

What does it mean by the Immaculate Conception of Mary ?

The Immaculate Conception of Mary means, that Mary was conceived "Immaculate", without the stain of original sin. Adam and Eve's sin was inherited by all other human beings, but God spared the Mother of His Son. This is stated in the first book of the Bible.

Then Yahweh God said to the snake, "because you have done this, accursed be you of all animals wild and tame! .... I shall put enmity between you and the Woman, and between your offspring and hers; it will bruise your head and you will strike its heel." (Genesis 3: 14-15).

The 'Woman', God referred to, was Mary, and her 'Offspring' - Jesus. The sinless mother – the Immaculate Conception of Mary was in the divine plan of God from the very inception of the world.

God loved us so much that He planned to send His son through this spotless mother. Therefore, we too can ask her to protect us in times of temptation. Fr. John Rizzo once mentioned that sin originates in the head, and that we can ask Mary to crush those sins of thought - the head of the serpent. It is Mary's role as our heavenly mother to protect us, but it is our duty to ask.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION VIGIL MASS - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 7:00 P.M.**

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DAY MASS - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 AT 9:00 A.M.**

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