

Novena for the Election Please begin by October 15.

First Day

Opening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love.

Reading (Ps 8:2, 4-10)

O Lord, our Lord, how awesome is your name through all the earth! You have set your majesty above the heavens! When I see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you set in place—What are humans that you are mindful of them, mere mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them little less than a god, crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them rule over the works of your hands, put all things at their feet: All sheep and oxen, even the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever swims the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how awesome is your name through all the earth!

Reflection

How will I praise God today? How will I show respect for others, especially my neighbor or those in my community who are not like me?

Prayer

God of love, may we grow in our love for You by respecting the dignity of all people we encounter. Amen.

Novena Prayer

Immaculate Heart of Mary, help us to conquer the menace of evil, which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today, and whose immeasurable effects already weigh down upon our modern world and seem to block the paths toward the future.

From famine and war, deliver us.

From nuclear war, from incalculable self-destruction, from every kind of war, deliver us.

From sins against human life from its very beginning, deliver us.

From hatred and from the demeaning of the dignity of the children of God, deliver us.

Accept, O Mother of Christ, this cry laden with the sufferings of all individual human beings, laden with the sufferings of whole societies. Help us with the power of the Holy Spirit to conquer all sin: individual sin and the “sin of the world,” sin in all its manifestations. Let there be revealed once more in the history of the world the infinite saving power of the redemption: the power of merciful love. May it put a stop to evil. May it transform consciences. May your Immaculate Heart reveal for all the light of hope. Amen.

Second Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Ps 146:1-8)

Praise the Lord, my soul; I shall praise the Lord all my life, sing praise to my God while I live. Put no trust in princes, in mere mortals powerless to save. When they breathe their last, they return to the earth; that day all their planning comes to nothing. Happy those whose help is the Jacob’s God, whose hope is in the Lord, their God, the maker of heaven and earth, the seas and all that is in them, Who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free; the Lord gives sight to the blind. The Lord raises up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

Reflection

Who are the oppressed in your community? How am I helping them secure justice? How am I helping to feed and give sight to those most in need?

Prayer

God of Jacob, strengthen our hope in the Lord. Help us to keep the faith by striving for justice in our land. Give us hearts, hands, and feet to truly reach out to those in need. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Third Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Is 58:2-3, 6-8)

[The Lord said]: They seek me day after day, and desire to know my ways, Like a nation that has done what is just and not abandoned the law of their God; They ask me to declare what is due them, pleased to gain access to God. “Why do we fast, and you do not see it? afflict ourselves, and you take no note of it?” This, rather, is the fasting that I wish: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; Setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke; Sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; Clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own. Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed.

Reflection

What actions do I perform to please God? How am I healing the wounds of my community?

Prayer

God of light, give us the freedom to walk in the footprints of Your Son Jesus. Let our light shine out

for all to see by turning to those who call for our help. Heal our wounds, heal our community. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Fourth Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Dt 30:15-20)

Moses said to the people: “Today, I have set before you life and prosperity, death and doom. If you obey the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin on you today, loving him, and walking in his ways, and keeping his commandments, statutes and decrees, you will live and grow numerous, and the LORD, your God, will bless you in the land you are entering to occupy. If, however, you turn away your hearts and will not listen, but are led astray and adore and serve other gods, I tell you now that you will certainly perish; you will not have a long life on the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and occupy.

I call heaven and earth today to witness against you: I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live, by loving the LORD, your God, heeding his voice, and holding fast to him.

For that will mean life for you, a long life for you to live on the land which the LORD swore he would give to your fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.”

Reflection

How do I defend the right to life especially of the unborn and those near death? How am I tempted to turn away from the commandments and not support the right to life of all people? How can I overcome that temptation?

Prayer

God of life, may we protect and defend the inviolable sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death with strong voices, gentle hands, and loving hearts. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Fifth Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (1 Cor 11:26-29)

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Reflection

How is the Eucharist central in my life? My community? Where do I reach out to the body of Christ in my community?

Prayer

Lord, we come together at the Eucharist to celebrate Your death and resurrection. Help us experience authentic worship. Help us grow in awareness of each person's dignity, and increase our sensitivity to injustices. Guide us to seek ways to redress them. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Sixth Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Mt 5:43-46)

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?”

