

## St Anne's Nine Day Novena (Day 5 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July)

Devotion to Saint Anne began early in the history of the Catholic Church. As she was favoured by God to become the mother of the holy Virgin Mary, she is often invoked as the Patron of mothers as well as for relationships, among other things.

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

### PRAYER TO SAINT ANNE

O glorious Saint Anne, you are filled with compassion for those who invoke you and with the love for those who suffer. Heavily burdened with the weight of my troubles, I cast myself at your feet and humbly beg of you to take the present intention which I recommend to you in your special care. **(Now mention your Intention)**

Please recommend it to your daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary and place it before the throne of Jesus, so that He might bring it to a happy issue. Continue to intercede for me until my request is granted. But above all obtain for me the grace one day to see my God face to face and with you and Mary and all the saints to praise and bless Him for all eternity. Amen.



### FIFTH DAY NOVENA PRAYER

The most beautiful thing that can be said of Mary is that she is the Mother of God. In like manner, the most beautiful title we can apply to St Anne is that of Mother of the Mother of God. This thought should plunge us into ecstasy without end. If the glory of the child reflects back on its mother, which must be St Anne's glory given to her child born. She was to give birth to the Son of God himself! The first pages of the Bible tell us what solicitude the Lord set about preparing for the first man a universe which would be a dwelling place worthy of Him and his supreme destiny. Is it possible for us even to imagine with what care the Son of God set about forming the body and soul of St Anne, which was to become the dwelling of His Immaculate Mother?

GOOD ST ANNE, PRAY FOR US.

### **Rosary**

- V.** You, O Lord, will open my lips.
- R.** And my tongue shall announce your praise.
  
- V.** Incline unto my aid, O God.
- R.** O Lord, make haste to help me.



## THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and was born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried, He descended to the dead. On the third day He arose again; He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **Amen.**

**Our Father..**

**Three Hail Mary's..**

**Glory be to the Father..**

**First Decade: THE SOURROWFUL MYSTERIES: THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN**

*And his sweat became as drops of blood running down upon the ground. And rising from prayer he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow.*

**Luke 22, 44-45**

**Our Father..**

**Ten Hail Mary's..**

**Glory be to the Father..**

**The Hail, Holy Queen:**

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy! our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley, of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

**Let Us Pray**

"O God whose only begotten Son by His Life, Death and Resurrection has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, Grant that we beseech you, that meditating upon these Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord Amen."

## LITANY IN HONOUR OF ST ANNE

Lord, have mercy on us,  
LORD, HAVE MERCY ON US.  
Christ, have mercy on us,  
CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US.  
Lord, 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 Spirit,  
HAVE MERCY ON US.  
Holy Trinity, one God,  
HAVE MERCY ON US.  
St Anne, PRAY FOR US. **(Repeat after each line)**  
St Anne, Mother of the Virgin Mary,  
St Anne, Spouse of St Joachim,  
St Anne, Ark of Noah,  
St Anne, Ark of the Covenant,  
St Anne, Joy of Angels,  
St Anne, Grace of Patriarchs,  
St Anne, Oracle of Prophets,  
St Anne, Praise of all Saints,  
St Anne, Mirror of Obedience,  
St Anne, Mirror of Patience,  
St Anne, Mirror of Compassion,  
St Anne, Mirror of Devotion,  
St Anne, Mirror of Piety,  
St Anne, Bulwark of the Church,  
St Anne, Deliverer of Captives,  
St Anne, Mother of Widows,  
St Anne, Mother of Virgins,  
St Anne, Mother of the Sick,  
St Anne, Light of the Blind,  
St Anne, Tongue of the Dumb,  
St Anne, Hearing of the Deaf,  
St Anne, Comforter of the Afflicted,  
St Anne, never invoked without answer,  
PRAY FOR US.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
SPARE US, O LORD.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
GRACIOUSLY HEAR US, O LORD.



Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
HAVE MERCY ON US.

Pray for us, St Anne,  
THAT WE MAY BE MADE WORTHY OF THE PROMISES OF CHRIST.

Let us pray:

O God, who didst deign to grant to St Anne the grace of becoming Mother of  
her who gave birth to thine only Son, grant in thy goodness, that we, who  
keep her in remembrance, may obtain the powerful aid of her protection.  
Through the same Christ our Lord.  
AMEN.

### MEMORARE TO ST ANNE

Remember, good Saint Anne,  
whose name means grace and mercy,  
that never was it known that anyone  
who fled to your protection,  
implored your help or sought  
your intercession, was left unaided.  
Inspired with this confidence,  
I come before you,  
sinful and sorrowful.  
Holy Mother of the Immaculate  
Virgin Mary and loving grandmother  
of the Saviour,  
do not reject my appeal,  
but hear me and answer my prayer.  
Amen.

### Prayer for a Cure

Saint Anne, beginning in the Middle Ages, Christians invoked you to intercede with our Lord on their behalf. They begged you to obtain a cure for their sickness or infirmity.

Now, I come to you with faith and confidence and ask you for help. I am afflicted and distressed with my illness and I am suffering. The fear of an ominous future drains what is left of my hope. I worry for myself and for those I love. I know you can help me recover both health and hope.

You, Saint Anne, are so powerful and merciful and I trust in you. I trust that if you intercede for me, things will go better. It will become easier for me to praise God, to be generous, and to serve others thanks to my restored health.

I make this request for the health of my body and for the health of my soul. I also pray for all those who suffer on earth, for all the sick confined to bed, at home or in the hospital.

Come to my aid, Good Saint Anne, and work for all of us today, the wonders you have wrought in the past.  
Amen

**LET US PRAY**

Almighty and eternal God,  
You were pleased to choose Saint Anne to be your mother,  
of the Mother of your loving Son.

Grant, we pray, that we who confidently honour  
her may through her prayers attain to everlasting life.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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