While we face the coronavirus pandemic, let us turn to the face of God in prayer and ask for His healing, His help and His protection. We will pray for all who are affected, for all who are sick and suffering, for all those who work in the medical profession, and for those who have died as well as for their grieving family members. During this novena we will be asking the intercession of these saints: The Fourteen Holy Helpers, those who lived during the time of the plague. St. Anthony the Great, patron of those affected by infectious diseases. St. Edmund, patron for victims of pandemics. St. Damien of Molokai, who put himself at risk to minister to lepers. St. Rocco, who is venerated for his prayers for those suffering from infectious diseases. St. Joseph, patron of the dying. St. Jude and St. Rita, patrons of impossible causes. St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, who founded hospitals dedicated to caring for the sick. Mary, Undoer of Knots.

Read more at:

https://www.praymorenovenas.com/pandemic-novena

#### **The Angelus**

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

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, ...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. R. Be it done unto me according to Your Word.

Hail Mary, ...

V. And the Word was made flesh, R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, ...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

#### Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your Grace into our hearts; that as we have known the incarnation of Christ, your Son by the message of an angel, so by His passion and cross we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## **Coronavirus Novena**

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world. We come to you today with our fears and concerns -- You know what's in our hearts. We love You, trust You, we need You. We ask You to be with us. Stay with us. Help us through these times of uncertainty and sorrow.

We know you are the Divine Physician, the healer of all. And so we ask that you bring your loving and healing presence to all those who are sick and suffering right now. Please comfort them.

Please be with the grieving families of those who have passed away.

Please have mercy on those who have died, may they be with You in heaven.

Please stand at the side of all medical professionals who are putting themselves at risk while they work to bring healing to others. Lord, we are scared and we are sorrowful.

Please heal us. Send us your peace and overwhelming presence.

(Mention your intentions here)

**Day 1:** We ask the Fourteen Holy Helpers, those who lived during the time of the plague, to pray for us and all who are at risk!

**Day 2:** St. Anthony the Great, patron of those affected by infectious diseases, pray for us!

**Day 3:** St Edmund, patron for victims of pandemics, pray for us!

**Day 4:** St Damien of Molokai, you put yourself at risk to minister to lepers, pray for us!

**Day 5:** St Rocco you are venerated for your prayers for those suffering from infectious diseases, pray for us!

Day 6: St Joseph, patron of the dying, pray for us!

**Day 7:** St Jude and St Rita, patrons of impossible causes, pray for us!

**Day 8:** St Francis Xavier Cabrini, you founded hospitals dedicated to caring for the sick, pray for us!

**Day 9:** Mary, Undoer of Knots, please for the knot of this virus to be undone for the greater glory of God!

Jesus, we thirst for You. You chose to enter this world as a vulnerable baby. Be with the most vulnerable now. Help us to continue to return to You with our whole hearts throughout this ordeal. Amen.

#### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen. .

O glorious prince St. Michael, chief and commander of the heavenly hosts, guardian of souls, vanquisher of rebel spirits, servant in the house of the Divine King and our admirable conductor,

you who shine with excellence and superhuman virtue deliver us from all evil, who turn to you with confidence and enable us by your gracious protection to serve God more and more faithfully every day.

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

# **Spiritual Communion**

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you into my soul, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



### Sirach 38: 1 – 15 Concerning Physicians and Health

Honour physicians for their services, for the Lord created them; for their gift of healing comes from the Most High, and they are rewarded by the king. The skill of physicians makes them distinguished, and in the presence of the great they are admired. The Lord created medicines out of the earth, and the sensible will not despise them. Was not water made sweet with a tree in order that its power might be known? And he gave skill to human beings that he might be glorified in his marvellous works. By them the physician heals and takes away pain; the pharmacist makes a mixture from them. God's works will never be finished; and from him health spreads over all the earth. My child, when you are ill, do not delay, but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you. Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin. Offer a sweet-smelling sacrifice, and a memorial portion of choice flour, and pour oil on your offering, as much as you can afford. Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; do not let him leave you, for you need him. There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians, for they too pray to the Lord that he will grant them success in diagnosis and in healing, for the sake of preserving life. He who sins against his Maker will be defiant towards the physician.