

## The Infant Jesus Novena

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## Dear Friends, Benefactors and Supporters of the Rosary Hour, Praised be Jesus Christ!

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Another year of our earthly pilgrimage is passing. We give thanks to God for his loving care of

the Father Justin Rosary Hour and all its Friends and Benefactors. A special year is ahead of us, **the Jubilee Year 2025**, which was announced by Pope Francis on May 9, 2024. **The ordinary Jubilee will begin on December 24, 2024 and will end on January 6, 2026.** The motto of the Jubilee Year, **"Pilgrims of Hope"**, refers both to the journey that is the life of each of us, but also to what is the essence of Christianity - hope, which is the foundation of the Christian faith. At a time when the world is facing many challenges, the Church proposes to respond with hope, which is not just passive expectation, but an active testimony of life with God.



It will soon be **Christmas.** As you know on Christmas Night, like a burst of brilliant light, there rings out the proclamation of the Apostle:

"The grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people" (Tit 2:11).

God loves us, he so loves us that he gave us his Son to be our brother, to be the light in our darkness and hardships of life.

Joy and gladness are a sure sign that the message contained in the mystery of this night truly comes from God. All sadness has been banished, for the Child Jesus brings true comfort to every heart.

We all experience both joy and sorrows in our everyday lives. Many of us have had broken hearts. Looking at the love of Christ and sympathizing with each other in prayer, we can be assured that our joys will be greater and our sorrows less. As one great family with the *Rosary Hour* we can support each other. Therefore, we encourage you to adore the Newborn Savior and to take part in our **NOVENA to the INFANT JESUS**. Send us the reply card with your prayer intentions and thanksgivings to the Lord today. <u>Throughout the nine day novena from the first day of the Jubilee Year and Christmas Eve on December 24<sup>th</sup> to the Solemnity of the Mother of God, January 1, 2025, the Franciscans, spiritually united with you, will pray and celebrate Holy Mass for the intentions you recommend.</u>

Your gift to the Infant Jesus will allow the Franciscans to preach the Gospel message of peace and all good....

On behalf of our entire community, we wish you and your loved ones a joyful, and healthy Christmas, blessings from the Infant Jesus and a Happy New Year 2025! May the Merciful God bless you for the generosity of your heart.

Best regards and we are waiting for your answer.

With prayers and gratitude,

Br. Daniel Geary, OFM Conv.

Br Daniel Geary with the *Fr Justin Rosary Hour* community & the *Companions of St. Anthony* 

**PS** - At the request of the Benefactors, the Franciscans are glad to celebrate **individual Holy Masses**. **Holy Masses in January** - the request should arrive **by December 18**, so that the Post Office can deliver everything on time during the holiday season.

Holy Masses in the following months - notification should be received by the 25th day of the previous month

PS - When you send your intentions REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS.