

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you. (for 5 new seminarians to enter this fall)
(Then say three Hail Mary's).

**Heavenly Father,
bless our diocese with the grace
of many vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
Through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
grant to those you have called
the willingness and generosity of spirit
to give themselves in devoting their lives and their talents
to the service of our Lord and to his Church.
Increase the faith of all within our diocese,
and particularly the faith of those
you have called and will continue to call
to serve your people.
Help each of us be good stewards
of the gift of our vocation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen**