

Guide - How to pray a novena for the deceased.

The novena for the deceased consists of praying the Holy Rosary for nine days, for the eternal rest of the deceased; It is one of the most complete and effective ways to pray for the eternal rest of a loved one. The novena usually begins the day after the Christian burial or cremation of the deceased and is celebrated by family and friends. The Church prefers that the novena be followed by Holy Mass, so family and friends usually gather in a church to pray before the day's Mass.

This guide to praying the novena is brought to you rezaconmigo.com, translated to English by A. Alcalá.

Beginning (Leader) Let us offer this Holy Rosary for the eternal rest of: *(the name of the deceased is mentioned here.)*

(All) May the Lord be in my mind,
on my lips and in my heart.

(All) In the Name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit,
Amen.

Holy Rosary
(Leader)
Apostle's Creed

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

(Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

(All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen

Repeat
3 times

(Leader)

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.



(All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

(Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

**First
Mystery**

(depending
on the day of
the week)

Mysteries	Day	<i>Pray the corresponding mystery for today</i>
Joyful	Monday and Saturday	The Annunciation of the Angel to the Virgin Mary.
Sorrowful	Tuesday & Friday	The Agony in the Garden.
Glorious	Wednesday & Sunday	The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Luminous	Thursday	The Baptism of Christ in the Jordan.

(Leader) May the Lord give (him or her) eternal rest!

(All) And shine for (him or her) the perpetual light.

(Leader) May (he or she) rest in peace.

(All) Amen.

(Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

(All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.

Repeat
10 times
(Leader)

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

(All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

(Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.



Second Mystery
(depending on
the day of the
week)

Mysteries	Day	<i>Pray the corresponding mystery for today</i>
Joyful	Mondays & Saturdays	The Visitation.
Sorrowful	Tuesday & Friday	The Scouring at the Pillar.
Glorious	Wednesdays & Sundays	Our Lord's Ascension into Heaven.
Luminous	Thursday	The Wedding Feast at Cana.

(Leader) May the Lord give (him or her) eternal rest!

(All) And shine for (him or her) the perpetual light.

(Leader) May (he or she) rest in peace.

(All) Amen.

(Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

(All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.

Repeat
10 times
(Leader) Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

(All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

(Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

Third Mystery
(depending on
the day of the
week)

Mysteries	Day	<i>Pray the corresponding mystery for today</i>
Joyful	Mondays & Saturdays	The Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Sorrowful	Tuesday & Friday	The Crowning with Thorns.
Glorious	Wednesdays & Sundays	The Descent of the Holy Spirit.
Luminous	Thursday	Jesus' Proclamation of the Coming of the Kingdom of God.



(Leader) May the Lord give (him or her) eternal rest!

(All) And shine for (him or her) the perpetual light.

(Leader) May (he or she) rest in peace.

(All) Amen.

(Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

(All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.

Repeat
10 times
(Leader) Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

(All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

(Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

**Fourth
Mystery**
(depending on
the day of the
week)

Mysteries	Day	<i>Pray the corresponding mystery for today</i>
Joyful	Mondays & Saturdays	The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple.
Sorrowful	Tuesday & Friday	The Carrying of the Cross.
Glorious	Wednesdays & Sundays	The Assumption of Mary.
Luminous	Thursday	The Transfiguration.



(Leader) May the Lord give (him or her) eternal rest!

(All) And shine for (him or her) the perpetual light.

(Leader) May (he or she) rest in peace.

(All) Amen.

(Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

(All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.

Repeat
10 times
(Leader) Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

(All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

(Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

Fifth Mystery

(depending on
the day of the
week)

Mysteries	Day	<i>Pray the corresponding mystery for today</i>
Joyful	Mondays & Saturdays	The finding of Jesus in the Temple.
Sorrowful	Tuesday & Friday	The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glorious	Wednesdays & Sundays	The Coronation of Mary Most Holy as Queen and Lady of all creation.
Luminous	Thursday	The Institution of the Eucharist.



- (Leader) May the Lord give (him or her) eternal rest!
- (All) And shine for (him or her) the perpetual light.
- (Leader) May (he or she) rest in peace.
- (All) Amen.
- (Leader) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- (All) Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.
- Repeat
10 times
(Leader) Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
- (All) Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.
- (Leader) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- (All) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.
- O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.
- (Leader) Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
- (All) That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
- (Leader) Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



Litanies of
the
Virgin Mary
(guide | all)

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously
hear us.

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of heaven,
God, Son, Redeemer of the
world,
God, the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us.

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Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of the Church,
Mother of Mercy,
Mother of Divine Grace,
Mother of Hope
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother inviolate,
Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother most
admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Savior,

Pray for us. "

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Virgin most Prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,

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Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honor,
Singular vessel of
devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David
Tower of Ivory
House of gold

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Ark of the covenant,	Pray for us.
Gate of Heaven,	"
Morning Star,	"
Health of the Sick,	"
Refuge of sinners,	"
Solace of Migrants,	"
Comforter of the afflicted,	"
Help of Christians,	"
Queen of Angels,	"
Queen of the Patriarchs,	"
Queen of the Prophets,	"
Queen of the Apostles,	"
Queen of Martyrs,	"
Queen of Confessors,	"
Queen of Virgins,	"
Queen of all Saints,	"
Queen conceived without original sin,	"
Queen of the most holy Rosary,	"
Queen of Families,	"
Queen of Peace,	"

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	spare us, O Lord!
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	graciously hear us, O Lord!
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,	have mercy on us, O Lord!
Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,	that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.



Let us pray a Hail, Holy Queen (The Salve Regina) for the conversion of sinners and especially for the eternal repose of the deceased (mention here the name of the deceased).

(All)

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this our exile
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.

(Leader)

Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ,
Amen.

(All)

In the name of the Father,
of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit,
Amen.

This now concludes the rosary for *(the name of the deceased is mentioned here)*.
Thank you for praying with us.

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