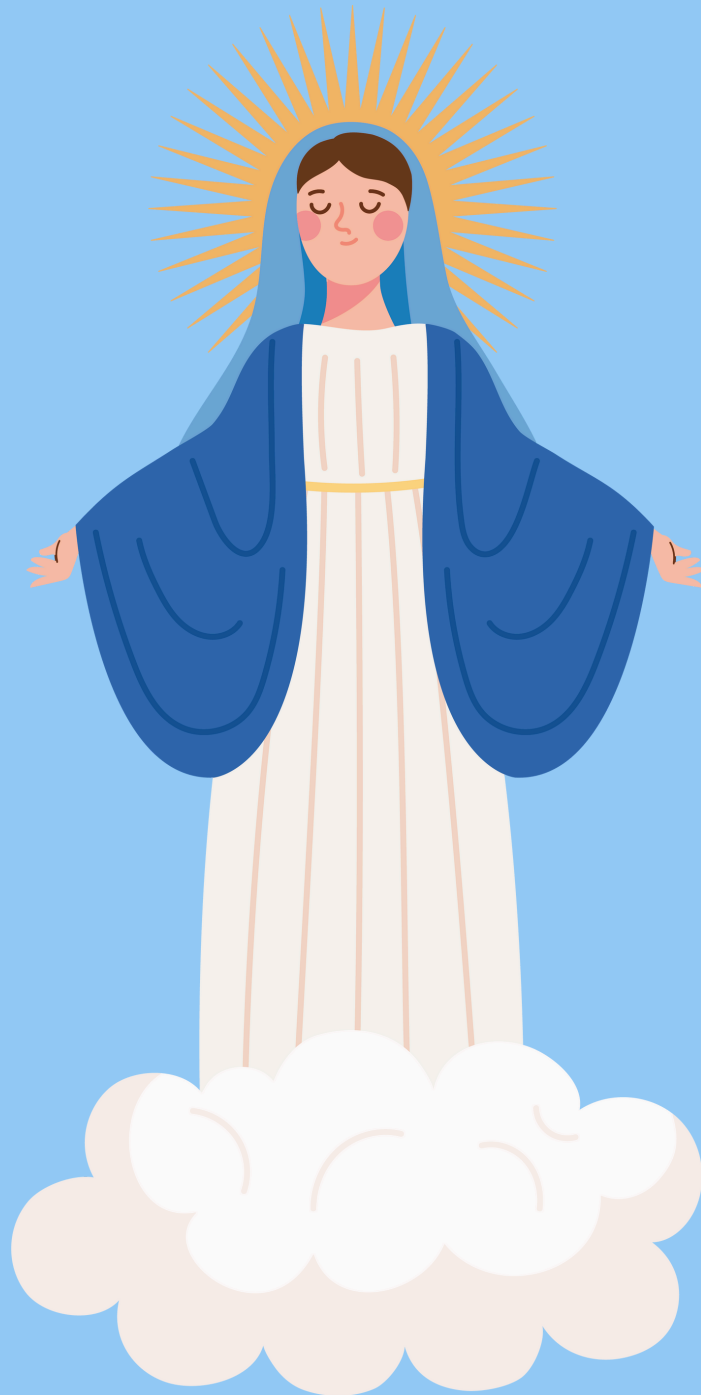


MARY ACTIVITIES



Mary Wordsearch

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Immaculate

Assumption

Conception

Holy

Lourdes

Madonna

Mother

Pure

Fatima

Virgin

Rosary

Star

Blessed

Queen

Mary

Rose

Answers

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Fill in the Blanks

Words

12 Bethlehem cousin Gabriel

Heaven soul temple wine

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Immaculate Heart

The Immaculate Heart of Mary is a special way the Church talks about Mary's love. Immaculate means "pure" or "clean." Mary's heart is called immaculate because she loved God perfectly and never sinned. Her heart reminds us of her deep love—for Jesus and for all of us.

Pictures of the Immaculate Heart have flames of love, roses or lilies that symbolise Mary, and a sword which stands for the sadness she felt when Jesus suffered. When we think of the Immaculate Heart, we remember that Mary:

- Loved God faithfully
- Loves Jesus more than anyone.
- Loves us like a mother and wants to help us grow closer to Jesus.



