

# The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Year 6 GIFT Ambassadors

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## Gathering Hymn

Oh Mary, gentle one,  
teach us to love your Son.  
Oh Mary, humble one,  
help us to serve him.

*Teach us to answer him,  
as once you answered him,  
Let it be done to me  
according to your Word.*





Oh Mary, peaceful one,  
teach us to know your Son.  
Oh Mary, hopeful one,  
teach us to trust him.

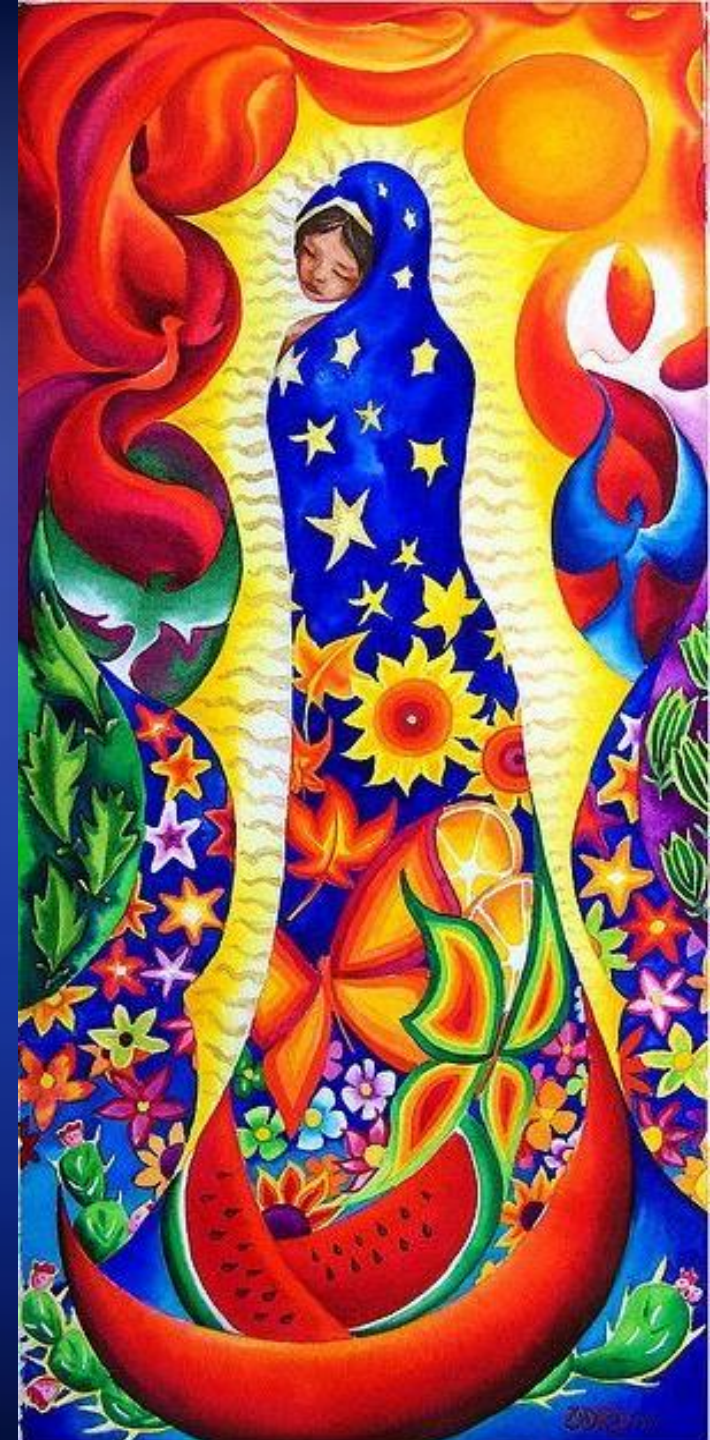
*Teach us to answer him,  
as once you answered him,  
Let it be done to me  
according to your Word*

Oh Mary, grateful one,  
teach us to thank your Son.

Oh Mary, joyful one,  
help us to praise him.

*Teach us to answer him,  
as once you answered him,*

*Let it be done to me  
according to your Word.*



WELCOME



Light the Advent Candle number one,  
now the waiting time has just begun,  
we have started on our journey's way  
time to think and think of Christmas Day  
And its candle, candle burning bright,  
shining in the cold winter's night.  
Candle, candle burning bright,  
fill our hearts with Christmas light.



Light the Advent candle number two  
and think of humble shepherds who  
filled with wonder at the lovely sight,  
of the little child on Christmas night.

*And its candle, candle burning bright,  
shining in the cold winter's night.  
Candle, candle burning bright,  
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.*



## IMMACULATE

It means  
'perfectly clean'  
or 'spotless'.



