

MARIAN LITANY

Marian Litany takes its name and origin from the Marian shrine of Loreto in Italy. This Litany is believed to have been used there as far back as 1531. It was officially approved in 1587 by Pope Sixtus V who suppressed all other Marian litanies which were used publicly until then. The Litany of Loreto is the only approved Marian litany. However, many more Marian litanies were and are in use, but are designated for private devotions, as is evident, for example, in the so-called *Officia Mariana*.

Please find here below the official Marian Litany approved from Rome for the use of our faithful. It includes the invocations added by St. Pope John Paul II; “Mother of the Church” in 1980 and “Queen of Families” in 1995 and also those recently added by Pope Francis: “Mother of Mercy”, “Mother of Hope” and “Solace of Migrants”.

Lord have mercy,	Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy,	Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy,	Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us,	Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us,	Christ graciously hear us.
God, the Father of heaven,	Have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	”
God the Holy Spirit,	”
Holy Trinity, one God,	”
Holy Mary,	Pray for us.
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 Saviour,	”
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 honour,	”
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,	”
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.	”

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us.