

**NOVENA TO
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA**

Repeat the following Novena prayers every day for 9 consecutive days.

Optional:

You may sing "Ave Maris Stella."
(Hail Star of the Sea)

All: Hail, bright star of ocean,
God's own Mother blest,
Ever sinless Virgin,
Gate of heavenly rest.

Taking that sweet Ave
Which from Gabriel came,
Peace confirm within us,
Changing Eva's name.

Break the captives' fetters,
Light on blindness pour,
All our ills expelling,
Every bliss implore.

Show thyself a Mother;
May the Word Divine,
Born for us thy Infant,
Hear our prayers through thine.

Virgin all excelling,
Mildest of the mild,
Freed from guilt, preserve us,
Pure and undefiled.

Keep our life all spotless,
Make our way secure,
Till we find in Jesus,
Joy forevermore.

Through the highest heaven
To the Almighty Three,
Father, Son and Spirit,
One same glory be.

Amen.

The Prayer of Pope St. John Paul II

Celebrant: Mary, Star of the Sea,
light of every ocean,
guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas
that they may reach the haven of peace and light
prepared in Him who calmed the sea.
As we set forth upon the oceans of the world
and cross the deserts of our time,
show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb,
for without your Son we are lost.
Pray that we will never fail on life's journey,
that in heart and mind, word and deed,
in days of turmoil and in days of calm,
we will always look to Christ and say,
'Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?'

The Short Litany to Our Lady Star of the Sea

Celebrant: Our Lady, Star of the Sea,

Response: pray for us.

C: Bright Star of the Sea,

R: guide us.

C: Our Lady, Star of the Sea, intercessor of seafarers,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady of Peace,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of God,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of Families,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of Sorrow,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of Justice,

R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of the Lonely,
R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of Joy,
R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Mother of Hope,
R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Blessed among all Women,
R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Help of Christians,
R: pray for us.

C: Sacred Heart of Jesus,
R: have mercy upon all Seafarers.

C: St. Peter,
R: pray for us.

C: St. Andrew,
R: pray for us.

C: Our Lady, Star of the Sea,
R: pray for us.

C: Let us pray.

Father, give your people the joy
of continual health in mind and body.
With the prayers of the Virgin Mary to help us,
guide us through this life to eternal happiness.

R: Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen

All: Hail, holy Queen,
Mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve:
to thee do we send up our sighs,

mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus,
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary!
Pray for us O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Amen.

The Memorare

All: Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help,
and sought thy intercession,
was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,
I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother,
to thee I come,
before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate!
despise not my petitions,
but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me.

Amen.

C: Our Lady, Star of the Sea,

R: pray for us.

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

R: Amen.