

MIRACULOUS MEDAL Novena

November 18th – November 26th,2025



About Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary when she appeared to a Sister of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul in Paris. On July 18, 1830, Sister Catherine Laboure was awakened by a young angelic child standing at the end of her bed calling for her to come, "The Blessed Virgin is waiting for you" he said.

Sister Catherine followed the boy to the Chapel where she knelt at the altar rail and waited. She heard the rustling of material before she saw the Blessed Mother come and sit in the priest's chair. Sister Catherine ran to her and, resting her hands on the knees of Mary, listened for hours as she was instructed about how to act in times of trials that she would soon encounter.

She predicted the terrible Revolution of 1830 in France and the Franco-Prussian War of 1860. She told Sister Catherine of a special mission that God had for her and the contradictions she would face. She asked Sister Catherine to tell no one of her visit except her confessor Father Aladel. On November 27, 1830, while in the chapel in meditation with other sisters, Sister Catherine again heard the rustling of material and the Blessed Virgin appeared standing on a globe and holding a smaller globe on top of a cross she seemed to offer to God. When the globe disappeared Mary lifted her hands that were covered with jewels. From some of the jewels, rays of light shown which she said were symbols of the graces that would be given to all who asked for them. The jewels that had no rays were symbols of unclaimed graces. An oval frame outlined the figure bearing in gold letters the words "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." When the frame revolved, on the back the letter M was surmounted by a cross with a crossbar underneath; and beneath that, the Sacred Heart of Jesus surrounded by a crown of thorns and the Sacred Heart of Mary pierced by a sword. She asked Catherine to have a medal made after the model and to spread devotion to the medal around the world

Stories of cures an conversions made the medals popular and resulted in them being called "miraculous."

To spread the devotion, Father Aladel formed confraternities or sodalities of the Children of Mary which did indeed spread all over the world. A statue of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal was placed over the main altar in the chapel where Mary appeared to Sister Catherine.

Today, the devotion to the Miraculous Medal is still one of the most powerful prayers we can pray this side of Heaven.

Opening Prayer

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, ask thy Son on my behalf for everything my soul and all mankind needs so that thy Reign be established on earth. My most earnest request is that thou mayest triumph in me and in all souls and implant thy Reign on earth. *Amen*

Day 1 - The First Apparition

During the night of July 18-19, 1830, the Most Holy Virgin appeared for the first time to Saint Catherine Labouré, who had been awakened and led from the dormitory to the chapel by her guardian angel.

In the sanctuary, Saint Catherine later wrote:

"I heard something like the rustling of a silk dress, coming from the side of the tribune, close to Saint Joseph's picture. She alighted on the steps of the altar on the Gospel side, in an arm chair like Saint Anne's... As I looked up at Our Lady I flung myself close to her, falling on my knees on the altar steps, my hands resting in her knees. That was the sweetest moment of my life."

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, look on my soul with mercy, obtain for me a spirit of prayer that leads me always to have recourse to thee. Obtain for me the graces that I implore of thee and, above all, inspire me to pray for the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father.... Hail Mary....

Glory Be....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 2 - Protection of Mary in Times of Trial

"The times are very evil, misfortunes are going to befall France, the throne will be overthrown, the whole world will be overwhelmed with misfortunes of every kind." The Holy Virgin looked very distressed as she said this.

"But come to the foot of this altar. Here graces will be bestowed on anyone, great or small, who asks for them with confidence and fervor... A moment will come of such great danger that all will seem lost. But I shall be with you."

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, amidst the great desolation in the world and the Church, obtain for me the graces I ask of thee and inspire me, above all, to request the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

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

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 3 - The Cross Will Be Despised

"The Cross will be despised and hurled to the ground, blood will run in the streets, the Side of Our Lord will be opened again. The archbishop will be stripped of his garments." Here the Holy Virgin, her face filled with sadness, could no longer speak. "My child, the whole world will be plunged in sorrow," she said to me.

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, obtain for me the grace to live in union with thee, with thy Divine Son and the Church at this crucial moment in history, as tragic as the Passion, when all humanity is about to choose sides for or against Christ! Obtain for me the graces I implore, especially the grace of requesting that which thou most wants to grant me.

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

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 4 – Mary Crushes the Head of the Serpent

At 5:30 on the evening of November 27, 1830, as Saint Catherine was praying in the chapel, the Holy Virgin appeared to her for the second time, standing as high as Saint Joseph's picture to the right of the main altar.

"Her face was so beautiful that it would be impossible for me to describe it. Her robe was white as the glow of dawn... Her head was covered with a white veil that extended to her feet which rested on a half sphere, with her heel crushing the head of a serpent."

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, be my protection against the assaults of the infernal enemy. Obtain for me the graces I am asking of thee and, above all, inspire me to request the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

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

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 5 - The Virgin of the Globe

The Holy Virgin holds a globe in her hands representing the whole world, and each person in particular, and offers it to God, imploring His mercy.

She wears rings on her fingers, bearing precious stones that shed rays, one more beautiful than the next, symbolizing the graces that the Holy Virgin pours out on those who ask for them.

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, obtain for me the graces I am asking of thee and inspire me, above all, to request the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father

Hail Mary....

Glory Be....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 6 – The Invocation on the Medal

During the second apparition, Our Blessed Mother explained to Saint Catherine "how pleased she is when people pray to her and how generous she is with them; how she gives special graces to those who ask; and what a great joy she takes in granting them."

At that point "a frame formed around Our Lady, like an oval, bearing the following words in gold letters: 'O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.'"

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, obtain for me the graces I am asking of thee and inspire me, above all, to request the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father....

Hail Mary....

Glory Be....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 7 – Revelation of the Medal

Then a voice was heard, saying, "Have a medal struck after this model. Those who wear it, blessed, around their neck will receive great graces. The graces will be abundant for those who wear it with confidence."

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, obtain for me the graces that I ask of thee and inspire me, above all, to pray for the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father

Hail Mary....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 8 - The Hearts of Jesus and Mary

After contemplating the picture on the medal, Saint Catherine saw it turn to display the back.

There she saw an "M," the monogram of Mary, surmounted by a small cross and, below it, the hearts of Jesus and Mary, the first surrounded with thorns and the latter pierced with a sword.

Twelve stars surrounded the hearts and the monogram.

Let us pray

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, make my heart like unto thine. Obtain for me the graces I am asking of thee and, above all, inspire me to ask of thee the graces thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father.... Hail Mary....

Glory Be....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Day 9 – Mary Will Be Proclaimed

Queen of the Universe Confirming the predictions of Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Saint Catherine says that the Most Holy Virgin will be proclaimed Queen of the Universe:

"Oh! how beautiful it will be to hear: Mary is the Queen of the Universe. The children and everyone will cry with joy and rapture. That will be a lasting era of peace and happiness. She will be displayed on standards and paraded all over the world."

Let us pray

O Most Holy Virgin, O my Mother, obtain for me the graces I am asking of thee and inspire me, above all, to pray for the graces that thou most wants to grant me.

Our Father

Hail Mary....

Glory Be....

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!