

# ALL SAINTS PARISH

## BOOK OF NOVENAS AND PRAYERS

### FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR



## Infant of Prague Novena ~ January 6 – 14

**O Jesus**, Who has said, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened," through the intercession of Mary, Your Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted.

*(Make your request)*

**O Jesus**, Who has said, "All that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you," through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask your Father in your name that my prayer will be granted.

*(Make your request)*

**O Jesus**, Who has said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass away," through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted.

*(Make your request)*

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Divine Infant Jesus**, I know You love me and would never leave me. I thank You for Your close Presence in my life. Miraculous Infant, I believe in Your promise of peace, blessings, and freedom from want. I place every need and care in Your hands. Lord Jesus, may I always trust in Your generous mercy and love. I want to honor and praise You, now and forever.

**Amen.**



## Pro-Life Prayer ~ January 14 – 22

**GOD OF ALL GOODNESS**, You have entrusted us with the gift of life. Help us to appreciate that gift from the first moments of conception to the last breaths of old age.

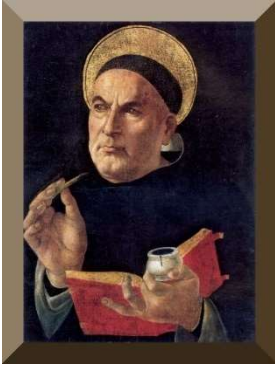
Send your strength to all those who defend the unborn, the weak, and the dying against attempts to cut short their lives.

May your Holy Spirit touch the hearts of those who are tempted to choose the way of death rather than life. Grant that your people may always be a sign of your love in the world.

**Amen.**



## St. Thomas Aquinas Novena ~ January 19 – 28



**Sweet Jesus**, Body and Blood most Holy, be the delight and pleasure of my soul, my strength and salvation in all temptations, my joy and peace in every trial, my light and guide in every word and deed, and my final protector in death.

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you.

**Amen.**

## Our Lady of Lourdes Novena ~ February 2 – 11

**O, Immaculate Mother of God**, from heaven itself you came and appeared to Saint Bernadette in the rough Grotto of Lourdes! As she knelt at your feet, the miraculous, healing spring burst forth. Since then, multitudes have knelt before your shrine asking for your prayers. O, glorious Mother of God, to you we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the loving Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly for the grace of healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering (mention your own loved ones here).

We pray to you with childlike trust. We have faith that you will look with mercy on our present petitions and win for us the grace we need and request for in this novena. We ask all this through your maternal intercession and in the powerful name of your Son Jesus. **Amen.** Our Lady of Lourdes...pray for us. Saint Bernadette...pray for us.



## Novena for the Chair of St. Peter ~ February 13 – 22

**O God**, who by delivering to thy blessed Apostle Peter the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, did confer upon him the pontifical power of binding and of loosing, grant that, by the help of his intercession, we may be delivered from the bonds of our sins, through Jesus Christ Our Lord, who lives and reigns with Thee, One God, world without end.

**Amen.**





## Novena to St. Patrick ~ March 8 – 17



Dear St. Patrick, in your humility you called yourself a sinner, but you became a most successful missionary and prompted countless pagans to follow the Savior. Many of their descendants in turn spread the Good News in numerous foreign lands.

Through your powerful intercession with God, obtain the missionaries we need to continue the work you began.

**Amen.**

## Novena to St. Joseph ~ March 11 – 19

**Saint Joseph**, I, your unworthy child, greet you. You are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. You know that I have special confidence in you and that, after Jesus and Mary, I place all my hope of salvation in you, for you are especially powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants.

Therefore, I humbly invoke you and commend myself, with all who are dear to me and all that belong to me, to your intercession. I beg of you, by your love for Jesus and Mary, not to abandon me during life and to assist me at the hour of my death.

Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Loving Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, I raise my heart to you to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special grace I now implore: (Mention your request).

Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel confident that your prayers on my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

**Amen.**



## Annunciation Novena ~ March 17 – 25

I greet you, Ever-blessed Virgin, Mother of God, Throne of Grace, Sanctuary of the Most Holy Trinity and Queen of the Universe, Mother of Mercy and refuge of sinners!

Most loving Mother, attracted by your beauty and sweetness, and by your tender compassion, I confidently turn to you, miserable as I am, and beg of you to obtain for me from your dear Son the favor I request in this novena: (mention your request).



