

Litany of Mary of Nazareth

Glory to you, God of our Creator ...

Breathe into us new life, new meaning.

Glory to you, God our Savior ...

Lead us in the way of peace and justice.

Glory to you, God, healing Spirit ...

Transform us to empower others.

Mary, wellspring of peace *Be our guide.*

Model of strength

Model of gentleness

Model of trust

Model of courage

Model of patience

Model of risk

Model of openness

Model of perseverance

Mother of the liberator *Pray for us.*

Mother of the homeless

Mother of the dying

Mother of the nonviolent

Widowed mother

Unwed mother

Mother of the political prisoner

Mother of the condemned

Mother of an executed criminal

Oppressed woman *Lead us to life.*

Liberator of the oppressed

Marginalized woman

Comforter of the afflicted

Cause of our joy

Sign of contradiction

Breaker of bondage

Political refugee..... *Lead us to life.*

Seeker of sanctuary

First disciple

Sharer in Christ's ministry

Participant in Christ's passion

Seeker of God's will

Witness to Christ's resurrection

Woman of mercy *Empower us.*

Woman of faith

Woman of contemplation

Woman of vision

Woman of wisdom and understanding

Woman of grace and truth

Woman, pregnant with hope

Woman, centered in God

Let us pray:

Mary, Queen of Peace, we entrust our lives to you.

Shelter us from war, hatred and oppression.

Teach us to live in peace, to educate ourselves for peace.

Inspire us to act justly, to revere all God has made.

Root peace firmly in our hearts and in our world.

Amen.

—from *The Fire of Peace: A Prayer Book*

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