## CONCEPTION

It means an idea or  
beginning. We remember  
the start of Mary's life.  
Mary's parents were  
Saint Anne and Saint  
Joachim.



The words 'Immaculate Conception' tell us that from the very moment that Mary was conceived she was free from original sin. Imagine Mary never hurt or upset anyone. She was never mean or dishonest. She always lived in the way God wanted. Mary was perfect, because God chose her to be the mother of his only Son, Jesus. That is why we say that she is 'full of grace' and 'blessed among women' She spent her whole life in a perfect relationship with God.

## What is original sin?

When God created the world, he planted a garden in Eden and placed Adam and Eve there to look after it. They were the first man and woman. Adam and Eve were told they could eat from any tree, except one. They both gave into temptation and ate fruit from the one tree they had been told not to eat from. This sin is known as original sin. At our Baptism we are cleansed from original sin. Our souls are made clean.





MARY



## Gospel Acclamation

Stay awake xx be ready xx  
you do not know the hour  
when the Lord is coming.

Stay awake xx be ready xx  
the Lord is coming soon.

Alleluia, alleluia,

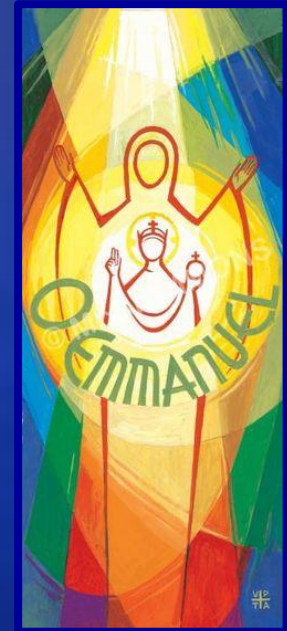
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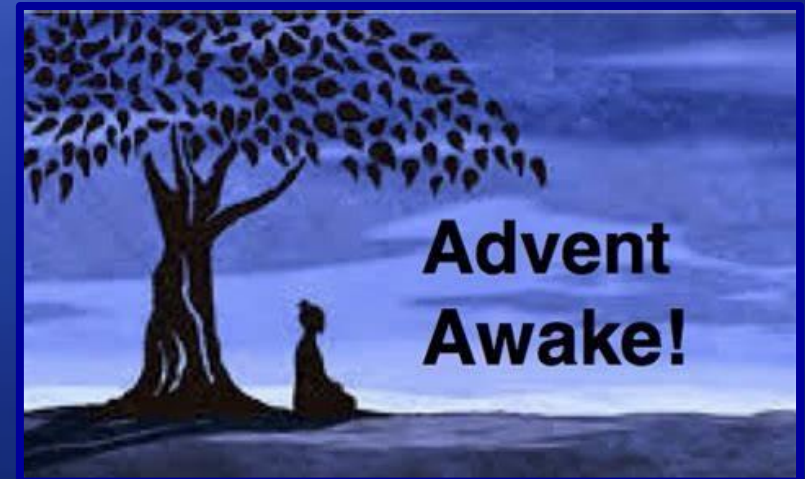
*Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming.  
Awake! Awake! There's no time to sleep.  
Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming,  
The King is coming in glory.*

All over the world  
people are working.  
working for peace  
and the freedom that it brings.



*Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming.  
Awake! Awake! There's no time to sleep.  
Awake! Awake! For the Lord is coming,  
The King is coming in glory.*

All over the world  
people are waiting.  
waiting for peace  
and the promise of new life.



Emmanuel, please guide us and others so we can be ready to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Jesus.

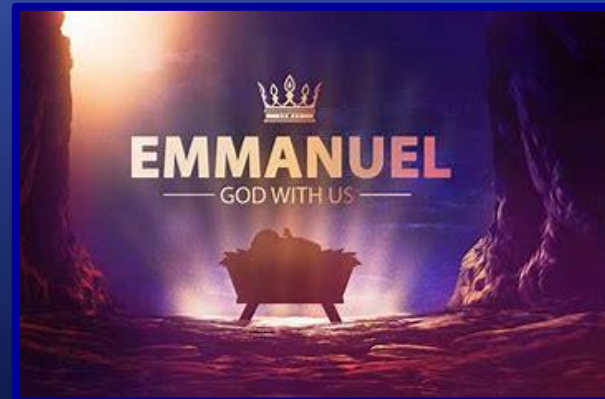
Ave, ave, ave Maria. Ave, ave, ave Maria.





Emmanuel, please watch over sad and lonely people. May they get support so they can have a better time this Christmas.

Ave, ave, ave Maria. Ave, ave, ave Maria.



Emmanuel, please look after Raphael and his family that he will recover and return to school soon.

Ave, ave, ave Maria. Ave, ave, ave Maria.



