NOVENA FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Feast - December 8

Virgin most pure, conceived without sin, all fair and stainless in thy Conception; glorious Mary, full of grace, Mother of my God, Queen of angels and of men, vouchsafe, I pray thee, to accept this Novena which I dedicate to thee. Thou art the safe refuge of the penitent sinner; it is very fitting then that I should have recourse to thee. Thou art the Mother of Compassion; thou wilt surely be moved with pity for my many miseries. Thou art my best hope after Jesus; thou canst not but accept the loving confidence that I have in thee. Make me worthy to be called thy

child, that so I may dare cry unto thee: "Show thyself a Mother."

- V. Thou art all fair, O Mary!
- Rr. Thou art all fair, O Mary!
- W. The original stain is not in thee.
- Ry. The original stain is not in thee.
- V. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem.
- Ry. Thou art the joy of Israel.
- V. Thou art the honor of our people.
- Ry. Thou art the advocate of sinners.
- V. O Mary!
- R. O Mary!
- V. Virgin most prudent!
- Ry. Mother most tender!
- W. Pray for us.
- Ry. Pray for us to the Father, whose Son was born of thee.

Let us pray

O God who through the Immaculate Conception of a Virgin didst prepare a worthy dwelling place for Thy Son, we beseech Thee, who by the death of that Son foreseen by Thee, didst preserve her from all stain of sin, to grant that by her intercession we also may be purified, and so may come to Thee. Amen.

- V. O Mary, conceived without sin,
- R. Pray for us who have recourse to thee.