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The Angelus is a devotion commemorating the Incarnation of Christ. The devotion is traditionally recited by the faithful three times a day: at 6 a.m., at noon and at 6 p.m. at the ringing of the Angelus bell.

The claim of England as the **Dowry of Mary** (or Dowry of the Virgin) dates back to medieval times and had become widespread by the middle of the fourteenth century. It reflects the deep devotion to Mary that existed in medieval England, and the belief that she took a particular protective interest in the country's affairs. In the 2024 Year of Prayer we hope to rekindle that the deep devotion to Our Lady amongst the faithful and stimulate a resurgence in the use of the Angelus prayer – the words of the Archangel Gabriel.

in 1724 Pope Benedict XIII granted a plenary indulgence for praying the Angelus monthly:

A plenary indulgence, once a month, to all the faithful who, every day, at the sound of the bell, in the morning, or at noon, or in the evening at sunset, shall say devoutly, on their knees, the Angelus Domini, with the Hail Mary three times, on any day when, being truly penitent, after confession and communion, they shall pray for peace and union among Christian princes, for the extirpation of heresy, and for the triumph of our holy Mother the Church.

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The Angelus

The prayer of the Angels

v./The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

r./ And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

v./Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

r./ Be it done unto me according to Your Word.

Hail Mary, etc...

v./And the Word was made Flesh.

r./And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, etc...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your Grace into our hearts; that as we have known the incarnation of Christ, Your Son by the message of an angel, so by His Passion and Cross we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen.