

NICCSJ Novena to Immaculate Conception 2021 **(End of Year Novena)**



This novena may be made anytime, but it is especially good to honor the Mother of God in her Divine privilege by making the Novena between November 29-December 7, the eve of the Solemnity of Immaculate Conception on December 8th.

“Immaculate Conception” is the title given to Mother Mary that celebrates her conception free from original sin. The Church believes and teaches that Mary was not only conceived without sin but was also free of sin throughout her life. In Luke 1:28, theologians believed that the angel Gabriel’s greeting, which translates “*Hail, full of grace*”, meant that Mary was fully favored and filled with an abundance of grace. God’s grace kept her free from sin throughout her life. God chose her from the beginning to be the Mother of Jesus and thus, made her worthy and without sin. Trusting confidently in the intercessions of our Blessed Mother Mary, let us pray this Novena with our intentions, devotion, and attention. Amen

Monday, November 29th to Tuesday, December 7th, 2021

8.00PM Daily-Sundays & Saturdays through Community Zoom-

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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. Journey mercies & God’s protection on those travelling this season.
 - 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 & other prayers (Monday-Friday), & Rosary & other prayers (Saturdays & Sundays).
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)

General Opening Prayer: DAY ONE: Monday, November 29th, 2021

O most Holy Virgin, who was pleasing to the Lord and became His mother, immaculate in body and spirit, in faith and in love, look kindly on us as we implore your powerful intercession. O most Holy Mother, who by your blessed Immaculate Conception, from the first moment of your conception did crush the head of the enemy, receive our prayers as we implore you to present at the throne of God the favor, we now request...**Intentions**

General Opening Prayer: DAY TWO: Tuesday, November 30th, 2021

O Mary, ever blessed Virgin, Mother of God, Queen of angels and of saints, we salute you with the most profound veneration and filial devotion as we contemplate your holy Immaculate Conception, we thank you for your maternal protection and for the many blessings that we have received through your wondrous mercy and most powerful intercession. In all our necessities we have recourse to you with unbounded confidence. O Mother of Mercy, we beseech you now to hear our prayer and to obtain for us of your Divine Son the favor that we so earnestly request in this novena... **Intentions**

General Opening Prayer: DAY THREE: Wednesday, December 1st, 2021

O Blessed Virgin Mary, glory of the Christian people, joy of the universal Church and Mother of Our Lord, speak for us to the Heart of Jesus, who is your Son and our brother. O Mary, who by your holy Immaculate Conception did enter the world free from stain, in your mercy obtain for us from Jesus the special favor which we now so earnestly seek... **Intentions**

General Opening Prayer: DAY FOUR: Thursday, December 2nd, 2021

O Mary, Mother of God, endowed in your glorious Immaculate Conception with the fullness of grace; unique among women in that you are both mother and virgin; Mother of Christ and Virgin of Christ, we ask you to look down with a tender heart from your throne and listen to our prayers as we earnestly ask that you obtain for us the favor for which we now plead... **Intentions**

General Opening Prayer: DAY FIVE: Friday December 3rd, 2021

O Lord, who, by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, did prepare a fitting dwelling for your Son, we beseech you that as by the foreseen death of your Son, you did preserve her from all stain of sin, grant that through her intercession, we may be favored with the granting of the grace that we seek for at this time... **Intentions**

General Opening Prayer: DAY SIX: Saturday December 4th, 2021

Glorious and immortal Queen of Heaven, we profess our firm belief in your Immaculate Conception preordained for you in the merits of your Divine Son. We rejoice with you in your Immaculate Conception. To the one ever-reigning God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, three in one Person, one in nature, we offer thanks for your blessed Immaculate Conception. O Mother of the Word made Flesh, listen to our petition as we ask this special grace during this novena...

Intentions:

General Opening Prayer: DAY SEVEN: Sunday December 5th, 2021

O Immaculate Virgin, Mother of God, and our mother, from the sublime heights of your dignity turn your merciful eyes upon us while we, full of confidence in your bounty and keeping in

mind your Immaculate conception and fully conscious of your power, beg of you to come to our aid and ask your Divine Son to grant the favor we earnestly seek in this novena, if it be beneficial for our immortal souls, departed souls and for prayers in this novena: **Intentions:**

General Opening Prayer: DAY EIGHT: Monday, December 6th, 2021

O Most gracious Virgin Mary, beloved Mother of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, intercede with him for us that we be granted the favor which we petition for so earnestly in this novena... **Intentions:**

General Opening Prayer: DAY NINE: Tuesday, December 7th, 2021

O Mother of the King of the Universe, most perfect member of the human race, we turn to you as mother, advocate, and mediatrix. O Holy Mary, assist us in our present necessity. By your Immaculate Conception, O Mary conceived without sin, we humbly beseech you from the bottom of our heart to intercede for us with your Divine Son and ask that we be granted the favor for which we now plead... **Intentions:**

Novena Prayers adapted from Catholicdoors prayers- <https://www.catholicdoors.com/prayers/novenas/p00044.htm> & <https://novenaprayer.com/immaculate-conception-novena/>

**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.



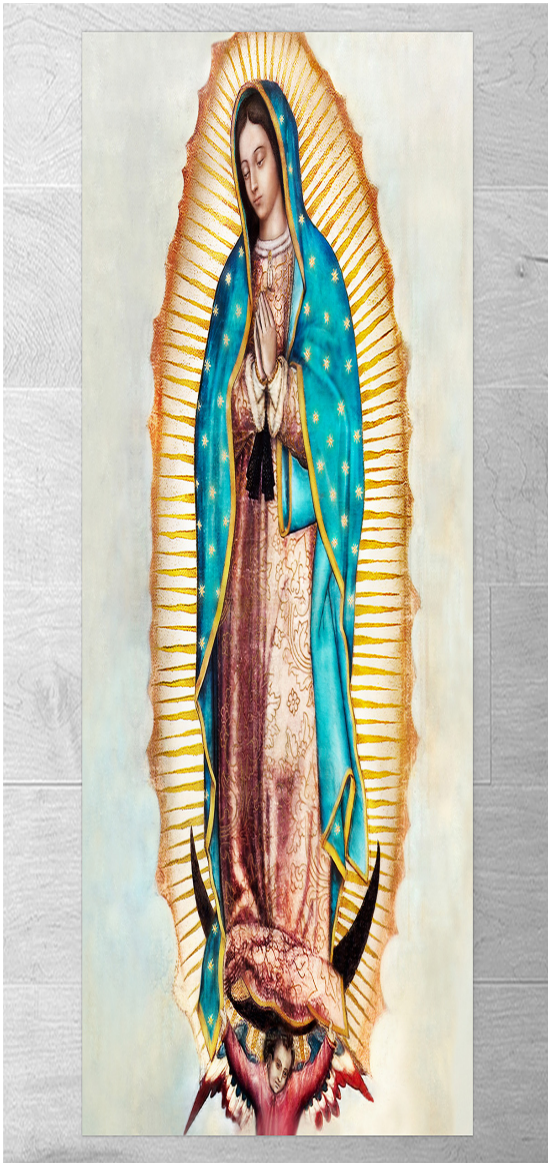
Prayer to Saint Joseph for this Year of St. Joseph by Pope Francis

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