

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Feast Day: Oct 24

“Christian means learner and imitator of Christ. If we wish to bear that noble title worthily, we must, above all, do as Christ charges us in the gospel.”

(St. Anthony Mary Claret)

Devotion for the Month of April



The Blessed Sacrament



MARY'S HOMES OF HOPE
PROVIDING HOMES THAT ARE “INNS”
OF FAITH, HOPE & PRAYER

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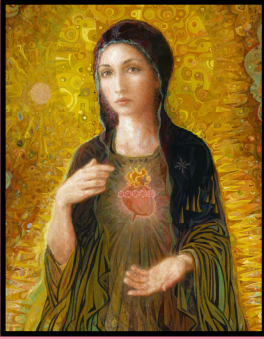
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"The Imitation of Christ"
by Thomas A Kempis*

Our journey, as Christians, to learn and imitate Christ, starts with prayer. Having a conversation with God as your best friend you will know how much He loves you and that He wants what is best for you. You can tell Him anything. He will show you how precious you are and you will be filled with His intimate love. You will grow stronger in faith and knowledge. You will learn His truth and become disciples for others. Let us continue to be Christ's students and we will be those disciples that will build up the Church.

Remember when Christ founded His Church. He gave it endless treasures to know Him and love Him more. The greatest treasure is the Eucharist, His body, blood, soul, and divinity that will get us to heaven.

On this journey, take someone with you who will get you to your final destination. That someone is your Mother Mary. Grab her hand. She won't let go. She will teach you how to love more, how to be "life-bringers", how to comfort and serve others, and how to get home to heaven.

Who, but her, knows the perfect way to show you the will of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. She will show you that your walk with her Son is a love story.



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Happy Mother's Day!

In honor of all the mothers who say "Yes!" to life. In honor of all the moms and children you have helped by providing support that keeps Mary's Homes of Hope's doors open.



Recently, Andrea, one of our alumni moms, came by to visit and spend time in adoration with Jesus. She, and sons Isaiah and Armani, are doing well. With mom's hard work and faith, she was able to get back custody of Armani. Both boys have received the sacraments and love their Catholic faith.

Thank you, from all of us who reside in Our Lady's home, and many others who are helped, and all who experience Christ's love.

Dear Jesus, we raise our eyes and hearts to You with praise and glad thanksgiving for all Your blessings and the salvation You won for us on the cross. Help us this day to look on Your Blessed Mother with full and complete love. May Her life of service to You and to the Church inspire us to live more fully in You.



Holy Mother of God, we ask you to intercede for us that your Son will bless our lives just as He blessed your life. Inspire us to open our hearts and minds as we contemplate your life of love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen!

God Bless You!

