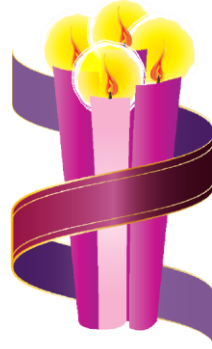


Animating Advent



FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD – January 1, 2018

Gospel: [Luke 2:16–21](#)

*When they saw this, they made known the message
Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.
(Luke 2:19)*

Mary had a lot to reflect on—baby, stable, shepherds, kings, motherhood! She ponders. The shepherds leave to make known Jesus. Both describe our vocation to be contemplatives in action. We are women steeped in daily reflection, exhausted at the end of the day building communities of justice and peace.

Personal reflection

- What does Mary's life-giving act call me to birth in these critical times?
- What transformative grace have I noticed this season in myself, my family, community, and world that I want to make known in 2018?

Widening my reflection

- With whom are we collaborating to bring about more and more life in our world?
- How might we share time, talent, and treasure to make lasting life-giving changes?

Mantra from the [Acts of Chapter 2013](#):

*Breathing in and breathing out unifying love—our charism, our mission—
we participate in the Mystery of Transformation.*

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