

Our Lady

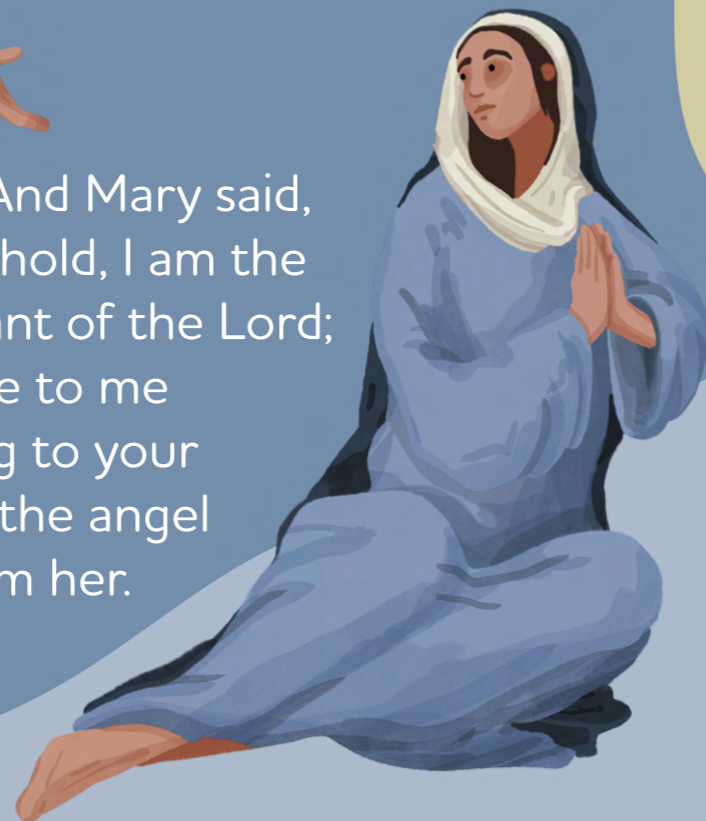
In Scripture



And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called Holy – the Son of God.

And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.”

And Mary said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.
Luke 1:35-38



In the Old Testament many holy women prepared the way for Mary. From the first mother of all the living (Eve) and Sarah the mother of faith who conceives a son in her old age.

We see that against all human expectation God chooses the powerless and weak to reveal his faithfulness to his promises. Miriam; Hannah, the mother of Samuel; Deborah; Ruth; Judith and Esther all point to the coming of Mary.

In the New Testament, Mary stands out among the poor and humble believers who confidently hope for and receive salvation from God. After such a long time of waiting throughout the history of Israel, God’s plans are fulfilled in Mary. Mary’s role becomes inseparable from her relationship with Christ: from the moment of his conception until the hour of his Passion, when Jesus hands Mary over to the care of John. After Jesus’ death, she becomes identified with the life of the Church as the mother of all believers.

“HAIL MARY, FULL OF GRACE...”