Priest puts incense into the thurible and incenses the statue or relic.
While this is being done the following may be chanted.

Maria, mater gratiae, Mater misericordiae.
Tu nos ab hoste protege,
Et mortua hora suscipe,
Jesu, tibi sit gloria.
Qui natus es de Virgine,
Cum Patre et almo Spiritu,
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen

Mary, Mother of Grace. Mother of Mercy, do thou
protect us from the enemy, and receive us at the hour
of death. Jesus, born of the Virgin, to Thee be glory
with the Father and the HOLY Ghost for ever and ever.
Amen

AT THE END

We flay to thy protection O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities: but deliver us always from all danger, O ever glorious and Blessed Virgin.

V. Queen, Beauty of Carmel, pray for us.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, Who hast honored the Order of Mount Carmel with the special title of the most Blessed Mary ever Virgin and Thy Mother, mercifully grant that, strong in the protection of her whose memory we piously venerate, we may merit to attain to everlasting joys; Who livest and reignest for ever and ever.

R. Amen

TO SAINT JOSEPH

Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost; she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus.

V. Pray for us, O holy Father Saint Joseph.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that the merits of the Spouse of Thy most Holy Mother may avail on our behalf, and that we may obtain by his intercession the graces which of ourselves we cannot deserve. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever.

R. Amen

TO SAINT ELIAS

Holy Prophet of God Elias, Leader and Father of Carmelites, intercede for us and for the salvation of all.

V. Pray for us, O holy Father Elias.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Almighty God, that we who believe that the blessed Elias Thy Prophet and our Father was wonderfully carried up in a fiery chariot, may by his intercession be raised to the desire of heavenly things and rejoice in the society of Thy saints. Through Christ Our Lord.

R. Amen

TO SAINT TERESA

Holy Mother Saint Terese, look down from heaven upon us, consider the vineyard which thou hast planted, visit it by thy presence, and perfect the work which thy right hand has begun.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother Saint Teresa.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Hear us, O God our salvation; that as we rejoice in remembrance of Blessed Teresa, Thy Virgin and our Mother, so we may be nourished with the food of her heavenly doctrine, and inflamed with the fire of her devotion. Through Christ Our Lord.

R. Amen

TO SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

My sons, take courage, and behave manfully in the law, for by it you shall be glorious.

V. Pray for us, O holy Father

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, Who didst instill into the heart of Saint John Thy Confessor and Doctor, our Father, a perfect spirit of self-abnegation and a surpassing love of Thy Cross, grant that, assiduously following in his footsteps, we may attain to glory eternal. Through Christ Our Lord.

R. Amen

FOR DECEASED TERTIARIES

Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord: Master, listen to my voice.
Let but thy ears be attentive to the voice that calls on Thee for pardon.

If thou, O Lord, will keep record of our iniquities:
Master, who has strength to bear it.

Ah, but with thee there is forgiveness:
be Thy name ever revered.

I have waited for the Lord,
for His word of promise my soul waits.

Patient as ever watchman
that looked for the day.

Patient as watchmen at dawn,
for the Lord let Israel wait.

The Lord with whom there is mercy,
the Lord with whom there is power to ransom.

He it is that will ransom Israel
from all his iniquities.

R. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord.
R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

V. From the gates of hell
R. Deliver their souls, O Lord.

V. May they rest in peace.
R. Amen.

V. Lord hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

Let us Pray

O God, the giver of pardon and lover of the salvation of mankind, we beseech Thy clemency on behalf of the brothers and sisters of our Congregation who have passed from this world, that by the intercession of the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints, they may be united in the possession of eternal happiness, through Christ Our Lord.
R. Amen.

IN CONCLUSION

V. Praised be Jesus Christ.
R. For ever be He praised.