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Issue 1  
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## 54-DAY *Rosary Novena Prayers*

Catholics across the state of Ohio are joining in prayer for the protection of human life and dignity and the defeat of Issue 1 on the Ohio ballot this November.

54-Day Rosary Novenas have been a form of prayer in the Church since the late 19th century. The origin is attributed to a young girl who received a miraculous healing from a chronic illness after praying three novenas. In an apparition, our Blessed Mother specified that the full 54-Day prayer should have three novenas in petition followed by three novenas in thanksgiving. This structure has been embraced by countless people since then as a wonderful way to pray.

*October 12 - October 20*

### THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

#### ✠ DAILY SAINT INTENTIONS

##### **Thursday, October 12 – Holy Guardian Angels**

Today we are praying through the intercession of the Holy Guardian Angels to protect the lives of children in the womb. May these heavenly guardians be near every unborn life and protect them from the evil and violence of the world. Holy Guardian Angels, pray for us!

##### **Friday, October 13 – St. Margaret of Castello**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Margaret of Castello for all those who are contemplating aborting their disabled child in the womb. May St. Margaret of Castello, who struggled with her own disabilities for her entire life, serve as a beacon of hope for troubled parents. St. Margaret of Castello, pray for us!

### **Saturday, October 14 – St. Callistus**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Callistus for a conversion of all souls to the love and faith of Jesus Christ. May his openness of heart to all, especially non-Christians, serve as an example to all of us. St. Callistus, pray for us!

### **Sunday, October 15 - St. Teresa of Avila**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Teresa of Avila for assistance in fortifying our souls against the evils of the world. May St. Teresa help us be a source of light as we build up our prayer life and strengthen our faith. St. Teresa of Avila, pray for us!

### **Monday, October 16- St. Januarius**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Januarius for all who have been condemned for their pregnancies. May St. Januarius, who was sentenced to multiple violent deaths and survived, intercede for those who have been humiliated by others. St. Januarius, pray for us!

### **Tuesday, October 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Ignatius of Antioch for those who feel trapped by their pregnancies. May this holy saint, who was imprisoned and carted across many countries, be a consolation to those who are suffering. St. Ignatius of Antioch, pray for us!

### **Wednesday, October 18 – St. Luke the Evangelist**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Luke the Evangelist for the intercession of all physicians and medical personnel who perform abortions. May the patron saint of doctors intervene in their lives and enlighten them to desire to work for the protection of all human life. St. Luke the Evangelist, pray for us!

### **Thursday, October 19 - St. Jerome**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Jerome for all to recognize the dignity of every human life, especially those in the womb. May his teachings on the Christian moral life inspire in us a deep desire to do good. St. Jerome pray for us!

### **Friday, October 20 - St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**

Today we are praying through the intercession of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque for all to recognize that even the smallest of heartbeats is a human life. May her perseverance help awaken all to how precious and wonderfully made every one of us is. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, pray for us!

## **NOVENA OPENING PRAYER**

O Holy Mother, at thy feet I offered a crown of roses, snow white lilies to remind thee of the Joyful Mysteries of thy heart. Bound together by my petition for the protection of human life and dignity and the defeat of Issue 1, I entrusted this gift to thee, knowing that I had no reason to despair while in the presence of your Most Gentle, Charitable Heart.

I now offer up my gratitude and thanksgiving for the swiftness of your warm embrace, and the bounty of graces thou, O Great Dispenser of God's Graces, hast bestowed upon me. I love you, my Mother; help me never be far from thee! Amen.

## ROSARY

### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### Our Father

*(for the intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

### Hail Mary

*(x3, for an increase in faith, hope and charity for the leaders of our Church, families and country)*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

### Glory Be

Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## THE MYSTERIES

### The Annunciation – Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Novena Concluding Prayer: I bind together these lilies with my petitions, and in humility, I lay this bouquet at thy feet.

### The Visitation – Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Novena Concluding Prayer: I bind together these lilies with my petitions, and in charity, I lay this bouquet at thy feet.

### The Nativity – Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Novena Concluding Prayer: I bind together these lilies with my petitions, and detached from the world, I lay this bouquet at thy feet.

### The Presentation – Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Novena Concluding Prayer: I bind together these lilies with my petitions, and in purity, I lay this bouquet at thy feet.

### The Finding of Jesus in the Temple – Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Novena Concluding Prayer: I bind together these lilies with my petitions, and in obedience to the will of God, I lay this bouquet at thy feet.

## ✦ CONCLUDING PRAYERS

### Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, Who by the working of the Holy Spirit didst prepare both body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mother, Mary, that she might deserve to be made a worthy dwelling for Thy Son, grant that we who rejoice in her memory, may, by her loving intercession, be delivered from present evils and from lasting death, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Rosary Prayer

O God, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal salvation. Grant, we beseech Thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

## ✦ NOVENA CLOSING PRAYER

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee my petition for the protection of human life and dignity and the defeat of Issue 1, bound to the mysteries of thy heart, that St. Joseph may take these sweet flowers and form from them a shining crown to place upon thy head. O Most Loving Mother, look with favor upon my gift, and grant the graces I now implore. Amen.

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