

OUR LADY, STAR of the SEA.



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*Hail Mary,
full of grace, the Lord is with you!
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.*

(Litany)

HOLY MARY

MOTHER of GOD,

STAR of the SEA,

QUEEN of the HOLY APOSTLES,

QUEEN of SEAFARERS,

QUEEN of FISHERS,

QUEEN of FAIR WINDS,

QUEEN of FOLLOWING SEAS,

QUEEN of the UNIVERSE,

PRAY FOR US

sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

SEASCAPES SAYINGS:

The Lord shall reign from sea to sea.

(Psalm 72:8)

**When the storm winds of temptation drift on the rocks,
when we are thrown on the waves, and shipwreck our souls,
we ask: Holy Mary, Star of the Sea, pray for us.**

(confer St. Bernard; PL 183, 70-71)

Guide to calm waters ... fair winds and following seas.

(Psalm 23:2,6)

**Immersed in fathomless Divine Mercy,
like a drop of water in the ocean.**

(confer St. Faustina, Diary 432)

Hope, an anchor of the soul, set and secure.

(Hebrews 6:18-19)

**Drop the anchor of hope deep down
into the trench of God's mercy.**

(confer St. Faustina, Diary 283)

**What eye has not seen a seascape, and no ear has not heard a
soothing wave, and what has not planned, what God has created for
those who are waiting with love.**

(Isaiah 64:3; 1 Corinthians 2:9)

Do not be afraid (...) fishing people.

(Luke 5:10)

**Then was seen a new heaven and earth; for the first heaven and
earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.**

(Revelation 21:1)



THE DIVINE FISHER

The versatile carpenter said,
I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD.
[Confer: John 10:1]

Also, Jesus is the:

D I V I N E F I S H E R .



DIVINE CATCHING

“So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many the net was not torn” (John 21:11).



The Call of the Apostles, Fishers of Men; Duccio di Buoninsegna

Some ancients thought that the number of 153 fishes were representing for all of their species, and this haul was a symbol for all people.

FISHING *for* PEOPLE

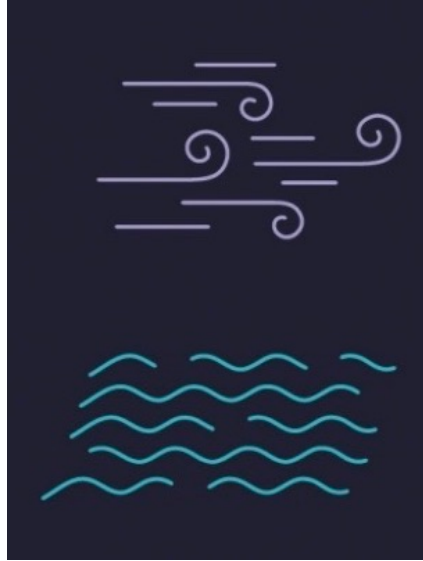
**Jesus said to His Holy Apostles,
“You will be catching people.”**

(Luke 5:10)

NOW YOU:

CATCH PEOPLE!

STORMY SEAS



PAIN:

A Storm.

GRATITUDE:

In the same boat.

ENCOURAGE:

Don't worry.

PRAISE:

**Live the song of
the Star of the Sea.**

Confer:

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE 2020 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS**

ALL AT TIMES

**For the kingdom of heaven is like
a leader in the maritime world
who went out early
in the morning to hire a crew.**

**There are vocations
in every age
and sail to them!**

[Confer: Matthew 20:1-16]

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**Holy Apostles, pray for us.
Our Lady, the Star of the Sea, pray for us.
Jesus, the Divine Fisher, have mercy on us.
A M E N .**

"The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia."

(The Holy Mass, Monday of the Third Week of Easter; Entrance Antiphon)

The Divine Fisher has risen, who laid down his life for his people and willingly died for his catch, alleluia.

(poetic license)



(Saint Peter University Hospital, Brunswick NJ USA; stained glass)

**The Divine Fisher has risen.
He caught his people and died for them.**

(Confer: Luke 5:1-10, John 21:11)



MARY, STAR of the SEA,

light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea. As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost. Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, word and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, 'Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?'

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

Bright Star of the Sea, guide us!

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.

[The prayer of Saint Pope John Paul II to Our Lady Star of the Sea.]

**The Society of the Missionaries of the Holy Apostles
was first founded in the
Apostolicus Vicariatus Sancti Iosephi de Amazonas.**

“For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Matthew 11:30



The Arapaima gigas (paiche) fish is hauled by a local fisher.

Supplement for the traditional Serenity Prayer:

GOD
GRANT ME
THE COURAGE
NOT TO GIVE UP
WHAT I THINK
IS RIGHT
EVEN THOUGH
I THINK
IT IS HOPELESS.

Fleet Admiral [Chester W. Nimitz](#)



If you can't change: then ACCEPT.
Navigate and steer
the rudder of life with COURAGE
and sail in the true course.
Decoded brought WISDOM,
and dropped anchor into
the Lord's heavenly harbor!

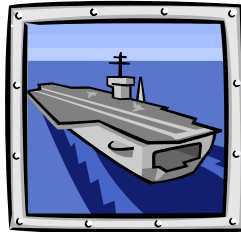
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¹ Confer the “ocean of mercy” in Saint Faustina’s Diary 1142 and 1319.