

A NOVENA TO THE SAINTS OF THE AMERICAS



In times of turmoil, fear, or doubt. Our church has often times turned to the lives of the Saints and our Blessed Mother for protection, intercession, and the grace to be able to find the strength and the courage to live as Christ taught us no matter the hardships or difficulties.

Our countries here in North and South America have been blessed to have many holy men and women who have become saints. People who we are blessed to be able to turn to in times of need, times of hardship, and times when we need an example of how to live a life that truly emulates the call to be an imitation of Christ in our world today. They are an example of courage, discipleship, and true trust in our Lord.

Use this novena in seeking out their powerful intercession for all that you need during these times. Allow their lives be an example for us all on how to draw closer to Christ. Listen carefully and heed the words of our Blessed Mother Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas. Allow her to be your guide during this novena and trust in her divine intercession.

Pray with faith and your prayers shall be answered.

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

~Matthew 7:7

DAY 1
St. Elizabeth Seton

Psalm 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God.

Say 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, & 1 Glory Be

Prayer for the intercession of Elizabeth Seton

Lord God, You blessed Elizabeth Seton with gifts of grace; As wife and mother, educator and foundress, So that she might spend her life in service to your people. Through her example and prayers. May we learn to express our love for you. In love for our fellow men and women. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
-Have Mercy on us.
Immaculate Heart of Mary,
-Pray for us.
St. Elizabeth Seton,
-Pray for us.

Pray an act of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on behalf of our world.

Jesus, Son of God and our Saviour, have mercy on all who wound your Sacred Heart by sin, unfaithfulness and neglect. O loving Heart of Jesus, broken by our ingratitude, pierced by our sins, yet loving us still, accept in reparation the suffering I now make to you of all that I am and all that I have.

Draw me ever nearer to your Sacred Heart:
there where I can learn best,
teach me, Jesus,
your blessed way to eternal life.
Amen.



DAY 2
St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Mark 5:36 Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

Say 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, & 1 Glory Be

**Prayer for the intercession of
St. Kateri Tekakwitha**

Oh Saint Kateri, Lily of the Mohawks
Your love for Jesus, so strong, so
steadfast, Grant that we may become like
you. Your short and painful life showed us
your strength and humility. Grant that we
may become forever humble like you.
Like the bright and shining stars at night,
we pray that your light may forever shine
down upon us, giving light, hope
peacefulness and serenity in our darkest
moments. Fill our hearts Saint Kateri
Tekakwitha with your same love for Jesus
and grant us your strength and courage
to become one like you in Heaven. Amen.

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DAY 3

St. John Neumann

2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

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Prayer for the intercession of St. John Neumann

O St. John Neumann, your ardent desire of bringing all souls to Christ impelled you to leave home and country; teach us to live worthily in the spirit of our baptism which makes us all children of the one Heavenly Father and brothers of Jesus Christ, the first-born of the family of God. Obtain for us that complete dedication in the service of the needy, the weak, the afflicted, and the abandoned which so characterized your life. Help us to walk perseveringly in the difficult and at times painful paths of duty, strengthened by the Body and Blood of our Redeemer and under the watchful protection of Mary our Mother. May death still find us on the sure road to our Father's house, with the light of living faith in our hearts. Amen.

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Saint John Neumann,
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DAY 4
St. Rose of Lima

Matthew 21:22 And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith.

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Prayer for the intercession of
St. Rose of Lima

God our Father, for love of You,
St. Rose gave up everything
to devote herself to a life of penance.
By the help of her prayers may we imitate
her selfless way of life on earth and enjoy
the fullness of Your blessings in heaven.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son, Who lives and reigns with
You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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DAY 5

St. Martin de Porres

Luke 1:37 For nothing will be impossible with God.

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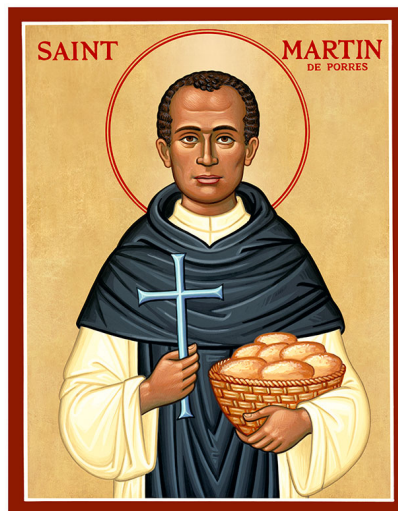
Prayer for the intercession of St. Martin de Porres

To you Saint Martin de Porres we prayerfully lift up our hearts filled with serene confidence and devotion. Mindful of your unbounded and helpful charity to all levels of society and also of your meekness and humility of heart, we offer our petitions to you. Pour out upon our families the precious gifts of your solicitous and generous intercession; show to the people of every race and every color the paths of unity and of justice; implore from our Father in heaven the coming of his kingdom, so that through mutual benevolence in God men may increase the fruits of grace and merit the rewards of eternal life. Amen.

