

The Chaplet of Mercy As a Novena

In addition to the Novena to The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord gave to Blessed Faustina for her own personal use, He revealed to her a powerful prayer that He wanted everyone to say — the Chaplet of Mercy, Blessed Faustina prayed the Chaplet almost constantly, especially for the dying, and the Lord urged her to encourage others to say it too, promising extraordinary graces to those who would recite this special prayer.

The Chaplet can be said anytime, but the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena, especially on the nine days before the Feast of Mercy. And He promised, “By this Novena (of Chaplets) I will grant every possible grace to souls” (796)

We can pray this Novena of Chaplets for our own personal intentions or we can offer it together with the Novena to The Divine Mercy for the daily intentions dictated by Our Lord to Blessed Faustina.

Our Lord said to Blessed Faustina:

Encourage souls to say the Chaplet which I have given you...Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death...When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as the just Judge but as the Merciful Savior ... Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy ... Through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will. (687, 1541, 1731).

How to Recite The Chaplet of Mercy

The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades.

Begin the Chaplet with the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and the Apostles Creed

The Our Father

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.

The Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Then, on the large bead before each decade:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the ten small beads of each decade, say:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with:

Hold God,
Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy on us and on the whole world (476)
(three times)

Closing Prayer (optional)

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion—inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your whole will, which is Love and Mercy itself (950).



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

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- Diary of St. Faustina (796)