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**The devotion to Our Lady of Arabia started on the day on which a Chapel in Her honour was dedicated in Ahmadi, Kuwait: December 8, 1948.**

### DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF ARABIA



The Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, himself gave a grand lead to this devotion, when on December 17, 1949, on the

eve of the great Jubilee Year, in the Vatican Palace, he deigned to bless personally the new Statue of Our Lady of Arabia, and condescended to be photographed in prayer before it. Sometime before - November 21st - His Eminence Alexander Cardinal Verde signed the document which grants to the Church of Our Lady of Arabia the same indulgences as for visiting the greatest Marian Shrine of the world, the papal basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome. After being flown to Kuwait, the Statue was received - 6th January, 1950 amidst triumphal rejoicing at her Shrine, where every day it is visited by devout people. The short history of this devotion already gives evidence that favours have been granted which compare with those bestowed by Our Lady at other famous Shrines





## THE PERPETUAL NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF ARABIA

The Solemnity of our lady of Arabia is celebrated on Saturday before the Second Sunday in Ordinary time (with permission to celebrate it on Sunday or on Friday according to no 58 of Normae Universales de anno liturgico et de calendario)

### 1. OPENING PRAYER

**Leader : In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

*People : Amen*

**Leader : Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.**



*People : And you shall renew the face of the earth.*

**Leader : LET US PRAY**


**O God, Who instructed the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise and ever to rejoice in His Consolation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*People : Amen.*

## II INVOCATION

**Leader : O Mary,**

*People : Dear Mother, we call you 'Our Lady of Arabia' to ask for your blessing upon this country, and for your loving protection on us. Keep ever your*



*child near Jesus in the happiness of sanctifying grace. Amen.*

### **1. For the Pope and the Missions:**

**Leader : Almighty, Eternal God**

*People : By Whose judgment all things are ruled, mercifully regard our prayers, and by your goodness preserve our Pontiff Pope Francis, chosen by you, that Christian people, who are governed by your authority, may increase the merits of their faith and their number, under so great a Pontiff.*

**Leader : Help of Christians,**

*People : Pray for us*



### **2. For Government Officials:**

**Priest: Almighty and Ever Loving Father,**

*People: Bless our country and its leaders, fill them with wisdom and knowledge, so that they may guide and protect this country and bring peace and tranquility among people.*

**Priest: Mirror of Justice**

*People: Pray for us.*

### **3. For Peace in the World:**

**Leader : Almighty, Everlasting God,**

*People : In Whose Hands rest every power and the government of all nations, look in Your mercy, upon those people once so devout, and lead them back to Your law; overcome we beseech*



*You all human wickedness and assure to Your faithful the benefits of enduring peace.*

**Leader : Queen of Peace**

*People : Pray for us*

**4. For sick persons:**

**Leader : Almighty, Everlasting God,**

*People : The abiding health of those who believe, hear us on behalf of your servants that are sick, for whom we humbly crave the help of your Mercy, that being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church.*

**Priest : Health of the sick**

*People : Pray for us*



**5. For our relations and friends:**

**Leader : O God,**

*People : Who, by the grace of the Holy Spirit did pour the Gifts of charity into the hearts of your faithful, grant to your servants and handmaids, for whom we entreat your Mercy, health of mind and body that they may love you with all their strength and by perfect love may do what is pleasing to you.*


**Leader : Cause of our joy**

*People : Pray for us*

**6. For everyone in need:**

**Leader : Almighty and Eternal God,**

*People : The comfort of the afflicted and the strength of those in labor; let the prayers of those who call upon you in*



*any trouble, be heard by you ; that all may, with joy, find the effects of your mercy in their necessities.*

**Leader : Comforter of the afflicted**

*People : Pray for us*

**7. For our deceased relatives and for souls in Purgatory:**

**Leader : O God,**

*People : Who grants forgiveness and desires the salvation of mankind: we beseech You, in Your Mercy, to grant that our brothers, kinsfolk and benefactors who have passed out of this life, by the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, and all Your Saints, may partake of everlasting bliss.*

**Leader : Gate of heaven,**

*People : Pray for us*



**All : “O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Arabia and our Patroness!**

To you we offer up our prayers for the needs of the Church here and throughout the world. Help us to remain one with your Son Jesus and united amongst ourselves, so that we may be true witnesses for Christ in our daily lives and that the Lord’s blessings of peace and harmony be within our families and communities always. Trusting in your maternal intercession, we beseech you to hear our humble prayers and grant us the graces we seek..... so that we may give glory to God forever. Amen.

**“Our Lady of Arabia, pray for us!”**



## V CONCLUDING PRAYER

**Leader : We offer up to You, O Lord,**

*People : This service of praise, rejoicing in the glory of the Mother of Your Son, invoked as Our Lady of Arabia; for we trust in her protection to get rescue from all evils, whether of the present time or of that yet to come. Amen.*

## OUR LADY OF ARABIA HYMN



### *Verse 1*

Our Lady of Arabia, we pray unto you,  
great light of the desert, our help and our  
need.

### *Chorus*

Ave Maria! Ave Maria!  
Ave Maria! Ave Maria!

### *Verse 2*

Mother of all Christians In our daily lives,  
make us strong witnesses of Jesus Christ.

### *Verse 3*

Holy Mother of all, grant us courage  
to stand for our faith.

