



NINE-DAY NOVENA IN DEFENSE OF LIFE

Thank you for taking part in this Nine-Day Novena "In Defense of Life" starting on Wednesday, May 6, 2020. Thursday, May 14, 2020 marks the day for the traditional "March for Life" in major cities across Canada, but unfortunately, due to the present Covid-19 Pandemic this event cannot take place publicly.

In our efforts to recognize the value of all human life, especially the unborn and their mothers, we encourage everyone to participate in this Nine-day Novena as sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, St. Edward's Parish, Duncan BC. Our primary defense for life and a return to respect and protection for all human life is through prayer. Thank you for joining us in this nine-day Novena.

This effort is only a simple daily gesture but if many participate we will raise our voices in unison asking for Divine intervention for God's intercession to protect all unborn children and the vulnerable in our communities. Let us all remember each day as well the many individuals, families, and friends that are affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Day 1 - Wednesday, May 6, 2020

O' God of Beginnings, You are the Creator of all life. As we begin this Novena, be near us as we unite with our pre-born brothers and sisters who are scheduled for death. May You by Your Holy Spirit and by the voice of Your Church lead Your people to rescue from death, the innocent children and bring those who participate in their death to true repentance, that they may taste of Your goodness and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Our Father
Hail Mary
Glory Be to the Father*

Day 2 - Thursday, May 7, 2020

We pray to the Lord for those who have grown tired of life, and especially for those tempted to suicide: that God might grant them patient, endurance, and the support of loved ones and that we may be alert to recognize the needs of those who are suffering or vulnerable.

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Day 3 - Friday, May 8, 2020

Almighty and All-Powerful God, drive all evil spirits away from the innocent pre-born children and from the killing centers where their destruction is planned. Overcome evil with good in the hearts of those who reject Your truth, and who have believed the lies of the evil one who would say that good is evil and evil is good. Rebuke the enemy for the sake of innocent children, and for Your sake, O' Lord, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Day 4 - Saturday, May 9, 2020

O' Great King of Kings, let Your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven for the sanctity of all human life. You have said that Your Kingdom is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Where there is unrighteousness, let righteousness come to bear, where there is hostility, cause Your peace to reign supreme, where there is sorrow, bring joy to the hearts of people. Lead us into Your unshakable and

everlasting Kingdom, in which You reign forever and ever, that truly the kingdoms of this world will become the Kingdoms of our God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Day 5 - Sunday, May 10, 2020

Our God is a God of mercy and love. He understands our fallen nature and knows we need more than one opportunity to return to Him. There is no sin God refuses to forgive, if we are sorry. Please, O' Lord, help us to offer that same forgiveness to those who participate in abortion, euthanasia, and the destruction of embryonic life and who by other means violate the sanctity of human life. Grant that in all things the world may know the height, the depth, the breadth, and width of Your love, Your mercy and Your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Day 6 - Monday, May 11, 2020

O' Holy God, our Rock and our Fortress, You used the womb of Mary as a tabernacle for the indwelling of the Incarnation, where the Holy Son of God was to be nurtured and protected. You created the womb of woman that the miracle of human life might be nurtured and protected. Many women have been deceived to believe that their womb is not a place of holy protection for human life, but that it is simply another part of their body. Renew and restore Your purpose and will concerning the womb of all women, that You may be glorified, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Day 7 - Tuesday, May 12, 2020

O' Ruler of the nations, many of the rulers of the earth have set themselves against You; they rebel against Your rule. Yet You have set Your King on Your holy hill of Zion so that in every local, provincial and national government You would rule in the midst of Your enemies. We pray that You would strengthen and uphold those rulers that, by Your grace, are following Your ways and purpose and will enact laws to defend all human life. *Amen.*

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Day 8 - Wednesday, May 13, 2020

O' God, who is the Beginning and the End, hear our prayers as we cry out to You to end the merciless shedding of innocent blood in our country and throughout the world. One danger that is spreading across Canada is the killing of vulnerable people through euthanasia. We implore you, Lord, as you are have fashioned life from conception through to natural death, to end the killing in our land and across the world of the unborn, the elderly, and the vulnerable. Through death You have conquered death and through Your life we experience eternal and everlasting life. Cause life to spring forth in the hearts of all people and bring forth a love and respect for life that will dominate our culture. May Your Kingdom and Church apprehend and overtake the culture of death that has prevailed through deceit and selfishness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Day 9 - Thursday, May 14, 2020

Mary, Mother of all Life, help us to respect human life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. You showed us how valuable a single life can be; help us to guard and protect the lives of all people entrusted to our care. Mary, Mother of the Child Jesus, with St. Joseph you formed the Holy Family. Guard and protect all families in

this earthly life. Mary, Full of Grace, You had a choice in responding to God's call; help us always to say "Yes" to the will of God in our lives, and strive always to do whatever he tells us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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