



SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

1. IN THE HEART OF THE CHURCH AND THE INSTITUTE

1.1 Opening of Project Mornese

ANGELUS & ENTRUSTMENT

(prayed before Mass)

Guide: In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Angelus

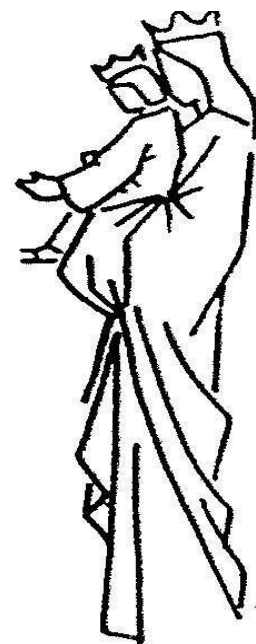
Entrustment *(alternating sides)*

Guide: We entrust our life to Mary, our Mother and guide so that she can help us to joyfully sing of God's love for us, to live our vocation with commitment, renewed in faith, in love with Jesus, eager to communicate with passion and coherence the beauty of the Gospel to the new generations:

O Mary Help of Christians,
we entrust our journey to you
of total donation to God.
Teach us to sing with joy and gratitude
our Magnificat to the Lord.

Make us attentive to the voice of the Spirit
because we know how to live with humility,
charity, simplicity, and trust in our daily life.

Like You, we desire to abandon ourselves to the Father
to continue to live chaste, poor, and obedient



and to be, with our life
transparency of God's love
and reflection of your maternal goodness
on the example of Mother Mazzarello
for the young people entrusted to us. Amen.

Guide: Mary, Queen of Peace

All: pray for us.

MASS

Introduction

Guide: In this Eucharist, we thank God for the *Progetto Mornese*, which we are starting as an itinerant community on the paths of Don Bosco and Mother Mazzarello. In this gift that the Institute and our provinces offer, we want to revive the beauty of one's vocation to be joyful every day. We entrust ourselves to Mary so that, as in Cana, she makes us docile to the word of Jesus and teaches us to "Do what He tells us." We present to Him the water of our listening and availability so that in this time of grace, it becomes a wine of joy and hope.

Instrumental Music

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6PktY6UVsro>

(While instrumental music plays, two jars will be brought to the altar, one with water and one empty. Each participant will pour a little water into the jar that is empty.)

Prayer of the Faithful

Celebrant: With the trust and freedom of children, we present our prayers to God the Father so that he may welcome them and answer them through the intercession of the Most Holy Mary, who has kept every word of her son Jesus Christ in her heart.

Let us pray together and say: *Hear us, oh Lord.*

1. Protect, Lord, the Church and support Pope Francis: may your Spirit always be upon him and make him a tireless announcer and witness of your merciful goodness. Let us pray.
2. Visit our land, which is wounded by hatred, selfishness, and violence; arouses in every heart the desire for peace and care for creation, our typical home. Let us pray.
3. So that the Mother General and the sisters of the Council, enlightened by the wisdom of the Spirit, supported by his grace, and guided by Mary, Mother, and Educator, accompany the entire Institute and the educating communities in the experience of effective presence among young people. Let us pray.
4. Fill with your grace how many young people have undertaken a journey of vocational discernment so that they joyfully adhere to your project of love. Let us pray.
5. For all young people who have distanced themselves from the faith and are in difficulty, so that, consoled, they experience the love of God and the presence of Jesus and are renewed in their faith in Him. Let us pray.

Offertory

(Bread and wine are brought to the altar)

Guide: We offer the bread and wine that will become your body and your blood and will be the food that helps us live the prophecy of presence as our founders lived, to continue to be a significant presence among young people.

OPENING PRAYER

(A place is prepared in the room with jars and images of Mary Help of Christians, Don Bosco, Mother Mazzarello along with a candle.)

Guide 1: We begin our pilgrimage by singing to God in an atmosphere of praise and thanksgiving for the wonders He has done in the lives of our founders and continues to do in us and our educational communities today.

Song: My Hearts Thanksgiving

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QB09HyGmCdg>

As I sing my heart's thanksgiving
and my eyes look heaven ward,
How the stars you flung like jewels bid
your welcome shine your light
I as I marvel at your moonrise
I'm in awe yet I ask
"What am I that you should love me
and hold me as your dearest love of all
You crown me with honor and glory
and you set all things under my feet
You have made me little less than angels even if I fly often away
In my anxious and browbeaten moments you comfort me
fill me with peace when my foes threaten dare and surround me
you're my strength you're my light and my shield
How exalted your name is
O Yahweh and how lofty the work of your hands
Yet how closely how dearly you draw me to your love your divine majesty

Animator: "My Hearts Thanksgiving" – it is the call to recover that joyful and grateful soul, which is the substance of a genuine experience of faith and, for us, is a typical aspect of our charismatic identity. We were born to be "thankful," to let praise and thanks emerge despite the hardships, the pain, and the limits. This makes us tune in to Mary, the Virgin of the Magnificat. With her, we sing the joy, gratitude, and triumph of God's love.

