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What key do I have to use to open the door of my heart to Jesus?



RETIREMENT MONTH OF AUGUST 2026

Before beginning the prayer, he seeks to dispose the heart so that it allows itself to be moved by God and, once it allows itself to be moved, to be able to put the floor on that **motion** and to concretize what God wants and asks. **"May all my intentions, actions and operations be purely ordered in the service and praise of God."** (EE 46).

Pope Leo XIV in his homily of June 29, 2026, tells us: "in this faithful and patient concern for unity it is well expressed in the symbol of the **keys**, with which we often identify it (Matthew 16:19). The key is not to break down doors, but to open and close them by looking inside for the appropriate cranks and accompanying their movements, to undo the blockages, slide the pegs and make the leaves rotate freely on their hinges, uniting the spaces and turning so many isolated rooms into a single welcoming house"

From this perspective we could interpret the Lord's invitation to us to become artisans of unity and to carry out the

Our world needs witnesses
whose facts make visible the
values of the Kingdom.

In the Magnificat, Mary
reveals herself to us
full of humanity
and trust in God.

Her gaze at reality is
charged with Hope.

Luke 1:46-56

proclamation of the
Gospel.



She discovers the presence
and action of God, through the
small, the fragile as she sees
and as she manifests herself
in everyday life.

She invites us to a culture of
encounter in order to walk
together.

She is the synthesis of our identity.

What do I perceive in the Province



I prepare for the Renewal of Vows on August 15 and I open my heart to Jesus to fill it with his love.
I do a prayerful reading and confront my Life:

Art. IX Poverty.
Art. X Chastity,
Art. XI
Obedience.

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Under the Ignatian motto of **"For the greater glory of God"**, the renewal of vows seeks to rekindle the fervor of first love. Saint Ignatius invites us to shake off spiritual lukewarmness and to project ourselves forward with the readiness to **"love and serve in everything"**, actively collaborating in the building of his Kingdom. Renewing one's commitments means saying again with total detachment: ***"Lord, do with me what you will, give me only your love and your grace, for this is enough for me"***.



Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my entire will.

All my assets and my possessions; You gave them to me; to You, Lord, I return them.

Everything is yours, dispose of it according to your will.

Give me only your love and grace, for this is enough for me. Amen.

MARY ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN:

Mary is now in the glory of God; she has reached the Destiny where one day we will all meet. That is why today she is a sign of consolation and hope, because if she, a creature like us, has reached it, we, too, will be able to reach it. Let us keep our gaze and our hearts fixed on her who never abandoned her Son Jesus, and with him today enjoys the happiness and glory of Heaven.

And let us entrust ourselves to her, asking her to help us to walk the path of life, knowing how to recognize the great things that God does in us and around us, so that we will praise him with the song of our existence.



**Solemnity
Of the
Assumption
Of the Blessed
Virgen Mary
August 15**



The Assumption of Mary reveals the greatness of human life that is destined to perpetuate itself in glory.

Human life is worth if it is lived from love.

Only love gives consistency to life. The Assumption is the victory over death.

The Assumption of Mary is linked to the Resurrection of Jesus.

The Assumption sheds light on the preferential option for the poor. The Assumption, the first fruits of Christ's Resurrection, reaffirms that the poor will not remain forever anonymous. (cf. Psalm 113:7-8)

How do I live Mary's presence in my daily life?

When I renew my Vows, what do I say and ask Our Lady?

Mary inspires my renewal with her own **"Let it be done to me according to your word."** She teaches me to renew vows not as an obligation, but as an act of pure love.

An ideal Gospel text for the renewal of religious vows is **John 15:9-16** (The Discourse of the Vine and the Branches). This passage centers the consecrated life on God's first love, permanence, joy, and divine election.

What kind of "fruit" (peace, patience, kindness) am I leaving in the people around me?

End with a prayer that expresses your complete trust in the Lord... and a desire to renew your life.



**Name your key
with which you will open your heart to Jesus
and say to him, "Let it be done to me according
to your Word".**



