

DAY 1

Hymn Verse:

Eternal Rest grant them, we pray
and shine the light of endless day.
Appoint for them a place with those
who in you died, and in you rose.

Scripture — Wisdom 3:1, 4

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
And no torment shall touch them. Chastised a little,
they shall be greatly blessed. Because God tried them
and found them worthy of himself.

Closing Prayer:

Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord,
and, as our faith in your Son,
raised from the dead, is deepened,
so may our hope of resurrection for your departed
servants also find new strength.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 2

Hymn Verse:

Come to their aid, O Saints of God
Come meet them, angels of the Lord.
Receive their souls, O holy ones;
Present them now to God , Most High.

Scripture — Isaiah 25:6a, 8–9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for
all peoples. He will destroy death forever. The Lord
God will wipe away the tears from all faces; On that
day it will be said:
“Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!
This is Lord for whom we looked;
Let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us.”

Closing Prayer:

O God, almighty Father, who have strengthened us
by the mystery of the Cross and promise us a share in
the mystery of your Son’s Resurrection,
mercifully grant, we pray,
that your departed servants may be gathered into the
company of your chosen ones.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 3

Hymn Verse:

Lord Jesus Christ, our Glorious King
protect their souls from suffering.
Deliver them from darkness deep,
and give the angels guard to keep.

Scripture — Maccabees 12:43–44, 46

Judas, the ruler of Israel, then took up a collection
among all his soldiers, to provide for an expiatory
sacrifice [for them]. In doing this he acted in a very
excellent and noble way, in as much as he had the
resurrection of the dead in view. Thus, he made
atonement for the dead that they might be freed from
this sin.

Closing Prayer:

Incline your ear, O Lord, to our prayers,
by which we humbly entreat your mercy,
that, as you graciously numbered your servants
among your people in this world,
you may now set them in a place of peace and light
and grant them a share in the company of your Saints.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,who lives
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever.

DAY 4

Hymn Verse:

May Christ, who called them, take them home,
And angels lead them to Abraham.
Receive their souls, O holy ones;
Present them now to God, Most High.

Scripture — Romans 8:31, 37–39

If God is for us, who can be against us? What will
separate us from the love of Christ. I am convinced
that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor
powers, nor height, nor depth. Nor any other creature
will be able to separate us from the love of God in
Christ Jesus our Lord.

Closing Prayer:

O God, glory of the faithful and life of the just,
by the Death and Resurrection of whose Son
we have been redeemed, look mercifully on your
departed servants, that, just as they professed the
mystery of our resurrection, so they may merit to
receive the joys of eternal happiness.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 5

Hymn Verse:

Receive our prayer and offering,
the tears we shed, the songs we sing.
Accept our sacrifice today
to aide the souls for whom we pray.

Scripture — Corinthians 15:20, 22b–23

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits
of those who have fallen asleep. Christ, the first
fruits; then at his coming, those who belong to Christ;
then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom
to his God and Father.

Closing Prayer:

Free your servants, we pray, O Lord,
from every bond of sin, that they, who in this world
were found worthy to be conformed to Christ, may
be raised to the glory of the resurrection and draw the
breath of new life among your Saints.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 6

Hymn Verse:

Give them eternal rest, O Lord
May light unending shine on them.
Receive their souls, O holy ones;
Present them now to God, Most High.

Scripture — Corinthians 5:1, 6a, 8–10

We know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be
destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling
not made with hands, eternal in heaven. So, we are
courageous. Therefore, we aspire to please the Lord,
whether we are at home or away. For we must all
appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each
one may receive recompense, according to what he did
in the body, whether good or evil.

Closing Prayer:

O God, in whose presence the dead are alive
and in whom your Saints rejoice full of happiness,
grant our supplication, that your servants, for whom
the fleeting light of this world shines no more, may
enjoy the comfort of your light for all eternity.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever.

DAY 7

Hymn Verse:

With them, and with us, Lord be near.
To you we cry, bend down your ear-
For in your mercy there is light,
You make the darkness ever bright.

Scripture — Philippians 3:20–21

Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await
a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our
lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the
power that enables him also to bring all things into
subjection to himself.

Closing Prayer:

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son,
having conquered death, should pass over into the
realm of heaven, grant, we pray, to your departed
servants that, with the mortality of this life overcome,
they may gaze eternally on you,
their Creator and Redeemer.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 8

Hymn Verse:

I know that my Redeemer lives;
The last day I shall rise again.
Receive their souls, O holy ones;
Present them now to God, Most High.

Scripture — Revelation 14:13

I heard a voice from heaven say, “Write this: Blessed
are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.”
“Yes,” said the Spirit. “Let them find rest from their
labors, for their works accompany them.”

Closing Prayer:

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord,
and may the souls of your servants
be welcomed into eternal joy;
for as you were pleased
to create them in your own image
and adopt them as your own,
so command, we pray,
that they may have a share in your inheritance.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

DAY 9

Hymn Verse:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Scripture — Revelation 21:3–5a, 6b

“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away.”
The one who sat on the throne said: “Behold, I make all things new.”

Closing Prayer:

Incline your merciful ear to our prayers, O Lord, and grant to the souls of your servants, the remission of all their sins, that they may have life on the day of resurrection and may rest in the splendor of eternal light.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



*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, 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 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.*

PRAYING THE NOVENA

Each day begins with:

1. Sign of the Cross

2. Remember those you are praying for:

*Bring to mind specific loved ones, and
remember especially those who have no one to
pray for them.*

3. Commend them to God’s mercy:

*O’heavenly, loving Father, I commend to your
mercy [Name(s)] and all those who have no
one to pray for them.*

4. Sing the Hymn Verse for the day.

Sing the verse corresponding to the day of
the Novena. The tune is “Praise God from
whom all blessings flow.”

5. Read and reflect on the Scripture.

6. Pray: (Full Prayers found after Day 9)

- Our Father
- Hail Mary
- Glory Be

7. Pray the Closing Prayer for the day.

End with the Sign of the Cross.



REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Throughout these nine days, we pray for:

- Our family members and friends who have died
- Those who have recently passed away
- All the faithful departed
- Those who have no one to pray for them

*May our prayers bring comfort to those who
mourn and commend our departed loved
ones to the loving mercy of God.*

Eternal Rest Prayer



*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*



Hymn Verses:

Verses 1, 3, 5, 7 by Adam Wood

Verses 2, 4, 6, 8 by Dennis Smolarski, SJ

Verse 8 by Thomas Ken

Closing Prayers: Roman Missal

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ALL SOULS NOVENA

*Nine Days of Prayer
for the Faithful Departed*

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NOVEMBER

*A time to remember, pray for,
and commit our departed
loved ones to God’s mercy.*

