

Option 2 (if you are **not** providing flowers)
(Suggested Weekend: Mother's Day Weekend)

After Mass, please join us in offering a spiritual bouquet to Our Blessed Mother. All are invited to *[insert location of the table with the supplies]*, where there are pens and paper for you to write down a prayer intention. You can then present your intention to Our Lady by placing it in the basket at *[insert designated Marian statue, icon, or painting and location]*. If you brought Our Blessed Mother a flower, you can offer it to her in thanksgiving for her maternal care by placing it in the vase located *[insert location]*. *[Consider adding: "For those who did not bring a flower, a limited supply is available near the pens and paper."]*

As we celebrate the gift of mothers and honor Our Blessed Mother, *we also recognize that Mother's Day can be a difficult holiday for many.* We hope this spiritual bouquet provides an opportunity to pray for the intentions in your heart today.

Option 3 (if you **are** providing flowers)
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As we celebrate the gift of mothers and honor Our Blessed Mother, *we also recognize that Mother's Day can be a difficult holiday for many.* We hope this spiritual bouquet provides an opportunity to pray for the intentions in your heart today.

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INTERCESSIONS

These sample intercessions were written for use on Mother's Day; however, many can be used throughout the year. These intentions are appropriate for inclusion in the Prayer of the Faithful at Sunday Mass. They can also be printed in the weekly bulletin, featured in email newsletters, shared on social media platforms, or prayed during personal or family prayer times.

For all mothers:
That they may be supported and encouraged in their special vocation of love;
We pray to the Lord:

That all might treasure and support God's plan for life and love;
We pray to the Lord:

For all mothers:
That their children will honor their many sacrifices by lives of service and virtue;
We pray to the Lord:

For mothers facing unexpected pregnancies:
That they may find strength and courage in the example of our Blessed Mother;
We pray to the Lord:

For all mothers awaiting the birth of their children:
That the Lord protect them and bring their babies to safe delivery;
We pray to the Lord:

For all married couples struggling to have a child:
That the Lord grant them peace as they hope for the gift of a son or daughter;
We pray to the Lord:

For all those longing to welcome a child through adoption:
May the Lord guide their journey and grant them peace along the way;
We pray to the Lord:

For mothers who mourn the loss of a child:
That they may find peace and consolation in the hope of eternal life;
We pray to the Lord: