

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Gospel text (*Lk 2,41-51*): Jesus' parents (...) did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.



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Today, we celebrate the Immaculate Heart of Mary. A spotless Heart, full of God, totally willing to listen to him and obey him. In Bible's language, the heart refers to a person's deepest essence, where all thoughts, words and deeds emanate from. What does emanate from the Virgin Mary's heart? Faith, obedience, tenderness, availability, spirit of service, fortitude, humility, simplicity, gratitude, and a countless rosary of virtues.

—Jesus Christ, we beg You to give us the joy of loving God more perfectly every day, with all our heart, as the good sons of the Virgin Mary that we are.