The Annunciation

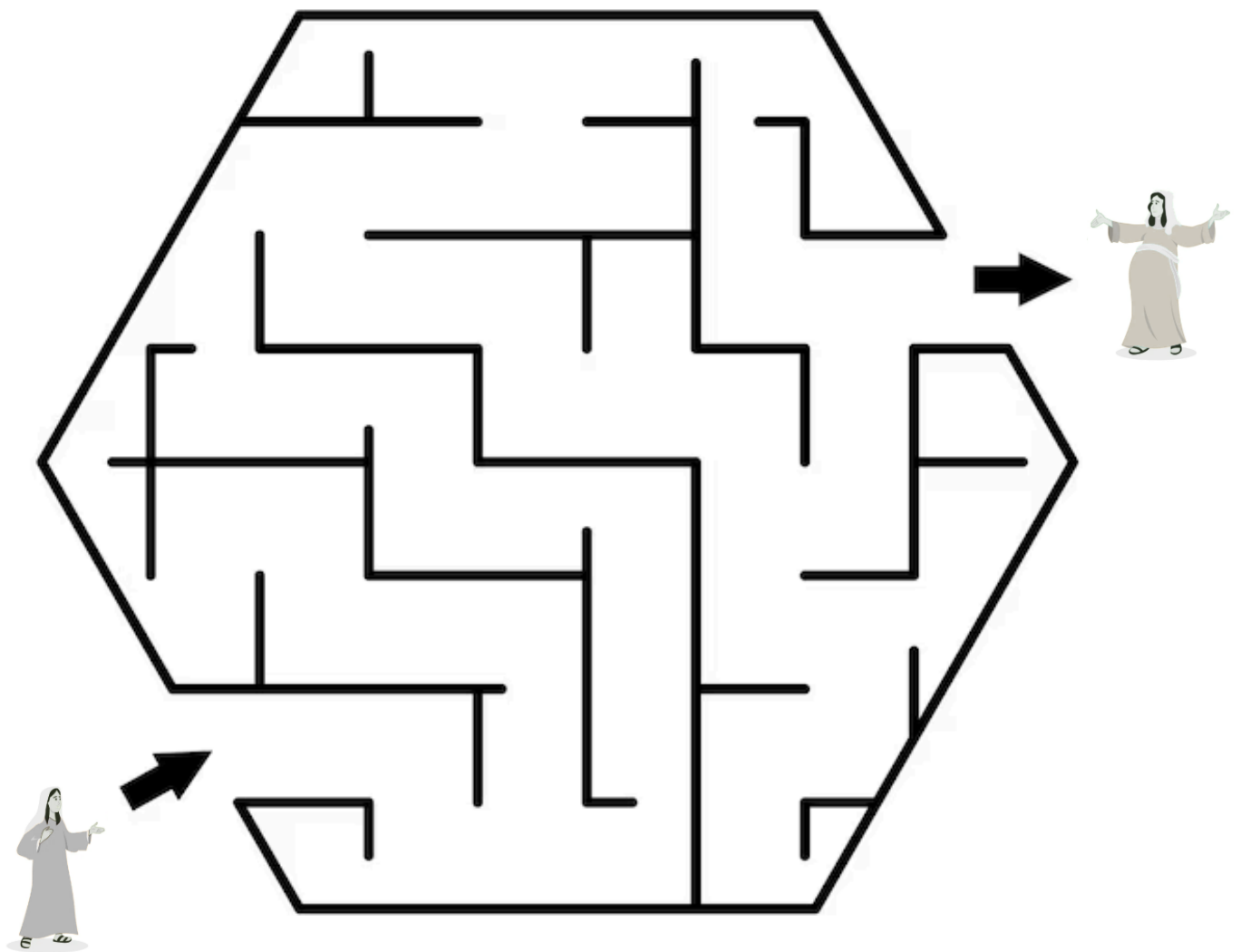
Mary was so brave when she said “Yes” to God’s invitation to be the mother of Jesus.

Is there something you need to be brave about?

Write about it and ask Mary to help you:

The Visitation

Mary wants to visit her cousin, Elizabeth, who is pregnant. Help Mary through the maze.