Emmanuel, we pray for all homeless people who have no food or water. Please wrap your loving hands around them and give them the help they need.

Ave, ave, ave Maria. Ave, ave, ave Maria.



Emmanuel, we pray for peace in our world because there is a lot of conflict right now in Ukraine and Gaza. We ask Mary to wrap her loving arms around them and give them hope that one day peace will be restored, and we can all live as one happy family.

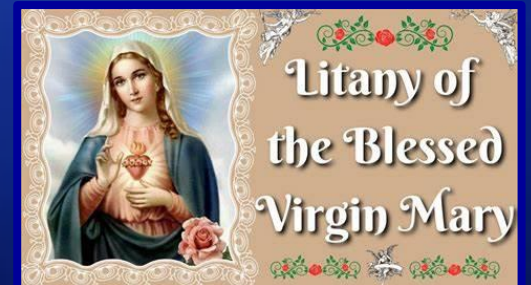
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# The Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy,  
God the Father of heaven  
God the Son redeemer of the world,  
God the Holy Spirit,  
Holy Mary,  
Mother of Christ,  
Mother of Mercy,  
Star of the sea,  
Sweet Virgin Mary,

Lord have mercy.  
Christ have mercy.  
Lord have mercy.  
have mercy on us.  
have mercy on us.  
have mercy on us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.



Immaculate Mary,  
Queen of all angels,  
Queen of all saints,  
Queen conceived without sin,  
Queen of heaven,  
Queen of peace,



Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.  
pray for us.

have mercy on us.  
have mercy on us.  
grant us peace.

Loving God,

We thank you for the example of Mary,  
who you chose to be the mother  
of your only Son, Jesus.

She lived her life with love for you  
and for others.

Help us to do the same.

We make this prayer through  
Christ our Lord.

Amen.





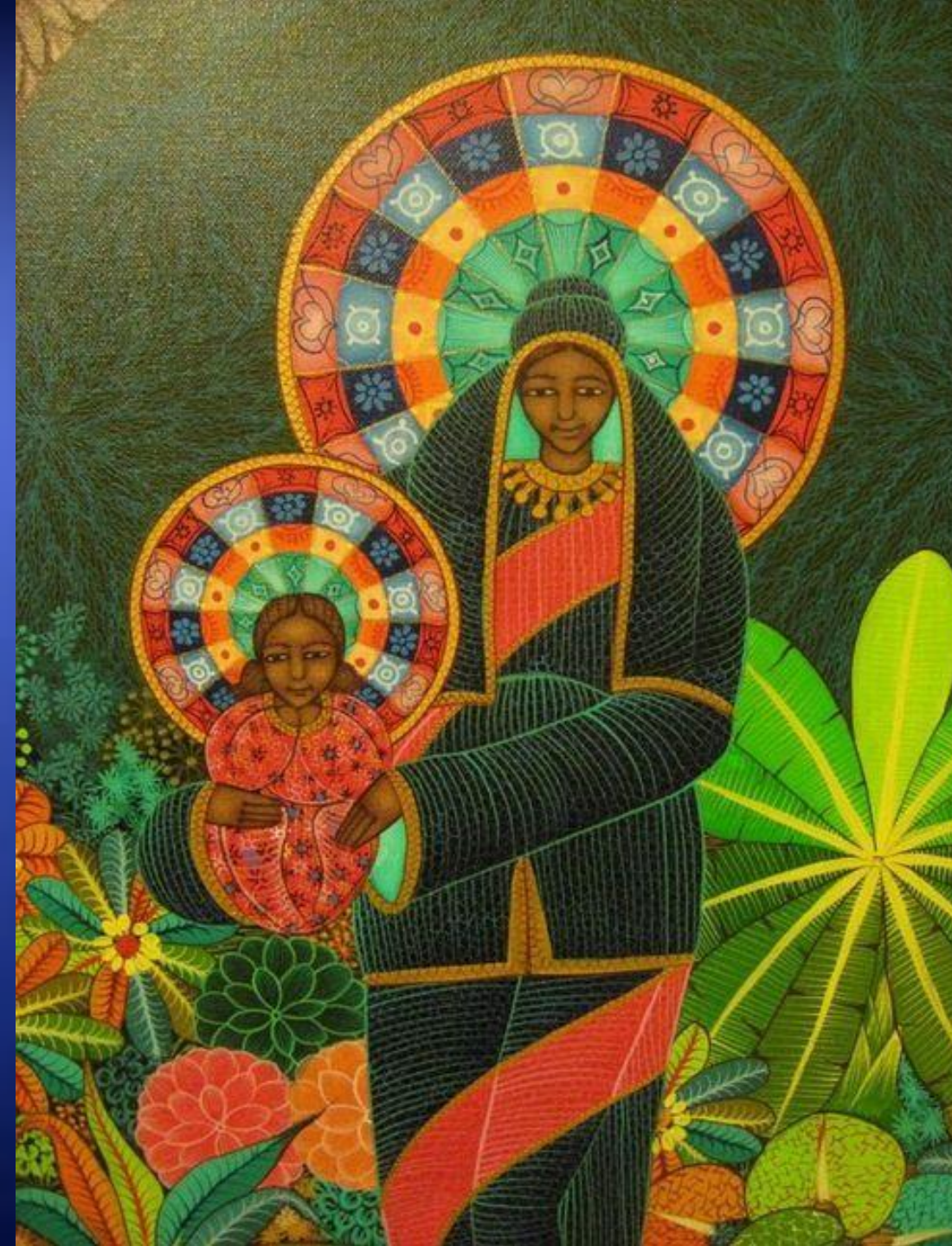
As I kneel before you,  
As I bow my head in pray'r,  
Take this day, make it yours  
and fill me with your love.

