



#### **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE HOLY VIRGIN MARY IN THE SKY**

**Today, we celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Virgin in Heaven.  
It is celebrated throughout the Church on August 15th.**

**This holiday has a dual purpose:  
the happy departure of Mary from this life and  
The Assumption of his body in heaven.**

**In this solemnity we contemplate Mary; it opens us to hope,  
To a future full of joy and teaches us the way to reach it;  
in faith in his son, to never lose friendship with Him, but to let us illuminate  
and help with his word;  
to follow him every day, even in the moments when we feel that our crosses seem heavy to us.**

**Mary, the ark of the covenant that is in the Sanctuary of Heaven, shows us with luminous clarity that  
we are on our way to our true home, a communion of joy and peace with God.**

**(According to a homily of Benedict XVI)**

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