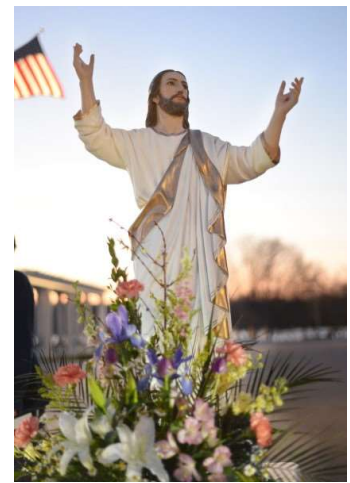
You were greeted by the Archangel and surrendered yourself to God's will. Obtain for me also, Queen of heaven, a zealous desire to follow God's will for my life. May I live closely those virtues which you practiced so faithfully, especially humility, purity and obedience.

Above all, I beg you to be my Mother and Protectress, to receive me into the number of your devoted children, and to guide me from your high throne of glory. Do not reject my petitions, Mother of Mercy, but present them to your Divine Son! Have pity on me, and do not abandon me during life or at the moment of my death.

**Amen.**

### **Resurrection Prayer ~ March 23-31, 2024**

O Risen Lord,  
the Way, the Truth, and the Life,  
Make us faithful followers of the spirit of Your Resurrection.  
Grant that we may be inwardly renewed,  
dying to ourselves in order that You may live in us.  
May our lives serve as signs of the transforming power of Your love.  
Use us as Your instruments for the renewal of society,  
bringing Your life and love to all,  
and leading them to Your Church.  
This we ask of You, Lord Jesus,  
living and reigning with the Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever. **Amen.**



### **First Communion Novena ~ April 5-13, 2024**



**I thank you, Jesus my Divine Redeemer,** for coming upon the earth for our sake, and for instituting the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist in order to remain with us until the end of the world.

**I thank you, my Jesus,** for giving Yourself to us in the Eucharist and becoming food for our salvation.

**I thank You Jesus, Divine Priest,** for sacrificing yourself on the altar of the cross and for continuing this sacrifice offered daily upon our altars.

In union with the offering of Yourself to the Father in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, I ask countless blessings upon the young children, and their families, preparing for their First Holy Communion. May they receive You worthily, now and always. I recall my First Communion with great joy and ask that they, as well, be flooded with sentiments of joy and peace. May the entire world come to know of Your true and lasting presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament. **Amen.** St. Tarcisius ~ Pray for us!

## Novena to St. Peregrine ~ April 23 – May 1

O Great St. Peregrine, you have been called 'The Mighty' and 'The Wonder-Worker', because of the numerous miracles which have been brought about through your prayers before the throne of God. For so many years you bore in your own flesh a cancerous disease that threatened to destroy the very fiber of your being. You had recourse to the source of all grace when the power of man could do no more.

By God's grace, you were favored with the vision of Jesus coming down from His Cross to heal your affliction. We beg of you to ask God and Our Lady, to cure the sick whom we entrust to you. Aided by your powerful intercession, we shall sing to God, now and for all eternity, a song of gratitude for His great goodness and mercy.

We also pray for all the victims of clergy abuse. May they know they are loved by Christ and His Church and experience His power of healing grace. Fill them with an abundance of love. We ask this through the intercession of all the Saints and in the precious name of Jesus.

### **Amen.**

Blessed Mother Mary...pray for us  
Our Lady of Lourdes...pray for us  
St. Joseph ...  
St. Paul...  
St. John the Baptist...  
St. John of the Cross...  
St. John Vianney...  
St. John Paul II...  
St. Patrick...  
St. Peregrine...  
St. Teresa of Avila...  
St. Terese of Lisieux ...  
St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross...



## Novena to Our Lady of Fatima ~ May 4 - 12



Most Holy Virgin, who came to Fatima, Portugal to reveal to the three little shepherds Francisco, Jacinta and Lucia, the treasures of graces hidden in the recitation of the Rosary, inspire our hearts with a sincere love of this devotion, so that by meditating on the mysteries of our redemption, that are recalled in it, we may gather the fruits and obtain the conversion of sinners, the conversion of Russia, and this favor that I so earnestly seek which I ask of you in this novena .... (State your request here...).

I ask all this for the greater glory of God, for true devotion and honor to you, and for the good of all people. **Amen.**

## May Crowning Poem

All early in the morning I rose to greet the day,  
And underneath my window I saw a Child at play.  
The robins were not fearful of one so mild and meek;  
They lighted on His shoulder, and nested at His cheek.  
He picked the clustering roses, the lily in its sheath,  
The long-stemmed purple violets, and wove them in a wreath.  
And then I saw a Lady, come walking in the dew;  
Her robe was white as starshine, her mantle was deep blue.  
And as the Child approached her, all sweetly she knelt down  
And bent her head, receiving, his fragrant, flowery crown.

