

# NOVENA IN HONOR OF ST. ODILIA

*Novenas are prayed twice monthly from the 5th to the 13th and from the 17th to the 25th, except in July when the National Novena in Honor of St. Odilia begins on July 10 and concludes on her feast day, July 18.*



## Day 1

All-powerful God, you alone are Holy; without you nothing is good. I come before you, trusting in your love for me and praying to you through the intercession of St. Odilia, Virgin and Martyr. I ask you to help me become the person whom you have called me to be. I ask this with the same trust that inspired St. Odilia to leave her home in order to follow Christ more closely. O God, increase my confidence in your love for me, and, if it be your will, grant my special request. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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## Day 2

Lord, our God, for the glory of your name, you gave St. Odilia the courage to give her life in martyrdom as a witness to Christ. Through her intercession, help me to know your will and give me the courage to do it, so that I may be true to Christ until my death. If it be your will for me, grant my special prayer and let me come one day to live with Christ in glory, along with St. Odilia and all the saints. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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## Day 3

Almighty God, I ask, through the intercession of St. Odilia, that I may grow stronger as a Christian. Help me to see myself as a pilgrim in this world, a person called to respect and love all others, and a sinner who has been saved by you. I ask you, O God, to grant my special petition, if it be your will, and to give me a greater love for your Son, Jesus Christ, so that I may no longer live for myself but may only strive to please you. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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## Day 4

Merciful God, I have failed in my life because of my weakness. As a sinner, I now come before you to ask your forgiveness. I ask, through the intercession of St. Odilia and all your holy ones, to be restored anew to your love. Give me holiness of body and spirit, and bring me into your divine life. May I obtain these favors, as well as my special prayer, if that be your will for me, through the merits of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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### Day 5

Father, source of salvation for all people, I praise you that through the intercession of St. Odilia, the patroness of the eyes, so many people have been strengthened by the faith that made her so loyal to Christ, your Son. Knowing that through her prayers many have been cured of blindness and other ailments of the eyes, I ask, O God, that you let me become a sign of your love for all people, and, if it be your will for me, that my special request be granted. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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### Day 6

God and Father of all gifts, I praise you, the source of all that I am and have. I thank you for your kindness and especially for the gifts many have received through the help of St. Odilia. Through her intercession, may you be my strength in adversity, my health in weakness, and my comfort in sorrow. I know that you, Lord, will give me the strength to give myself in greater service to you and my neighbor. I ask for all of these things, and my special prayer, if that be your will for me, through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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### Day 7

Ever-living God, hear the prayers of all who remember the example of St. Odilia. She sacrificed all she had to you. Guide me on my way; help me grow in my imitation of St. Odilia so that I can be free from the burdens of sin and sorrow and so that I may one day live with you and all the saints in heaven. I ask you to grant this, and my special request, if this be your will for me, through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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### Day 8

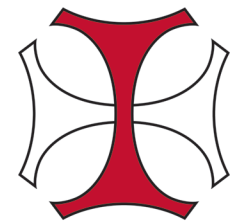
Lord God, Almighty Father, may I follow the witness of St. Odilia, who chose to follow the Cross, the sign through which you have given us life and hope. I ask you, O God, to awaken in my life a desire to follow Jesus and to choose the Cross as my sign of strength in sorrow, joy in tribulation, and life through death. I ask that you grant this and my special petition, if that be your will for me, through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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### Day 9

O God of love, your Son has shown us the way of accepting your will. Hear my prayer through the intercession of St. Odilia, the patroness of the Order of the Holy Cross. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints, and may they come to know that they are joined in Christ in suffering for the salvation of the world. I ask you to give me the grace of imitating Christ and St. Odilia and to surrender myself to your will for me. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

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