

NOVENA IN HONOUR OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord have Mercy.
Christ have mercy.
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PRAYER FOR PERSONAL RENEWAL: PSALM 51'

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin.

My offenses truly I know them;
my sin is always before me
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
what is evil in your sight I have done.

That you may be justified when you give sentence
and be without reproach when you judge,
O see, in guilt I was born,
a sinner was I conceived.

Indeed you love truth in the heart;
then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom.
O purify me, then I shall be clean;
O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness,
that the bones you have crushed may thrill.
From my sins turn away your face
and blot out all my guilt.

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.
Give me again the joy of your help;

with a spirit of fervor sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you.

O rescue me, God, my helper,
and my tongue shall ring out your goodness.
O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.

For in sacrifice you take no delight,
burnt offering from me you would refuse,
my sacrifice, a contrite spirit,
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.

In your goodness, show favor to Zion:
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.
Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice,
(burnt offerings wholly consumed),
then you will be offered young bulls on your altar.

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.

FOR DISCERNMENT: PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your
Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall
renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did
instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the
same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever
enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord,
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE GRACE OF DEEPER DISCIPLESHIP²

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.

Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.

Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.

Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy.

Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy.

Merciful Father, in the name of our lovable Jesus, the Virgin Mary, and all the Saints, I ask you to set me on fire with Your Spirit of love and to grant me the grace of making You deeply loved. Amen.

NOVENA PRAYER TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER³

Dear Jesus, help me to spread Your fragrance wherever I go. Flood my soul with Your spirit and life. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly, that my life may only be a radiance of Yours. Shine through me, and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Your presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me, but only Jesus! Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as You shine, so to shine as to be a light to others. The light, O Jesus, will be all from You; none of it will be mine. It will be you, shining on others through me.

Let me thus praise You the way You love best, by shining on those around me. Let me preach You without preaching, not by words but by my example, by the catching force of the sympathetic influence of what I do, the evident fullness of the love my heart bears to You. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Christ the Redeemer. *Have mercy on us.*

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Assumed into heaven. *Pray for us.*

Saint Joseph, Patron the Church. *Pray for us.*

Saint Anthony of Padua. *Pray for us.*

Saint Lucy. *Pray for us.*

Christ hear us. *Christ graciously hear us.*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



The Redeemer of Man, Jesus Christ, is the centre of the universe and of history.

St. John Paul

¹ Ladies of the Grail, (England) 1963

² Authentic prayers of St. Augustine of Hippo and St. Therese of Lisieux, respectively.

³ <http://lordcalls.com/dailyprayer/radiating-christ-prayer-by-cardinal-newman> Here is a beautiful prayer by Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman. This Prayer was recited daily after Communion by Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta and her Sisters of Charity. Cardinal Newman was as an Anglican priest, who converted to Roman Catholicism in 1845 at the age of 44, and was subsequently ordained a Catholic priest. He was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI on September 19, 2010.