

**St. Madeline Sophie Barat (1779-1865)**

“How rare it is to find a valiant women! It is perhaps necessarily so, since Scripture says that they are more precious than pearls and diamonds. Let us however work to train a few. For in this century we must no longer count on men to preserve the faith. The grain of faith that will be saved will hide itself among women. A woman cannot remain neutral in the world. She too is set for the fall and resurrection of many. How different are God’s thoughts from ours! Between women and God is often arranged the eternal salvation of husbands and sons. But for this she must be valiant! Strong to uphold the purity of life. Strong to keep inviolate the treasure of faith. Strong in every battle of life. Great-souled in the face of calamity, persecution and death. And remember, sorrow is the training ground of strong souls.”

**Next Morning of Grace:**

**Up Coming Women of Grace Foundational Study**

**Date:**

**Time:**

**Place:**

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## Morning of Grace™



**Theme:**

**Mary is my spiritual mother leading me to fulfill my feminine vocation according to God’s plan.**

**Grace:**

**I pray for the grace to receive from Mary, my spiritual mother, the fortitude to accept and fulfill my call and mission from God.**

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**Opening Song: Women of Grace**

We are Women of Grace 'round the throne of the Lord  
most high. And we lift our praise from the depths of our  
souls hear our cry.

Oh Lamb of God,  
It is our one desire  
To seek your holy face,  
To be Women of Grace

We'll shout with joy from the mountain top,  
As we enter your courts with praise;  
All that we do Lord, We offer to you, Lord  
Oh hear us as we pray.

**Opening Prayer:** 5th Joyful Mystery, the Finding  
of Jesus in the Temple. When Mary and  
Joseph searched for Jesus, they walked in faith and  
accepted the challenges and trusted in God's eternal  
plan. As I reflect on this mystery, what do I need to  
place in God's hands now?

**Teaching:** DVD: WGR10554 - Catholic Women's  
Leadership 4th episode of 5 WRG 10551-10555  
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**Guest Speaker:**

**Prayer for Ourselves and Speaker:**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle  
in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy Spirit and they  
shall be created. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

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O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the  
hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations,  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**Reflection Questions:**

1. St. Madeleine Sophie Barat tells us... "And  
remember, sorrow is the training ground of  
strong souls." What trials am I undergoing that  
God is allowing in my life to make me more  
dependent upon Him?
2. One of the characteristics of the Catholic  
Woman Leader is that she "inspires the hearts  
of others through her words and deeds." Who  
have I inspired with my words and deeds? Who  
has inspired me?

**Reflection:** Ave Maria

**Group Sharing:** Confidential

**Announcements:** See Page 3 of Brochure

**Closing Prayer:** Prayer for Priests

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows  
(attached)

**Closing Song:** For Such a Time as This