

On Mary's watch

"Let us ... entrust this Year to the Mother of Mercy, that she might turn her gaze upon us and watch over our journey."

Pope Francis (13 March 2015)

"Mary was able to turn a stable into a home for Jesus, with poor swaddling clothes and an abundance of love.

She is the friend who is ever concerned that wine not be lacking in our lives.

She is the woman whose heart was pierced by a sword and who understands all our pain.

As mother of all, she is a sign of hope for peoples suffering the birth pangs of justice.

She is the missionary who draws near to us and accompanies us throughout life."

Pope Francis (EG, 286)



*"Whenever we look to Mary,
we come to believe once again
in the revolutionary nature of
love and tenderness."*

Pope Francis (EG, 288)