St. Lawrence Novena Begins: August 1 & Ends: August 9 Feast Day: August 10



Patron Saint of Rome, Poor, Chef, Tanners, Firefighters and Miners Birth: December 31, 225 Death: August 10, 258 (age 32)

# St. Lawrence Novena - Day 1 / August 1

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed throughout his whole life.

St. Lawrence, we know little for certain about your early life. But it is thought that both of your parents were Christian martyrs. We do know that you desired to serve God from the time you were young.

Please bring my petitions before God Whom you desired to serve!

You became a deacon as a young man. You spent the rest of your life serving the Church before eventually being martyred for your Faith.

Pray for me, that I may always devote my life to God as wholeheartedly as you did. Pray that I may be eager to serve God in whatever ways He calls me to serve Him.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

## St. Lawrence Novena - Day 2 / August 2

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the devotion to You he showed in choosing to serve You as a deacon.

St. Lawrence, you began on the path to holiness and service to God at a young age. You continued to do all you could to serve God faithfully throughout your whole life.

Please bring my petitions before God with such faithfulness!

While you were still a young man, you answered God's call to serve Him as a deacon in Rome. After you were ordained, you carried out the duties of your vocation for the rest of your life, even choosing to give up your life for the Faith.

Pray for me, that I may always be open to serving God

in whatever ways He calls me to. Pray that I may never waver in my devotion to God. Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

## St. Lawrence Novena - Day 3 / August 3

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed through his faithful service to Your Church as a deacon.

St. Lawrence, you were ordained as a deacon when you were a young man. You began to carry out the duties of your new vocation with devotion and eagerness to serve God.

Please bring my petitions before God Whom you served so eagerly!

Your position in the Church led directly to you

becoming a target of the government. You were sentenced to death because of your Faith and your refusal to renounce your Faith.

Pray for me, that I may be as devoted a servant of God as you were. Pray that I may never allow sufferings or persecution to deter me from serving God.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

#### St. Lawrence Novena - Day 4 / August 4

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the virtue he showed in his ministry to the poor as a deacon.

St. Lawrence, you became a deacon as a young man. You were appointed the task of overseeing the Church treasury, and you cared for the poor entrusted to you out of love for God. Please bring my petitions before God Whom you loved so dearly!

When you were faced with the prospect of death on account of your Faith, you continued in your care and concern for the poor. You distributed as much of the Church's wealth as you could to the poor before it could be seized.

Pray for me, that I may never miss the opportunity to serve God through service to my brothers and sisters in Christ. Pray that I may always serve God in whatever ways He calls me to.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

## St. Lawrence Novena - Day 5 / August 5

Today, let's pray for an increase in charity towards the poor in our society and in our own lives. Let's ask St. Lawrence to intercede that we may grow in charitable love for the poor among us each day. Day's Prayers:

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed in his charitable work towards the poor.

St. Lawrence, you were entrusted with the task of caring for the poor through alms as a deacon. You carried out this task faithfully, out of love for God.

Please bring my petitions before God with such faithfulness!

When government officials told you to turn over the Church's wealth, you instead distributed the wealth to the poor before it could be seized. You then presented the poor as the true riches of the Church.

Pray for me, that I may grow in charity towards the poor around me. Pray that I may never miss the opportunity to practice charity towards my brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

### St. Lawrence Novena - Day 6 / August 6

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the virtue he showed in seeing the poor and the disabled as the Church's true riches.

St. Lawrence, you were told to surrender the riches of the Church to government officials before your martyrdom. Rather than turn over the Church's money, you instead presented the poor and the disabled. You saw these people as the true riches of the Church.

Please continue to bring my petitions before the throne of God!

Your defiance enraged the prefect, and you were sentenced to a terrible death. Despite your sufferings, you never wavered in your Faith.

Pray for me, that I may grow in appreciation of true

riches. Pray that I may never waver in my commitment to God and the pursuit of spiritual goods, no matter what trials I might face.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

### St. Lawrence Novena - Day 7 / August 7

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the devotion to You he showed in holding fast to his Faith, even to the point of death.

St. Lawrence, you were a deacon in a time when the Church was being persecuted by the government. Though you could have spared your life by renouncing your Faith, you persevered in your Faith.

Please persevere in bringing my petitions before God! Your refusal to cooperate with the directions of the government enraged the prefect and caused him to sentence you to a torturous death. Despite your sufferings, you never wavered in your Faith.

Pray for me, that I may have the fortitude to do what is right, no matter the cost. Pray that I may always hold fast to my Faith, even amidst great sufferings.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

#### St. Lawrence Novena - Day 8 / August 8

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed in facing his martyrdom courageously.

St. Lawrence, legend says that you were sentenced to death on a gridiron on account of your Faith and your refusal to cooperate with the evil government. You were said to have faced this painful death with great courage, out of love for God. Please bring my petitions before God Whom you loved so devotedly!

Rather than renounce your Faith to save yourself from such a painful death, you were said to have joked that you were well-done on one side as you were dying.

Pray for me, that I may always practice my Faith with courage, no matter what sufferings I might face. Pray that I may never allow sufferings to deter me from serving God.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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

#### St. Lawrence Novena - Day 9 / August 9

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

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Lawrence as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the devotion to You he showed through his committed service to Your Church. St. Lawrence, you were ordained a deacon when you were a young man. Until your martyrdom, you served the Church faithfully in your vocation as a deacon.

Please bring my petitions before the throne of God with such faithfulness!

You refused to renounce your Faith or to betray the Church by turning over the Church's treasury to the government. Because of your commitment to God, you were sentenced to a painful death.

Pray for me, that I may be as devoted a servant of God and His Church as you were. Pray that I may grow in my love for God and His Church each day.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions silently).

St. Lawrence, pray for us!

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

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



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