9 Days Novena for the Nativity of Our Blessed Mother Mary



CRANBROOK PARISH (Christ the Servant & St. Mary's Church) **Leader:** O God, come to my assistance **Response:** +O Lord, make haste to help me *Our Father...*

Day One: (August 30)

Heavenly Child, lovable Mary, the Eternal Father delights in thy birth, for He beholds in thy coming into this world one of His creatures who is so perfect that she will become the worthy Mother of His divine Son. May thy 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. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Two: (August 31)

O Chosen One among the daughters of Adam, admirable Mary, the Son of God delights in thy birth, for He beholds the one chosen to be His Mother, and oh! such a beloved Mother. May thy birth give joy to my soul; also, by obtaining from thy divine Son the grace to be born again spiritually to a holy life, perfectly conformed to thine, so that I may merit to obtain eternal glory. *Hail Mary...*)

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Day Three: (September 1)

O Chosen One among the daughters of Adam, lovable Mary, the Eternal Word takes delight in thy birth, for He sees the source of His Immaculate Blood. May thy 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. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Four: (September 2)

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

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Day Five: (September 3)

Resplendent Lily of Paradise, lovable Mary, the Holy Ghost takes delight in thy birth for He sees in thee the soul never stained by sin, which would forever be His worthy Temple. May thy birth give joy to my soul; also, by obtaining for me from the Sanctifier and thy divine Spouse His divine love and final perseverance. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Six: (September 4)

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 thy 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. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Seven: (September 5)

Resplendent Morning Star, lovable Mary, thy birth was the cause of great joy to the angels, for they beheld in thee the Mother of the Redeemer of the world, Who by His Death would repair the loss sustained by the fall of rebellious angels in paradise. May thy 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. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Eight: (September 6)

Brilliant Aurora of Heaven, lovable Mary, thy 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 thy birth give joy to my soul; also, obtain for me from God patience in all adversities, and a perfect and constant conformity to His most holy will. (*Hail Mary...*)

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Day Nine: (September 7)

Mediatrix between God and mankind, admirable Mary, by thy birth thou perfected the joy of all the children of Adam, who, through thee have received the Author of Grace, for He hath made thee the treasurer of all the graces which are imparted to us. May thy 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. (*Hail Mary...*)

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CLOSING PRAYER

<u>All:</u> Give me strength humbly to pray to thee. Give me strength to praise thee in prayer with all my powers, through the merits of thy most sacred nativity, which for the entire Christian world was a birth of joy, the hope and solace of its life.

Pause for your personal intentions...

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Sign of the Cross

IMMACULATE MARY

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing. You reign now in heaven with Jesus our King.

> Refrain: Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth we your children invoke your fair name.

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth, And bless, Holy Mary, the land of our birth.

SALVE REGINA

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae:
Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Hevae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos
ad nos converte.
Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis, post hoc exsilium ostende.
O Clemens, O pia, O dulcis
Virgo Maria.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN

Hail Holy Queen enthroned above; O Maria! Hail Mother of Mercy and of love, O Maria!

Refrain: Triumph, all ye cherubim;

Sing with us, ye seraphim!

Heav'n and earth resound the hymn;

Salve, salve, salve Regina!

Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria! Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria! (*Ref.*)

And when our life-breath leaves us, O Maria! Show us thy Son, Christ Jesus, O Maria! (*Ref.*)

HAIL OUEEN OF HEAV'N, THE OCEAN STAR

Hail, Queen of Heaven, the ocean Star, Guide of the wanderer here below, Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care: Save us from peril and from woe. Mother of Christ, star of the sea, Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless Maid, We sinners make our pray'rs through thee; Remind thy son that he has paid The price of our iniquity. Virgin most pure, star of the sea, Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him who reigns above, In Godhead One, in Persons Three, The source of life, of grace and love, Homage we pay on bended knee. Do thou bright queen, star of the sea, Pray for thy children, pray for me.