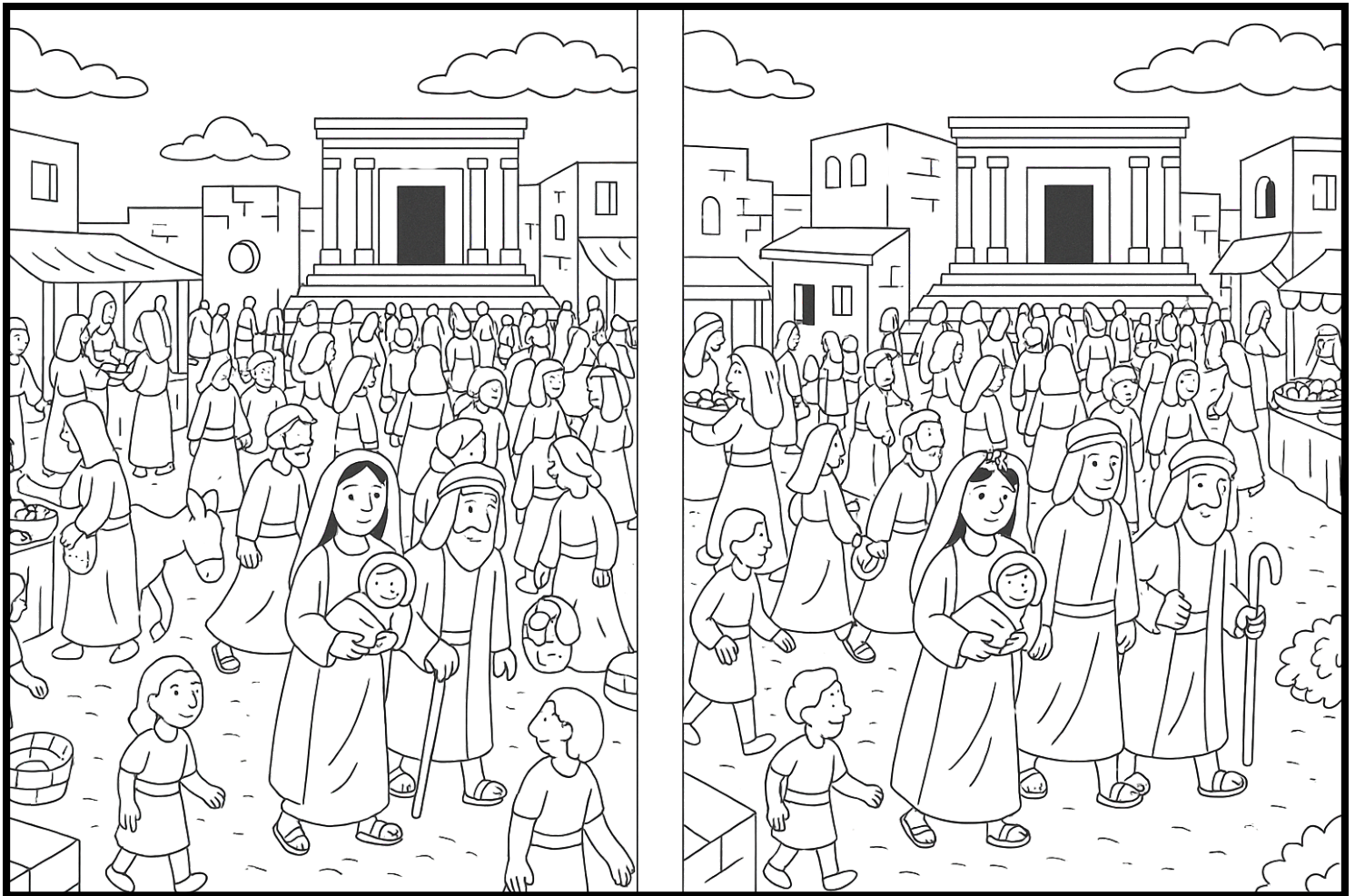


When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice she exclaimed: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! (Lk 1:41-42)

The Presentation

Mary and Joseph are taking baby Jesus to Jerusalem to present him at the temple and offer him to God.

Can you spot 12 differences?



When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (Lk 2:22)

Wedding at Cana

Draw a comic strip of the events at the wedding:

Jesus and Mary attended a wedding of a friend in the town of Cana.

Disaster: The wine ran out!

Mary went to tell Jesus

Mary told the servants to do whatever Jesus told them.

The servants brought Jesus barrels filled with water.

Jesus miraculously turned
the water into wine!

The Coronation



Queen of Heaven and Earth

Hail Holy Queen

Mother of *Mercy*
our life, our sweetness
and our *hope*.

To thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping
in this valley of tears

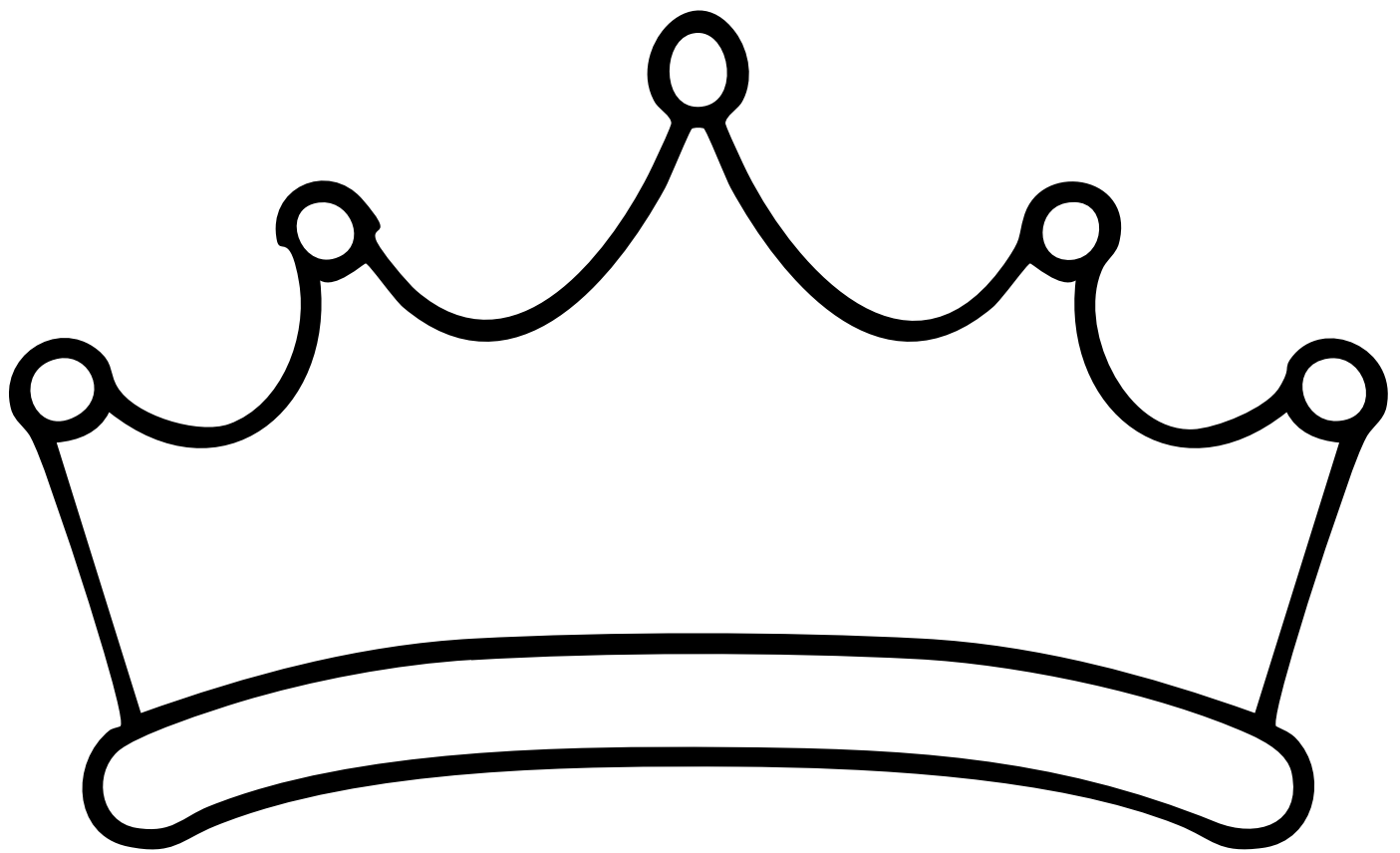
Turn then, most *gracious advocate*
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this exile, show unto us the
blessed fruit of thy womb, *Jesus*

O clement, O loving, O sweet
Virgin Mary

Pray for us, o holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the
promises of *Christ*.

Mary's Crown

Mary is Queen of Heaven and Earth. Decorate her crown.



The Assumption

Mary lived with such faithfulness that **God raised her to Heaven, body and soul.**
This means she is very special and is a powerful role model of how to live and love God. Reflect on how you can follow the example of Mary:

Faith in God

When the Angel Gabriel told her she would be the Mother of Jesus, Mary said "Yes" even though she didn't fully understand.

One way I can show faith like Mary is...

Humility

Mary didn't boast about being chosen by God. Instead, she praised God, saying, "My soul glorifies the Lord"

One way I can be humble like Mary is...

Compassion

Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth to help her even though she was pregnant herself. This showed care and kindness.

One way I can show compassion like Mary is...

Hopefulness

Even in her sorrow when Jesus was crucified and died, Mary had hope in God's plan.

One way I can have hope like Mary is...

