## NICCSJ 2021 Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help



The image of Mother or Our Lady of Perpetual Help is a Byzantine icon that is believed to have its origin sometime during the 13th -15th century. The icon is known for being miraculous; over the centuries countless healings and special graces have been attributed to it, so much so that the image has been honored and venerated by many Popes. Our Lady of Perpetual Help has been venerated across many cultures and thus bears several titles in different

languages. In addition to Mary, the picture represents her divine Son as a child of two or three years old, seated on his mother's left hand, with his hands clasping her right hand. On either side are the angels Michael and Gabriel, bearing the instruments of the Passion. Praying the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help has been an age-long practice through which Catholics have received miraculous answers to their prayers through the powerful intercessions of our Mother Mary. Let us continue to share in the maternal love our Mother Mary by praying this Novena with our intentions, devotion, and attention. Amen

# Thursday, November 11th – Friday, November 19th, 2021

**8.00PM Daily-**Sundays & Saturdays through Community Zoomhttps://us02web.zoom.us/my/niccsi, 1D- 9206647431, Passcode- 424258. Monday to Friday through Community Prayer Line: Dial in #- +18482203100; ID #-06122005#

### **Steps:**

- 1. **Begin-** In the name of the Father, And of the Son, And of the Holy Spirt. 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 the Diocese of San Jose, as we celebrate the 40th anniversary this year
  - e. For God's protection on us and our families against Coronavirus, other kinds of illnesses, & violence
  - f. For peace, security, and respect for human life in our home country Nigeria, especially in the Igbo Land
  - g. Peace & Progress for all the Igbo Catholic Communities, especially the Igbo Catholic Communities of the Bay Area
  - h. For the success of our 360 Project, 15th Anniversary Memoir, & Devotional App
  - i. For God's special healing on all of us and for those who are sick, especially Dr. Adaure Onyewuenyi, & Fr. Urban Osuji
  - j. For the deceased members of our families, especially Prince Val Nwogu and Ezinne Patricia Ajawara, & for God's consolation & strength on all the bereaved families
  - k. For other private intentions
- 3. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet & Prayers
- 4. Pray the Daily Prayer for Priests (Below)
- 5. Pray the Prayer to St. Joseph for this Year of St. Joseph (Below)
- 6. Pray the Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe for an End to Coronavirus (Below)

#### DAY ONE: Thursday, November 11th, 2021

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that we may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on our lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue us whenever we call on you. In our temptations, in our needs, we will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills our soul when we utter your sacred name or even only think of you! We thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But we will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let our love for you prompt us ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us and grant us the favor we confidently ask of you. *Intentions:* 

## DAY TWO Friday, November 12th, 2021

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#### DAY FOUR: Sunday, November 14th, 2021

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#### DAY FIVE: Monday, November 15th, 2021

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#### DAY SIX: Tuesday, November 16th, 2021

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## DAY SEVEN: Wednesday, November 17th, 2021

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#### DAY EIGHT: Thursday, November 18th, 2021

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Novena Prayers adapted from <a href="https://novenaprayer.com/mother-of-perpetual-help-novena/">https://novenaprayer.com/mother-of-perpetual-help-novena/</a>

# 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