

# PLEASE BE MINDFUL, O QUEEN OF THE PROMISE

Chartres and the Virgin of the Cathedral constituted the turning point for Charles Péguy sets out to entrust him to our Lady. Mary keeps track of his steps and rewards his faith.

**W**HEN people will have placed us in a narrow tomb,  
when they will have celebrated over us absolution and the Mass,  
please be mindful,  
O Queen of the Promise,  
of the long pilgrimage we made....

O Refuge of Sinners,  
we ask for nothing more  
than the last place in your purgatory—  
so that we may weep at length  
for our tragic history  
and contemplate from afar  
your youthful splendor.

*CHARLES PEGUY*