

Assumption Bouquet Centerpiece

Here is a fun way to add faith-filled love to your home on the feast of the Assumption! Place this bouquet on your table or home/classroom altar for the feast of the Assumption!

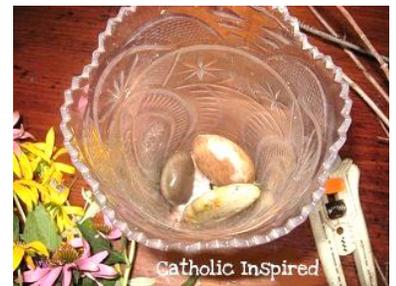
The bottom greens are meant to symbolize earth and the fluffy clouds symbolize heaven.

So this centerpiece is meant to show the meaning of the Assumption - That Mary ascended body and soul from earth to heaven!

Mary was Jesus (God's) mother. Jesus would not have wanted his mother's body to die and decay. He brought her body and soul to His Heavenly Kingdom with Him!

You will need:

- a tall vase or jar
- some heavy rocks
- long sticks (2 to 3 times as high as the vase)
- flowers and/or greens (from garden or the store)
- Cotton fiber-fill
- Mary and Angels Images (next page)
- paper clips or Christmas hooks
- tape
- water (for the flowers)



If you want your kids to be involved send them out on a "scavenger hunt". Tell them to pick some pretty flowers and some tall green grass or any nice looking plants.

Ask them to find rocks that will fit in your vase, as well as, sticks that are a good size for your vase and flowers.

Have the kids help with the following parts when possible.

If needed, wash the rocks to get any extra dirt off them and place them into the bottom of the vase. These rocks will help keep the vase from falling over since the vase will be top heavy.

Arrange the sticks in vase. It works best if you can put the bottoms of the stick between the rocks.

Add the flowers and greens all the way around the sticks.

Now, give the flowers some water.

Carefully, add the cotton to the top of the sticks.

(Adults: You may want to do this part so the vase doesn't get spilt.)

Try to make it look like a fluffy cloud.

Print off the Mary and Angels pictures. (Stock paper works best.)

Cut them out and tape a Christmas hook or paper clip to the back of each. Make sure the hook end is pointed out away from the picture.

Now use the hooks to hang Mary and the angels onto the heavenly clouds.

And there is your beautiful centerpiece!

Mary loves it!

Mother Mary, Pray for us!



Images for Assumption Bouquet Centerpiece:

