



WITNESS OF HOPE

Immaculate Heart of Mary

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The Immaculate Heart of Mary shines as a radiant symbol of love, purity, and hope. It reflects the heart of a mother who said “yes” to God without hesitation, embraced joy and suffering with grace, and **never ceased to trust in His promises.**

Mary’s heart, aflame with divine love and pierced with sorrow, mirrors the life of her Son, Jesus. In her quiet strength, deep compassion, and **faithful witness** at the foot of the Cross, she became a **beacon of hope** for all who suffer, doubt, or feel alone.

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart invites us to imitate Mary’s virtues—to **love deeply, serve humbly, and live with courage.** In her heart, we find the tenderness of God and the strength to keep going, even in life’s darkest moments.

As we journey through life, may Mary’s Immaculate Heart guide us ever closer to Jesus.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

God’s love

has **no limits**, and
His **mercy is infinite.**

Pope Francis

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To all who read this letter may hope fill your hearts



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