

October 11

Sixth Day: Intention: For the gift of devotion to Mary and Joseph.

O most bountiful Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank Thee for the gift of devotion to thy sweet mother Mary, and her holy spouse, Joseph, which Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy most dear spouse, to give us the grace of a special and tender devotion toward Thy most holy Mother Mary, and toward Thy beloved foster father, Joseph.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

October 12

Seventh Day: Intention: For the gift of a heart wounded by love.

O most loving Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank Thee for the wonderful gift of the wound in the heart which Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy seraphic spouse, to grant us also a like wound of love, that, henceforth, we may love Thee, and give our mind to the love of nothing but Thee.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

October 13

Eighth Day: Intention: For the gift of the desire of death.

O most beloved Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank Thee for the eminent gift of the desire for death which Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy most constant spouse, to grant us the grace of desiring death, in order to go and possess Thee eternally in the country of the blessed.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

October 14

Ninth Day: Intention: For the gift of a happy death.

Lastly, O dearest Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank Thee for the gift of the precious death which Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa, making her sweetly to die of love; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy most affectionate spouse, to grant us a good death; and, if we do not die of love, yet, that we may, at least die burning with love for Thee, that so dying, we may be able to go and love Thee for evermore with a more perfect love in heaven.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

Novena in honor of



St. Teresa of Jesus

October 6

First Day: Intention: for the gift of faith and of devotion to the Most Blessed Sacrament.

O most amiable Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank Thee for the great gift of faith and of devotion to the Holy Sacrament, which Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy faithful spouse, to grant us the gift of a fervent devotion toward the most Holy Sacrament of the altar; where Thou, O Infinite Majesty! hast obliged Thyself to abide with us even to the end of the world, and wherein Thou didst so lovingly give Thy whole Self to us.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

O Jesus, Who Teresa's beauteous soul

With Thy love-dart didst fire;

Deep in my heart of hearts

*Her own sweet longing love of Thee
inspire.*

V/. St. Teresa, pray for us:

*R/. That we may become worthy of the
promises of Jesus Christ.*

Let us pray

*Graciously hear us, O God, our salvation!
that as we rejoice in the commemoration of the
blessed virgin, Teresa, our mother, so we may be
nourished by her heavenly doctrine, and draw
from thence the fervor of a tender devotion;
through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who
liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.*

October 7

Second Day: Intention: For the gift of hope.

O most merciful Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank
Thee for the great gift of hope which Thou didst
grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy
merits, and by those of Thy holy spouse, to give us a
great confidence in Thy goodness, by reason of Thy
Precious Blood, which Thou hast shed to its last drop
for our salvation.

*Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory; and
concluding prayers as on the first day.*

October 8

Third Day: Intention: For the gift of love.

O most merciful Lord, Jesus Christ! we thank
Thee for the great gift of love which Thou didst gran
to Thy beloved Teresa; we pray Thee, by Thy merits,
and by those of Thy most loving spouse, to give us
the great, the crowning gift of Thy perfect love.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

October 9

Fourth Day: Intention: For the gift of great
desire and resolution.

O most sweet Lord, Jesus Christ! we
thank Thee for the gift of great desire and
resolution which Thou didst grant to Thy
beloved Teresa, that she might love Thee
perfectly; we pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by
those of Thy most generous spouse, to give us a
true desire, and a true resolution of pleasing
Thee to the utmost of our power.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

October 10

Fifth Day: Intention: For the gift of humility.

O most kind Lord, Jesus Christ! we
thank Thee for the great gift of humility which
Thou didst grant to Thy beloved Teresa; we
pray Thee, by Thy merits, and by those of Thy
most humble spouse, to grant us the grace of a
true humility, which may make us ever find our
joy in humiliations, and prefer contempt before
every honor.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, etc.

LITANY OF ST. TERESA
(For Private Devotion)

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven, have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.
God the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen and Beauty of Carmel, *
St. Teresa, our mother,
St. Teresa, adopted by the Eternal Father,
St. Teresa, spouse of the Incarnate Word, who betrothed you with a nail of His bitter Passion,
St. Teresa, sacred temple of the Holy Spirit,
St. Teresa, delight of the Adorable Trinity,
St. Teresa, glowing tabernacle of the Eucharist,
St. Teresa, devoted to Mary and Joseph,
St. Teresa, dead to yourself and to the world, and crucified with Jesus Christ,
St. Teresa, valiant descendant of our Father, St. Elias, and inheritor of his double spirit,
St. Teresa, taught by God Himself and enriched with treasures of eternal wisdom,
St. Teresa, seraphic Virgin, burning furnace of charity,
St. Teresa, glorious Reformatrix of the Order of Carmel,
St. Teresa, immovable Column of the Catholic Faith,
St. Teresa, zealous for the salvation of souls,
St. Teresa, who bound yourself by a vow to do always what was most perfect,
St. Teresa, loaded with an abundance of celestial gifts,
St. Teresa, glory of Carmel,
St. Teresa, whose prayer ascended like incense to God,
St. Teresa, admirable contemplative, who like an eagle gazed upon the Sun of Justice,
St. Teresa, golden vessel of good works and incomparable lily of angelic purity,
St. Teresa, ever laboring for God,
St. Teresa, holocaust of perfect obedience,
St. Teresa, splendor of evangelical poverty,
St. Teresa, wonder of monastic discipline,
St. Teresa, martyr in desire,
St. Teresa, enclosed garden of solitude,
St. Teresa, abyss of abnegation and humility,
St. Teresa, miracle of penance and patience,
St. Teresa, model of every virtue, and marvel of divine favors,
St. Teresa, whose heart was transpierced by the Seraph's dart,
St. Teresa, triumphant over the powers of darkness,
St. Teresa, consumed with the love of God,
St. Teresa, pattern of the perfection of Carmel,

* Pray for us

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord!
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord!
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us!

V/. Pray for us, St. Teresa of Jesus,
R/. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray

Graciously hear us, O God, our salvation, that as we rejoice in the commemoration of the blessed Teresa, Thy virgin and our Mother, so we may be nourished by her heavenly doctrine, and draw from thence the fervor of a tender devotion; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who livest and reignest forever. Amen.

– Manuel du Tiers-Ordre