

EIGHTH DAY—PRAYER

If you abide in Me . . . ask whatever you will and it shall be done to you.

John 15:7

How great is the power of prayer! For me, prayer is an aspiration of the heart; it is a simple glance directed toward heaven; it is a cry of gratitude and love in the midst of trial as well as joy; finally, it is something great which unites me to Jesus. *St. Therese*

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NINTH DAY—LOVE OF ALL

This is my commandment: that you love one another, as I have loved you. John 15:12

I understand now that charity consists in bearing with the faults of others, in not being surprised at their weakness, in being edified by the smallest acts of virtue we see them practice.

St. Therese

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MY VOCATION IS LOVE

St. Paul explains how the most perfect gifts are nothing without love. Charity gave me the key to my vocation. The Church has a heart and this Heart was burning with love. I understood that LOVE comprised all vocations, that love was everything, that it embraced all times and places. . . in a word, that it was eternal! My vocation is Love! Yes, I have found my place in the Church, my Mother. I shall be love.

St. Therese

NOVENA PRAYER

Loving God, open our eyes to the light of faith and truth. May your light and love sustain us at all times. May Saint Therese guide us on her Little Way and teach us to receive everything as a grace.

We want to say with her: *Each moment brings an opportunity to choose your will in love. In joy, in sorrow, in every circumstance, may our hearts rest in yours.*



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*Novena
to
Saint Therese*



*Jesus,
my joy is to
love you.*

Saint Therese

*St. Therese's
Response to the Word of God:*

FIRST DAY—SPIRITUAL CHILDHOOD

Whoever is a little one, let them come to me.

Prov. 9:4

You can see that I am a very little soul and that I can offer God only very little things. I am too little to perform great actions. Jesus does not demand great actions from us but only surrender and gratitude. *St. Therese*

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SECOND DAY—CONFIDENCE

I have loved you with an everlasting love.

Jer. 31:3

We can never have too much confidence in the Good God. He is so mighty and merciful. As we hope in Him, so we shall receive. . . I believe, I hope, I love. *St. Therese*

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THIRD DAY—ABANDONMENT

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Luke 23:46

I can no longer ask for anything with fervor except the accomplishment of God's will in my soul. *St. Therese*

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FOURTH DAY—FAITH

*Blessed are they who have not seen
and yet believe.*

John 20:29

For one whose faith is like a mustard seed, God grants miracles and moves mountains to strengthen this faith. *St. Therese*

The Carmelite Nuns of Cleveland
invite you to join in honoring

*St. Therese
of the Child Jesus
and the Holy Face*

Novena

September 23 - October 1, 2024

Liturgy

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

In-Person and Live Stream

8:00 a.m.

*Our Lady of Peace Parish
12601 Shaker Blvd.
Cleveland, OH 44104*

on-line available afterward:

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Rev. Gary D. Chmura

Pastor

We will place your intentions near the altar
in our monastery chapel.

Thank you to Fr. Gary for providing
this in-person and on-line format.

FIFTH DAY—HUMILITY

*I tell you, then, the great love she has shown
proves that her many sins are forgiven.*

Luke 7:47

Well, I am this child, the object of the
foreseeing love of a Father who has not sent
His Word to save the just, but sinners.

St. Therese

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SIXTH DAY—SUFFERING

Take up your cross and follow Me.

Mark 8:34

Jesus in his immense love has chosen for us,
of all crosses, the most precious. How can we
complain when He Himself has been consid-
ered as one struck by God and afflicted?

St. Therese

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SEVENTH DAY—LOVE OF THE GOSPELS

*Blessed are they who
hear the word of God and keep it.*

Luke 11:28

It is especially the Gospels which sustain me
during my hours of prayer, for in them I find
what is necessary for me. I am constantly
discovering in them new lights,
hidden and mysterious meanings.

St. Therese