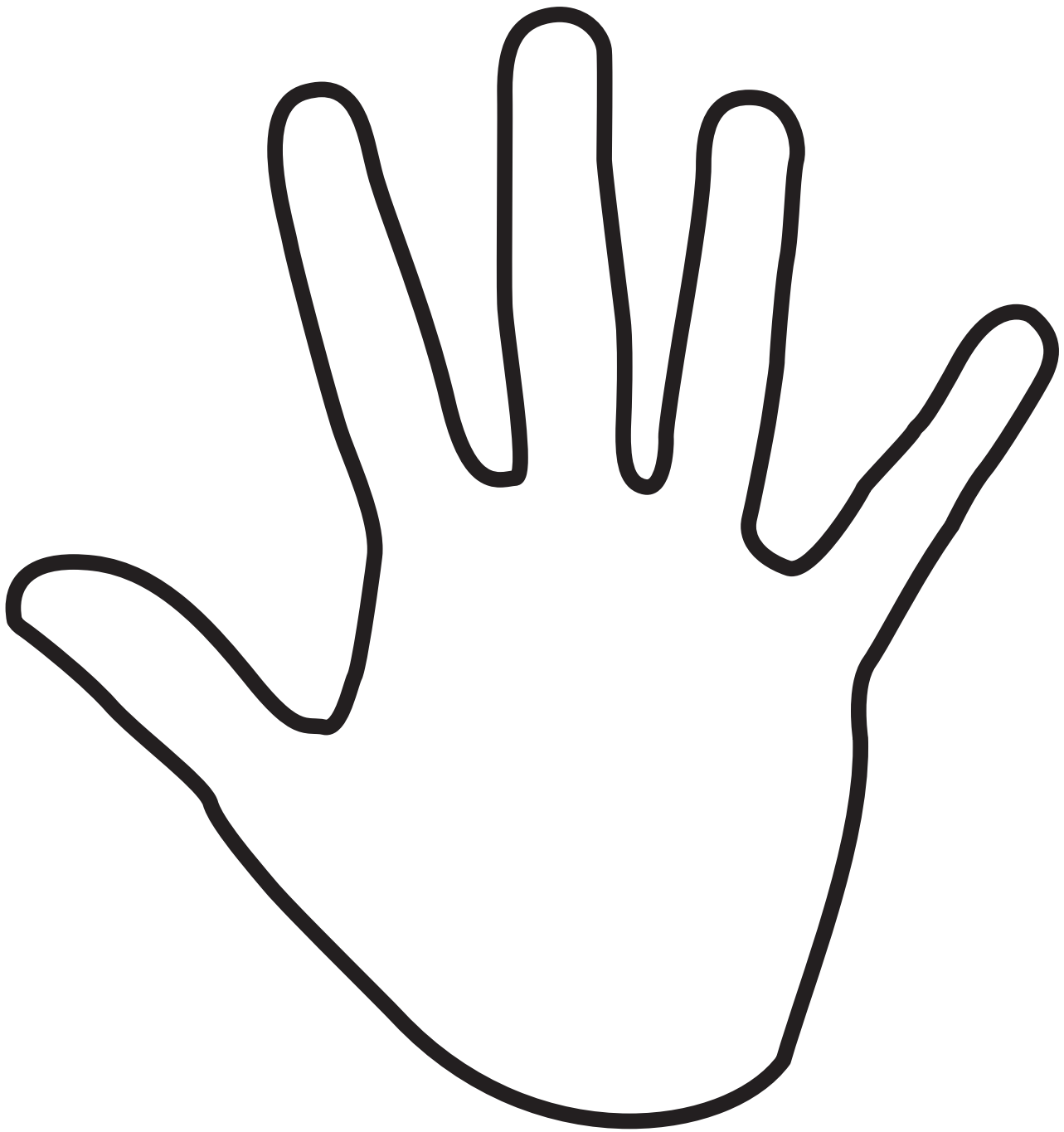
Love of
Jesus

From the moment Jesus was born, Mary cared for Him with tender love and she stayed by His side even when He suffered on the cross. She showed that nothing could ever stop her love for Jesus.

One way I can show love for Jesus like Mary is...

Prayers for Mary

Mary intercedes for us. This means she takes our prayers to Jesus.
What are 5 things you could ask Mary to pray for to Jesus?



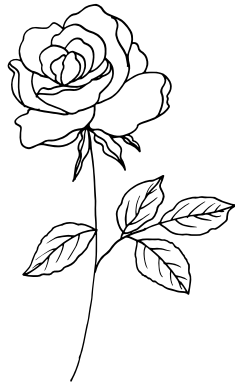
Mother Mary, pray for us.

Marian Flowers

There are many flowers linked to Mother Mary, each representing something different about her.

Rose

The rose is called the “queen of flowers,” just as Mary is the Queen of Heaven.



Carnation

Carnations are often seen as a symbol of a mother’s love. They remind us of Mary’s deep love for Jesus and for all people.



Lily

The lily is white and pure, and it reminds us of Mary’s clean heart and closeness to God.



Periwinkle

Also called “Virgin Flower,” the periwinkle’s soft colour points to Mary’s faithfulness and loyalty to God



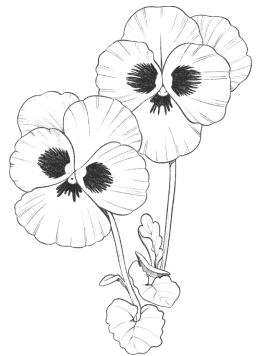
Marigold

This flower’s name comes from her (“Mary’s gold”)! It symbolises the joy and light Mary brings, like sunshine in people’s lives.



