

### **\*\*\*PRAYER OF PRAISE TO JESUS IN GLORY**

I praise Thee, dearest Heart of Jesus, Fountain of all goodness.

I praise Thee, most kind Heart of Jesus, for the boundless graces that hast flowed and shall continueth to flow from Thee into the souls of the just.

I praise Thee, most gentle Heart of Jesus, for the tender love with which Thou hast so often refreshed devout hearts through Divine consolations.

I praise Thee most loving Heart of Jesus, for the fullness of Thy grace, the splendor of Thy virtues, the generosity of Thy Heart, and the purity of Thy love.

I praise Thee, royal Heart of Jesus, for Thy victory over death and sin, Thy power over souls, and Thy triumph over the living and the dead.

I praise Thee, Heart so poor and yet so rich, for having despiseth all earthly riches and for having renounced all earthly honors.

I praise Thee, most obedient Heart of Jesus, that hungereth after the fulfillment of the Divine Will and thirsted after the greater glory of God and the salvation of souls.

I praise Thee, most generous Heart of Jesus, that did not seeketh Its own glory; most patient Heart, that willingly bore the greatest insults; most unselfish Heart, that longeth for and lovingly embrace the Cross.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, teacheth me to love Thee with my whole heart, and granteth that, according to the little strength I have, I may imitate Thy wonderful virtues. Amen.

#### **Prayer**

God our Father, maketh us joyful in the Ascension of Thy Son Jesus Christ.

Mayeth we follow Him into the new creation, for His Ascension is our glory and our hope.

We asketh this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who livest and reignst with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, forever. Amen.

\*\*\*(excerpted from: angelqueen.org)

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## **Novena for the ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**



**HIS ASCENSION IS OUR GLORY AND OUR HOPE**

## **\*\*ASCENSION NOVENA**

**(SAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYERS FOR NINE DAYS BEFORE ASCENSION THURSDAY)**

### **HISTORY OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**

\*The Ascension of Our Lord, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter, is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven (Luke 24:51; Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9-11).

The reality of the Ascension is so important that the creeds (the basic statements of belief) of Christianity all affirm, in the words of the Apostles' Creed, that "He ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead." The denial of the ascension is as grave a departure from Christian teaching as is denial of Christ's Resurrection.

Christ's bodily Ascension foreshadows our own entrance into Heaven not simply as souls, after our death, but as glorified bodies, after the resurrection of the dead at the Final Judgment. In redeeming mankind, Christ not only offered salvation to our souls but began the restoration of the material world itself to the glory that God intended before Adam's fall.

\* (excerpted from: Catholicismabout.com)

Jesus, I honor You on the feast of Your Ascension into heaven. I rejoice with all my heart at the glory into which You entered to reign as King of heaven and earth. When the struggle of this life is over, give me the grace to share Your joy and triumph in heaven for all eternity.

I believe that You entered into Your glorious Kingdom to prepare a place for me, for You promised to come again to take me to Yourself. Grant that I may seek only the joys of Your friendship and love, so that I may deserve to be united with You in heaven.

In the hour of my own homecoming, when I appear before Your Father to give an account of my life on earth, have mercy on me.

Jesus, in Your love for me You have brought me from evil to good and from misery to happiness. Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness.

May Your Humanity give me courage in my weakness and free me from my sins. Through Your grace, give me the courage of perseverance for You have called and justified me by faith. May I hold fast to the life You have given me and come to the eternal gifts You promised.

You love me, dear Jesus.

Help me to love You in return.

I ask You to grant me this special favor:

**(Mention your request)**

By Your unceasing care, guide my steps toward the life of glory You have prepared for those who love You.

Make me grow in holiness and thank You by a life of faithful service. Amen.

\*\* (excerpted from: ewtn.com)