

August 22 Queenship of the Blessed Mary *The Story of the Queenship of Mary*

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule



forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary “mother of my Lord.” As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary “Lady” and “Queen.” Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: “Hail, Holy Queen,” “Hail, Queen of Heaven,” “Queen of Heaven.” The Dominican rosary and

the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

Reflection

As Saint Paul suggests in Romans 8:28–30, God has predestined human beings from all eternity to share the image of his Son. All the more was Mary predestined to be the mother of Jesus. As Jesus was to be king of all creation, Mary, in dependence on Jesus, was to be queen. All other titles to queenship derive from this eternal intention of God. As Jesus exercised his kingship on earth by serving his Father and his fellow human beings, so did Mary exercise her queenship. As the glorified Jesus remains with us as our king till the end of time (Matthew 28:20), so does Mary, who was assumed into heaven and crowned queen of heaven and earth. (Franciscan Media.Org)

Pope Francis Intention for the Month of August:

The Maritime World We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



Citing Jesuit Father Rigobert Minani Bihuzo, the message says that “the Church is called to strengthen its teaching about the Earth as a gift from God.” We are called not only to be good stewards, it says, but also to bring healing to relationships.

The message recalls Pope Francis’ teaching on “ecological conversion,” which requires respect for individual and collective human rights. “People of faith,” the message says, “are to advocate for peoples whose way of life depends on the land, and are to defend the rights of persons who are victims of exploitation.”

Working together for our common home

In the face of “the very real threats to our ecology and way of life,” the message says, “we must come together as one human family.”

The Canadian Bishops' message concludes with an expression of gratitude: “We recognize the benevolence of the Creator, who has provided us with the gifts of the Earth, water, fire and air. We are grateful for all He has provided. We express our gratitude through our lives of prayer, song, dance, story, ceremony ritual.” **Vatican News**

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Aug 22 Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Marie-Paule Ricard – Rita & Family	21 st Sunday of Ordinary Time
Aug 23 Sunday	9:00 am	RIP Frieda Schlachter (37 th Anniv) – Frank & Ellen	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
Aug 25 Tuesday	8:30 am	RIP Isabella Holterhus – Neil Holterhus	
Aug 26 Wed	6:00 pm	RIP Roger Blackburn – Doreen Ermantrout	
Aug 27 Thursday	6:00 pm	RIP Roseanne Longpre – Don Longpre	
Aug 28 Friday	8:30 am	RIP Leon Schayes - Cecile	

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Emilienne Dostie, Braden Rowland, Colette Klein. All those who are sick or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.



We welcome to God's family

Savannah Delauta

Baptized on August 23, 2020

&

Brayden Wedick

Baptized August 24, 2020



August 23rd \$ 2187.50

Restoration \$ 90.00

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