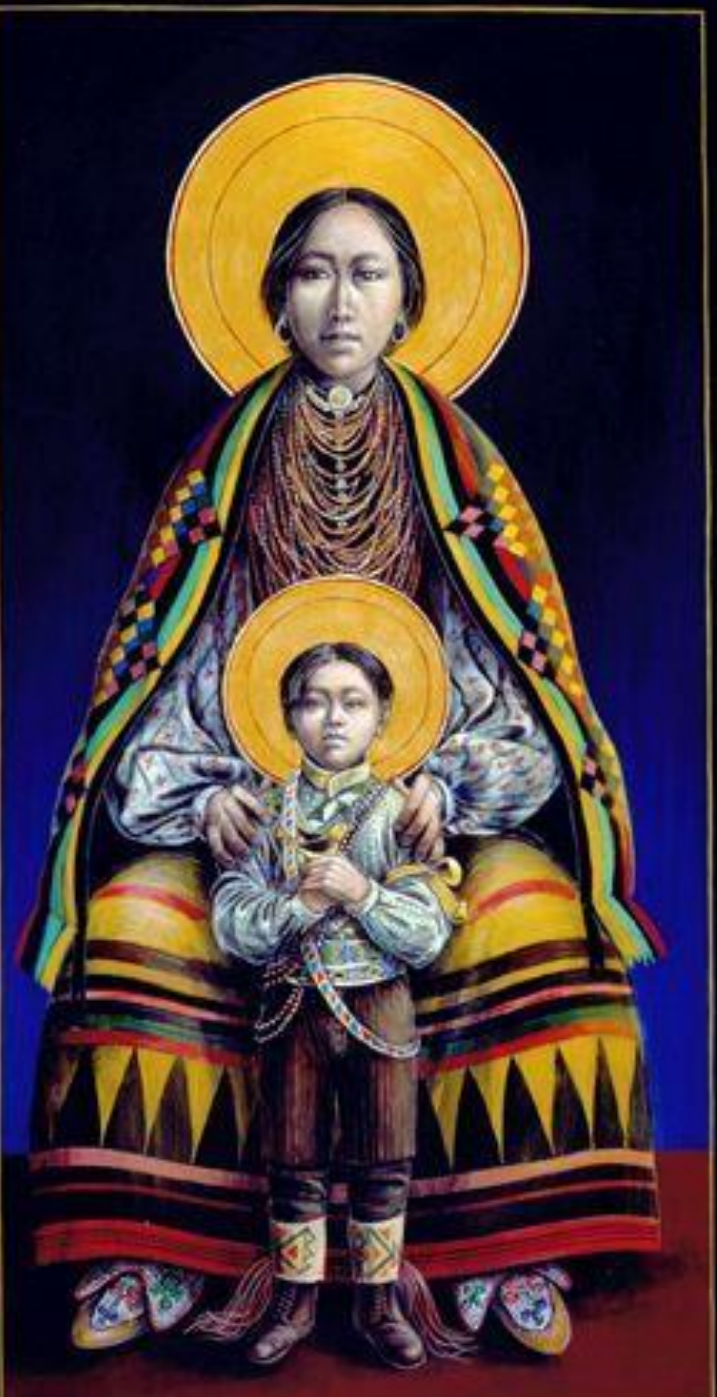
*Ave, Maria, gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.*



All I have I give you,  
Ev'ry dream and wish are yours,  
Mother of Christ, mother of mine,  
Present them to my Lord.

*Ave, Maria, gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.*





As I kneel before you,  
and I see your smiling face,  
ev'ry thought, ev'ry word  
is lost in your embrace.

*Ave, Maria, gratia plena,  
Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.*



Please take a tag from our Advent Giving Tree to wish our friends in Lyndon Croft. A Happy Christmas. Thank you.