"From here in Ephesus, a city blessed by the presence of Mary Most Holy - who we know is loved and venerated also by Muslims - let us lift up to the Lord a special prayer for peace between peoples." - Pope Benedict XVI, Papal Homily at "Mary's House"

Ephesus, Turkey
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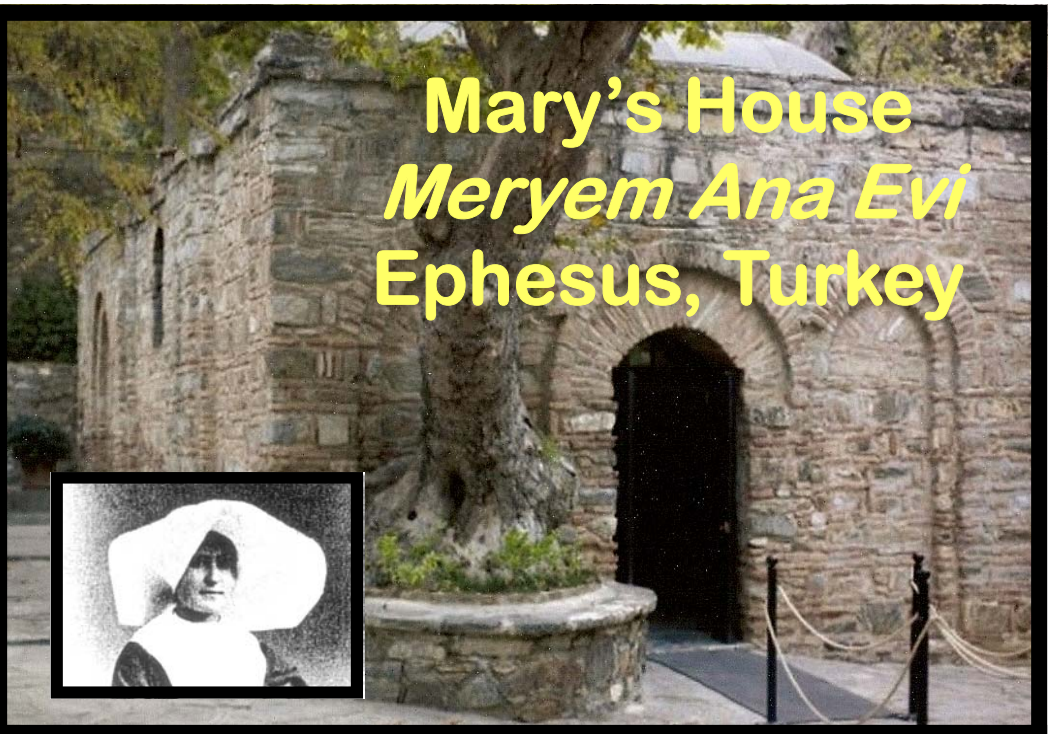

Sr. Marie De Mandat-Grancey
1837-1915
Foundress of Mary's House

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During the persecution of the Christians in the first century, Our Blessed Mother Mary and St. John the Evangelist fled Jerusalem and settled in Ephesus, Turkey. The house in which they lived was purchased, restored, and preserved by Sr. Marie De Mandat-Grancey, Daughter of Charity, in 1892. Most noteworthy is that Mary's House is a common pilgrimage destination for Christians. Muslims and Orthodox where they peacefully gather to pray side by side and honor Mary, Mother of Jesus; certainly a sign of hope in these uncertain times of inter-religious conflict. This is what many have come to believe is Sr. Marie's mission in these times; hope and prayers for peace, offered across religious lines, to God Our Father through Mary...*and all in the home of a Jewish Mother!* Sr. Marie leads the prayer. Thanks to the foresight, virtue, perseverance, and hard work of Sr. Marie de Mandat-Grancey, Foundress of Mary's House, Mary is honored under a particularly precious title for our times; Mother of Holy Hope.

The Sister Marie De Mandat-Grancey Foundation is dedicated to making known the life and mission of Sr. Marie. Please join us as we hope. work and pray for the beatification of Sr. Marie and for peace in our world.

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