

Novena

Feast of the Presentation of Jesus January 24th – February 1st

1. **BRIGHT MIRROR OF ALL VIRTUES, HOLIEST MARY**, forty days had scarcely elapsed from the Birth when you, being the purest of all virgins, did will, according to the law, to be presented in the temple to be purified: grant that we, like you, may keep our hearts unstained by sin, that so we, too, may be made worthy to be presented to our God in the temple of His glory.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

V. Simeon received an answer from the Holy Spirit.

R. Pray one Hail Mary... Litany of Loretto (page 4).

2. **VIRGIN MOST OBEDIENT**, at thy presentation in the temple you did will, like other women, to offer the customary sacrifice: obtain for us that we, too, following thy example, may learn how to offer ourselves a living sacrifice to God, by practicing every virtue.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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3. **VIRGIN MOST PURE**, in observing the precept of the law, you did care little that men should account you unclean: ask for us the grace to keep our hearts forever pure, however blamable the world may think of us.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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4. VIRGIN MOST HOLY, in offering your divine Son to His Eternal Father, you did gladden all the Court of Heaven: present our poor hearts to God, that He, by His grace, may keep them ever free from mortal sin.

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Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

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5. VIRGIN MOST HUMBLE, in placing Jesus in holy aged Simeon's arms, you did fill his soul with heavenly joy: give our hearts into God's holy keeping, that He may fill them with His Holy Spirit.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

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6. **VIRGIN MOST ZEALOUS**, by redeeming your Son, Jesus, according to the law, you did co-operate in the salvation of the world: ransom now our poor hearts from the slavery of sin, that so they may be ever pure before the face of God.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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7. **VIRGIN MOST MEEK**, on hearing the prophecy of Simeon foretelling your woes, you did promptly bow to the good pleasure of God: enable us also to bear all troubles with patience and resignation to His Divine Will.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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8. **VIRGIN MOST COMPASSIONATE**, when through your Divine Son you did fill the soul of Anna the prophetess with light, you did make her magnify the mercies of God by recognizing Jesus as the Redeemer of the world: enrich our souls with heavenly grace, that we may largely share the fruit of the Divine Redemption.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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9. VIRGIN MOST RESIGNED, who did feel your soul transfixed with sorrow when in spirit you did foresee all the bitter passion of your Son, and, knowing the grief of Joseph, your spouse, for all your sufferings, did with holy words console him: pierce through and through our souls with true sorrow for our sins, that we may one day have the consolation to be made partakers of your glory in Heaven.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Let us pray: ALMIGHTY, EVERLASTING GOD, we pray Your Divine Majesty, that as Your Only-begotten Son was presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so You would enable us to present ourselves before You with clean hearts.

Amen

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LITANY OF LORETO

Lord, have mercy on us. (*Christ have mercy on us.*)

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. (*Christ graciously hear us.*)

God, the Father of heaven, (*have mercy on us.*)

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, (*have mercy on us.*)

God the Holy Ghost, (*have mercy on us.*)

Holy Trinity, one God, (*have mercy on us.*)

Holy Mary,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of virgins,

Mother of Christ,

Mother of the Church

Mother of divine grace,

Mother most pure,

Mother most chaste,

Mother inviolate,

Pray

for

us

Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother most admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Savior,
Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,
Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honor,
Singular vessel of devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of ivory,
House of gold,
Ark of the covenant,
Gate of heaven,
Morning star,
Health of the sick,
Refuge of sinners,
Comforter of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,
Queen of Angels,
Queen of Patriarchs,
Queen of Prophets,
Queen of Apostles,
Queen of Martyrs,
Queen of Confessors,
Queen of Virgins,
Queen of all Saints,
Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen assumed into heaven,

Pray

for

us

Queen of the most holy Rosary.
Queen of the family,
Queen of Peace,

*Pray
for
us*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, (*spare us, O Lord.*)
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, (*graciously hear us O Lord.*)
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, (*have mercy on us.*)

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. (*That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*)

Let us pray. Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, unto us Thy servants, that we may rejoice in continual health of mind and body; and, by the glorious intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, may be delivered from present sadness, and enter into the joy of Thine eternal gladness. Through Christ our Lord. (*Amen.*)