

### ***Prayer to Maria Bambina***

Hail, Infant Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou forever,  
and blessed are thy holy parents Joachim and Anne,  
of whom thou wast miraculously born.  
Mother of God, intercede for us.

We fly to thy patronage,  
Holy and amiable Child Mary,  
despise not our prayers in our necessities,  
but deliver us from all dangers,  
glorious and blessed Virgin.

V. Pray for us, holy Child Mary.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

### ***Let us Pray:***

O almighty and merciful God,  
Who through the cooperation of the Holy Ghost,  
didst prepare the body and soul of the  
Immaculate Infant Mary  
that she might be the worthy Mother of Thy Son,  
and didst preserve her from all stain,  
grant that we who venerate with all our hearts  
her most holy childhood, may be freed,  
through her merits and intercession,  
from all uncleanness of mind and body,  
and be able to imitate her perfect humility,  
obedience and charity.  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



Wax image of Mary as a baby (“Maria Bambina”) was made by Sister Isabella Chiara Fornari, Poor Clare Nun in Todi, Italy. The figure of Mary was given to a priest who then gave it, in A.D. 1876, to the Milanese Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity, in Milan Italy, in whose hands it remains today.

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## ***NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY'S NATIVITY***

***AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup> - SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>***



***FEAST OF OUR LADY'S BIRTH—SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>***

**\*NINE DAY NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY'S NATIVITY**  
(WRITTEN BY SAINT ANSELM)

**AUGUST 30TH—SEPTEMBER 7TH**

**BIRTH—SEPTEMBER 8TH**

**NOVENA PRAYERS TO BE RECITED EACH DAY FOR NINE DAYS**

Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O sacred Virgin; give me strength against thine enemies, and against the enemy of the whole human race. Give me strength humbly to pray to thee. Give me strength to praise thee in prayer with all my powers, through the merits of thy most sacred nativity, which for the entire Christian world was a birth of joy, the hope and solace of its life.

When thou wast born, O most holy Virgin, then was the world made light.

Happy is thy stock, holy thy root, and blessed thy fruit, for thou alone as a virgin, filled with the Holy Spirit, didst merit to conceive thy God, as a virgin to bear Thy God, as a virgin to bring Him forth, and after His birth to remain a virgin.

Have mercy therefore upon me a sinner, and give me aid, O Lady, so that just as thy nativity, glorious from the seed of Abraham, spring from the tribe of Juda, illustrious from the stock of David, didst announce joy to the entire world, so may it fill me with true joy and cleanse me from every sin. *(mention your intentions)*

Pray for me, O Virgin most prudent, that the gladsome joys of thy most helpful nativity may put a cloak over all my sins.

O holy Mother of God, flowering as the lily, pray to thy sweet Son for me, a wretched sinner. Amen.

\*(excerpted from:catholicforum.fisheaters.com)

**\*THE CROWN OF TWELVE STARS**

All praise and thanksgiving; be to the ever-blessed Trinity, Who hath shown unto us Mary, ever-Virgin, clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a mystic crown of twelve stars. For ever and ever.  
Amen.

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Father, Who elected her for his daughter. Amen. *Our Father...*

Praise be to God the Father, Who predestined her to be the Mother of His Son. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Father, Who preserved her from all stain in her conception. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Father, Who on her birthday adorned her with His choicest gifts. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Father, Who gave her Joseph for her pure spouse and companion. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Son, Who chose her for His Mother.  
Amen. *Our Father...*

Praise be to God the Son, Who became Incarnate in her womb, and abode there nine months. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Son, Who was born of her and was nourished at her breast. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Son, Who in His childhood willed that Mary should teach Him. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise is to God the Son, who revealed to her the mysteries of the redemption of the world. Amen. *Hail Mary... Glory Be...*

Let us praise and give thanks to God the Holy Ghost who made her His spouse. Amen. *Our Father...*

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, Who revealed to her first, His name of Holy Ghost. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, through whose operation she became at once Virgin and Mother. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, through whom she became the living temple of the Most Holy Trinity. Amen. *Hail Mary...*

Praise be to God the Holy Ghost, by whom she was exalted in Heaven high above all creatures. Amen. *Hail Mary... Glory Be...*

For the Holy Catholic Church, for the propagation of the faith, for peace among Christian princes, and for the uprooting of heresies, let us say  
*Salve Regina/Hail Holy Queen*

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Hail our Life, our Sweetness, and our Hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed Fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

*Make me worthy to praise thee, O Holy Virgin.*

*Give me strength against thine enemies.*

*Blessed be God and in His saints. Amen.*

*(100 days Indulgence)*

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