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DAY 6

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

1 Corinthians 16:13: Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong.

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Prayer for the intercession of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

God of our Wandering Ancestors, I am an immigrant, a refugee, an exile from heaven. You made America a place of immigrants and inspired Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini and her sisters, welcoming and comforting the immigrant, helping to make this nation a home for our children. Mother Cabrini went down into the mines to meet immigrant workers where they were, her hymns piercing the darkness. But there are dark places I fear to go, people I fear to meet. Fill me with the words that emboldened your shining saint: I have the strength for everything through God who empowers me. May it be said of me that, like Mother Cabrini, I treated the stranger not as an alien, but as a brother or a sister, greeting them with an embrace and a song of joy. And when my days on Earth are done, may I be greeted by one such as she, by a hymn piercing even the darkness of death, welcoming me to God's kingdom, an exile no longer. Amen

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DAY 7
St. Juan Diego

Psalm 56:3 "When I am afraid, I put my trust in you."

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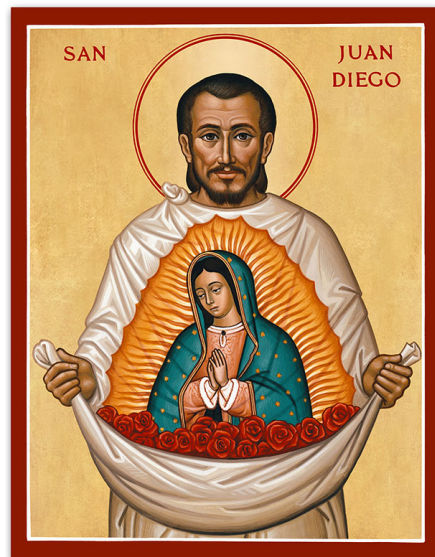
Prayer for the intercession of
St. Juan Diego

O St. Juan Diego, in appearances of Our Lady of Guadalupe, you, a humble peasant, were chosen as Her messenger. Your faithfulness in this task is evident still today, in the miraculous image the Virgin left upon your tilma. Intercede for me, I pray, that I might have your childlike trust in the Mother of God, and that my heart might respond to her maternal promptings. Through such simple confidence, obedience, and love, may I join you one day in sharing everlasting joy, where our heavenly Mother reigns in the glory of Her Son. Amen.

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DAY 8
St. Katherine Drexel

Isaiah 41:10 Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

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Prayer for the intercession of St. Katherine Drexel

Ever loving God, you called Saint Katharine Drexel to teach the message of the Gospel and to bring the life of the Eucharist to the Black and Native American peoples. By her prayers and example, enable us to work for justice among the poor and oppressed. Draw us all into the Eucharistic community of your Church, that we may be one in you. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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DAY 9

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Luke 1:38 And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done to me according to thy word.

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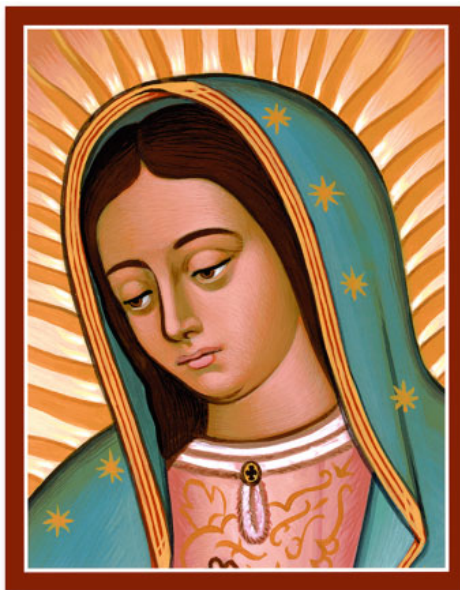
Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

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 God, obtain for us from thy most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, burning charity and the precious gift of final perseverance. Amen.

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End the Novena by praying the Glorious Mysteries of the rosary.