

St Petersburg Diocese Marian Consecration Preparation Schedule

using Fr. Michael Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory

Date	Day's title	Daily Reading	book pages	Daily prayer:	Key words/thoughts	Questions to answer/ponder from the retreat companion (workbook) pages:
During Lent through April 2	Introduction: Why I Wrote this Book and How it Works		read the introduction pgs 17-27			pages 1-16
April 3	The Passionate Saint of Brittany	Day 1	31-33	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to make this retreat with generosity and zeal."	Brittany, Celtic Warrior, fiery and zeal channeled for God's purpose, generosity and zeal to stay the course during this retreat	pgs 23-24
April 4	St. Louis's Influence on the Church	Day 2	33-35	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary, Prepare me to give myself fully to living out this true and solid devotion."	We are in good company as we do this together.	pgs 25-26
April 5	De Monfort's Consecration (Part One)	Day 3	36-37	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary, Give me the grace to reject Satan and follow Christ more closely."	Our forgetfulness for our baptismal vows, GEN 3:15	pgs 27-28
April 6	De Montfort's Consecration (Part Two)	Day 4	38-39	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary, help me to give myself entirely to Jesus through Mary."	Gift of ourselves to Mary, everything we have.	pgs 29-30
April 7	Should We Really Give Mary Everything? (Part One)	Day 5	40-42	Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary, help me be generous in giving all I am and have to Mary."	Mary takes our gift and puts it on a gold plate, can't be outdone in generosity.	pgs 31-32
April 8	Should We Really Give Mary Everything? (Part Two)	Day 6	42-44	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary, Help me to give great glory to God by giving all I am and have to Mary."	Aim to reach highest heights of holiness to give greater glory to God. Our motive should not be self- love.	pgs 33-34
April 9	A Quick, Easy, and Secure Way to Holiness	Day 7	44-46	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to praise you for such a quick, easy, and secure path to holiness."	Quick,easy way to holiness, dying to self, road still filled with crosses, but sweet and light, sculptor who chisels vs using a mold, army of millions of angels. Young Raymond, offered two crowns –one white, one red. Fr. Kolbe started Militia Immaculata in 1917. 1941- Auschwitz gave his life in concentration camp by taking another prisoner's spot.	pgs 35-36
April 10	Who are you, St. Maximilian Kolbe?	Day 8	49-51	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Make me pure in body and spirit and help me to die to myself."		pgs 47-48

April 11	Who are you, O Immaculate Conception? (Part One)	Day 9	51-53	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Unveil for me the meaning of the Immaculate Conception."	Two hours before his death, St. Maximilian penned the answer to the question "Who are you, O Immaculate Conception?" Mary did not tell St. Bernadette, "I was Immaculately conceived," but rather, "I am the Immaculate Conception." Mary is the created Immaculate Conception/The Holy Spirit is the Uncreated Immaculate Conception. The Holy Spirit is life and love that springs forth.	pgs 49-50
April 12	Who are you, O Immaculate Conception? (Part Two)	Day 10	53-54	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Unveil for me the meaning of the Immaculate Conception."	St. Bernadette, uncreated/created Immaculate Conception, union, Mary is the spouse of the Holy Spirit	pgs 51-52
April 13	The Immaculata Always Does God's Will, Perfectly	Day 11	55-57	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Renew the face of the earth, so that all creation may return to God."	Thomas Aquinas, great circle of being, everything comes forth from God and is going back to God, God's will.	pgs 53-54
April 14	Who Are You, O Holy Saints of God? To Be an Instrument-	Day 12	57-59	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Unite my will to the will of the Immaculata, which is one with your will."	W (God's will) + w (our will) = S (sanctity), Niepokolanow ("City of the Immaculate"), Annunciation, hand servant, St Catherine Laboure-Miraculous Medal.	pgs 55-56
April 15	Rather, to be Instruments	Day 13	59-62	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Prepare me to be a fit instrument in the hands of the Immaculata."	Instrument in Mary's hands, a whole army, love and trust Mary completely. Immaculata is her identity, "take me with all that I am and have," crush Satan, extend the kingdom of the sacred heart of Jesus.	pgs 57-58
April 16	Kolbe's Prayer of Consecration	Day 14	62-64	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Prepare me to give all to the Immaculata for the sake of the kingdom."	"I thirst," the Loreto sisters in Calcutta, Sept 10, 1946, "a call within a call," Missionaries of Charity, her darkness united with Christ's suffering on earth, suffering is a kiss from Jesus.	pgs 59-60
April 17	Lover of the Heart of Jesus	Day 15	67-69	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to find the love of the heart of Jesus hidden in the darkness."	"I thirst," Sept 10, Mother's letter, "do you know how much Jesus loves you?" "Until you hear Jesus in the silence of your own heart, you will not be able to hear him saying, 'I thirst,' in the hearts of the poor."	pgs 71-72
April 18	The Gift God Gave, September 10th'	Day 16	70-72	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to listen to Jesus thirst."	"I thirst," Sept 10, Mother's letter, "do you know how much Jesus loves you?" "Until you hear Jesus in the silence of your own heart, you will not be able to hear him saying, 'I thirst,' in the hearts of the poor."	pgs 73-74