Reflection

Who are my enemies? How do I love them? How do I live up to the definition Jesus provides for living a Christian lifestyle, a life of Christian love?

Prayer

God of peace, give us the courage to be reconciled with our neighbors, our enemies. Give us the vision to truly see what it means to be a Christian so that peace and justice may rule in our world. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Seventh Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Eph 4:1-6)

I ... urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Reflection

What divisions exist in my community? What structures in society seem unjust? How am I striving to achieve justice and peace in my neighborhood, church, and nation? Am I afraid to speak the truth?

Prayer

God of justice, we are created in Your image. May we glorify You in all of our actions. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Eighth Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Is 32:15-18)

Until the spirit from on high is poured out on us. Then will the desert become an orchard and the orchard be regarded as a forest. Right will dwell in the desert and justice abide in the orchard. Justice will bring about peace; right will produce calm and security. My people will live in peaceful country, in secure dwellings and quiet resting places.

Reflection

How do I recognize the Spirit's involvement in my life in the community?

Prayer

Spirit of God, fill our hearts with peace so that we may bring peace to our community. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Ninth Day

Opening Prayer as in First Day

Reading (Mt 5:13-16)

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Reflection

How am I salt for the community? How do I shine your light for all the community to see? What deeds am I performing in order to glorify God?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, You give us Your love and Your grace to do great things. Give us the faith to shine our light by walking humbly and acting justly before our God. Amen.

Novena Prayer as in the First Day

Temporary Mass Time Change at St. Peter

On Sunday, October 9, Mass will be at 11:30 a.m.

Catholic Women Today, Tues, Oct 11, OLS, 5:30 pm

The Mass Schedule is on the Website for Holy Days—All Saints, Immaculate Conception, and Christmas

Gems of Wisdom from the *Diary* of Saint Faustina

880. My union with the dying is still as close as ever. Oh, how incomprehensible is God's mercy that the Lord allows me, by my unworthy prayer, to come to the aid of the dying. I try to be at the side of every dying person whenever I can. Have confidence in God, for He is good and inconceivable. His mercy surpasses our understanding.

All Souls Envelopes

Remember to get you All Souls envelopes in early so that we place names on the altar for November 2.

Calendar of Events

-Oct 25 (Tue). Prayer Service, Winter Park Christian, 7 pm

-Nov 1 (Tue). All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation

-Nov 1 (Tue). *Catholic Women Today*, OLS, 5:30 pm

-Nov 8 (Tue). Vote for those closest to Church teaching

-Dec 8 (Thu). Immaculate Conception—Holy Day

Mass Collections, October 1 – 2

St. Anne	\$ 1530
St. Bernard	1217
Our Lady of the Snow	1547
St. Peter	361
St. Ignatius	760
Total	\$ 5415

Vocations Prayer Calendar

Please pray for our seminarians every day.

Sat--Francesco Basso

Sun--Deacon Joe Grady

Mon--*Redemptoris Mater* Seminary staff

Tue--All religious sisters in formation in Colorado

Wed--St. John Vianney Seminary staff

Thu--Deacons Nicholas Larkin & Peter Wojda

Fri--Men and women applying for formation

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Sat, Oct 8, StA, 5 p.m., Dale and Becky Redeker

-Sun, Oct 9, StB, 7 a.m., Michael and Joan Good

-Sun, Oct 9, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Parishioners and visitors

Weekday Masses

-Mon, Oct 10, StA, 8:30 a.m., Steve McGinn

-Tue, Oct 11, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Dan/Sabrina Machiniak

-Wed, Oct 12, StB, 8:30 a.m., Ted and Lynda Parker

-Thu, Oct 13, OLS, 5:30 p.m., Peter/Kathleen Brownell

-Fri, Oct 14, OLS, 5 p.m., Bernie McGinn

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI

KEY: StI = St. Ignatius (Walden); StP = St. Peter

-Sat, Oct 8, StI, 4 p.m., Deacon Jim's intention

-Sun, Oct 9, StP, **11:30 a.m.,** Parishioners and visitors