Day 2 — Veneration of Mary

Text from the Bible Lk 1:42.43.54

+In the name of the Father

Preparatory Prayer

God, Our father, you gave Father Richard Henkes the strength to resist evil, to speak for love and truth and to follow Jesus Christ on his way of the cross until death. His dedication to others gives us hope and strength for our faith journey today. We ask you, Father, in the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Text from Fr. Henkes

From a letter from Richard Henkes to his classmate Johann Lehmler on March 3, 1918:

First, we want to work towards the deepening and spreading of the veneration of Mary. May is also not far away and we should already think about what we can do to honor the Mother of God. First, the recitation of communal prayers. Next, you can think about these prayers and the role of Our Lady in salvation history, and encourage others to do so.

Silence for reflection and for personal intercessions

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...