

## **MAKING ALL CREATION NEW IN THE IMAGE OF GOD'S ORIGINAL BLESSEDNESS**

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018, *Ireland*

Lord our God, you created us in your own image and likeness. You redeemed us from sin through Christ Jesus your Son, lover of the human race.

*“Taking upon himself the form of a servant and becoming one with us in our flesh, He makes all creation new in the image of your original blessedness.”*

Here we contemplate this icon in honour and remembrance of Jesus your Beloved Son, our Lord, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our mother, St Joseph her husband, and the Archangels Michael and Gabriel.

May this icon draw us to the Holy Family who invite us to their table. May it help us contemplate your saving Gospel and see in the Wedding feast of Cana and the Raising of Jairus' daughter your look of infinite compassion upon all the concerns of marriage and family life. May those who pray before this icon find the comfort of your grace and your help in their every need.

We ask this through the bounteous love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Source: THE PRAYER OF BLESSING OF THE ICON FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

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