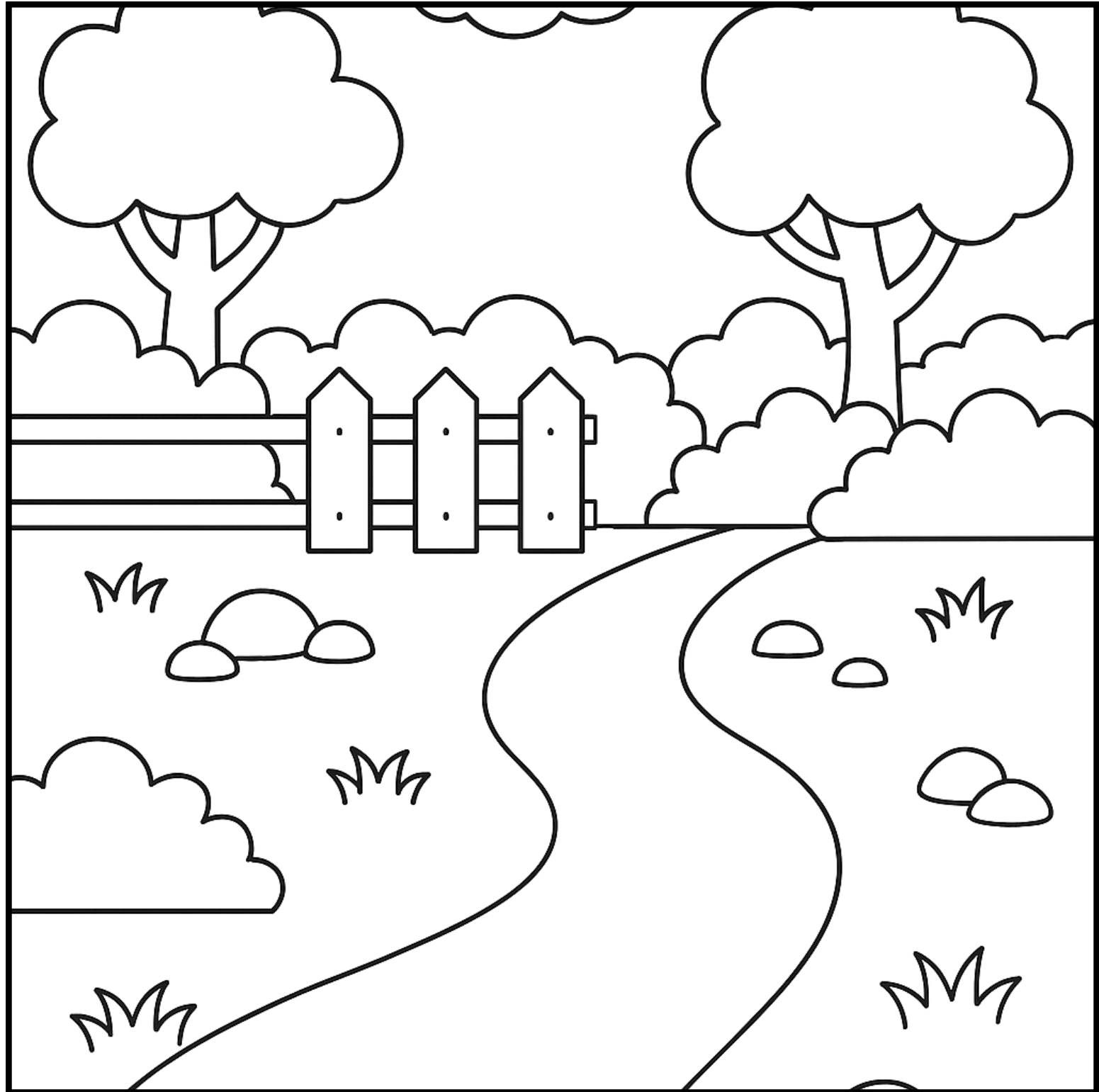
Pansy

This is sometimes called “Our Lady’s Delight.” Its shape and colours remind us to ponder and pray, just as Mary did.



Draw a Garden

Create a garden for Mary by drawing all her flowers:



Marian Apparitions

A Marian apparition is when Mary, the Mother of Jesus, has appeared to people in a special way. She usually comes with a message from God to help people grow in faith, pray more, or live better lives. These events are rare, and the Church takes a long time to decide if they are true, but many Catholics believe they are special signs of God's love.