*Helen Connolly~ 1940.*



## Pentecost Novena ~ May 11 – 19, 2024

**Happy Birthday to the Church!** We believe and proclaim that the Church was born on Pentecost! Happy 1,991 years of eternal life and salvation (2024-33). This novena can be sung to the tune of The Old 100th, Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow, or The Setting Sun Now Dies Away.

O Holy Spirit, by whose breath, Life rises vibrant out of death;  
Come to create, renew, inspire; Come, kindle in our hearts your fire.  
You are the seeker's sure resource, of burning love the living source,  
Protector in the midst of strife, the giver and the Lord of life.  
In you God's energy is shown, to us your varied gifts made known.  
Teach us to speak, teach us to hear; Yours is the tongue and yours  
the ear.  
Flood our dull senses with your light; in mutual love our hearts unite.  
Your power the whole creation fills; confirm our weak, uncertain  
wills.  
From inner strife grant us release; Turn nations to the ways of peace.  
To fuller life your people bring, that as one body we may sing:  
Praise to the Father, Christ, his Word, And to the Spirit: God the Lord,  
To whom all honor, glory be, both now and for eternity. Amen.



A partial indulgence is granted to the Christian faithful who devoutly recite this prayer. The indulgence will be a plenary one when this prayer is recited publicly on the solemnity of Pentecost.



## Intense Youth Conference Novena ~ May 30-June 7, 2024

Simply read the intention for each day leading up to this year's conference and then pray one **Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be. Amen.**

**May 30.** May God bless those working on audio tech, music and sound; that the Word of God may be proclaimed and heard.

**May 31.** For St. Michael and the Heavenly Hosts to protect us, the weather and all those attending and assisting with this conference.

**June 1.** For all the priests assisting at the conference that their ministry in the confessional will set captives free and their preaching and assistance at Mass will bring true glory to the Lord.

**June 2.** May our volunteers be true servants of the Lord, so the youth attending will feel welcome and a part of our Church.

**June 3.** For safety in travel for our speakers and that they be true, humble and zealous mouthpieces of the Lord and His Gospel.

**June 4.** For good weather and safety in travel for all participants and volunteers.

**June 5.** For a deep conversion to be found in the heart of each and every attendee, worker and volunteer and for a deep bond of community and joy to be fostered.

**June 6.** For our cooks, vendors, and suppliers, that they will find joy in serving and be blessed by the experience.

**June 7.** "May the Holy Spirit send down His grace upon each participant so they will Discover, Encounter and Live the Gospel of Christ."



## Sacred Heart Novena ~ May 30 – June 7, 2024

**O most holy heart of Jesus,** fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with lively sorrow for my sins, I offer myself to You. Make me humble, patient, pure and obedient to Your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in You and for You. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, Your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. **Amen.**



Love of the Heart of Jesus...inflame my heart  
Charity of the Heart of Jesus...fill my heart.  
Strength of the Heart of Jesus...support my heart.  
Purity of the Heart of Jesus...cleanse my heart.  
Wisdom of the Heart of Jesus...teach my heart.  
Will of the Heart of Jesus...guide my heart.  
Zeal of the Heart of Jesus...consume my heart.  
Immaculate Heart of Mary...Pray for me  
to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



## Novena to Sts. Peter and Paul ~ June 21 – 29

**Dear Holy Apostles, Peter and Paul,** I choose you this day and forever to be my special patrons and advocates.

You, blessed Saint Peter - Prince of the Apostles, because you are the Rock upon which Almighty God has built His Holy Church.

And you, blessed Saint Paul, because you, a sinner and persecutor of the faith, were forgiven and chosen by God as one of the greatest preachers of the truth to the whole world.

Obtain for me, (mention your personal intentions here) I humbly pray, lively faith, firm hope and burning love, complete detachment from myself, contempt for the

world, patience in adversity, humility in prosperity, attention in prayer, purity, diligence in fulfilling the duties of my state of life, constancy in my resolutions, resignation to the will of God and perseverance in the grace of God, even unto death, so that by the means of your intercession and your glorious merits, I will be able to overcome the evil one and be made worthy of the Promises of Christ, enjoy His Presence and love Him forever in time and eternity.

