

# Novena to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

Catholics United to Protect and Support Women, Children, and Families

## 1. Daily Novena Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  $\maltese$  and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Our dearest Mother Mary, behold us, your children, as we humbly come in prayer before you. In you, the Author of Life assumed the fullness of human nature, redeeming us by sacrificing his life for our salvation, obtaining for us participation in eternal life through the Holy Spirit.

With you, we treasure every human life created in God's image, and we grieve for any action or social structure that undermines that dignity. We come before you today, led by the Holy Spirit and united as one family in your Son, to offer this Novena as a spiritual bouquet, with confidence in the power of your intercession before our Almighty God and Father.

May he hear and grant our earnest request that the hearts of voters in our state be moved to reject and defeat Proposition 1, and may we be guided by the Holy Spirit to rebuild and strengthen a culture of life in the hearts and minds of all we encounter.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# 2. Meditate on the Daily Theme with our Bishops: CAcatholic.org/Prop1

### 3. Conclude by reciting a decade of the Rosary (see calendar on reverse)

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### September 29 - Feast of the Archangels Gabriel, Michael, and Raphael

Theme: Do Not Be Afraid! (Lk 1:30).

Decade of the Rosary: 1st Joyful Mystery - The Annunciation

### September 30 - Feast of Saint Jerome

Theme: The dignity of human life is revealed in the mystery of God-with-us.

Decade of the Rosary: 3rd Joyful Mystery - The Nativity

### October 1 - Feast of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Theme: We humbly offer our whole selves to God.

Decade of the Rosary: 4th Joyful Mystery - The Presentation

### October 2 - Respect Life Sunday

Theme: A faith that transforms everything.

Decade of the Rosary: 2nd Luminous Mystery - The Wedding in Cana

#### October 3 - Feast of Saint Theodora Guérin

Theme: God's providential plan is unfolding in our midst, and we each have a role to play.

Decade of the Rosary: 3rd Luminous Mystery - The Proclamation of the Kingdom

#### October 4 - Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi

Theme: Eucharistic devotion leads to care for all and social action.

Decade of the Rosary: 5th Luminous Mystery - The Institution of the Eucharist

### October 5 - Feast of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

• Theme: Prayerfully embrace suffering for the greater good, trusting in the divine mercy.

Decade of the Rosary: 1st Sorrowful Mystery - The Agony in the Garden

#### October 6 -Feast of Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

• Theme: Devotion and love for our crucified Savior, through whom all things are made new.

Decade of the Rosary: 5th Sorrowful Mystery - The Crucifixion

### October 7 - Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Theme: Faith and steadfast prayer make the impossible possible.

Fall Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries

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