



NICCSJ Novena to St. Anthony of Padua 2026
(Feast Day, June 13th)

This novena to St. Anthony of Padua (1195-1231) is one of many prayers offered through the intercession of this great Franciscan preacher, instructor, and Doctor of the Church. St. Anthony of Padua is known as a miracle-worker. This is evidenced by the vast number of people over the centuries who have prayed through him in faith and have received a miraculous response to their prayers, especially seeking his intercession regularly to find lost items. Also, a great miracle attributed to him was when he was seen one night bathed in light in a room with the Child Jesus in his arms, as pictured above. With faith and trust on the intercession of St. Anthony, let us offer our prayers in this novena, praying for God's love and grace, especially in difficult times. Amen

Friday, June 5th to Saturday, June 13th, 2026

Modality: Through Community Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/my/niccsj> (ID- 920 6647431
Passcode- 424258

Steps:

1. **Begin-** In the name of the Father, And of the Son, And of the Holy Spirt. Amen (Pray the prayer for a particular day (like Day 1 or Day 2...))
2. Mention the intentions:
 - a. Thanksgiving to God for all our answered prayers
 - b. For Marital Blessings and Job Opportunities for all our young adults & young professionals
 - c. For vocations to priestly and religious life from our Igbo Community
 - d. For families praying for the blessings of the fruits of the womb
 - e. For peace, security, and respect for human life in our home country Nigeria, especially in the Igbo Land
 - f. For God's guidance, wisdom, & strength on our executives and appointed group leaders.
 - g. Peace & Progress for all the Igbo Catholic Communities, especially the Igbo Catholic Communities of the Bay Area
 - h. For God's protection & healing on all of us and for those who are sick, especially Chief Charles Ndekwe, Chief Adolph Obilor, Chief Goddy Duru & Kate Diru
 - i. For deceased members of our families, especially all the names in our virtual book of remembrance & for God's consolation & strength on all the bereaved families.
 - j. For other private intentions.
3. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet (Monday to Friday) or Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary (Saturday & Sunday)
4. Pray the Daily Prayer for Priests
5. Pray the Prayer for the Family
6. Pray the Prayer for St. Michael the Archangel
7. Pray the Prayer for the Sick
8. Conclusion

General Opening Prayer for Each Day

O wonderful St. Anthony, gloriously named “Miracle Worker” on account of your many miracles and through the sweetness of Jesus coming in the form of a little child to rest in your arms, obtain for us from His bounty the grace which we ardently desire from the depths of our hearts. You who were so compassionate toward miserable sinners, regard not the unworthiness of those who pray to you, but the glory of God that it may once again be magnified by the granting of the request which we now ask with complete trust in your kindness. **Amen.**

DAY ONE: Friday June 5th, 2026

O holy St. Anthony, gentlest of saints, your love for God and charity for His creatures made you worthy while on earth to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, we implore you to obtain for us the favor we seek in this novena. The answer to our prayer may require a miracle; even so, you are the Saint of miracles. O gentle and loving Saint Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Infant Jesus, Who loved to be folded in your arms, and the gratitude of our heart will always be yours. **Intentions**

DAY TWO: Saturday June 6th, 2026

O miracle-working St. Anthony, remember that it never has been heard that you did not leave without help or relief those in need who recourse to you. Animated now with the most lively confidence, even with full conviction of not being refused, we fly for refuge to you, O most favored friend of the Infant Jesus, eloquent preacher of the Divine mercy, despise not our supplications but, bringing them before the throne of God, strengthen them by your intercession and obtain for us the favor we seek in this novena. **Intentions**

DAY THREE: Sunday June 7th, 2026

O purest St. Anthony, who through thine Angelic virtue was made worthy to be caressed by the Divine Child Jesus, to hold Him in your arms and press Him to your heart. We entreat you to cast a benevolent glance upon us. O glorious St. Anthony, born under the protection of Mary Immaculate, on the Feast of her Assumption into Heaven, and consecrated to her and now so powerful an intercessor in Heaven, we beseech you to obtain for us the favor we ask in this novena. O great wonder-worker, intercede for us that God may grant our request **Intentions**

DAY FOUR: Monday June 8th, 2026

We salute and honor you, O powerful helper, St. Anthony. The Christian world confidently turns to you and experiences your tender compassion and powerful assistance in so many necessities and sufferings that we are encouraged in our need to seek your help in obtaining a favorable answer to our request for the favor we seek in this novena. O holy St. Anthony, we beseech you, obtain for us the grace that we desire. **Intentions**

DAY FIVE: Tuesday June 9th, 2026

We salute you, St. Anthony, lily of purity, ornament and glory of Christianity. We salute you, great Saint, cherub of wisdom and seraph of Divine love. We rejoice at the favors our Lord has so liberally bestowed upon you. In humility and confidence, we entreat you to help us, for we know that God has given you charity and pity, as well as power. We ask you by the love you felt

toward the Infant Jesus as you held Him in your arms to tell Him now of the favor We seek in this novena. *Intentions*

DAY SIX: Wednesday June 10th, 2026

O glorious St. Anthony, chosen by God to preach His Word, you received from Him the gift of tongues and the power of working the most extraordinary miracles. O good St. Anthony, pray that we may fulfill the will of God in all things so that we may love Him, with you, for all eternity. O kind St. Anthony, we ask you, obtain for us the grace that we desire, the favor we seek in this novena. *Intentions*

DAY SEVEN: Thursday June 11th, 2026

O renowned champion of the faith of Christ, most holy St. Anthony, glorious for your many miracles, obtain for us from the bounty of our Lord and God the grace which we ardently seek in this novena. O holy St. Anthony, ever attentive to those who invoke your assistance, grant us the aid of your powerful intercession *Intentions*

DAY EIGHT: Friday June 12th, 2026

O holy St. Anthony, you have shown yourself to be so powerful, so tender and so compassionate towards those who honor you and invoke you in suffering and distress. We ask you most humbly and earnestly to take us under your protection in our present necessities and to obtain for us the favor we desire. Recommend our request to the merciful Queen of Heaven, that she may plead our cause with you before the throne of her Divine Son *Intentions*

DAY NINE: Saturday June 13th, 2026

Saint Anthony, servant of Mary, glory of the Church, pray for our Holy Father, our bishops, our priests, our deacons, our Religious Orders, that, through their pious zeal and apostolic labors, all may be united in faith and give greater glory to God. St. Anthony, helper of all who invoke you, pray for us and intercede for us before the throne of Almighty God that we be granted the favor we so earnestly seek in this novena *Intentions*

Novena Prayers adapted from <https://www.powerfulcatholicprayers.com/novena-to-st-anthony-of-padua-1-june-4-june-13/#axzz6w1XFoC7B>

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 for the Family



Heavenly Father, most good and gracious God sustain our family in your love. Make it a place where holiness can abound. Help us to learn to be like Jesus in all our actions. Aid our family to imitate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Help us to learn from the good example of others and to give good examples to others. Assist us in learning to bear our pain and suffering as Jesus did. Aid us in overcoming difficulties and carry our crosses. Help our family life to lead only to Jesus, the source of true happiness. Please give wholesome habits to our family. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen



Prayer For the Sick

O God of the heavenly virtues, who from the bodies of men and women drives forth all sickness and all infirmities by the power of thy word: draw graciously upon all our brothers and sisters who are sick that with weakness put to flight and health and strength continually renewed, they will continue to bless your holy name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Mary health of the Sick- Pray for us
O Mary help of Christians- Pray for us
O Mary Comforter of the afflicted- Pray for us

Conclusion

We fly to your patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

