### NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for His Creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (request). The answer to my prayer may require a miracle; even so you are the Saint of Miracles. O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever by yours. Amen. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.

#### **Anthony of Padua**

His sermons, noted for their eloquence, spirit and persuasiveness, attracted huge crowds everywhere he preached. His success in reconciling persons alienated from the Church and as a confessor was phenomenal.

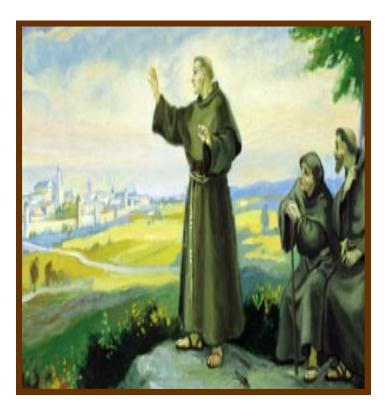
He died in 1231 at the age of thirty-six. He was canonized a saint the following year and declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946.



Stories of miracles wrought through his intercession and of his preaching powers are legendary. He is known as the "Wonder Worker." He is the patron of the poor and oppressed and is widely invoked for the return of lost articles. He is often depicted in art with the Infant Jesus in his arms.

#### The Thirteen Tuesdays

# NOVENA To Saint Anthony of Padua



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## NOVENA OF SHORT PRAYERS FOR "THIRTEEN TUESDAYS" IN HONOR OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

#### First Tuesday:

St. Anthony, you found quiet time to retreat into private communion with God to replenish your life with new strength. Help me in the midst of my busy life to seek the Spirit's guiding presence within my heart.

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#### **Second Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you lived in the midst of storm and danger and were exposed to evils yet you kept a prayerful spirit. Keep me prayerful and surround me with your constant care. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### Third Tuesday

St. Anthony, you were challenged by change and new experiences so many times in the course of your life. Help me not to be afraid of the changes that will take place in my own life and to realize that by dealing with them I will grow in faith. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Fourth Tuesday**

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#### Fifth Tuesday

St. Anthony, you experienced in your ministry as a priest the power of God healing the wounded through your touch. Heal me and my dear ones according to God's will. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Sixth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you carried out the daily responsibilities of your religious life with attention, care and loving faith. May I dedicate myself in the same spirit of love to the tasks God has given to me in union with Jesus.

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#### **Seventh Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you felt grateful for the countless blessings that flowed into your life from the hands of God. May I also gratefully recognize God's presence in the events of my daily life.

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#### **Eighth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you found that the companionship of your Franciscan brothers gave you happiness and support as you spread the Gospel of love at work. May I be loyal and honest with my friends and respect their support. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Ninth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, each day you celebrated the Sacrifice of God's Son, the Living Bread broken and shared in love. May I nurture others by sharing my daily bread unselfishly. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Tenth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you walked in the footsteps of our Suffering Savior by accepting with love the challenges of life. Help me to live in your Gospel spirit by accepting patiently whatever God permits for my own growth in holiness. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Eleventh Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you brought hope and comfort to the needy and outcast of people of your day. Help me to view any problems as opportunities to grow and share myself with those in need.

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#### **Twelfth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you led many from darkness to light by your preaching and works of kindness. May I also become light to others and a radiant instrument of peace. (RECITE PRAYER BACK PAGE)

#### **Thirteenth Tuesday**

St. Anthony, you rejoiced in God's mysterious ways and holy designs for your life here on earth. I thank the Lord for my own unique existence and for the people I alone can influence for good during my lifetime.

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