

The School of Mary
Intermediate Course First Level
Bible and Spiritual Life

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Many Catholics are encouraged to use their Bible with fervour and to practise *Lectio Divina*. This is not an easy task! It takes time and practice! Support is needed as finding the Lord's light or "our daily bread" in the Bible can be a challenge – albeit very worthwhile.

This course is about deepening **the relationship between the "Bible" and our "Spiritual Life"**: in a word, it aims at helping us view the Bible as the source of our daily nourishment.

What makes this course unique is, first, the choice of topics (substantial and rarely addressed topics) and, secondly, relating them to our Spiritual Life!

As always, Our Lady continues to lead us on our journey.

The classes will take place on **Wednesday** from **10am – 12am** in the parish house of **St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church**, Moorhouse Road W2 5DJ. The entrance is located to the left of the church entrance.

Everyone is welcome to the course, also those who have not attended the First Level Course as the material is enlightening in its own right.

Cost: £120

For registration please email schoolofmarylondon@gmail.com with your name and contact details and we will be in touch with bank details OR send a check including your name and contact details made payable to Jean Khoury, sent to Maartje Skare, 3 Hereford Square, SW7 4TT, London.

Dates and Topics of classes

- Wednesday 14 September The new **prophetical life** inaugurated by Jesus for every human being: God makes of us a friend and wants to talk to us. The practical meaning and the fruitfulness of this new prophetism.
- Wednesday 21 September The relationship between the **Theory of Inspiration** of the Holy Scriptures and our Spiritual Life. The action of God in the human author and its practical consequences for us.
- Wednesday 28 September Structure and meaning of **the Gospel** in relation to our Spiritual Life. Reading and analysis of key passages from the Gospel.
- Wednesday 5 October **Continuation** of analysis of key texts and foundations of our spiritual life.
- Wednesday 12 October Questions of exegesis: **The Holy Spirit Exegete** of the Bible. The intelligence of Scripture in the Fathers of the Church.
- Wednesday 2 November Questions of exegesis: Examples from the **Fathers of the Church**. The relationship between the Old and New Testament.
Rules for our spiritual life.
- Wednesday 9 November **Mary** and the Word of God.
Mary as our model and help in our relationship with the Word of God.
- Wednesday 16 November The Bible is **the soul** of God's Revelation to us. The Bible is a treasure one learns to draw from on a daily basis. Practical advice.
- Wednesday 23 November **Difficulties** when confronting an archaic text, a different language and culture. What is to be done with "modern" exegesis? The Bible: doubt, power, pleasure and possession.
Conclusions.