### **DAY 3 - Prayers**

## **THIRD DAY** (7th Sunday of Easter)

Thou, of all consolers best, Visiting the troubled breast, Dost refreshing peace bestow.

## The Gift of Piety

The gift of Piety begets in our hearts a filial affection for God as our most loving Father. It inspires us to love and respect for His sake persons and things consecrated to Him, as well as those who are vested with His authority, His Blessed Mother and the Saints, the Church and its visible Head, our parents and superiors, our country and its rulers. He who is filled with the gift of Piety finds the practice of his religion, not a burdensome duty, but a delightful service. Where there is love, there is no labor.

## **Prayer**

Come, O Blessed Spirit of Piety, possess our heart. Enkindle therein such a love for God, that we may find satisfaction only in His service, and for His sake lovingly submit to all legitimate authority. Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.

Meditation for the Third Day of the Novena to Mary, Undoer of Knots Meditating Mother, Queen of heaven, in whose hands the treasures of the King are found, turn your merciful eyes upon us today. we entrust into your holy hands this knot in our life [Our family here and abroad, our elderly, our livelihood, our health, the children & their studies, their choices, perspectives, chastity, purity, holiness, & my nieces nephews, their friends and all of the youth & the dying, for world peace, for all the souls in purgatory and conversion of sinners . . . ] and all the rancor and resentment it has caused in me. we ask Your forgiveness, God the Father, for our sin. Help us now to forgive all the persons who consciously or unconsciously provoked this knot. Give me,

also, the grace to forgive ourselves for having provoked this knot. Only in this way can You undo it. Before You, dearest Mother, and in the name of Your Son Jesus, our Savior, who has suffered so many offenses, having been granted forgiveness, we now forgive these persons [mention their names here] and myself, forever. Thank you, Mary, Undoer of Knots for undoing the knot of rancor in our heart and the knot which we now present to you. Amen.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me. \* SeeClosing Prayers above.

# **Day 3** (Easter Sunday)

Devout and faithful souls

Today bring to ME all devout and faithful souls, and immerse them in the ocean of MY mercy. These souls brought us consolation on the Way of the Cross. They were that drop of consolation in the midst of an ocean of bitterness.

Most Merciful Jesus, from the treasury of Your mercy, You impart Your graces in great abundance to each and all. Receive us into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart and never let us escape from It. We beg this of You by that most wondrous love for the heavenly Father with which Your Heart burns so fiercely.

The miracles of mercy are impenetrable, Neither the sinner nor just one will fathom them, When you cast upon us an eye of pity, You draw us all closer to Your love.

Eternal Father, turn Your merciful gaze upon faithful souls, as upon the inheritance of Your Son. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, grant them Your blessing and surround them with Your constant protection. Thus may they never fail in love or lose the treasure of the holy faith, but rather, with all the hosts of Angels

and Saints, may they glorify Your boundless mercy for endless ages. Amen. (1214-1215)

### DAY THREE

O purest St. Anthony, who through your angelic virtue was made worthy to be caressed by the Divine Child Jesus, to hold him in your arms and press him to your heart. we entreat you to cast a benevolent glance upon me. O glorious St. Anthony, born under the protection of Mary Immaculate, on the Feast of her Assumption into Heaven, and consecrated to her and now so powerful an intercessor in Heaven, we beseech you to obtain for us the favor we ask in this novena (*Our family here and abroad, our elderly, our livelihood, our health , the children & their studies, their choices, perspectives, chastity, purity, holiness, & my nieces nephews, their friends and all of the youth & the dying, for world peace, for all the souls in purgatory and conversion of sinners . . . ). O great wonder-worker, intercede for us that God may grant our request.* 

One Our Father, one Hail Mary, and Glory Be to the Father, in honor of Saint Anthony.

Saint Anthony, pray for us!

O God, may the votive commemoration of blessed Anthony, your confessor, be a source of joy to your Church, that she may always be fortified with spiritual assistance, and deserve to enjoy eternal rewards. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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O holy Saint Augustine, who has famously declared that "Our hearts were made for you, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in you.", aid me in my own search for our Lord that through your intercession I may be granted the wisdom to determine the purpose God has planned for me.

Pray that I be blessed with the courage to follow God's will even at times when I do not understand. Ask our Lord to lead me to a life worthy of His love, that I may one day share the riches of His kingdom. Petition our Lord and Savior to ease the burden of my problems and grant my special intention, and I will honor you all of my days.

Glorious Saint Augustine you are renowned in the Christian world for your kindness, compassion and powerful intercession. Emboldened by this, I humbly come before you to invoke your aid in asking for God's all-powerful assistance to see me through my most pressing concern.

(State the nature of your problem or the special favor you seek)

Glorious Saint Augustine I boldly ask for your intercession confident in your boundless wisdom and compassion. May this devotion lead me to a life dedicated to the fulfilling the will of God that I may one day be deemed worthy of sharing His Kingdom with you and all the saints for all eternity.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... St. Augustine, Pray For Us! Amen.

## Day 3

Our God! because Thou art infinite goodness, we love Thee above all things, and repent with our whole heart of our offenses against Thee. Grant us the grace of holy perseverance. Have compassion on me, and, at the same, on the holy souls suffering in Purgatory. And thou, Mary, Mother of God, come to their assistance with thy powerful intercession.

Say one **Our Father**, one **Hail Mary**, and the <u>Prayer to Our Suffering</u> <u>Savior for the Holy Souls in Purgatory</u>.

# **DAY 3** (June 30)

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

#### Amen

Dear Little Saint Mary! You were ready for the moment of martyrdom because your short life was given over to daily and heroic self-denial. Your great love of the Sacred Hearts made all this possible.

Teach me to love Jesus and His Blessed Mother, so that I too will be inspired to daily self-denial. I am inclined to pamper myself, to gratify my senses, and to excuse myself from all penance. This keeps me from being a true follower of Christ. Help me, lovable Little Martyr, to a sincere practice of self-denial, so that I may be your worthy follower and thus gain Heaven for all Eternity.

# Recite the <u>Litany of the Blessed Virgin</u>.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, be my Love!

Sweet Heart of Mary, be my Salvation!

Recite the Prayer to Saint Mary Goretti above,

Say 1 Our Father... 1 Hail Mary... 1 Glory Be...

Saint Mary Goretti, Pray for us!

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