



Novena to the Blessed Virgin Mary

2023

Fr. Justin Rosary Hour

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*Dear Marian Devotees,
Friends, Benefactors and Supporters of the Rosary Hour,
Praised be Jesus Christ!*

May is upon us. It is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church, **a month of beautiful Mother.**

It is the most beautiful month of the year thanks to the richness of spring that adorns it and is therefore dedicated to Her about whom the Church sings *Tota pulchra – All fare and beautiful.*

It is a month in which, amid the warmth of blossoming nature, fragrant roses bloom, and for this reason it is dedicated to Her, whom the Church celebrates as *Rosa Mystica – the Mystical Rose.*

May is also called **the month of grace and the month of Mary's glory** – because in this month many graces are obtained, singing the glory of our blessed Mother and Queen of the Universe.

Moreover, it is precisely through the spiritual fruits it bears, that the month of **MAY GIVES SUPREME HONOR TO MARY, THE MEDIATRIX OF ALL GRACES.**

The graces Mary grants to those celebrating this month are varied. Graces of spiritual growth, renewal of life, conversion... Temporal graces – including our health, work, study, home or family... How many graces in this blessed month!

All the more so because this month ends with the sweet feast of the Visitation, in which the Immaculate Mediatrix of Grace brings an abundance of graces to Elizabeth, Zechariah and John the Baptist... Who among us does not need similar help?

Before Mary, the Mediatrix of all graces, spiritually united together, let us open our hearts in prayer.

In May, we celebrate **Mother's Day**. Let us thank God for our beloved mothers, for those who are alive and those who have already passed away to eternity. Let us express our love and gratitude. Let us also consecrate ourselves to Mary and trust her powerful intercession.

We strongly encourage you to join our 9-day Novena to the Mother of God, which will begin on Mother's Day. During the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and devotions, the Franciscans spiritually united with the entire Rosary Hour Family and the Companions of St. Anthony will extol the Virgin Mary using many titles, begging that she would be for us, earth's wanderers, the best Mother. Through the intercession of the Mother of God, they will commend to God all Mothers and all the special intentions entrusted by you.

On the enclosed reply form, please write the name of your Mother and include the intentions that are very important to you. **Offer your gift of PRAYER and 9 HOLY MASSES. Please send the card with your intentions together with the monetary gift.** Today, without your help, it would be very difficult to preach the Good News about Jesus by the Franciscans.

May the Merciful God bless you for the generosity of your heart.

May the Mother of God, our most loving Mother, intercede for you to God.

With prayer and gratitude,

Br. Daniel, OFM Conv.

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

PS – If you would like to receive a brochure with a powerful **Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary** write to us or mark it on the return card. At your request, we would be happy to send it to you.

REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS.