Guide 2: Mary *accompanies us* on this journey, rejoicing in the wonders of grace that the Almighty has accomplished in her. It is the model of a beautiful harmony of all the harp strings.

Guide 1: What chords do we as an Institute let vibrate in our hearts in our Salesian mission? We highlight some of them:

Voice 1: Mary's maternal concern makes us intuitive, coming, courageous, and strong in pain and love;

Voice 2: the educational-preventive passion, especially towards poor girls, young people, and mothers;

Voice 3: the sense of community and the care to express the family spirit in daily gestures;

Voice 4: the gift of contemplation in action, living Martha and Mary as Don Bosco dreamed of us and Mother Mazzarello lived. Mary Immaculate Help of Christians is our guide to vocational unity;

Voice 5: live animation and government in the spirit of simplicity, humility, and involvement of all;

Voice 6: inclusion in the parish fabric, love for catechesis, and educational attention to families, especially mothers.

Guide 2: With these ropes, the psalmist invites us to bless the Lord in the face of his greatness and not forget his benefits.

Song: Bless the Lord O, My Soul Psalm 102/103

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIMRQUtLiiA>

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
And all that is within me, bless His holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,



And forget not all His benefits:
Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,
Who redeems your life from destruction,
Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
Who satisfies your mouth with good things,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
The Lord executes righteousness
And justice for all who are oppressed.

Guide 1: We are called to "*Do whatever He tells us*" (Jn 2.5), allowing ourselves to be enlightened by Jesus's presence at the Cana wedding.

Gospel John 2:1-11 (*video or reading*)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQCsr6CqNQ8>

Three days later, there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. ³ In the meantime, when the wine ran out, Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine." ⁴ And Jesus answered, "What have I to do with you, woman? My time has not yet come." ⁵ The mother says to the servants: "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ There were six stone jars to purify the Jews, each containing two or three barrels. ⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water," and they filled them to the brim. ⁸ He said to them again, "Now draw some and bring it to the master of the table." And they brought it to him. ⁹ And as soon as he had tasted the water that had become wine, the master of the table, who did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), called the groom ¹⁰ and said to him: «Everyone serves the good wine and, when they are a little tipsy, the less good one; but you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ So Jesus began his miracles in Cana of Galilee, manifested his glory and his disciples believed in him.

(Pause for silence and reflection)

Guide 1: In the spirituality of Maria Domenica Mazzarello, the centrality of Christ constitutes the focal nucleus from which everything starts. Her entire existence has the Person of Christ as its underlying theme. He is the reason for her contemplation, educational mission, and total oblation.

Guide 2: The Eucharistic mystery is at the center of her spirituality, as the root of consecration, contemplation, the life of communion, and service to young people. The icon of the Valponasca window and the daily pilgrimage to the parish are witnesses of this Eucharistic centrality.

Guide 1: The celebration of life is complete when Jesus is at the center. To be communities generative of life and fruitful in mission, we must root our life in Christ. Without Him, we can do nothing.

Guide 2: Thankful for the certainty of God's presence among us, let us pray together. Our Father....

Guide 1: Mary becomes a teacher through her words because she teaches how to listen and follow. They heard and did in her words: from servants, they became disciples in faith.

Song: Do Whatever He Tells You

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E7qbp35nwa0>

Do Whatever He Tells You.
Do Whatever He Says.
Everything Will Work Out Fine.
Jesus Will Turn Water Into Wine.
Do Whatever He Tells You.

Mary Knew That Jesus Was God's Son,
And She Sensed His Time Had Finally Come.
So To Keep The Wedding Feast From Coming To An End,
She Called The Servants Out And Said To Them:

“Let It Be, According To Your Will.”

Mary’s Words Of Faith Inspire Us Still.

Lowly One, She Bore The Son And To The Cross She Stayed.

She Always Modelled How We Should Obey.

Listen Harder When You Pray And

Do Whatever He Tells You.

It May Seem Foolish To Obey, But

Do Whatever He Says.

When The Wine Of Life Runs Out,

Do Whatever He Tells You.

You’ll See What Grace Is All About.

Do Whatever He Says.



Together: Mary revives in us the beauty of our vocation, strengthens the sense of belonging to the Church and the Institute, and renews the desire to be a creative and courageous presence among young people like Don Bosco and Mother Mazzarello.

Guide 2: Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.

(source: Cavaglià, Piera. I will play for you on the ten-string harp.)

GETTING TO KNOW US *(dynamic)*