### *Verse 4*

Mary of Arabia, help of the poor,  
Mother of the hopeless, grant us your love.

### *Verse 5*

Mother of the faithful, hear our pray'r  
May we praise God forever Amen.





Christopher George L. Cadhit

*Our Lady of Anabá, Pray for Us.*

Christopher P. Fiedalan

Sopranos: B $\flat$ , F/A, C $\sharp$ /A, D $\flat$ , Gm, C $\sharp$ , F, C $\sharp$ , F, C $\sharp$ , F, C $\sharp$ , F, C $\sharp$   
 (INTRO -----) Our La-dy of A - ra-bi-a, we  
 ALTO: Our La-dy of A - ra-bi-a, we  
 TENOR: Our La-dy of A - ra-bi-a, we  
 BASS: Our La-dy of A - ra-bi-a, we



S. Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , Gm $\flat$ , C $\sharp$ (A), C $\sharp$ , F, C, Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , C $\sharp$   
 pray un - to you, \_\_\_\_\_ great light of the de - sert, our help and our  
 A. Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , Gm $\flat$ , C $\sharp$ (A), C $\sharp$ , F, C, Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , C $\sharp$   
 pray un - to you, \_\_\_\_\_ great light of the de - sert, our help and our  
 T. Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , Gm $\flat$ , C $\sharp$ (A), C $\sharp$ , F, C, Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , C $\sharp$   
 pray un - to you, \_\_\_\_\_ great light of the de - sert, our help and our  
 B. Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , Gm $\flat$ , C $\sharp$ (A), C $\sharp$ , F, C, Dm, Gm/B $\flat$ , C $\sharp$   
 pray un - to you, \_\_\_\_\_ great light of the de - sert, our help and our



REFRAIN:

12 F B $\flat$  F7 F/A D7 Gm C7/E F F7

S. need. A - ve Ma - ri - a! Ma - ri - a!

A. need. A - ve Ma - ri - a! Ma - ri - a!

T. need. A - ve Ma - ri - a! ve Ma - ri - a!

B. need. A - ve Ma - ri - a! ve Ma - ri - a!



17 B $\flat$  Gm7 F/A Cm7/A D7 Gm7/B $\flat$  C7 F F

S. A - ve, Ma - ri - a, Ma ri - a! Mo-ther of all

A. A - ve, Ma - ri - a, Ma - ri - a! Mo-ther of all

T. A - ve, Ma - ri - a, Ma - ri - a! Mo-ther of all

B. A - ve, Ma - ri - a, Ma - ri - a! Mo-ther of all

1. Verse 2:



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S. C C<sup>9</sup> Dm Gm7 Csus4 C<sup>7</sup> F C C<sup>9</sup> Dm Gm/Bb C<sup>7</sup>  
 Chris-tians in our dai-ly lives, make us strong wit-nes-ses of Je - sus

A. Chris-tians in our dai-ly lives, make us strong wit-nes-ses of Je - sus

T. Chris-tians in our dai-ly lives, make us strong wit-nes-ses of Je - sus

B. Chris-tians in our dai-ly lives, make us strong wit-nes-ses of Je - sus



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S. F F7 F F F C C<sup>9</sup> Dm Gm7 Csus4 C<sup>7</sup>  
 Christ at Ho-ly Mo-ther of all,

A. Christ at Ho-ly Mo-ther of all,

T. Christ at Ho-ly Mo-ther of all,

B. Christ at Ho-ly Mo-ther of all,

Verse 3:



Verse 4:

3. F#(as4) F F

34 Dm Gm/Bb C<sup>7</sup> F C<sup>9</sup> C F7 F#(as4) F F

S. grant us cou - rage to stand for our faith. al - Ma - ry of A -

A. grant us cou - rage to stand for our faith. al - Ma - ry of A -

T. grant us cou - rage to stand for our faith. al - Ma - ry of A -

B. grant us cou - rage to stand for our faith. al - Ma - ry of A -



40 C Dm Gm<sup>7</sup> C#(as4) C<sup>7</sup> F C<sup>9</sup> Dm C<sup>9</sup> C Gm/Bb C<sup>7</sup>

S. ra - bi - a, help of the poor, Mo - ther of the hope - less, grant us your

A. ra - bi - a, help of the poor, Mo - ther of the hope - less, grant us your

T. ra - bi - a, help of the poor, Mo - ther of the hope - less, grant us your

B. ra - bi - a, help of the poor, Mo - ther of the hope - less, grant us your



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Verse 5:

4. F. 4/4

46 F F7 C C<sup>9</sup> Dm Gm<sup>7</sup>

S. love. al. Mo-ther of the faith-ful, hear... our

A. love. al. Mo-ther of the faith-ful, hear... our

T. love. al. Mo-ther of the faith-ful, hear... our

B. love. al. Mo-ther of the faith-ful, hear... our



5. F. 4/4

51 C<sup>9</sup> F C C<sup>9</sup> Dm Gm/Bb C<sup>9</sup> F F7

S. pray'r. May we praise. God for - e - ver A - men.

A. pray'r. May we praise. God for - e - ver A - men.

T. pray'r. May we praise God for - e - ver A - men.

B. pray'r. May we praise God for - e - ver A - men.



A decorative border of watercolor-style flowers in shades of purple, blue, and teal, with green leaves and yellow stamens, framing the central text.

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