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## Mary Mother of Divine Grace

*"Let us run to her, and, as her little children, cast ourselves into her arms with a perfect confidence."*

*-Saint Francis de Sales*



[Mary: Jesus' Mother-And Ours](#) (Book) Perrotta, Kevin, Loyola Press, 2011. Look at six episodes from Mary's life in the Gospels of Luke and John: the annunciation, visit to Elizabeth, the birth of Jesus, the encounter in the Temple, the wedding at Cana, and Jesus' death on the Cross. The book also delves into some areas of Mary's life not explicitly covered in the Gospels, such as her birth free of original sin, her assumption into heaven, and her maternal role in the family of Jesus' followers. All of this comes together to give us a distinct sense of Mary as a person. (S,A)

[Discovering Mary: Answers to Questions about the Mother of God](#) (Book) Mills, David, Servant Books, 2009. Discovering Mary brings together essential Marian information in an engaging manner not only to instruct but also to deepen devotion to the one who bore our Savior and deserves our love. (S,A)

[Mary](#) (Book) Benedict XVI, Pope, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2008. Pope Benedict XVI shares his thoughts on Mary as the mother of God and pillar of the Church in this two-volume book. Enjoy selections from the Pope's writings, speeches, and sermons on occasions celebrating Mary. Let the Holy Father's explanation of the special Catholic understanding of Mary's mystery enrich your faith journey. (S,A)

[Mary and the Saints: Companions on the Journey](#) (Book) Campbell, James P., Loyola Press, 2002. This booklet gives a short outline of the origins of the devotions to Mary and the saints, the way in which saints are proclaimed today, and the place apparitions of Mary have in the context of the Church. The hope is that catechetical leaders will find here a resource that will help explain the place of Mary and the saints within the context of the life of the Church. (S,A)

[Wholly Mary, Mother of God](#) (Book) Padgett, Chris, Servant Books, 2011. Walks us through what the Bible has to say about the Mother of God. What she has meant to the Church throughout the centuries, what do the apparitions add, what have the saints told us about her and, most importantly, what we can learn from her ourselves? Other facets of this explanation of the Blessed Mother include: The power of the rosary; How the Mass relates to Mary; and Four important dogmas about Mary. (S,A)

[Mary of Nazareth, Prophet of Peace](#) (Book) Dear, John, Ave Maria Press, 2003. The mighty from their thrones, the hungry fed and full. Walk through events in Mary's life and find her powerful message of peace and nonviolence. Experience the power of her prayer and the prophetic model of her life. (S,A)

[A Sourcebook about Mary](#) (Book) Baker, Robert, J., Liturgy Training Publications, 2002. This sourcebook brings together a great range of texts that offer a glimpse into the vast tradition about Mary. Each section of the book begins with a phrase from the Hail Mary that is answered by a section from the Magnificat; each section ends with invocation for the Litany of Loretto. In between are selections for scripture, hymnody, poetry and prose, both ancient and modern. (S,A)

[Praying with Mary: Contemplating Scripture at her Side](#) (Book) Faricy, Robert L., Pauline Books & Media, 2002. Learn to pray with Scripture in a contemplative way, from the woman who pondered the Word in her heart. This contemporary approach to Marian prayer offers a five-week program for daily reflection. Combines scriptural contemplation and Marian prayer to deepen one's own prayer experience. (S,A)

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[The Life of Mary](#) (Book) Biffi, Inos, Liturgy Training Publications, 2007. This vibrantly illustrated meditation on the life of the Mother of God draws the reader into a greater appreciation of her role in the life of her son and the Church. It simply and touchingly chronicles eleven major events from the Gospels and ancient tradition, beginning with the joy of the Annunciation, through the sorrow of the Crucifixion and the death of Jesus, to the glory of the Assumption. (I,J,S,A)

[Our Lady of the Lost and Found: A Novel](#) (Book) Schoemperlen, Diane, Viking, 2001. What would you do if you found the Blessed Virgin Mary in your living room? The protagonist in this witty fiction book invites her to stay for a week in which she learns Mary's remarkable history, is propelled to an examination of life's big questions and begins to discover her own capacity for faith. (S,A)

