

Novena to the Holy Face of Jesus

Daily Preparatory Prayer

Repeat this prayer for nine days...

O Most Holy and Blessed Trinity,
through the intercession of Holy Mary,
whose soul was pierced through by a sword of sorrow
at the sight of the passion of her Divine Son,
we ask your help in making a perfect Novena
of reparation with Jesus,
united with all His sorrows,
love and total abandonment.

We now implore all the Angels and Saints
to intercede for us as we pray this Holy Novena
to the Most Holy Face of Jesus
and for the glory of the most Holy Trinity,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Proceed to the prayer of the day...

DAY ONE

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against You, You alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in Your sight,
so that You are justified in Your sentence
and blameless when You pass judgment." [Ps. 51:3-4]

Have mercy on me,
O God in your goodness,
in your great tenderness, wipe away my faults;
wash me clean of my guilt,
purify me from my sin.

O most Holy Face of Jesus,
look with tenderness on us who are sinners.
You are a merciful God,
full of love and compassion.
Keep us pure of heart,
so that we may see Thee always.

Mary, our Mother,
intercede for us.

Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to Our Almighty Father

Almighty Father,
come into our hearts,
and so fill us with your love
that forsaking all evil desires,
we may embrace you, our only good.
Show us, O Lord our God,
what you are to us.
Say to our souls,
I am your salvation,
speak so that we may hear.
Our hearts are before you;
open our ears;
let us hasten after your voice.
Hide not your Face from us,
we beseech you, O Lord.
Open our hearts so that you may enter in.
Repair the ruined mansions,
that you may dwell therein.
Hear us, O Heavenly Father,
for the sake of your only Son,
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever .

Amen.

[Prayer of St. Augustine]

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...

3 Hail Mary...

1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY TWO

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
You desire truth in the inward being;" [Ps. 51:5-6a]

My offenses truly I know them;
My sin is always before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
What is evil in your sight I have done.

Most Holy Face of Jesus,
we are truly sorry that we have hurt you so much
by constantly doing what is wrong;
and for all the good works, we have failed to do.
Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Saint Joseph,
intercede for us,
help us to console the Most Holy Face of Jesus.
Pray that we may share in the tremendous love
Thou hast for one another,
and for the most Holy and Blessed Trinity.

Amen.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,
all powerful God of love,
Thou who didst fill the Virgin Mary with grace,
Thou who didst wonderfully transform the hearts of the apostles,
Thou who didst endow all Thy martyrs with a miraculous heroism,
come and sanctify us,
illumine our minds,
strengthen our wills,
purify our consciences,
rectify our judgments,
set our hearts on fire
and preserve us from the misfortune
of resisting Thine inspirations.
We consecrate to Thee our understanding,
our heart and our will,
our whole being for time
and for eternity.
May our understanding be always submissive
to Thy heavenly inspirations
and to the teachings of Thy Holy Catholic Church,
of which Thou art the infallible guide;
may our heart be ever inflamed with love
of God and neighbor;
may our will be ever conformed to the Divine will,
and may our whole life be a faithful imitation
of the life and virtues of our Lord and Savior,
Jesus Christ,
to whom with the Father
and Thee be honor and glory forever.

Amen

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...
3 Hail Mary...
1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY THREE

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." [Ps. 51:6b-7]

You are just when you pass sentence on me,
blameless when you give judgment.
You know I was born guilty,
a sinner from the moment of conception.

Prayer of Pope Pius IX

O Jesus!
Cast upon us a look of mercy;
turn your Face towards each of us
as you did to Veronica;
not that we may see it with our bodily eyes,
for this we do not deserve,
but turn it towards our hearts,
so that, remembering you,
we may ever draw from this fountain of strength
the vigor necessary to sustain the combats of life.

Amen.

Mary, Our Mother,
and Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer of Saint Francis

All highest, glorious God,
cast your light into the darkness of our hearts,
give us true faith, firm hope,
perfect charity and profound humility,
so that with wisdom,
courage and perception,
O Lord, we may do what is truly your holy will.

Amen.

To the Angels and Saints

We salute you,
through the Holy Face
and Sacred Heart of Jesus,
O all you Holy Angels and Saints of God.
We rejoice in your glory,
and we give thanks to our Lord
for all the benefits which He has showered upon you;
we praise Him and glorify Him,
and offer you for an increase of your joy and honor,
the most Holy Face and gentle Heart of Jesus.
Pray that we may be formed according to the heart of God.

Amen.

Recite the following prayers...

- 1 Our Father...
- 3 Hail Mary...
- 1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,

O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY FOUR

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities." [Ps. 51:8-9]

Indeed you love truth in the heart;
then in the secret of my heart teach me Wisdom.
O purify me,
then I shall be clean;
O wash me,
I shall be whiter than snow.

O Lord Jesus, who has said,
learn of me for I am meek and gentle of heart,
and who did manifest upon Thy Holy Face
the sentiments of Thy divine heart,
grant that we may love to come frequently
and meditate upon Thy Divine features.
We may read there Thy gentleness and Thy humility,
and learn how to form our hearts
in the practice of these two virtues
which Thou desires to see shine in Thy servants.
Mary our Mother and Saint Joseph help us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer in Honour of the Dolors of the Blessed Virgin

O Most Holy and afflicted Virgin,
Queen of Martyrs!
Who stood beneath the cross,

witnessing the agony of your dying Son,
look down with a mother's tenderness and pity on us
as we kneel before you to venerate your Dolors,
and place our requests,
with filial confidence,
in the sanctuary of your wounded heart.
Present them on our behalf to Jesus,
through the merits of His most sacred Passion and Death,
together with your sufferings at the foot of the cross,
and through the united efficacy of both,
obtain the favor which we humbly ask.
To whom shall we go in our wants and miseries if not to you.
O Mother of Mercy,
who having so deeply drunk of the chalice of your Son,
graciously alleviate the sufferings
of those who still sigh in this land of exile.

Amen.

Prayer to the Souls in Purgatory

My Jesus,
by the sorrows you suffered in your agony in the garden,
in your scourging and crowning with thorns,
in the way to Calvary,
in your crucifixion and death,
have mercy on the souls in Purgatory,
and especially on those that are most forsaken.
Deliver them from the dire torments they endure.
Call them and admit them to your most sweet embrace in Paradise.

Amen.

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...

3 Hail Mary...

1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY FIVE

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. [Ps. 51:10-11]

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness,
that the bones you have crushed may revive.
From my sins turn away your Face,
and blot out all my guilt.

Holy Face of Jesus,
Sacred Countenance of God,
how great is your patience with humankind,
how infinite your forgiveness.
We are sinners,
yet you love us.
This gives us courage.
For the glory of your Holy Face
and of the Blessed Trinity,
hear and answer us.

Mary our Mother,
intercede for us.

Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Dear Saint Joseph!
Adopt us as thy children,

take charge of our salvation;
watch over us day and night;
preserve us from occasions of sin;
obtain for us purity of body and soul,
and the spirit of prayer,
through thy intercession with Jesus,
grant us a spirit of sacrifice,
of humility and self-denial;
obtain for us a burning love for Jesus
in the Blessed Sacrament,
and a sweet, tender love for Mary, our Mother.

Saint Joseph,
be with us in life,
be with us in death
and obtain for us a favorable judgment from Jesus,
our merciful Savior.

Amen.

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...
3 Hail Mary...
1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY SIX

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.
Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you." [Ps. 51:12-3]

A pure heart create for us O God,

put a steadfast spirit within us.
Do not cast us away from your presence
nor deprive us of your Holy Spirit.

May our hearts be cleansed,
O Lord, by the inpouring of the Holy Spirit,
and may He render them fruitful
by watering them with His heavenly dew.

Mary, the most chaste spouse of the Holy Spirit,
intercede for us.

Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

O Victorious Prince,
most humble guardian of the Church of God
and of faithful souls,
who with such charity and zeal
took part in so many conflicts
and gained such great victories over the enemy,
for the conservation
and protection of the honor
and glory we all owe to God,
as well as for the promotion of our salvation,
come, we pray Thee,
to our assistance,
for we are continually besieged
with such great perils by our enemies,
the flesh, the world and the devil;
and as Thou wast a leader
for the people of God through the desert,
so also be our faithful leader,
and companion through the desert of this world,
until Thou conduct us safely
into the happy land of the living,

in that blessed fatherland
from which we are all exiles.

Amen. [Prayer of St. Aloysius]

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...

3 Hail Mary...

1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY SEVEN

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.
O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise." [Ps. 51:14-5]

Give me again the joy of your help,
with a spirit of fervor sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you.

Lord Jesus!

After contemplating Thy features,
disfigured by grief,
after meditating upon Thy passion
with compunction and love,
how can our hearts fail to be inflamed
with a holy hatred of sin,
which even now outrages Thy Adorable Face!
Lord, suffer us not to be content with mere compassion,
but give us grace so closely to follow Thee in this Calvary,

so that the approbrium destined for Thee may fall on us,
O Jesus, that thus we may have a share,
small though it may be,
in expiation of sin.

Amen.

Mary, our Mother,
intercede for us.

Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer in Honor of Mary

Hail Mary, Daughter of God the Father!
Hail Mary, Mother of God the Son!
Hail Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit!
Hail Mary, Temple of the Most Holy Trinity!
Hail Mary, our mistress, our wealth,
our mystic rose, Queen of our hearts,
our Mother, our life, our sweetness
and our dearest hope!
We are all Thine,
and all we have is Thine.
O Virgin blessed above all things,
may Thy soul be in us to magnify the Lord;
may Thy spirit be in us to rejoice in God.
Place Thyself, O faithful Virgin,
as a seal upon our hearts,
that in Thee and through Thee
we may be found faithful to God.
Grant, most gracious Virgin,
that we may be numbered among those
whom Thou art pleased to love,
to teach and to guide,
to favor and to protect as Thy children.
Grant that with the help of Thy love,

we may despise all earthly consolation
and cling to heavenly things,
until through the Holy Spirit,
Thy faithful spouse, and through Thee,
His faithful spouse,
Jesus Christ, Thy Son,
be formed within us for the glory of the Father.