Read about three of the most famous apparitions:



Our Lady of Fatima

Mary appeared to three shepherd children named Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta. She asked them to pray the Rosary every day for peace in the world and for people to turn back to God. Many people later saw a miracle in the sky, called the "Miracle of the Sun," where the sun seemed to dance.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

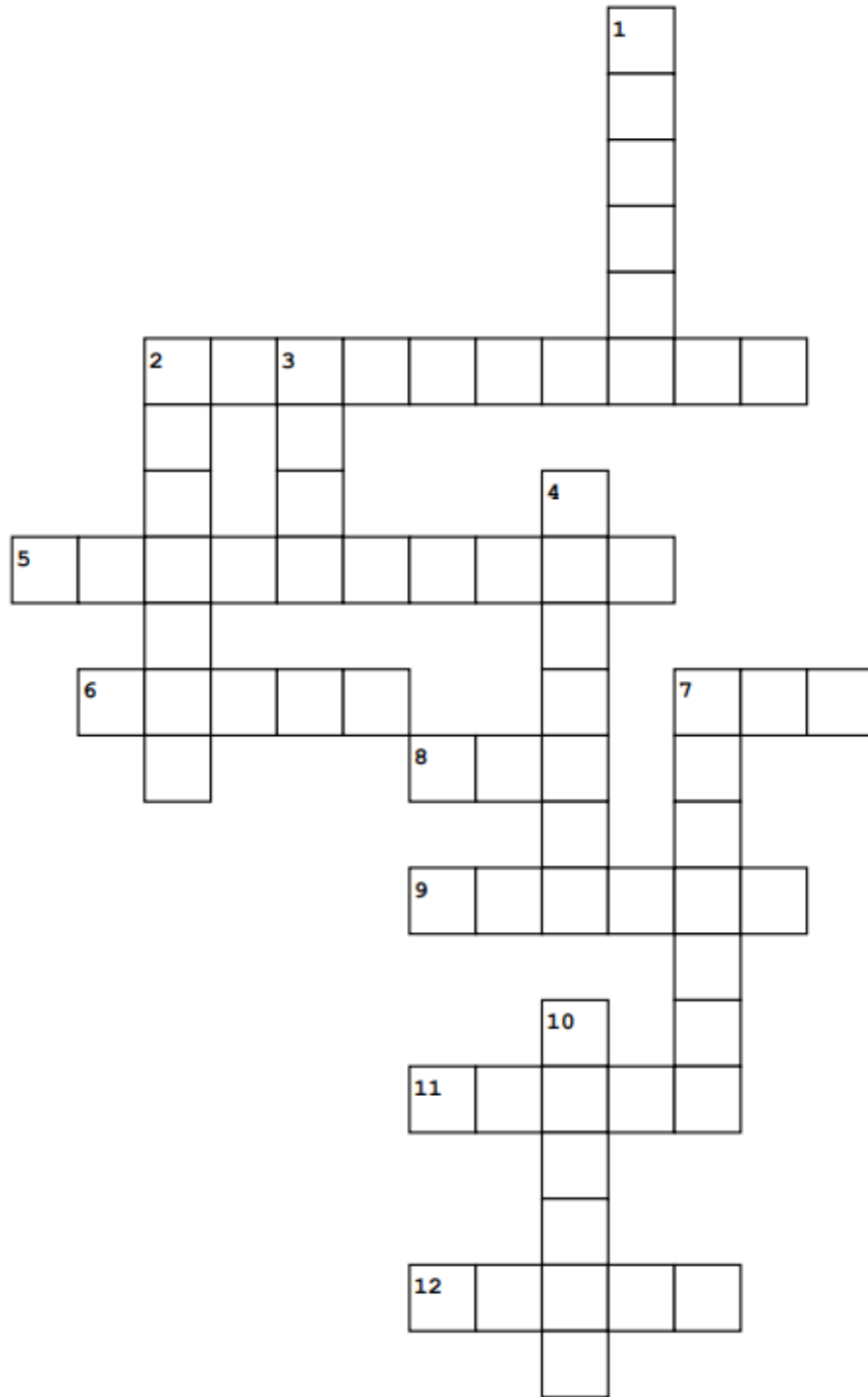
Mary appeared to Juan Diego, a humble man. She asked him to tell the bishop to build a church. As a sign, she made roses bloom in winter and left her beautiful image on Juan Diego's cloak, which can still be seen today. She is called the Patroness of the Americas, and her image is a symbol of love and protection for millions of people.



Our Lady of Lourdes

Mary appeared to a young girl named Bernadette in the small town of Lourdes. Mary told Bernadette to pray and asked that a chapel be built there. A spring of water appeared, and many people still go to Lourdes today because the water is linked with healing and hope.

