

Fifth Glorious Mystery

The Coronation of Our Lady in Heaven

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. (...) And the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. (...) The great dragon was hurled down to the earth (...). Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ (Rev 12,1-4; 9-10).

Meditation from the Byzantine liturgy

Rejoice, O highly favoured one, for all creation rejoices in you - the angelic host and the entire human race. O consecrated temple, O spiritual garden, O virginal glory in which He, Our God for all eternity, took human flesh and became a tiny child. Your womb became His Throne, which He has set high above the Heavens. All Creation rejoices in you, O highly favoured one. All honour be to you!

Intention

Mighty Queen of Heaven and earth, now that the need of your children has reached its peak, we entrust the whole of divided Christianity into your motherly hands. Bless all those who work for reconciliation and love. Keep us in the love of your Divine Son and direct our hearts to that place where we hope at last to share in your Glory.



He has looked upon the lowliness
of his handmaid