

## Day 46. Discernment

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At the foot of the Cross, Mary, together with John, the disciple of love, witnessed the words of forgiveness spoken by Jesus. This supreme expression of mercy towards those who crucified him show us the point to which the mercy of God can reach. Mary attests that the mercy of the Son of God knows no bounds and extends to everyone, without exception. Let us address her in the words of the *Salve Regina*, a prayer ever ancient and ever new, so that she may never tire of turning her merciful eyes upon us, and make us worthy to contemplate the face of mercy, her Son Jesus.

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### Scripture

#### **Mark 15:42-47 NCB**

It was the Day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath. So when evening came, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also awaiting the kingdom of God, boldly went to Pilate and requested the body of Jesus.

Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead, and he summoned the centurion to ascertain that Jesus had indeed died. When he learned from the centurion that such was the case, he turned over the body to Joseph.

Having purchased a linen shroud, he lowered Jesus from the cross, wrapped him in the shroud, and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of rock.

He then rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb.

Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where the body was buried.