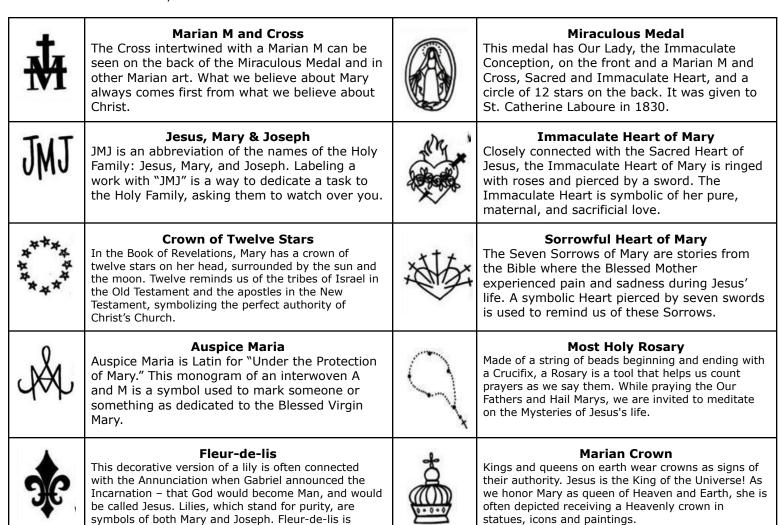
St. John's Newsletter

Symbols of Mary reflect her love and purity

To celebrate Mary in the Month of May, let's review some traditional Marian Symbols. These symbols can be found in art, church decor, sacramentals, holy cards and more from across the centuries. Each tells about the Blessed Virgin Mary and her role in Salvation History. The symbols also show the connection between Mary and Jesus. As the Mother of God, everything she does leads us to know, love and follow her Son.



Marian Flowers

In the Middle Ages, flowers were given religious names as a little way to sanctify, or make holy, and everyday objects. Many flowers have Marian names and when grown together are called a *Mary Garden*. Some of the flowers with Marian names are Rosa Mystica, Lily of the Valley, Marigold, Violet, Daisy, Iris, Aster and Columbine.

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French for "Flower of the Lily."