



NICCSJ 2021 Novena to St. Jude (Feast Day- October 28th)

St. Jude Thaddeus is one of the twelve apostles. Saint Jude is also known by the name Thaddeus, which means sweetness and gentleness of character. St Jude was martyred in Syria with the apostle Simon the Zealot with an ax. That is why St Jude is often depicted with an ax. He is one of the most invoked saints for intercession in desperate situations because his New Testament letter stressed the importance of a faithful person persevering in the environment of harsh circumstances. St. Jude, an apostle, and martyr has helped countless souls through his epistle in the New Testament and his intercessions on behalf of those who seek his aid in times of trial. Let us pray this novena with devotion, attention, and intentions, asking St. Jude to intercede on our behalf to God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Wednesday, October 20th – Thursday, October 28th, 2021

Modality: Daily at 8.00 PM through Community Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/my/niccsj>, 1D-9206647431, Passcode- 424258

Steps:

1. **Begin-** In the name of the Father, And of the Son, And of the Holy Spirit. Amen
2. Pray the prayer for a particular day (like Day 1 or Day 2...)
3. Mention the intentions:
 - a. Thanksgiving to God for all our answered prayers
 - b. For God's protection and guidance on all the students and teachers.
 - c. For Marital Blessings and Job Opportunities for all our young adults
 - d. For a peaceful and successful election of our community's new executives on November 14th
 - e. For the Diocese of San Jose, as we celebrate the 40th anniversary this year
 - f. For God's protection on us and our families against Coronavirus, other kinds of illnesses, & violence
 - g. For peace, security, and respect for human life in our home country Nigeria, especially in the Igbo Land
 - h. Peace & Progress for all the Igbo Catholic Communities, especially the Igbo Catholic Communities of the Bay Area
 - i. For the success of our 360 Project, 15th Anniversary Memoir, & Devotional App
 - j. For God's special healing on all of us and for those who are sick, especially Prince Val Nwogu, Dr. Adaure Onyewuenyi, & Fr. Urban Osuji
 - k. For the deceased members of our families, especially Ezinne Patricia Ajawara & for God's consolation & strength on all the bereaved families
 - l. For other private intentions
3. Pray the Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary (October Devotions)
4. Pray the Daily Prayer for Priests
5. Pray the Prayer to St. Joseph for this Year of St. Joseph
6. Pray the Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe for an End to Coronavirus

DAY ONE: Wednesday, October 20th, 2021

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things, almost despaired of. Pray for us, we are so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for us that He would bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to our assistance in this great need that we may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all our necessities, tribulations, and sufferings. And that we may praise God with you and all the saints forever. We promise, O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted us by God and to always honor you as our special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you as we offer these *intentions*:

DAY TWO: Thursday, October 21st, 2021

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DAY FOUR: Saturday, October 23rd, 2021

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DAY FIVE: Sunday, October 24th, 2021

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DAY SIX: Monday, October 25th, 2021

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DAY SEVEN: Tuesday, October 26th, 2021

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Novena Prayers adapted from <https://www.powerfulcatholicprayers.com/novena-st-jude/#axzz77Utfu7sT>

The Daily Prayer for Priests by St. Therese of the Child Jesus (St. Therese of Lisieux)



O Jesus, we pray for your faithful and fervent priests;
For your unfaithful and tepid priests;
For your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields.
For your tempted priests; for your lonely and desolate priests;
For your old and young priests; for your dying priests;
For the souls of your priests in Purgatory.
But above all, we recommend to you the priests dearest to us: the priests who baptized us; the priests who absolved us from our sins; the priests at whose Masses we participated and who gave us Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed us; all the priests to whom we are indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Joseph for this Year of St. Joseph by Pope Francis



Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you, God entrusted His only Son, in you Mary placed her trust, with you Christ became man, Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

St. Joseph, Watchful defender of Christ- *Pray for us.*
St. Joseph, Head of the Holy Family- *Pray for us.*

Prayer to our Lady of Guadalupe for an End to Coronavirus (USCCB, 2020)



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.

Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears, and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, the health of the sick, and the cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

O Mary Health of the Sick- Pray for us

O Mary help of Christians- Pray for us

O Mary Queen of our Families- Pray for us