

Nativity of Jesus Novena Raccolta #125

(Should be said from the 16th to the 24th day of any month)

1. Eternal Father, I offer to Thine honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the mystery of the birth of our Divine Redeemer.
Glory be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

- II. Eternal Father, I offer to Thine honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the sufferings of the most holy Virgin and Saint Joseph on that long and weary journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, and the anguish of their hearts at not finding a place of shelter when the Saviour of the world was about to be born. (Please say, Glory Be prayer.)

- III. Eternal Father, I offer to Thine honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the sufferings of Jesus in the manger where He was born, the cold He suffered, the tears He shed and His tender infant cries. (Glory Be, etc.)

- IV. Eternal Father, I offer to Thine honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the pain which the Divine Child Jesus felt in His tender Body, when He submitted to the rite of circumcision: I offer Thee that Precious Blood which He then first shed for the salvation of all mankind. (Glory Be, etc.)

- V. Eternal Father, I offer to Thine honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the humility, mortification, patience, charity and all the virtues of the Child Jesus; I thank Thee, I love Thee, and I bless Thee infinitely for this ineffable mystery of the Incarnation of the Word of God. (Glory Be, etc.)

- V. The Word was made flesh;
R. **And dwelt amongst us.**

Let us pray. O God, whose only-begotten Son hath appeared in the substance of our flesh; grant, we beseech Thee, that through Him, whom we acknowledge to have been outwardly like unto us, we may deserve to be renewed in our inward selves. Who liveth and reigneth with Thee for ever and ever. Amen.

(An indulgence of 7 years once on any day. A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions at the close of the Novena [S. C. Ind., Sept. 23, 1846; S. P. Ap., Oct. 14, 1934]).

*Usual Conditions:

1. Go to Sacramental Confession;
2. Say a Holy Rosary or read the Holy Bible for 30 minutes or say the Stations of the Cross;
3. Pray for the Pontiff's intentions by saying: Apostles Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary.
4. Ask Jesus for the Plenary Indulgence while going to receive Holy Communion, because you must be aware of the great grace it offers, the removal of all your Temporal Punishment (known as Purgatory).

Nativity of Jesus Novena Raccolta #126

(Should be said on the 25th day of any month)

V. O God, come unto my assistance!
R. **O Lord, make haste to help me!**

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. **Our Father prayer.**

I. Jesu, sweetest Child, who didst come down from the bosom of the Father for our salvation, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, who didst not abhor the Virgin's womb, and who, being the Word made flesh, didst take upon Thee the form of a servant, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

II. Jesu, sweetest Child, who by means of Thy Virgin Mother didst visit Saint Elisabeth, who didst fill Thy forerunner, John the Baptist, with Thy Holy Spirit and didst sanctify him in his mother's womb, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

III. Jesu, sweetest Child, who, enclosed for nine months in Thy Mother's womb, was looked for with eager expectation by the Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph, and was offered by God the Father for the salvation of the world, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

IV. Jesu, sweetest Child, born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger, announced by Angels and visited by shepherds, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

*All honor, laud and glory be, O Jesu, Virgin-born, to Thee;
All glory, as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.*

V. Christ is near to us.
R. **Come, let us adore Him. Our Father prayer.**

V. Jesu, sweetest Child, wounded after eight days in Thy circumcision, called by the glorious Name of Jesus, and at once by Thy Name and by Thy Blood foreshown as the Saviour of the world, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

VI. Jesu, sweetest Child, manifested by the leading of a star to the three Wise Men, worshiped in the arms of Thy Mother, presented with the mystic gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

VII. Jesu, sweetest Child, presented in the temple by Thy Virgin Mother, taken up in Simeon's arms, and revealed to Israel by Anna, a prophetess, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

VIII. Jesu, sweetest Child, sought by wicked Herod to be slain, carried with Thy Mother into Egypt by Saint Joseph, rescued from the cruel slaughter, and glorified by the praises of the martyred Innocents, have mercy on us.
R. **Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.**

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*All honor, laud and glory be, O Jesu, Virgin-born, to Thee;
All glory, as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.*

- V. Christ is near to us.
R. O come and let us worship. Our Father prayer.
- IX. Jesu, sweetest Child, who didst dwell in Egypt with most holy Mary and the Patriarch, Saint Joseph until the death of Herod, have mercy on us.
R. Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.
- X. Jesu, sweetest Child, who didst return from Egypt to the land of Israel with Thy parents, suffering many hardships in the way, and didst enter into the city of Nazareth, have mercy on us.
R. Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.
- XI. Jesu, sweetest Child, who didst dwell most holily in the house at Nazareth, insubjection to Thy parents, wearied by poverty and toil, and didst increase in wisdom, age and grace, have mercy on us.
R. Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.
- XII. Jesu, sweetest Child, brought to Jerusalem at twelve years of age, sought by Thy parents sorrowing and found with joy after three days in the midst of the Doctors, have mercy on us.
R. Have mercy on us, Child Jesus, have mercy on us. Hail Mary prayer.

*All honor, laud and glory be, O Jesu, Virgin-born, to Thee;
All glory, as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.*

(For Christmas Day and its Octave):

- V. The Word was made flesh, alleluia.
R. And dwelt amongst us, alleluia.

(For the Epiphany and its Octave):

- V. Christ hath manifested Himself to us, alleluia.
R. O come and let us worship, alleluia.

(Throughout the year):

- V. The Word was made flesh,
R. And dwelt amongst us.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who dost reveal Thyself to little ones; grant, we beseech Thee, that we, venerating with due honor the sacred mysteries of Thy Son, the Child Jesus, and copying them with due imitation, may be enabled to enter the Kingdom of Heaven which Thou hast promised to little children. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

(An indulgence of 5 years once a day. A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions when these prayers are said devoutly on the 25th day of any month [S. C. Ind., Nov. 3, 1819; S. P. Ap., June 8, 1935]).