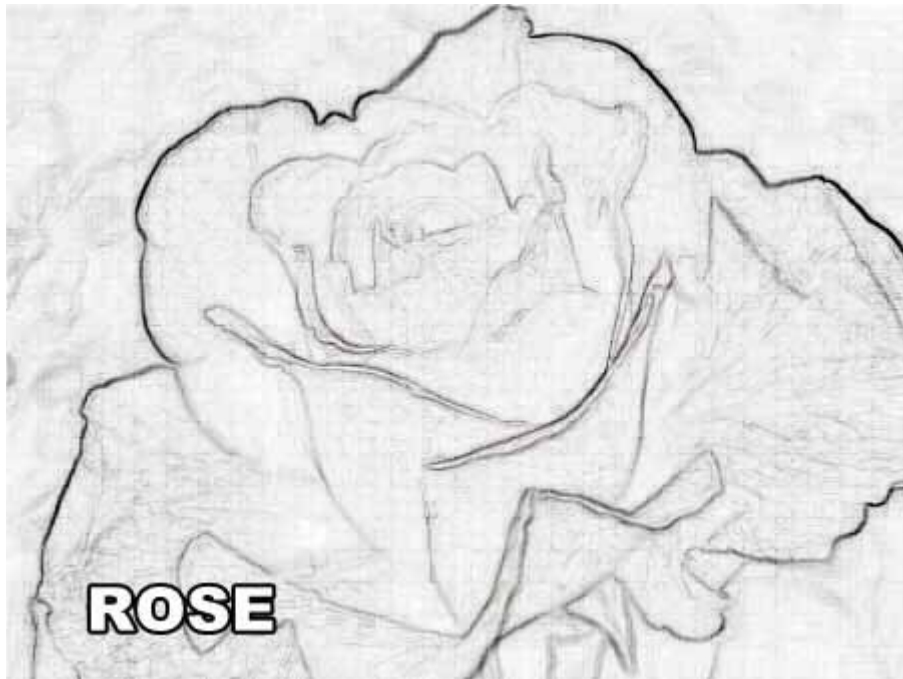


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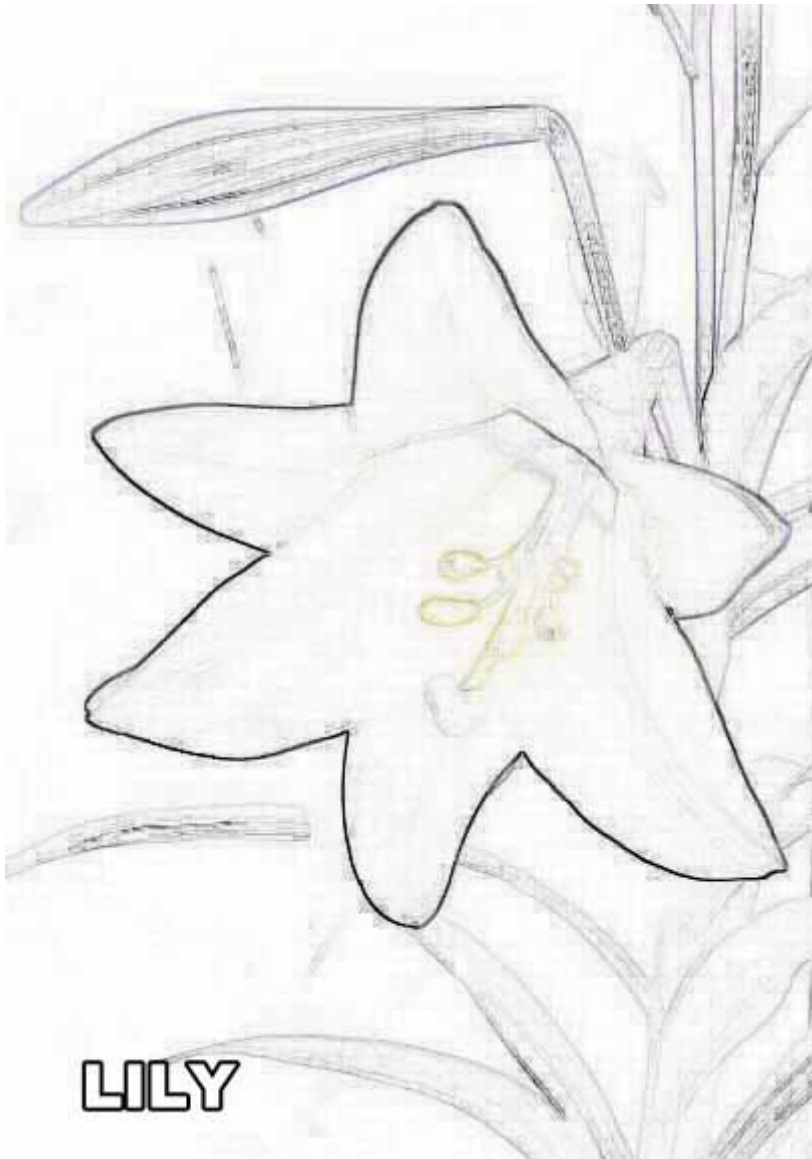
The Flowers of Mary



