

### **General Intercessions**

As you prepare your congregation for its parish Marian consecration, please consider incorporating the following petitions into Sunday and/or weekday services.

#### **Week One**

For all Christians, that they may respond to the baptismal call to holiness through consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Immaculata, we pray to the Lord.

For our parish community, that we may always look to Mary, the Immaculata, as our model of perfect discipleship, we pray to the Lord.

For the grace to understand the supernatural role God has given to Mary in the plan of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

For the willingness to become instruments in Our Lady's hands in bringing to fruition the kingdom of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Week Two**

For all Christians, that we may discover Our Lady's special role in salvation history by pondering more deeply God's Word, we pray to the Lord.

For our parish community, that like the early Christians we may turn to the Holy Mother of God as our special advocate and guide, we pray to the Lord.

For those in need, that they will turn with childlike confidence to Our Lady, the Immaculata, who is Mother of God and Mother of the Church, we pray to the Lord.

For all present, that we may become the "possession and property" of Mary in order to draw closer to her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord.

#### **Week Three**

For all Christians, that Mary's *Fiat* may be the model of willingness to follow Jesus, her Son, we pray to the Lord.

For our parish community, that we may accept Jesus' gift of Mary as our Mother and invite her into our hearts and homes through total consecration, we pray to the Lord.

For each of us, that we may heed the maternal messages of Mary, our Mother and missionary, we pray to the Lord.

For the grace to build the "Civilization of Love" by being Our Lady's instruments for the conversion and sanctification of others, we pray to the Lord.

## Week Four

For our faith community, that as we prepare to consecrate our parish to Mary, we may always strive to live more fully our baptismal commitment, we pray to the Lord.

For each of us, that we may follow the example of Pope St. John Paul II and offer ourselves totally to Mary as we lead others to Christ, we pray to the Lord.

For the peace to imitate Christ more perfectly by abandoning ourselves totally to Mary, Mother of God, we pray to the Lord.

For each of us to become active participants in the Holy Father's call for a "New Evangelization" through total consecration to the Immaculata, we pray to the Lord.



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## **‘Now That You Are Consecrated’ BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Announcement #1**

#### **Living your Consecration to Mary**

Now that you have consecrated yourself to Mary, what is next? Three things are required as part of your consecration: 1. Praying your daily consecration prayer 2. Wearing your Miraculous Medal 3. Enrolling in your Consecration with the Militia of the Immaculata.

- **Daily Renewal of MI Consecration:** “Immaculata, Queen and Mother of the Church, I renew my consecration to you this day and for always, so that you may use me for the coming of the Kingdom of Jesus in the whole world. To this end I offer you all my prayers, actions and sacrifices of this day. Amen”
- Wearing your Miraculous Medal is a sign of your consecration and a tool for evangelization.
- If you have enrolled in the MI, then you should have received a letter acknowledging your Consecration. If you have not received your letter or have not registered your consecration, please contact the MI Center by email at [MINational@MissionImmaculata.com](mailto:MINational@MissionImmaculata.com) or call at 331-223-5564
- Go to our website and explore the resources available to nurture your Consecration. Resources are free to download or order them and send a donation to cover the production costs. You can sign up for daily quotes from St. Maximilian Kolbe and for the monthly e publication The Knight of the Immaculata. Our website can be found at [MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com](http://MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com) or [Consecration.com](http://Consecration.com)

### **Announcement #2**

#### **Living your Consecration to Mary**

Being newly consecrated is a very special time to develop your relationship with Mary as your Mother and your Queen. Praying the Rosary, asking her intercession, or praying the Scriptures that deal with Mary allowing her actions to enlighten you on how to respond to Jesus. The Annunciation (Lk. 1:26-38) Visitation (Lk. 1:39-56) Adoration of the Magi (Mt. 2:1-11) Wedding at Cana (Jn 2:1-12) and Mary at the Cross (Jn. 19:29-35) all teach us how to respond to God. Ask Mary to place you under her mantel in prayer. Ask her for motherly guidance on how to grow in holiness. When you ask her intercession, remember that she is alive and active with her children. There are many prayer books and brochures at the website: [MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com](http://MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com) or [Consecration.com](http://Consecration.com) or call 331-223-5564



## **Announcement #3**

### **Living your Consecration to Mary**

Once you have brought Mary into your prayer life then you can now allow her to inspire you on how to introduce others to Mary so she may lead them to the Kingdom of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Creating and /or joining a MI Village is a wonderful way to support others living their consecration and work together in promoting Marian devotion and consecration in your area. To learn more about MI Villages, go to our website: [MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com](http://MilitiaoftheImmaculata.com) or call 331-223-5564

## **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESS RELEASE**

*The following may be used in the weeks of preparation prior to the parish Marian consecration. They can be inserted into Sunday bulletins or parish newsletters and sent to the local religious paper.*

### **Sample Announcement**

(Our parish community) is making a parish consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A special ceremony will take place on *date* at *am/pm*. We invite you to participate in this para liturgy, and also to prepare to make an individual and/or family act of total consecration to Mary at that time. Please read over and meditate upon the inserts which will be in our bulletin for the next four weeks. They implore the rich Marian theology and spirituality of our Catholic tradition and will serve as a preparation for this special event. Weekly conferences on the topics will also occur on *date* at *time* in *location*. We encourage you to attend.

### **Reminder Announcement**

Just a reminder that we will be consecrating our parish to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

This special par liturgy will take place on *date* at *am/pm*. We encourage everyone to attend and to consider making an individual and/or family act of total consecration, too. Please see the bulletin inserts to prepare yourself or participate in the weekly conferences to be held each *date* at *time* in *location*.

### **Press Release**

(Your parish) will be hosting preparation sessions for parish, individual, and family Marian consecrations on (dates and times). These sessions will provide an overview on the Church's teaching and tradition concerning devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope St. John Paul II was a strong promoter of Marian consecration. All are invited to attend these informative sessions. A special par liturgy will take place on (*date/time*). For more information, please contact (*name/contact information*).