

Corpus Christi Novena

June 2 - 10, 2023

Friday before the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity through Saturday before the Solemnity of Corpus Christi

DAY 1:

1: (Friday before the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Creation of the World

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall the blessing of creation, which Christ takes up, transforms, and presents to his heavenly Father.

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God also said: See, I give you every seed-bearing plant on all the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food.

GENESIS 1:29

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. You make the plants to serve mankind's need.R. That he may bring forth bread from the earth / and wine to cheer the heart.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Lord of Creation, grant us the grace to offer ourselves, our works, and all creation in union with you to the Father. Amen.

DAY 2: (Saturday before the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Feast of Passover

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall our definitive liberation from sin in Christ, our Passover who has been sacrificed.

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On the tenth of this month every family must procure for itself a lamb, one apiece for each household.

EXODUS 12:3

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. The cup of salvation I will raise; **R.** I will call on the name of the Lord.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Lamb of God, grant us the grace to cast out the old yeast of malice and wickedness, and to live in sincerity and truth. Amen.

DAY 3: (Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Manna in the Desert

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall the foretaste of the heavenly Kingdom, which we receive in the Eucharist.

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Then the LORD said to Moses: I am going to rain down bread from heaven for you.

EXODUS 16:4

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. But Israel I would feed with finest wheat; **R.** and satisfy them with honey from the rock.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Holy Manna, grant us the grace to set our minds on things above rather than on things of earth. Amen.

DAY 4: (Monday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Nativity of Christ

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall that the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us now gives himself to us in the Eucharist.

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Mary gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

LUKE 2:7

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; **R.** whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Bread of Life, grant that we, nourished by the Eucharist, may hasten to you in the poor, the suffering, and the persecuted. Amen.

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 DAY 5:
 (Tuesday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Institution of the Eucharist

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall the great gift of the Eucharist, which Jesus entrusted to the Church.

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Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you."

LUKE 22:19-20

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. I will offer you a thanksgiving sacrifice; **R.** I will call on the name of the LORD.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Mediator of the New Covenant, grant us the grace to cherish the worship you established at the Last Supper. Amen.

DAY 6: (Wednesday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Sacrifice of the Cross

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall Christ's gift of himself upon the cross, the wellspring of the Church's Sacraments.

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But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one soldier thrust his lance into his side, and immediately blood and water flowed out.

JOHN 19:33-34

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. Into your hands I commend my spirit. **R.** You will redeem me, O LORD, O faithful God.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Eternal High Priest, grant us the grace to offer our lives as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to you. Amen.

DAY 7: (Thursday after the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity)

The Resurrection

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall Christ's Resurrection, his triumph over sin and death.

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And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight.

LUKE 24:30-31

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. You will show me the path of life, **R.** the fullness of joy in your presence.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Source of New Life, set our hearts on fire with the gift of your Spirit, and grant us the grace to proclaim your risen life. Amen.

DAY 8: (Friday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Eucharist in the Life of the Church

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall that the Church's life flows from the Eucharist and returns to it.

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They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

ACTS 2:42

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. Taste and see that the LORD is good. R. Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Lord of the Church, grant that by partaking of your Body and Blood we may become one body and one spirit in you. Amen.

DAY 9: (Saturday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity)

The Wedding Feast of the Lamb

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

As the Solemnity of Corpus Christi approaches, we recall the ultimate fulfillment of the Eucharist in the wedding feast of heaven.

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I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.

LUKE 22:29-30

A brief period of silence is observed.

V. You have prepared a table before me; **R.** my cup is overflowing.

Concluding Prayer

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Jesus, Holy Banquet, be our food for the journey, that we may join the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the angels and saints in your kingdom. Amen.