

## **Prayer Anthology #71**

**Focus Point:** In April we celebrated the Joy of Easter and the promise of Resurrection. Mary turns our focus to the Blessed Mother. As the most important woman of our faith, this is a time to give her thanks, praise and remembrance for her sufferings. And to contemplate her faith and trust in God's will from the moment she was told she would carry Jesus in her womb through to following her Son to His death on the cross. We can do this through our own prayer and by saying the Rosary each day.

Father Joe has told us that as we go through the trials and tribulations of life as parents, grandparents, family members, we can turn to her and ask for her to intercede for us.

**Prayer for the intercession of the Blessed Mother:** Oh, Blessed Mother, I am so thankful to you for your faithful and constant intercession. I am grateful for your model of faith as you continually trusted in God's will and His plan for you to bear your Son, Jesus . You walked with him to his crucifixion and suffered as every pain your Son felt...you felt. I pray to always be inspired by your strength so that I may maintain my own faith and obedience to God's will and find peace there as I face the struggles in my own life. Please teach me, as you taught your Son, to trust in God's love to guide me through each day and help me to continue in love and charity to others. Amen.

**"Pray for us, O holy Mother of God"**