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Saint Mary Magdalene, Pray for us.

Who anointed the feet of Jesus, Pray for us.

Who washed his feet with tears, Pray for us.

Who was vindicated before the proud Pharisee, *Pray for us.*

Who received the pardon for her sins, *Pray for us.*

Who restored from darkness to light, Pray for us.

Mirror of penance, Pray for us.

Wounded with the love of Christ, Pray for us.

Last at the cross of Jesus, first at his tomb, Pray for us.

First to see Christ risen, Pray for us.

Constant woman, Pray for us.

Apostle of apostles, *Pray for us.*

Loving advocate for sinners, Pray for us.

- Traditional Litany of St. Mary Magdalene

Recognizing St. Mary Magdalene's role as the first to witness Christ's resurrection and as a "true and authentic evangelizer," Pope Francis raised the July 22 memorial of St. Mary Magdalene to a feast on the Church's liturgical calendar. A decree formalizing the decision was published on June 10, 2016, by the Congregation for Divine Worship.