Marian Titles

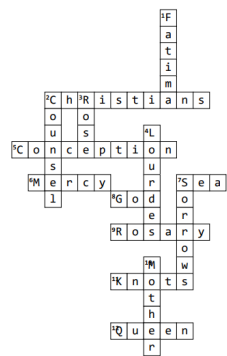


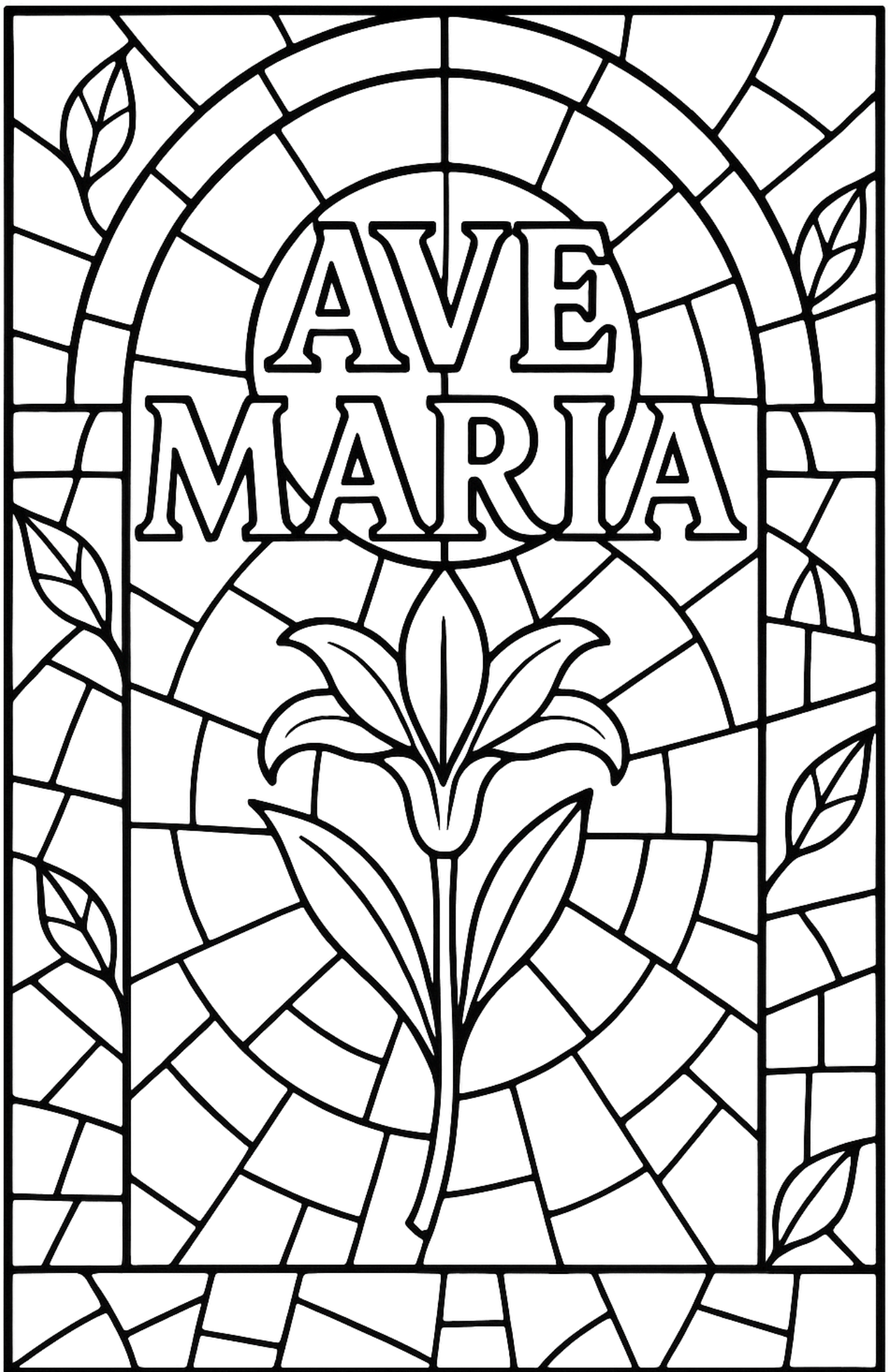
Across

2. As patroness of Australia, Mary is called "Our Lady help of C_____"
5. This title reminds us of Mary's purity: "Immaculate c_____"
6. In the Hail Holy Queen prayer, Mary is called "Mother of m_____"
7. Mary is called "Stella Maris" which means "Star of the _____"
8. Mary is the Mother of _____
9. Our Lady of the _____, reminds us of the special prayer which honors Mary.
11. This title is "Mary, the undoer of k_____"
12. God crowned Mary as _____ of Heaven and Earth

Down

1. This title reminds us that Mary appeared to three children in _____, Portugal.
2. When we ask Mary to guide us with advice, she is called "Mother of Good C_____"
3. Mary is called this beautiful flower, the "Mystical _____"
4. Mary is referred to as "Our Lady of _____" to refer to the apparition in France.
7. "Our lady of s _____" reminds us that Mary listens to our cries of sadness
10. The title that reminds us Mary is always our loving parent.





“Ave Maria” means “Hail Mary” in Latin.

It is the first part of a very special prayer that Catholics say to Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

The words come partly from the Bible: when the angel Gabriel visited Mary, he greeted her by saying she was full of grace, and later Elizabeth, her cousin, called her “blessed.”

