

MY ROSARY NOVENA

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of God. The Family Rosary is a practical way to strengthen the unity of family life.

THE WORD OF GOD

“Who is she that comes forth like the morning rising, as beautiful as the moon, as bright as the sun, as awe-inspiring as an army in battle array?” —Song 6:10

“You are as beautiful as Tirzah [early capital of Northern Israel], as comely as Jerusalem, as awe-inspiring as an army in battle array.” —Song 6:4

“Listen to me, my faithful children: blossom like roses planted near a stream of water; send out your fragrance like incense, and break forth in blossoms like the lily. Scatter your fragrance and sing a hymn of praise; bless the Lord for all His works.” —Sir 39:13-14

NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena Prayer

MY dearest Mother Mary, behold me, your child, in prayer at your feet. Accept this Holy Rosary, which I offer you in accordance with your requests at Fatima, as a proof of my tender love for you, for the intentions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in atonement for the offenses committed against your Immaculate Heart, and for this special favor which I earnestly request in my Rosary Novena: *(Mention your request).*

I beg you to present my petition to your Divine Son. If you will pray for me, I cannot be refused. I know, dearest Mother, that you want

THIRD AND SEVENTH DAY**1st Sorrowful Mystery****The Agony in the Garden**

JESUS, the time has come for Your holy Passion to begin. You already feel the burden of suffering weigh heavily upon You in the Garden of Olives.

Yours is the suffering of the soul. Fear takes hold of You—fear caused by the certainty and nearness of Your Death and the sufferings that are to bring it about. You experience disgust at the thought of the sins for which You are to suffer so much. How terrible are these sins of all races and ages in all their vileness and malice as compared with God's supreme authority, infinite goodness, justice, and beauty!

Sadness fills the very depths of Your soul, sadness caused by the knowledge of the small result You will gain by all Your sacrifices, how people will neglect Your Church, or misuse it to their own ruin. All these dreadful pictures rise before You and cut You to the very Heart. You are sorrowful unto death.

You pray: "Father, if it is Your Will, take this cup from Me; yet not My will but Yours be

FOURTH, EIGHTH, AND NINTH DAY**1st Glorious Mystery****The Resurrection**

JESUS, after Your burial Your enemies sealed the opening of Your tomb and set the guards; they went their way rejoicing that they had conquered You at last. But, by Your own Divine power You rise, as You promised, a glorious Victor.

The earth quakes as You come forth from the tomb, and the guards tremble with fear. Your body now shines like the sun. The wounds of Your hands and feet sparkle like precious jewels. Death is conquered, its victory broken, its sting destroyed. You triumph not for Yourself alone, but that I too may triumph over the grave.

May this Mystery strengthen my hope in another and a better life after death, the resurrection of my body on the last day, and an eternity of happiness. I firmly hope that You will keep Your promise to me and raise me up glorified. Through Your glorious Resurrection I hope that You will make my body like Your own in glory and life, and permit me to dwell with You in heaven.