

NOVENA IN HONOR OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

NOVENA PRAYERS:

Opening Prayer:

V. O God, come to my assistance.

R. *O Lord, make haste to help me.*

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

R. *As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

(Say prayer for specific day, found below; then say:)

Closing Prayer:

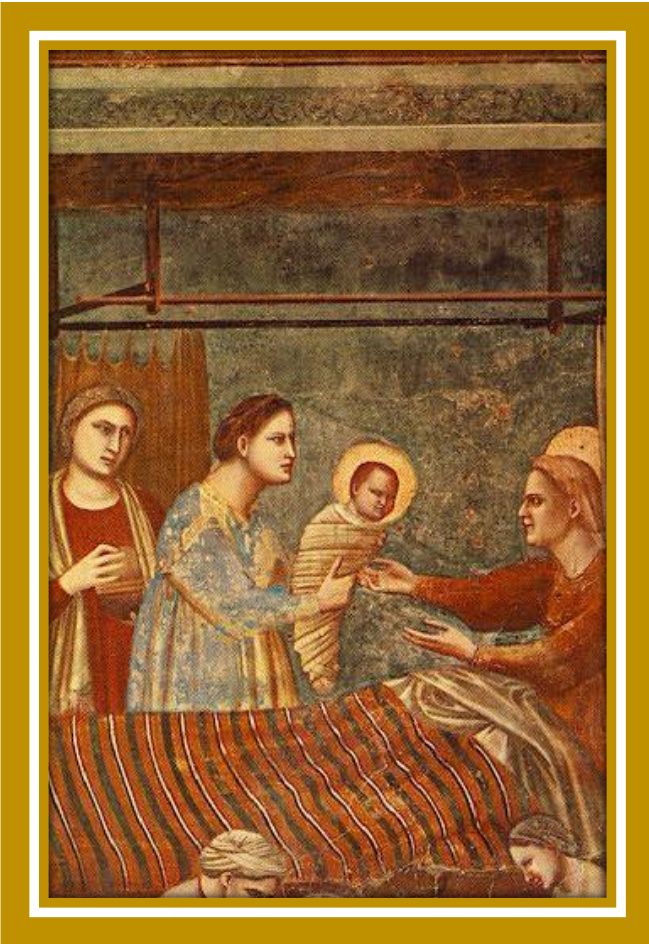
Your Nativity, O Virgin Mother of God, was the herald of joy to the whole world; since from you arose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who, destroying the curse, bestowed the blessing, and confounding death, rewarded us with life everlasting.

V. Let us celebrate with joy the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

R. *That she may intercede for us with Our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Let us pray:

Grant to us your servants, we beseech you, O Lord, the gift of Your heavenly grace, that as our salvation was begun in the child-bearing of the Blessed Virgin, so from this solemn festival of her Nativity may we obtain an increase of peace. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen*



FIRST DAY:

Heavenly Child, lovable Mary, the Eternal Father delights in your birth, for He beholds in your coming into this world one of His creatures who is so perfect that she will become the worthy Mother of His Divine Son.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, by obtaining for me from the heavenly Father, the pardon of my sins, and an abiding sorrow for them. *(Continued on next page)*

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Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

SECOND DAY:

O Chosen One among the daughters of Adam, admirable Mary, the Son of God delights in your birth, for He beholds the one chosen to be His Mother, and oh! such a beloved Mother.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, by obtaining from your divine Son the grace to be born again spiritually to a holy life, perfectly conformed to yours, so that I may merit to obtain eternal glory.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

THIRD DAY:

O Chosen One among the daughters of Adam, lovable Mary, the Eternal Word takes delight in your birth, for He sees the source of His Immaculate Blood.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, by obtaining for me from the Word made Flesh, the grace to find in this Divine Blood the eternal happiness of my soul.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

FOURTH DAY:

O Chosen One among the daughters of Adam, admirable Mary, the Redeemer, promised to mankind from the beginning of the world, takes delight in your birth, for He sees the one who is destined to become the Co-redemptress of souls by uniting her tears to the Blood shed on the Cross to save mankind.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

FIFTH DAY:

Resplendent Lily of Paradise, lovable Mary, the Holy Spirit takes delight in your birth for He sees in you the soul never stained by sin, which would forever be His worthy Temple.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, by obtaining for me from the Holy Spirit His divine love and final perseverance.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

SIXTH DAY:

Most Beautiful Branch of the tree of David, most admirable Mary, whose birth was such a consolation to St. Joachim and St. Anne who were delighted to be the parents of so holy a child, may your birth be the consolation of my soul, by obtaining for me from God, victory over the world and detachment from all the things of this earth.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

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SEVENTH DAY:

Resplendent Morning Star, lovable Mary, your birth was the cause of great joy to the angels, for they beheld in you the Mother of the Redeemer of the world, who by His Death would repair the loss sustained by the fall of the rebellious angels in paradise.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, by obtaining for me from God, victory over the infernal enemy, deliverance from all his snares, and the grace to be associated in glory with the angels in heaven.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

EIGHTH DAY:

Brilliant Aurora of Heaven, lovable Mary, your birth brought great consolation to the souls of the saints detained in limbo, for it announced the approach of the Sun of Justice, Jesus Christ, who would enlighten their darkness and then conduct them to paradise.

May your birth give joy to my soul also, and obtain for me from God, patience in all adversities, a perfect and constant conformity to His most holy will.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)

NINTH DAY:

Mediatrice between God and mankind, admirable Mary, by your birth you perfected the joy of all the children of Adam, who, through you, have received the Author of Grace, for He has made you the treasurer of all the graces which are imparted to us.

May your birth be a special cause of joy to my soul by obtaining for me from God, eternal salvation and all the graces necessary to obtain it.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these my intentions...
(State your intentions)

Hail Mary, Closing Novena Prayer (above)