

# EMMANUEL YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT ENCOUNTER

SUNDAY ~ MAY 10 ~ DAY 8

Today's theme is *consecration to Mary*. You cannot know Jesus without knowing Mary. She leads the way. She points the way.

## Reflection/Discussion Questions

- When you think of Mary, the mother of God, what does she look like?
- What apparition/vision of Mary do you know the best (Fatima, Guadalupe, Lourdes etc.)?
- Have you ever prayed the rosary? What was your experience?
- What is your favorite Marian Hymn that we sing at Mass?
- Have you been to a May Crowning or a rosary procession? What do you like about them?
- Who have you met in your life, that reminds you most of the Blessed Virgin Mary?
- Do you wear a scapular, medal or cross around or neck? If yes, why? If no, why?
- Why do some people think our honoring of Mary distracts us from Jesus? How do you explain this correctly?

## Activity

The song the Ave Maria is the Hail Mary in Latin. Tremendous composers and singers have recorded countless versions of this prayer. Take the time today to prayerfully listen to a few renditions. As you do listen to the words and allow yourself to enter into prayer/conversation with Mary. Ask her to do what she does best, lead people to her Son

## Scripture passages to read, and spend some time in silence with:

**Luke 1:38** ~ And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

**Revelation 12:17** ~ Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.

**John 19:26-27** ~ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

**Luke 1:46-56** ~ And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. ..."

## Devotional Prayer

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, our Mother. To you do we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

## WORLD YOUTH DAY FACTS FOR THE DAY

**YEAR- 2019      LOCATION- PANAMA CITY, PANAMA**

**ATTENDANCE- 700,000      HOLY FATHER- POPE FRANCIS**

**THEME- I AM THE SERVANT OF THE LORD**

**SCRIPTURE- "I AM THE SERVANT OF THE LORD; MAY IT BE DONE TO ME ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD." LUKE 1:38**