## Mary ~ Model for All Women ~ Marge Steinhage Fenelon May 9<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's of the Immaculate Conception



Marge Steinhage Fenelon is an award-winning author and journalist, internationally-known speaker, and Professional Life Coach who has written several books on Catholic spirituality and Marian devotion. Audiences love Marge's authenticity, warmth, and unique ability to blend faith and life. They appreciate her way of creatively putting complicated Catholic

teachings into simple concepts that can be easily grasped and immediately applied to daily life. Her Marian devotion shines through in her presentations as she guides others into a deepening relationship with our Blessed Mother, Mary, and her Son, our Lord Jesus. Marge always brings joy to her audiences and has presented to an array of audiences at a variety of events, including conferences, retreats, and workshops both in person and online.

A cradle Catholic, Marge credits her deep love for Mary to having been consecrated to the Blessed Mother when she was a year old. She has always felt the special presence and protection of Mary and sees it as her mission to spread the love of Mary to others. Marge is a Life Coach with a passion for helping others to grow personally and spiritually and realize their potential.

Marge is a popular guest on Catholic radio and television stations nationwide including EWTN, Relevant Radio, Sacred Heart Radio, Ave Maria Radio, and more. She's written for a variety of Catholic media including National Catholic Register, Our Sunday Visitor, CatholicMom, and Women in the New Evangelization. Marge's book, *Our Lady, Undoer of Knots: A Living\_Novena* was awarded an Association of Catholic Publishers Award for Excellence in Publishing. Her latest book *America's Mary: The Story of Our Lady of Good\_Help* is based on historical documents, testimonies, personal interviews, and expert analysis, and chronicles for the first time the United States' only Church-approved Marian apparition.

Marge has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism with a Minor in Public Relations from the University of Wisconsin, a Certificate in Spiritual Mentoring from Cardinal Stritch University, and a Certificate in Marian Studies from the International Marian Institute. She's the recipient of the Egan Fellowship for Excellence in Journalism and traveled to the Philippines to report on reconstruction efforts after Super Typhoon Haiyan. She was accepted into The Church Up Close, a seminar for international journalists hosted by the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome where she studied the various aspects of the Vatican. She was chosen by the Israel Ministry of Tourism to accompany Pope Francis on his historic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and selected for the Jordan Tourism Board's Religious Journalism and Blogger Tour to explore the significant sites of Old and New Testament history there. She's been invited to speak in Germany, Chile, Ireland, Costa Rica, and throughout the United States. Among her books other are My Queen, My Mother: A Marian Pilgrimage Across America, Forgiving Mother: A Marian Novena of Healing and Peace, Ten Promises of Jesus: Stories and Scripture Reflections about Suffering and Joy, Imitating Mary: Ten Marian Virtues for the Modern Mom, Strengthening Your Family: A Catholic Approach to Holiness at Home, and When's God Gonna Show Up?: Daily Discoveries of the Divine.