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Since we are unable to come together right now, due to the corona virus pandemic, we want you to know that we are here for you. You are in our hearts and in our spirit. We will continue to support you and uplift you in prayer through this website, with inspirational reflections and your prayer petitions.

As you well know, today is Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day. A day to honor all mother's and especially Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our mother.

Saint Therese of Lisieux said, "We know well that The Blessed Mother is Queen of Heaven and Earth, but she is more mother than queen." If we were able to ask Mary what title she would choose, I venture a guess that it would be "mother."

It was Jesus who gave His mother to us as He was dying on the cross. When Jesus said to John "There is your mother" (John 19:26-27), Jesus was also speaking to us.

Know that Mary loves you and me just as much as she loves Jesus. Like the good and perfect mother that Mary is, she waits for us to go to her and pour out our hearts to her. Much like a little child who has fallen and scraped their knee and runs to their mother to bandage their hurt, Mary waits for us to go to her when we hurt. Mary knows and understands everything that we go through, because she lived her life like everyone else, except without sin.

Andre Emery wrote: "she lived, loved and suffered as an ordinary woman, humble, and one of us. She sanctified all that we hold dear...childhood, family, spouse, motherhood, loss of loved ones, widowhood and hard work."

Though Mary lived an ordinary life, she was the most extra-ordinary woman who ever walked the face of the earth! After all, she is The Mother of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and our mother.

Totus Tuus, totally yours, Mary my Mother.

God bless you and keep you safe and well until we meet again!