

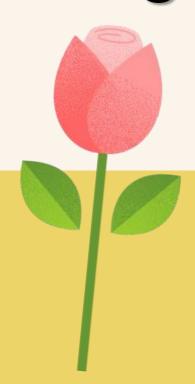




## The celebration of Mother's Day has been around for literally hundreds of years



The ancient Greeks
celebrated a festival
dedicated to
"Cymbele," the
mother of the gods





The Romans observed an annual "Matronalia" (Latin) dedicated to Juno (from whence we get the month June)



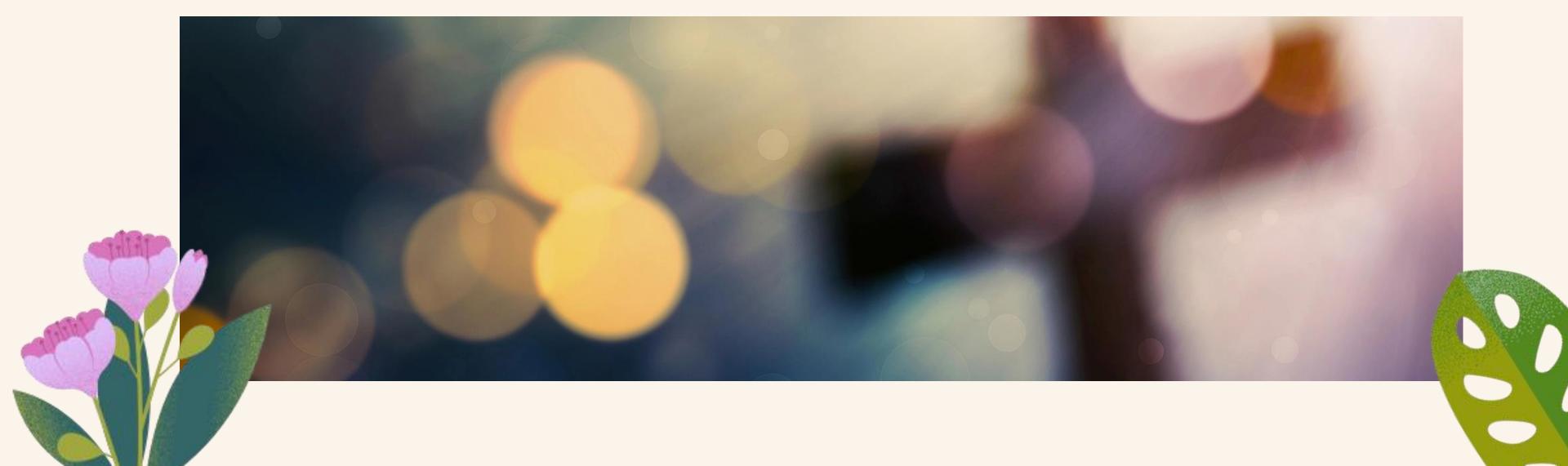
But Mother's Day as we know it did not start until the year

1914.

From then until now we have celebrated our mothers on the 2nd Sunday of May.



The text of this past Sunday is usually associated with the 7 last words of Jesus.



It is considered on of the more private and intimate moments of Jesus's last sayings.



However, it was more of a family responsibility than a personal **O1** 

moment.







Not having awarded His widowed mother to anyone would have left he vulnerable to a life of poverty, prostitution or worse



## The decision to give her over to John (the disciple) raises the question about his relationship with His siblings.











Roman Catholics argue that His siblings were older and from the Union of Joseph with a previous or another wife.



## The debate between the two is in the theological category of called Mariology.







