

NOVEMBER 27, OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

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On November 27, 1830, the future St. Catherine Laboure reported that the Blessed Mother displayed herself inside an oval frame, standing upon a globe. She wore many rings set with gems that shone rays of light over the globe. Around the margin of the frame appeared the words *Ô Marie, conçue sans péché, priez pour nous qui avons recours à vous* ("O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee"). As Catherine watched, the frame seemed to rotate, showing a circle of twelve stars, a large letter *M* surmounted by a cross, and the stylized Sacred Heart of Jesus crowned with thorns, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary pierced with a sword.

INTROIT Exodus 13: 9

Erit quasi signum in manu tua, et quasi monumentum ante oculos tuos, et ut lex Domini semper sit in ore tuo. (Ps. 104: 1) Confitemini Domino et invocato nomen ejus: annuntiate inter gentes opera ejus. Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Erit quasi signum in manu tua, et quasi monumentum ante oculos tuos, et ut lex Domini semper sit in ore tuo.

COLLECT

Domine Jesu Christe, qui beatissimam Virginem Mariam, Matrem tuam, ab origine immaculatam innumeris miraculis clarificare voluisti: concede; ut, ejusdem patrocinium semper implorantes, gaudia consequamur aeterna: Qui vivis et regnas, cum Deo Patre in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum.

LESSON Apocalypse 12: 1, 5, 14-16

Signum magnum apparuit in caelo: Mulier amicta sole, et luna sub pedibus ejus, et in capite ejus corona stellarum duodecim. Et peperit filium masculum, qui recturus erat omnes gentes in virga ferrea: et raptus est filius ejus ad Deum, et ad thronum ejus. Et datae sunt mulieri alae duae aquilae magnae, ut volaret in desertum in locum suum. Et misit serpens ex ore suo post mulierem aquam tamquam flumen, utam faceret trahi a flumine. Et adjuvit terra mulierem, et aperuit terra os suum, et absorbit flumen, quod misit draco de ore suo.

GRADUAL Psalms 104: 5, 27

Memento mirabilium ejus, quae fecit: prodigia ejus et judicia oris ejus. Posuit in ea verba signorum suorum et prodigiorum suorum in terra.

LESSER ALLELUIA Psalms 18: 7

Alleluja, alleluja. A summo caelo egressio ejus, nec est qui se abscondat a calore ejus. Alleluja.

GOSPEL John 2: 1-11

In illo tempore: Nuptiae factae sunt in Gana Galilaeae: et erat Mater Jesu ibi. Vocatus est autem et Jesus, et discipuli ejus ad nuptias. Et deficiente vino, dicit Mater Jesu ad eum: Vinum non habent. Et dicit ei Jesus: Quid mihi et tibi est, mulier? nondum venit hora mea. Dicit Mater ejus ministris: Quodcumque dixerit vobis, facite. Erant autem ibi lapides hydriae sex positae secundum purificationem Judaeorum, capientes singulae metretas binas vel ternas. Dicit eis Jesus: Implente hydrias aqua. Et impleverunt eas usque ad summum. Et dicit eis Jesus: Haurite nunc, et ferte architriclino. Et tulerunt. Ut autem gustavit architriclinus aquam vinum faciam, et non sciebat unde esset, ministri autem sciebant, qui hauserant aquam: vocat sponsum architriclinus, et dicit ei: Omnis homo primum bonum vinum ponit: et cum inebriati fuerint, tunc id, quod deterius est. Tu autem servasti bonum vinum usque adhuc. Hoc fecit initium signorum Jesus in Cana Galilaeae: et manifestavit gloriam suam, et crediderunt in eum discipuli ejus.

OFFERTORY John 19: 27

Dixit Jesus discipulo: Ecce Mater tua. Et ex illa hora accepit eam discipulus in sua.

SECRET

Beata Virgine Maria intercedente, cujus precibus exoratus Jesus Christus, Filius tuus, fecit initium signorum: da nobis, Domine Deus, sacramentum Corporis et Sanguinis ejusdem Filii tui pura mente concipere; ut aeterni convivii mereamur esse participes. Per eundem Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum, Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum.