**Amen.**



## 14 Days of Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty June 21-July 4

**O God our Creator,** from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome— for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us— this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## **Novena to St. Anne ~ July 17 – 26**

### **Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Glorious St. Anne,

We know you are filled with compassion for those who invoke you and with love for those who suffer. Heavily laden with the weight of my troubles, I cast myself at your feet and humbly beg of you to take the present affair which I commend to your special protection (mention your intention here...)

Deign to commend it to your daughter, our Blessed Lady, and lay it before the throne of Jesus, so that He may bring it to a happy conclusion. Cease not to intercede for me until my request is granted. Above all, obtain for me the grace of one day beholding my God face to face. With you and Mary and all the saints, may I praise and bless Him for all eternity.

Good St Anne, mother of her who is our life, our sweetness and our hope, pray for me. **Amen.**



## **St. John Vianney Novena ~ July 26 – August 4**



O God, you raised up humble St. John Vianney to show what one priest can do. Pour out your graces upon my priests, and all priests, that they follow this saint's example. So, in the words of St. John Vianney I pray:

I Love You, O my God. My only desire is to love You, until the last breath of my life. I love You, O infinitely loveable God, and prefer to die loving You, rather than to live for an instant without You. I Love You, O my God, and I desire only to go to Heaven, to have the happiness of loving You perfectly.

I love You, O my God, and my only fear is to go to Hell, because one will never have the sweet solace of loving You there. O my God, if my tongue cannot say at all times that I love You, at least I want my heart to repeat it to You as many times as I breathe. Ah! Do me the grace to suffer while loving You, to love You while suffering, and, that when I die: I not only will love You, but experience it in my heart. I beg You that: the closer I come to my final end, You will increase and perfect my love for You. (Mention your personal intention here...)

I ask this in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

## **Novena for Our Lady's Assumption ~ August 6 – 14**

**Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven,** I rejoice that after years of heroic motherly love and service on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in Heaven by the Holy Trinity.

Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when viewed from Heaven. Make me realize that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to your Son, Jesus Christ, and that someday my body shall rejoin my soul in the unending bliss of Heaven.



From this earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to you for help. I ask for this favor:  
(Mention your request).

When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with you. **Amen**

### **Novena to St. Monica ~ August 19 – 27**



Lovely Mother of the great Saint Augustine, you persevered in prayer for your wayward son, not with wild threats and judgments, but with sacrifices and cries to heaven. Intercede for all mothers and fathers in our day, so that they may learn to draw their children to God. Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the fallen sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray.

Dear St. Monica, troubled wife and mother, many sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime. Yet you never despaired or lost faith. With confidence, persistence and profound faith, you prayed daily for the conversion of your beloved husband, Patricius, and your beloved son, Augustine. Grant me that same fortitude, patience and trust in the Lord. Intercede for me, dear St. Monica, that God may favorably hear my plea for (state your petition here.)

And grant me the grace to accept His will in all things, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. **Amen**

### **Novena to St. John the Baptist ~ August 21 – 29**

O glorious Saint John the Baptist, greatest prophet among those born of woman (Luke 7:28), although you were sanctified in your mother's womb and led a most innocent life, nevertheless it was your will to go into the wilderness, there to devote yourself to the practice of austerity and penance; obtain for us from our Lord the grace to be wholly detached, at least in our hearts, from earthly goods, and to practice Christian mortification with interior recollection and with the spirit of holy prayer.

O most zealous Apostle, who drew the crowds to the River Jordan for conversion, repentance and prayer; grant that God's grace may be given to us. Aid us to lead many to a life of conversion, prayer and baptism; above all those souls that are enveloped in the darkness of error and ignorance and are led astray by vice.

O Holy Martyr St. John, who, for the honor of God, the salvation of souls and the dignity of Marriage, withstood the sinfulness of Herod even at the cost of your own life, and did rebuke him openly for his wicked and dissolute life; by your prayers obtain for us a heart, brave and generous, in order that we may overcome all human respect and openly profess our faith in loyal obedience to the teachings of Jesus Christ, our Divine Master. (Mention your own personal intentions here.)



Pray for us, St. John the Baptist... That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.  
**Amen**

## Novena for the Nativity of Mary ~ August 31 – Sept 8

Your Birth, O Virgin Mother of God, was the beginning of joy to the whole world; since from you arose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who destroyed the power of death and rewarded us with life everlasting. Let us celebrate with joy the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary; that she may intercede for us to Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Grant us, your servants, O Lord, the gift of Your heavenly grace, that as our salvation began in the child-bearing of the Blessed Virgin, so from this solemn feast of her Nativity may obtain an increase of peace. Bless our parishioners living and deceased, and fill them with eternal life. Care for the struggling and the forgotten, and bring back those who have fallen away. Give us the grace to sacrifice of ourselves and help us to build a future of hope! We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

(Mention your own personal intention here.)