April 19	The Visions of 1947	Day 17	73-74	Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Bring me face to face with the love in the Heart of Jesus Crucified."	3 visions of a suffering crowd, Mary helping Teresa like a mother with a little child, our Lady at the foot of the cross, Hardening of our hearts, exchange of hearts, Immaculate heart of Mary, "Mary lend me your heart," burning love for Jesus, pure heart, not just asking Mary to lend us her heart, BUT for us to be in her heart.	pgs 75-76
April 20	The Immaculate Heart of Mary	Day 18	75-76	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Keep me in her most pure and Immaculate Heart."		pgs 77-78
April 21	Heart-Pondering Prayer	Day 19	77-78	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to recognize and ponder in my heart all the good you do for me." "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me ardently make a covenant of Consecration with Mary."	Pondering in her heart all the good things, Praise and thank God in ALL things, St Ignatius and examination of conscience,	pgs 79-80
April 22	A Consecration Covenant	Day 20	78-81	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to 'be the one' to console Jesus with Mary." "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Have mercy on us and the whole world!" "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Fill my heart with praise to God for giving me Mary as my spiritual mother."	"Besa" means faith...to keep one's promise, covenant. Be the one with Mary, consoler of the heart of Jesus, apostles of Joy, respond to others' suffering.	pgs 81-82
April 23	Be the One' (with Mary)	Day 21	81-83			pgs 83-84
April 24	Mary's Gift of Mercy	Day 22	87-89		Fatima, Russia, Divine Mercy.	pgs 95-96
April 25	Maternal Mediation	Day 23	89-92		Marian saint, brilliant, Pope, Lumen Gentium, maternal mediation. Annunciation, first person to entrust themselves to Mary...God, spiritual motherhood, primacy of spirit to the flesh, first disciple.	pgs 97-98
April 26	Mary's Retreat (Day One)	Day 24	92-95	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Help me to be faithful to heart-pondering prayer, as was Mary." "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Remind me to ask for Mary's powerful intercession in my times of need."		pgs 99-100
April 27	Mary's Retreat (Day Two)	Day 25	95-97		Wedding feast of Cana, mediator, servants for Jesus. Calvary, new motherhood of Mary at the cross, burning charity, birth of the Church, your mother.	pgs 101-102
April 28	Mary's Retreat (Day Three) Marian	Day 26	97-100	"Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Thank you for the GIFT of my loving mother, Mary." "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Prepare me to entrust myself completely to Mary so she can bring me closer to Christ." "Come, Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Draw me in, with, and through Mary to the fountain of Love and Mercy."		pgs 103-104
April 29	Entrustment (Part One) Marian	Day 27	100-102		Entrustment, gift of Mary, welcome her, taking her into one's own home.	pgs 105-106
April 30	Entrustment (Part Two) St. Louis de	Day 28	102-104		Divine Mercy, merciful love, pierced side of Christ, Immaculate Heart of Mary means returning to the cross.	pgs 107-108
May 1	Montfort	Day 29	107-110		St. Louis De Montefort - Passion, Baptism and Gift	pg 119
May 2	St. Maximillian Kolbe	Day 30	110-112		St. Maximillian Kolbe - Mystery, Militia, and Love	pg 120

	Blessed Mother				
May 3	Teresa	Day 31	112-115		Blessed Mother Teresa - Thirst, Heart, and Covenant pg 121
May 4	St. John Paul II	Day 32	115-117		St. John Paul II – Mother, Entrust- acration, and Mercy. pg 122
May 5	Putting it all Together	Day 33	117-119	If possible, receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation today.	Putting it all Together. pg 123
	Consecration Day - Holy Hour at Cathedral of St Jude the Apostle, 3 p.m. (also available through Live Stream)				Consecration