

The Face of the Father's Mercy

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Inspired by *Misericordiae Vultus*,
by His Holiness Pope Francis

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Verses

Verse 2 Women (optional)
Verse 3 Men (optional)



1. Je - sus Christ is the face of the Fa - ther's mer - cy; — Slow to an - ger,
2. Moth - er Ma - ry is the face of the Fa - ther's mer - cy. — Low - ly maid - en
3. Sis - ters, broth - ers, be the face of the Fa - ther's mer - cy; — Liv - ing sym - bols



rich in stead-fast love and kind ness. Gen - tle Sav - ior in whom re - vealed is the
who would bear cre - a - tion's Sav - ior -- Called by God to be the Ark of the
of God mov - ing in our lives. — Feed the hun - gry, clothe the nak - ed, greet the



mys' - try -- God's re - deem - ing love joy - ful well - spring of se - ren - i - ty and peace.
Cove - nant -- Sang her hymn in praise of the kind - ness — and mer - cy of the Lord. —
out - cast. Com - fort the af - flic - ted bear in pa - tience the ones who do you ill. —

Refrain



May the Church be the voice of ev' - ry man and wo - man cry - ing "Lord, your mer - cy and



love are from of old." Let her be the chan - nel of com - pass - ion and par - don.



Bless - ed the mer - ci - ful for they shall know the mer - cy of God.



4. Moth - er Church, be the face of the Fath - er's mer - cy. — Turn our eyes — to see the



mis' - ry of the world; Voice - less mil - lions who are de - nied their dig - ni - ty.

to refrain



Bind and heal their wounds, and bathe them in con - so - la - tion's oil.

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