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

Glory be...

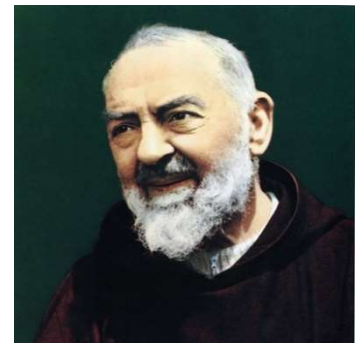


## Novena to St. Padre Pio ~ September 14 – 23

**Dear God,** Thou hast generously blessed Thy servant, St. Pio of Pietrelcina, with the gifts of the Spirit. Thou hast marked his body with the five wounds of Christ Crucified, as a powerful witness to the saving passion and death of Thy Son. Endowed with the gift of discernment, St. Pio labored endlessly in the confessional for the salvation of souls. With reverence and intense devotion in the celebration of Mass, he invited countless men and women to a greater union with Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, I confidently beseech Thee to grant me the grace of (mention your intentions here). **Amen.**

Pray the **Glory Be** three times.





## Novena to St. Michael the Archangel ~ Sept 21 – 29

**Saint Michael the Archangel**, loyal champion of God and His Catholic people, I turn to thee with confidence and seek thy powerful intercession. For the love of God, Who hast made thee so glorious in grace and power, and for the love of the Mother of Jesus, the Queen of the Angels, be pleased to hear my prayer.



Thou knowest the value of my soul in the eyes of God. May no stain of evil ever disfigure its beauty. Help me to conquer the evil spirit who tempts me. I desire to imitate thy loyalty to God and Holy Mother Church and thy great love for God and men. And since thou art God's messenger for the care of His people, I entrust to thee this special request: (mention your request here).

Saint Michael, since thou art, by the will of the Creator, the powerful intercessor of Christians, I have great confidence in thy prayers. I earnestly trust that if it is God's holy will, my petition will be granted.

Pray for me, Saint Michael, and also for those I love. Protect us in all dangers of body and soul. Help us in our daily needs. Through thy powerful intercession, may we live a holy life, die a happy death and reach Heaven where we may praise and love God with thee forever.

**Amen.**

## Novena to St. Therese of Lisieux ~ Sept 22 – October 1

**O Little Therese of the Child Jesus**, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly garden and send it to me as a message of love.

O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors I now place with confidence in your hands: (mention your special prayer request here)

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did, in God's great love for me, so that I may imitate your "Little Way" each day. **Amen.**



## Novena in Honor of St. John Paul II ~ October 13 – 21



**O Blessed Trinity**, we thank You for having graced the Church with Pope John Paul II and for allowing the tenderness of Your Fatherly care, the glory of the cross of Christ, and the splendor of the Holy Spirit, to shine through him.

Trusting fully in Your infinite mercy and in the maternal intercession of Mary, he has given us a living image of Jesus the Good Shepherd and has shown us that holiness is the necessary measure of the ordinary Christian life and is the way of achieving eternal communion with You.

Grant us, by his intercession, and according to Your will, the graces we implore (mention your petitions here). We ask this prayer through his intercession and in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## All Saints Day Novena ~ October 23 – 31

**Dear heavenly brothers and sisters**, from those most known to those of greatest obscurity, especially any of those to whom I am related by blood or friendship, I come before you now in all humility and commend myself, and all who are dear to me, to your intercession.

Pray for us always, before the throne of God, that we may awake each day with a burning desire for the Lord, whose Face you behold, that we will maintain an intimate personal relationship with Jesus, our Savior and Head, and that we will not hesitate to proclaim God's greatness to others, and love them as the Lord loves us.

As you offer your continual praise before the throne of God, I raise my heart to you now to implore your powerful intercession for these special needs: (mention your personal intention here...). I am confident that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard by our loving and merciful Lord- Jesus Christ. By His grace, may we someday join you in the glory of the Father's house. **Amen.**



## Novena to St. Martin of Tours ~ November 3 – 11



**Saint Martin of Tours**, you were born under pagan ways, but since your childhood you were chosen to be a bishop of the Church and, as Bishop of Tours, many souls were redeemed and liberated from sin and evil through your preaching, prayers, sufferings and blessings.