Amen. [Prayer of St. Grignon de Montfort]

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...
3 Hail Mary...
1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY EIGHT

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"For you have no delight in sacrifice;
if I were to give a burnt offering,
you would not be pleased.
The sacrifice acceptable to God
is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart,
O God, you will not despise." [Ps. 51:16-7]

O rescue me, God my helper,
and my tongue shall ring out your goodness.
O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth shall declare your praise.

Most merciful Face of Jesus,
who in this vale of tears

was so moved by our misfortunes
to call yourself the healer of the sick,
and the good Shepherd of the souls gone astray,
allow not Satan to draw us away from you,
but keep us always under your loving protection,
together with all souls who endeavor to console you.

Mary, our Mother,
intercede for us.

Saint Joseph,
pray for us.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to Saint Peter

O glorious Saint Peter,
who in return for thy lively and generous faith,
thy profound and sincere humility and thy burning love,
was honored by Jesus Christ with singular privileges,
and in particular,
with the leadership of the other apostles
and the primacy of the whole church,
of which thou was made the foundation stone,
do thou obtain for us the grace of a lively faith,
that shall not fear to profess itself openly
in its entirety and in all of its manifestations,
even to the shedding of blood,
if occasion should demand it,
and to the sacrifice of life itself
in preference to surrender.

Obtain for us likewise a sincere loyalty
to our Holy Mother the Church.

Grant that we may ever remain most closely
and sincerely united to the Holy Father,
who is the heir of thy faith and of thy authority,
the one true visible head of the Catholic Church.

Grant, moreover, that we may follow,
in all humility and meekness,

the Church's teaching and counsels
and may be obedient to all her precepts,
in order to be able here on earth to enjoy a peace
that is sure and undisturbed,
and to attain one day in heaven
to everlasting happiness.

Amen.

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...

3 Hail Mary...

1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

DAY NINE

Daily Preparatory Prayer

"Do good to Zion in our good pleasure;
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem,
then you will delight in right sacrifices,
in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings:
then bulls will be offered on your altar." [Ps. 51: 18-9]

For in sacrifice you take no delight,
burnt offering from me you would refuse,
my sacrifice a contrite spirit.
A humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.
In your goodness,
show favor to Zion;
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.
Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice,
holocausts offered on your altar,

Sacred Face of our Lord and our God,

what words can we do to express our gratitude?
How can we speak of our joy?
That you have deigned to hear us,
that you have chosen to answer us in our hour of need.
We say this because we know
that our prayers will be granted.
We know that you,
in your loving kindness,
listened to our pleading hearts,
and will give, out of your fullness,
the answer to our problems.

Mary, our Mother,
thank you for your intercession on our behalf.

Saint Joseph,
thank you for your prayers.

Through the merits of your precious blood and your Holy Face,
O Jesus, grant us our petition,
pardon and mercy...

State your intention here...

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Most Holy Trinity,
Godhead indivisible,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
our first beginning and our last end.
Since you have made us after your own image and likeness,
grant that all the thoughts of our minds,
all the words of our tongues,
all the affections of our hearts
and all our actions may be always
conformed to your most Holy Will,
so that after having seen you here on earth in appearances
and in a dark manner by the means of faith,
we may come at last to contemplate you face to face,
in the perfect possession of you forever in paradise.

Amen.

Recite the following prayers...

1 Our Father...

3 Hail Mary...

1 Glory Be...

Repeat three times...

O Bleeding Face,
O Face Divine,
be every adoration Thine.

Act of Consecration

O Lord Jesus,
we believe most firmly in You,
we love You.
You are the Eternal Son of God
and the Son Incarnate of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
You are the Lord and Absolute Ruler of all creation.
We acknowledge You, therefore,
as the Universal Sovereign of all creatures.
You are the Lord and Supreme Ruler of all mankind,
and we, in acknowledging this Your dominion,
consecrate ourselves to You now and forever.
Loving Jesus,
we place our family under the protection of Your Holy Face,
and of Your Virgin Mother,
Mary most sorrowful.
We promise to be faithful to You
for the rest of our lives
and to observe with fidelity Your Holy Commandments,
We will never deny before men,
You and Your Divine rights over us and all mankind.
Grant us the grace to never sin again;
nevertheless, should we fail, O Divine Savior,
have mercy on us and restore us to Your grace.
Radiate Your Divine Countenance upon us
and bless us now and forever.
Embrace us at the hour of death
in Your Kingdom for all eternity,
through the intercession of Your Blessed Mother,
of all Your Saints who behold You in Heaven,
and the just who glorify You on earth,
O Jesus, be mindful of us forever

and never forsake us;
protect our family.
O Mother of Sorrows,
by the eternal glory which you enjoy in Heaven,
through the merits of your bitter anguish
in the Sacred Passion of your Beloved Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ,
obtain for us the grace
that the Precious Blood shed by Jesus
for the redemption of our souls,
be not shed for us in vain.
We love you, O Mary.
Embrace us and bless us, O Mother.
Protect us in life and in death.

Amen.

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever.

Amen.