# **Novena** to St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

In preparation for her feast day on November 13



# Day 1 - November 4

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for an end to the violence, poverty, corruption, and injustice that force people from their homelands.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "In whatever difficulty I may encounter I want to trust in the goodness of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who will never abandon me."

#### **Novena Prayer:**

Let us pray.

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, in the name of Christ you ministered to those most in need: the orphan, the immigrant, the sick, the poor, the imprisoned. You saw Christ in them; and they met Christ in you. Pray for us, that we may have eyes and hearts to see and respond to the needs of our own time. Pray for us, that we may welcome the stranger as you did, with compassion and generosity. Amen.

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# Day 2 - November 5

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for peace in the world. May nations and peoples set aside their weapons, and resolve their grievances through dialogue, mutual understanding, and reconciliation. Let us pray for world leaders and for the election, that those in leadership may be inspired by God's love and assist in bringing true peace and justice to our world.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said: "What shall I fear? Whatever happens, I will close my eyes and I will rest my head on the Heart of Jesus."

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# Day 3 - November 6

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for those among us, and those in our home countries, who are traumatized by what they have experienced or witnessed. May God grant them healing and peace.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "I am afraid, I am very afraid, but I trust fully in you. Ah, my sweet Jesus, I tightly embrace your Cross."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 4 - November 7

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for our children, that they may grow up free from the shadow of war, violence, oppression, and trauma. With God's grace, may they thrive and grow.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "My Jesus, help me! I surrender myself totally to you, to serve you faithfully and to attract many souls to your holy love."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 5 - November 8

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for forgiveness for the communal sins of racism, oppression, hatred, slavery, persecution, and injustice, and ask that our works for peace and justice may contribute to the reparation of sins in our world.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "Enlighten my mind with a ray of your light and make me understand well what you want of me."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 6 - November 9

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray that God may transform our hearts so that we may grow in compassion and be peacemakers in this world, showing the face and heart of Christ to all around us.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "During every hour and every moment I must desire what God wants from me – nothing more, nothing less."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 7 - November 10

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray for immigrants and refugees around the world, and especially in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Let us pray that they may find refuge in the Catholic Church where they can find rest in God. Let us pray that the gifts and faith of immigrants and refugees may be brought into the family of God and used to edify the Church for your glory.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "A patient soul who bears tribulations with love experiences God closer to her than someone who does not suffer at all."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 8 - November 11

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray that all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Seattle will share in the mission of St. Frances Cabrini, that our hearts may be moved to encounter Christ by serving those in need; that we may welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, care for the sick, visit the imprisoned, knowing that whatever we do for those who are marginalized, we do for Christ.

#### **Words of the Saint:**

Mother Cabrini said, "Know how to alleviate pain, dress wounds, console the troubled, strengthen the weak, with the precious balm of the love of Jesus' Heart."

## **Novena Prayer:**

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# Day 9 - November 12

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## **Today's Intention:**

Today, let us pray that the Catholic Church may be renewed by the Holy Spirit and become a powerful light of joy and truth that draws all people into the love of Jesus.

#### Words of the Saint:

Mother Cabrini said, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

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