We humbly ask for your intercession before Our Lord Jesus Christ because we want to be worthy of the grace and mercy of the Holy Spirit that leads us from darkness to light into the eternal kingdom. Saint Martin of Tours, obtain for us our needs (mention personal petitions here), but also a spirit of love towards neighbor, enabling us to be compassionate. Obtain for us the grace to love all peoples as

brothers and sisters with a pure and dedicated heart. May we, like you, one day enjoy the blessed vision of God forever and ever. **Amen.**

## Novena to Christ the King ~ November 12 – 20

**Lord, Jesus Christ**, Our Sovereign King, The beginning and end of all things, You have made your Church to be a people that bears witness to the goodness and beauty of your kingdom.

By your Holy Spirit, you have united us as one body, called to live as one family of God.

Fill our hearts with your grace, that we would be close to you by being close to the vulnerable and marginalized.

Give us the patience to share one another's burdens, and give us the courage to always be friends of the truth.

May we remain with you always. **Amen.**



## Immaculate Conception Novena ~ Nov. 29 – Dec. 8

**O Mary Immaculate**, lily of purity, I salute you, because from the very first instant of your conception you were filled with grace. I thank and adore the Most Holy Trinity for having imparted to you favors so sublime. O Mary, full of grace, help me to share, even just a little, in the fullness of grace so wonderfully bestowed on you in your Immaculate Conception. With



firm confidence in your never failing intercession, we beseech you to obtain for us the intention of this novena, (mention your request) and also that purity of mind, heart, and body necessary to unite us with God. **Amen.**

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you. O Mother of God, by your Immaculate Conception, intercede for us with your Divine Son, and obtain for us from Him, the favor for which we pray. **Amen.**

**Hail Mary...**

## Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena ~ December 3 – 12

### Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose:

Make intercession for the Holy Church, protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke thee in their necessities, and since thou art the ever Virgin Mary, and Mother of the True God, obtain for us from thy most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, of burning charity, and the precious gift of final perseverance. **Amen.**

**Our Father ...**

**Hail Mary ...**

**Glory Be ...**



## St. Andrew Christmas Novena ~ November 30 – December 24

While the origins of this prayer are uncertain, it is at least 100 years old and may have come from Ireland. If the St. Andrew novena was prayed as a regular nine-day novena, it would end on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th. However, this novena is actually prayed much longer than nine days—it is prayed throughout all four weeks of Advent. It is piously believed that whoever recites the St. Andrew Christmas Novena Prayer FIFTEEN times each day from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30th) until Christmas Eve will obtain the favor requested.

Here is the beautiful prayer:



*Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.*

## **Nativity Prayer ~ During Advent and Christmas**

*Please use the following prayer in front of your nativity scene at your home. Turn your “decoration” into a place of prayer and reflection.*

**O Divine Redeemer Jesus Christ**, prostrate before Your crib, I believe You are the God of infinite Majesty, even though I see You here as a helpless babe. I humbly adore and thank You for having so humbled Yourself for my salvation as to will to be born in a manger. I thank You for all You did for me in Bethlehem, for Your poverty and humility, for Your nakedness, tears, cold and sufferings.

I desire to show You the tenderness which Your Virgin Mother had toward You. I hope to love You as she did. If only I could praise You with the joy of the angels, that I could kneel before You with the faith of St. Joseph, and the simplicity of the shepherds.

Uniting myself with these first adorers at the crib, I offer You the homage of my heart, and I beg that You would be born spiritually in my soul. Make me reflect in some degree the virtues of Your holy nativity. Fill me with that spirit of poverty and humility, which prompted You to assume the weakness of our human nature, and to be born amid destitution and suffering. Grant that from this day forward, I may in all things seek Your greater glory, and may enjoy that peace promised to men of good will. I ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## **Holy Family Novena ~ December 18 – 26**

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, model for all Christian families, I entrust my family to your care and protection. Bless each member of my family. Help me and the members of my family to love, listen to, support and accept one another. Encourage us to challenge one another to be compassionate, merciful and forgiving as we struggle with the difficulties of our lives.

(Mention your request here...)

Guide us to seek goodness and holiness in our everyday choices, actions and attitudes. Encourage us when our faith is weak and when we fail to lead one another to Christ. Make our home a real dwelling place of peace, joy and love, where you are ever present among us. May we work to uphold each one's dignity, integrity and unique contributions to the well-being and growth of our family. And when our time on earth is complete, bring us all safely home to you in the company of heaven.

Holy Family of Nazareth, pray for us. **Amen.**