[Blessed Art Thou: Mother, Lady, Mystic, Queen](#) (Book) McGrath, Michael O'Neill, World Library Pub., 2004. Find a magnificent and inspiring collection of colorful images, prayers, and meditations about Mary, both painted and written. Inspired by titles from the Litany of Loreto, one of the oldest prayers of the Catholic Church, and passed down through the ages from sources like scripture's Song of Songs and the agathistos (a Greek litany dating from the sixth century), these twenty images celebrate various loving and reverent names for Mary--Our Mother, Our Lady, Our Mystic, Our Queen--all with a somewhat contemporary twist. Combined with Fragomeni's poetic and candid prayers, these images of Mary speak directly to all people who struggle to find meaning and joy in a world filled with crisis, divisiveness, and insecurity. (A)

[Mary: The Mother of God](#) (DVD, 77 min.) Ignatius Press and St. Joseph Productions, LLC, 2002. The Footprints of God series follows Mary on her extraordinary journey on location in Turkey, Israel and Greece with popular Catholic author and speaker Stephen Ray as guide. Down-to-earth teaching on subjects like Mary's Immaculate Conception, Assumption into Heaven, and her role of intercessor, and more are offered in an energized, high-impact style that combines the best elements of a travel documentary, biography, Bible study, apologetics course, and church history review. (S,A)

[The 13th Day](#) (DVD, 85 min.) Ignatius Press, 2009. In a world torn apart by persecution, war and oppression, 3 children in Fatima, Portugal were chosen by God to offer an urgent message of hope to the world. Based on the memoirs of the oldest seer, Lucia Santos, and many thousands of independent eye-witness accounts, The 13th Day dramatizes the true story of three young shepherds who experienced six apparitions of Our Lady between May and October 1917, which culminated in the final prophesied Miracle of the Sun on October 13th. Abducted from their homes, thrown into prison and interrogated under the threat of death in the government's attempt to silence them, the children remained true to their story about the crucial messages from Mary of prayer, repentance and conversion for the world. (J,S,A)

[Close Encounters with Mary and the Rosary](#) (DVD, 12 min.) Oblate Media and Communication Corp., 2004. During a classroom exercise where Fr. Brendan guides young students in making a rosary out of string and beads, young Alex finds he just doesn't get what the rosary is all about. Luckily for him, a helpful angel appears to clear things up. The rosary is about the major events in the life of Jesus, so the angel compares the Mysteries to a photo album and the rosary soon becomes real for Alex. All four Mysteries are explained in age-appropriate language. (I)

[Picturing Mary](#) (DVD, 57 min.) Educational Broadcasting Corp., 2007. Visit museums, chapels and cathedrals in eight countries to view rare and sacred masterpieces portraying Mary by artists such as Michelangelo, Rembrandt, Caravaggio, Duccio, and van Eyck in their original locations. Looks at artwork ranging from tiny personal images to giant mosaics and frescoes to examine the way artists have expressed their personal devotion and communicated their vision of Mary. (J,S,A)



[Mary of Nazareth: From Icon to Woman](#) (VHS, 45 min.) Holy Cross Family Ministries, 2000. Calls on Biblical and theological scholars to weave a compelling portrait of Mary as a living person - a disciple with whom we identify as well as a mother we revere. Explores Mary's life as presented in the four gospels, looking at such questions as "Did Mary and Joseph have other children besides Jesus?" "What happened to Mary after the Crucifixion?" (A)

[The Immaculate Conception: Exploring the Mystery](#) (DVD, 17 min.) Oblate Media and Communication Corp., 2004. An exploration of the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception which explains how Mary, born of human parents, did not inherit Original Sin. (A)

[The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima](#) (DVD, 30 min.) CCC of America, 2008. Animated version of the inspiring true story of Blessed Mary's 1917 appearance in Portugal to Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, children whose great faith and courage brought the message of Our Lady of Fatima to the world. (P,I)