The glorious rose is a sign of Mary herself. She is called the 'Mystical Rose'. The word 'rosary' first means a rose garden.



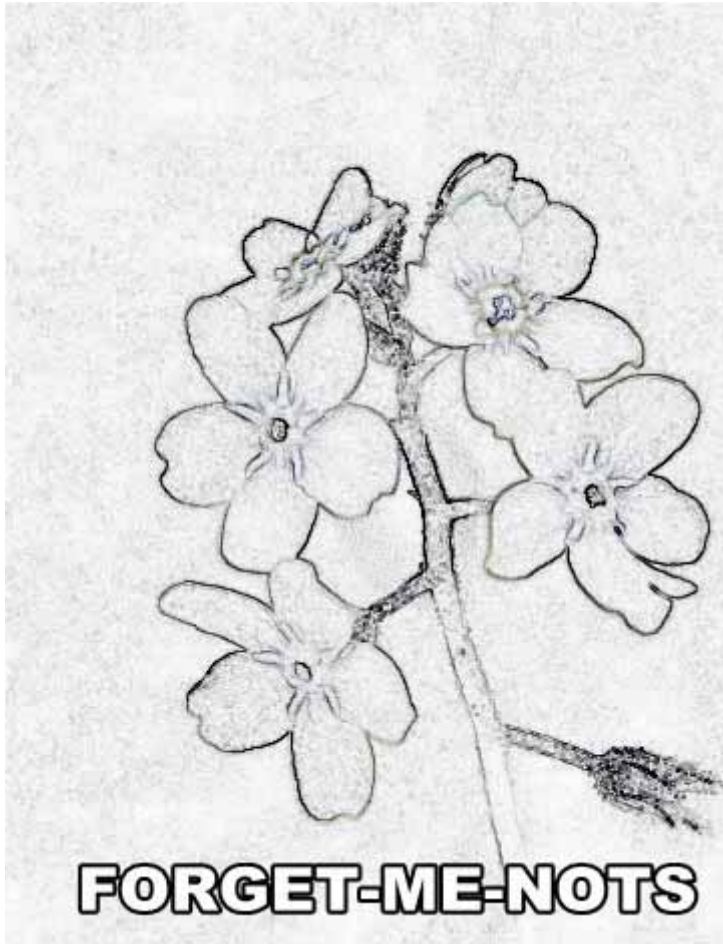
Some call this 'Our Lady's Mantle', meaning Mary's cape. She may have used her mantle to keep Baby Jesus safe and warm.



Beautiful lilies are often used to celebrate Mary's feast days. In paintings of Mary speaking to the angel Gabriel, he is often holding a white "Madonna Lily."



This flower looks like a crown, so they are called Mary's Crown, for she is the Queen of Heaven.



Some people call these tiny flowers “Mary’s Eye”, for they are like Mary’s eyes, looking at us with love.



Marigolds are sometimes called Mary’s Bud. An old legend says the dresses of the Virgin Mary were adorned with this flower .