PREFACE OF THE BVM

Vere dignum et justum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, aeternae Deus: Et te in Festivitate beatae Mariae semper Virginis collaudare, benedicere et praedicare. Quae et Unigenitum tuum Sancti Spiritus obumbratione concepit: et virginitatis gloria permanente, lumen aeternum mundo effudit, Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. Per quem maiestatem tuam laudant Angeli, adorant Dominationes, tremunt Potestates. Caeli caelorumque Virtutes, ac beata Seraphim, socia exultatione concélebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces ut admitti jubeas, deprecamur, supplicii confessione dicentes:

COMMUNION

Ecclesiasticus 36: 6-7, 10

Innova signa et immuta mirabilia. Glorifica manum tuam et brachium dexterum. Festina tempus et memento finis, ut enarrent mirabilia tua.

POSTCOMMUNION

Domine, Deus omnipotens, qui per immaculatam Genetricem Filii tui omnia nos habere voluisti: da nobis, tantae Matris auxilio, praesentis temporis pericula devitare; ut vitam consequamur aeternam. Per eundem Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum, Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum.

It shall be as a sign in thy hand, and as a memorial before thine eyes, and that the law of the Lord be always in thy mouth. (Ps. 104: 1) O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His name: tell forth His deeds among the nations. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. It shall be as a sign in thy hand, and as a memorial before thine eyes, and that the law of the Lord be always in thy mouth.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast willed that the most blessed Virgin Mary, Thy mother, sinless from the first moment of her conception, should be glorified by countless miracles: grant that we, who never cease from imploring her patronage, may attain in the end to eternal happiness. Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. And she brought forth a Man-Child, Who was to rule all nations with an iron rod: and her Son was taken up to God, and to His throne. And there were given to the woman two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the desert unto her place. And the serpent cast out of his mouth after the woman, water as it were a river: that he might cause her to be carried away by the river. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the river, which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Remember the marvelous works which He hath done: His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth. He placed in them the words of His signs: and of His wonders in the land.

Alleluia, alleluia. His going forth is from the topmost heaven: nor is there any that can hide from His heat. Alleluia.

At that time there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee: and the mother of Jesus was there. And Jesus also was invited, and His disciples, to the marriage. And the wine failing, the mother of Jesus saith to Him: They have no wine. And Jesus saith to her: Woman, what is that to Me and to thee? My hour is not yet come. His mother saith to the waiters: Whatsoever He shall say to you, do ye. Now there were set there six water pots of stone, according to the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three measures apiece. Jesus saith to them: Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And Jesus saith to them: Draw out now, and carry to the chief steward of the feast. And they carried it. And when the chief steward had tasted the water made wine, and knew not whence it was, but the waiters knew who had drawn the water: the chief steward calls the bridegroom, and saith to him: Every man at first sets forth good wine: and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee; and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

Jesus said to the disciple, Behold thy Mother. And from that hour the disciple took her for his own.

Moved by the pleading of the blessed Virgin Mary, in answer to whose prayers Jesus Christ Thy Son wrought the first of His miracles: vouchsafe unto us, O Lord God, to minister in cleanness of heart unto the sacrament of the body and blood of the same Thy Son, so as to deserve to sit down to the everlasting banquet of eternity.

Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation that we always and everywhere give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God: and that we should praise and bless, and proclaim Thee, in this feast of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin: Who also conceived Thine only-begotten Son by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, and the glory of her virginity still abiding, gave forth to the world the everlasting Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Whom the Angels praise Thy Majesty, the Dominations adore it, the Powers tremble: the heavens and the hosts of heaven, and the blessed Seraphim, together celebrate in exultation. With whom, we pray Thee, command that our voices of supplication also be joined in acknowledging Thee saying:

Renew the signs, and work fresh marvels; glorify Thy hand and Thy right arm; hasten the time, and remember the end, and let them declare Thy wondrous works.

O Lord God almighty, Who hast willed that all things should be given to us through the Immaculate Mother of Thy son: grant that under the protection of this mighty Mother, we may escape all the dangers of these our times, and in the end may come to life everlasting. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.