

Divine Mercy Novena

FIRST DAY

Let us pray for God's Mercy to all mankind, especially to sinners.

Most Merciful Jesus, for Whom it is proper to be merciful to us and to forgive us, look not upon our sins, but upon the trust which we place in Thy infinite goodness. Receive us all into the abode of Thy Merciful Heart and do not permit any one to depart there from for all eternity. We beseech Thee for this through the love which unites Thee with the Father and the Holy Spirit in the unity of the Most Holy and incomprehensible Trinity.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon all man-kind, and especially upon poor sinners, whose only hope is the Most Merciful Heart of Thy Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Through His sorrowful Passion show Thy Mercy to us that we may glorify Thy omnipotence for all eternity. Amen.

SECOND DAY

Let us pray for the clergy and all religious through whom the Mercy of God descends upon all mankind.

Most Merciful Jesus, from Whom all good proceeds, increase Thy graces in the souls of priests and religious that they may worthily and fruitfully fulfill their tasks in Thy Vineyard, arousing all by word and example to a proper devotion to the Mercy of God for all eternity.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon the multitude of laborers in Thy Vineyard — on the souls of priests, brothers and nuns, who are the object of the special love of Thy Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Grace them with the power of Thy blessing and grant them light that they may duly lead the faithful on the way of salvation, drawing down on them Thy Mercy. Amen.

THIRD DAY

Let us pray for all faithful Christians.

Most Merciful Jesus, Who abundantly do bestow up-on all Thy graces from the treasure of God's Mercy, receive all faithful Christians into the abode of Thy Most Merciful Heart and do not let us depart from it for all eternity. We beseech Thee for this through the love which unites Thee with the Father and the Holy and incomprehensible Trinity.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon the souls of the faithful as upon the beloved heritage of Thy Son, and through His sorrowful Passion grant them Thy blessings and surround them with Thy unceasing care. Grant that they may never lose the love and riches of the holy Faith, but that they may glorify Thy bound-less Mercy with the multitude of angels and saints for all eternity. Amen.

FOURTH DAY

Let us pray for pagans and infidels who are still ignorant of the Mercy of God.

Most Merciful Jesus, light of the world, receive into the abode of Thy Merciful Heart the souls of pagans and infidels who as yet do not know Thee. Let the rays of Thy grace enlighten them that they together with us may praise the wonders of Thy Mercy for all eternity.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon the souls of pagans and infidels, who still do not know the Most Merciful Heart of Thy Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Draw them near to the light of the Gospel that they may recognize how great a happiness it is to love Thee and to glorify Thy Mercy for all eternity. Amen.

FIFTH DAY

Let us pray for the erring in Faith.

Most Merciful Jesus, Who are goodness itself and Who do not refuse light to those who humbly seek, receive into the abode of Thy Most Merciful Heart the souls of those erring in the Faith. Draw them with Thy light into unity with the Church that together with us they may praise the generosity of Thy Mercy for all eternity.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon the souls of those erring in Faith, and when, abusing Thy grace by stubbornly persisting in their errors, they have squandered this treasure, look not upon their malice, but — mindful of the love and the bitter Passion of Thy Son, who before His Passion so ardently begged of Thee: "That they all may be one" — grant that these souls may return to that blessed unity as quickly as possible and together with us may praise Thy Mercy for all eternity. Amen.

SIXTH DAY

Let us pray for little children and childlike souls.

Most Merciful Jesus, Who did say: "Learn of me, for I am meek and humble of heart," receive into the abode of Thy Most Merciful Heart the souls of little children and those who, like them, have become meek and humble, thereby enchanting heaven as if by a fragrant crown laid before the throne of Thy Heavenly Father. Grant that they may constantly dwell within Thy Sacred Heart, therein continually praising the Mercy of God.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon little children and upon all meek and humble souls, who have become most like unto Thy Beloved Son, and who by the fragrance of their virtues ascend to the foot of Thy throne. Father of Mercy, we beseech Thee through Thy love for these souls and the delight which Thee find in them, bless us and the entire world that we all may render unceasing praise to Thy Mercy. Amen.

SEVENTH DAY

Let us pray for all who honor the Mercy of God and foster trust in it, thereby becoming as it were a living image of the Most Merciful Heart of Jesus.

Most Merciful Jesus, Whose Most Merciful Heart is love itself, receive into the abode of this Heart those souls especially dedicated to honoring the Mercy of God. Praising His greatness, these souls, whose true and mighty strength comes from God

Himself, desire to share and on their shoulders carry with Thee, through torments and adversities, the burden of suffering for all mankind. Deign to enfold them with Thy ever increasing Mercy and strengthen them always with the grace of fortitude, patience, and perseverance.

Our Father ... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon those souls who with a special tenderness praise and venerate Thy Mercy, whose lips are filled with hymns of praise and hands with merciful deeds. We beseech Thee, deign to show them Thy ever increasing Mercy according to the hope which they place in Thee and according to the promise that Thee will protect them as Thy own glory always and especially in the hour of death. Amen.

EIGHTH DAY

Let us pray for the souls in Purgatory, who are satisfying the Justice of God that the merciful stream of Christ's Blood may diminish and shorten their suffering.

Most Merciful Jesus, Who has said: "Be merciful, as Thy Heavenly Father is merciful," receive, we beseech Thee, into the abode of Thy Most Merciful Heart the souls suffering in Purgatory, satisfying their debt to God's Justice. May the streams of blood and water which gushed forth from Thy divine Heart quench the flames of Purgatory that there too the infinite power of Thy Mercy may be glorified.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon the suffering souls in Purgatory and through the sorrowful Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the bitterness which overflowed His Most Sacred Heart in that hour, show pity on those who already now are subject to Thy Justice. We beseech Thee that Thee deign look at them only through the wounds of Thy Most Beloved Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ, whose Mercy surpasses His Justice. Amen.

NINTH DAY

Let us pray for lukewarm souls, who were the cause of Our Lord's terrible sufferings in Gethsemani.

Most Merciful Jesus, Who are goodness itself, lead into the abode of Thy Most Merciful Heart all lukewarm souls, who like decaying corpses filled Thee with aversion and loathing in the Garden of Olives. Plunge them into the fire of Thy most pure love and melt their icy coldness that they henceforth may become fired with ever increasing flames of zeal and may ever praise Thy boundless Mercy.

Our Father ... Hail Mary... Glory be...

Eternal Father, look down with Mercy upon lukewarm souls, who once in the Garden of Olives wrested from Thy Most Merciful Son the sorrowful complaint: "Let this cup pass away from me." We beseech Thee through the bitter Passion of the same Most Beloved Son and Our Lord Jesus Christ and through His three-hour agony on the Cross, inflame these souls with a new zeal for Thy glory and pour a true love into their hearts, that thus quickened they may perform here on earth merciful deeds and glorify the Mercy of God for all eternity. Amen.