

We believe that the Kingdom of God is near, that it is present among us. Let us give thanks with the whole Church:

We bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
For you have called us to Life.

**May our praise rise up to You
by your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Today He is calling us to be His presence
In the midst of the men and women of our
times so that love may become the prophecy of
hope and of tenderness.

**Thank you Lord, so that your Holy Spirit may help grow in us
everyday the Passion for Christ and for humanity.**

Lord our God, grant us the grace to work intensively for justice and
for peace in solidarity with our Christian brothers and sisters and all
the men and women of Good Will.

**Like Mary, let us transform ourselves into witnesses of a new world and through her
intercession help each one to walk with daring and wisdom on the path of the Gospel.
Our Father...**

The Joy of the Gospel...the secret of Mary

“Close to Christ, Mary, sums up in her all the joys, she lives the perfect joy of the Church...and rightly, her sons and daughters here, on earth turn to her, mother of hope and grace, the cause of our joy.”
Paul VI (Joy in the Lord.)

Lord, grant us to live happily, in your service.

Intercede for us, Mary, cause of our joy.

Help all youths to seek the true joy

Intercede for us, Mary, cause of our joy.

My joy, no one will be able to take it away from you: Grant this grace to all those who are suffering from sickness, because of warfare, and solitude.

Intercede for us, Mary, cause of our joy.

Let us pray:

*You, the Virgin of listening and of contemplation,
Mother of Love, intercede for the Church,*

never to be closed up in herself and never stops in her passion
to establish the Kingdom **Amen!**



Magnificat and final blessing



FEBRUARY

On the paths of the Gospel

*« so that faith may spread all
over the world... »*

The Joy of the Gospel of n°20

**In the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!**



*We start our prayer with a thanksgiving Hymn to the Lord
Who calls us and sends us*

Soloist : “Go to all the Nations, and create disciples”.

Together: **Lord, may your Word revive our faith.**

Soloist : “Baptize them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”

Together: **Lord, may your Word be spread all over the earth.**

Soloist : “Teach them to observe all that I have prescribed to you.”

Together: **Lord, may your Word make us faithful and generous missionaries.**

The Joy of the Gospel...a missionary joy

Repetition of the Hymn

The Word of God constantly shows us how God challenges those who believe in Him "to go forth". Abraham received the call to set out for a new land. Moses heard God's call "Go, I send you, and lead the people towards the promised land". To Jeremiah God says: "To all whom I send you, go and make disciples". It echoes in the changing scenarios and the ever new challenges to the Church's mission of evangelization. All of us are called to take part in the new missionary "going forth".
The Joy of the Gospel n.20



Repetition of the entry Hymn

Each Christian and every community must discern the path identified by the Lord, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfortable zone in order to reach the peripheries in need of the light of the gospel

Psalm 146

Antiphon : “It is only Jesus Christ who we have followed, it is only He who we always want to follow” St. Jeanne Antide.

Praise Yahweh, my soul!
I mean to praise Yahweh all my life,
I mean to sing to my God as long as I live. *

Do not put your trust in men in power,
Or in any mortal man-- he cannot save,
He yields his breath and goes back to the earth he
came from.

And on that day all his schemes perish.

Happy the man who has the God of Jacob to help him,
Whose hope is fixed on Yahweh his God,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And the sea, and all that these hold!

Yahweh, forever faithful,
Gives justice to those denied it,
Gives food to the hungry;
Gives liberty to prisoners.

Yahweh restores sight to the blind,
Yahweh straightens the bent,
Yahweh protects the stranger,
He keeps the orphan and widow

Yahweh loves the virtuous
And frustrates the wicked
Yahweh reigns for ever,
Your God, Zion, from age to age



This joy is a sign that the Gospel has been proclaimed and is bearing fruit. Yet the drive to go forth and give, to go out from ourselves, to keep pressing forward to sow the good seed, remains ever present.” *The Joy of the Gospel n.21*

Refrain

Make me a pilgrim, Lord Jesus, You who made me,
You who displaced yourself so long from your Father,
to come and set up your tent among us.
You who by chance was born for a voyage and have travelled all the
routes, that of exile, pilgrimages and preaching:
**Liberate me away from my egoism and from my comfort:
make me a pilgrim.**

Lord Jesus, you often took the path on the mountain side
To seek silence and find the Father;
To teach your apostles to proclaim the Beatitudes;
And finally to offer your sacrifice,
to send your disciples and return to the Father;

**Attract me to the heights:
make me a pilgrim on the mountain.**



I am tempted to live in tranquillity while You are
continually asking me to risk my life like Abraham.
I am tempted to settle down peacefully
and You are asking me to set out, full of hope:

towards You, the highest in the glory of the Father.

Lord, you who created me through love and to love,
help me to walk towards You
with all my life, with all my brothers, with all creation,
with daring and adoration Amen! *Father Hyacinthe Volluz Refrain*

The Joy of the Gospel ... Good News for everyone

In fidelity to the example of the Master, it is vitally important for the Church today to go forth and preach the Gospel to all: to all places, on all occasions, without hesitation, reluctance or fear. The joy of the Gospel is for all people: no one can be excluded. That is what the angel proclaimed to the shepherds in Bethlehem: “Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people, the poor and the little ones who dwell on earth, to every nation and tongue and tribe and people” *The Joy of the Gospel n. 23*

From the Gospel of St Luke .10:1...

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, “The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you enter let your first words be, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if a man of peace lives there, our peace will go and rest on him, if not, it will come back to you. Cure those in it who are sick.

Refrain

From Saint Jeanne Antide : “Run, run with great strides, without stopping, without looking behind you; run following the route that has been traced for you, ”

Refrain

“You are but travellers ... attach yourselves only to Me for I am your God”